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Parish Office open Monday through Thursday:

8:00 a.m. to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon ONLY

Adoration Chapel

(across from the office)

Monday through Thursday:

8:00 a.m. to 11:45 & 1:00 to 2:45 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 to 11:45 a.m. only

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Masses: 11:30 a.m., 1:15, 3:00 & 4:30 p.m. Confessions @ 10:00 a.m.

Sunday: Masses: 6:30, 8:15, and 10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Daily Mass: 8:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass

Adoration after Daily Mass for 10 minutes. Followed by Divine Mercy

Holy Days: Special Schedule

Video Masses available online for Sundays and Holy Days for the Homebound

www.stgeorgeaj.com

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 19, 2025



COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you or someone you know is sick or homebound, please call for the assistance of a Minister of Care. Ministers of Care bring communion to those who cannot come to Mass. Please call the office at 480-982-2929 for more information.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR EMERGENCY

If you or someone you know is in critical condition or near death call 480-982-2929 weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. After hours and on weekends call 480-303-1253. Please do not use this service for any other reason.

INFANT BAPTISM

Parents requesting baptism for their children under 7 years old must attend a mandatory preparation class along with the Godparents. Please call the Parish Office for current requirements and to register for the class and the baptism. Class and baptisms are in English only.

MARRIAGES/MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Couples seeking the sacrament of marriage must be registered parishioners who are actively participating in the life of St. George Roman Catholic Parish. Notification of intent to marry must be provided nine months in advance. For more information on the marriage preparation process, please call the Parish Office.

PASTORAL STAFF

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(for ON-LINE giving questions)
800-348-2886

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday	January 20, 2025
Parish Office closed-Martin Luther King Day	
5:30 p.m.	Knights of Columbus Council
Tuesday	January 21, 2025
Wednesday	January 22, 2025
9:00 a.m.	Rosary Makers (Social Hall)
Thursday	January 23, 2025
6:00 p.m.	Catholics Returning Home (Room 3)
Friday	January 24, 2025
Saturday	January 25, 2025
Sunday	January 26, 2025

Our Lady of the Desert Guild 2025 Tea *“my cup runneth over”*



Monday, February 10, 2025
1:00 p.m.
St. George Social Hall
Ticket price \$15.00
Tickets will be on sale on
weekends at the back of the
social hall (by the Gift Shop)
until they are sold out.

EDGE & Life Teen Annual Orange Picking Service Project

Our annual orange picking event will be held on Saturday, January 25, 2025. This is a mandatory service project for our Confirmation Candidates. Permission slips were sent home the week of January 12, 2025.

For more information:
Christine Ollive
Director of
Religious Education

collive@stgeorgeaj.com



Tax Statements

The office does not automatically send out tax statements. If you wish to receive a tax statement, please call the parish office and request one. If you wish to pick it up, please call in advance so that we can have it ready for you. Thank you.



Monday, January 20, 2025
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you. (Is 62:5)

Psalm:

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations. (Ps 96)

Second Reading:

But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes. (1 Cor 12:11)

Gospel:

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. (Jn 2:11)

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 1 & 2—Spaghetti Dinner ticket sales
February 1 & 2—K of C Baby Bottle Distribution
February 5—Our Lady of the Desert Guild
February 7—Spaghetti Dinner
February 10—Our Lady of Desert Guild Tea
February 17—K of C Blood Drive
February 18—Divine Mercy Movie (1 & 2)
February 25—Divine Mercy Movie (3 & 4)
Divine Mercy Movie (5 & 6)

Promotion of the Miraculous Medal

The Annual Promotion of the Miraculous Medal met with great success, exceeding last years enrollments. The enrollment certifies a One year membership in the Association of the Miraculous Medal and share in the monthly Novena Masses at the National Shrine from January 2025 to December 2025. Enrollments and donations have all been sent to the shrine in Perryville, Missouri.



Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Fundraiser Campaign



Join us in supporting life through the K of C “Baby Bottle Fundraiser” which is part of our “Respect Life Campaign.” Your generous donations will support two important causes:

1. **The Hope Women’s Center in A.J.**, which is dedicated to engaging, encouraging, and equipping vulnerable women and teen girls by providing vital support for their physical, emotional, and spiritual needs.

2. A fund to purchase **ultrasound equipment** for expectant mothers.

Pick-Up Dates:

Baby bottles will be available for take-home after all weekend Masses on Sat. & Sun. Feb. 1st & 2nd

Return Dates:

Please return the filled bottles with your donations (cash or check) before or after all Masses on Sat. & Sun. Feb. 8th & 9th.

Important Note:

Make Checks payable to:
Pope John Paul I Council #7243

Your support is greatly needed and will help provide women and girls with renewed hope for a brighter future! Thank you for your generosity!

Readings for the week

Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10/
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk
3:1-6

Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/
Mk 3:7-12

Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14/
Mk 3:13-19

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday January 20, 2025

8:00 a.m. Mary Alberts
+Thomas Gowing
+Lois Darlene Kurian

Tuesday January 21, 2025

8:00 a.m. Patti Lindberg
Hyacinth Joan Starostat
+Bob Kulo

Wednesday January 22, 2025

8:00 a.m. Allison & Baby Matthew Gonzalez
+Maria Celestina Abdegano
+Aileen McDonald

Thursday January 23, 2025

8:00 a.m. Souls in Purgatory
+Robert Mazza
+Lee Woodward

Friday January 24, 2025

8:00 a.m. Francesco Balistreri
Pietro Balistreri
+Donna Kopriva

Saturday January 25, 2025

11:30 a.m. +Jan Cotroneo
+David & Shawn Peters

1:15 p.m. +Dorothy Boyle
+Donna Ellison
+Mary Fran Pietig

3:00 p.m. Maria Grasso
Rosario Grasso
Aaron & Romella Watler

4:30 p.m. Marv & Judy Ripp
60th Wedding Anniversary
+Scott Kalvoda
+Jim Kottsick

Sunday January 26, 2025

6:30 a.m. The Wegrzyn Family
+Maggie Czerwinski

8:15 a.m. Joe & Nancy Lorden
50th Wedding Anniversary
+Linda Lunsford
+Gene Ripplinger

10:00 a.m. +Don Amiot
+Helene Desfoss
+Jim Kennedy

4:00 p.m. Aaron & Romella Watler
+Glenda Tooley

Our Lady of the Desert Guild Gift Shop Hours

Saturdays from 12 to 2:30
Sundays from 7:30 to 11:15 a.m.



SPAGHETTI DINNER

Friday, February 7, 2025
St. George Social Hall



LIFE TEEN

St. George Social Hall
Seating at 5:00 or 7:00 p.m.
Proceeds benefit the
Life Teen Retreat Fund



Tickets available:
Through the parish office
And after Masses on February 1st & 2nd

Price \$15.00

Catholics Returning Home

Have you been away from the Church for a while? Have you ever thought about returning? If so, we have a special ministry for people just like you who have been away from the Church. Please join us for a four-week series which will be held on consecutive Thursdays beginning on January 16th from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in classroom 3. We would like to address your questions and help you feel at home once more in the Catholic Church. Please call the office ahead of time to register or to have someone contact you about any concerns you may. Deacon Paul will lead the class.



“The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive on Monday, February 17, 2025 between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The blood donations will take place in the social hall. Donation appointments can be scheduled online at donors.vitalant.org (sponsor code P1BP5). Appointments are not required. Walk-ins are welcome!”

2025 COLLECTION ENVELOPES

This is the **last weekend** to pick up your envelopes from the back of the church. They will be removed Monday, January 20th and will be available in the parish office until March 1st.

How to Report Abuse

1. Call 911 to make a police report
2. If the abuse happens in any other state, call the Police or Sheriff's Office in the specific area of that state.
3. Call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson at 1-800-234-0344 and/or the Office of Child Adolescent and Adult Protection at 520-838-2513
4. Go to the Diocese of Tucson link: <https://diocesetucson.org/our-call-to-protect-1>



The children of the parish are welcome to attend the Children's Liturgy of the Word every Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. They will gather and go to the Atrium, rejoining their parents after the readings, at the collection.



LIFE TEEN

Sunday, January 19, 2025

One For All

Through this Life Night, we unpack the Church's social teachings, painting a vivid picture of the Church as a beacon of unity and communion. We aim to inspire our teens to reflect on their role in shaping a community that genuinely mirrors Gospel values and advocates for social justice.

For more information:
Christine Ollive, Director of Religious Education
collive@stgeorgeaj.com
Or call the parish office: 480-982-2929



Tuesday, January 21, 2025

The Resurrection of Jesu

This evening we consider the meaning of the Resurrection of Jesus as well as the implications for disciples today. We also explore the meaning of Jesus' Ascension and the promise of Jesus to return at the end of time to judge the living and the dead.

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2025 St. George Roman Catholic Parish Scholarship Applications

Available from website or parish office

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Graduate from high school in the Class of 2025
- Confirmed in the Catholic church.
- Demonstrate leadership in church, school or community-related activities.
- A practicing Catholic in St. George Roman Catholic Parish.

Applications must be submitted by noon Friday, March 28, 2025.

Observances for the week

Monday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr; Martin Luther King Day
Tuesday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
Wednesday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Thursday: St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin
Friday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Our Lady of the Desert Guild

On Wednesday, February 5th, we're looking forward to meeting "new friends" at Our Lady of the Desert Guild Meeting....Socialize at 9:00 a.m. and the meeting will start at 9:30 a.m. Lunch will be served afterwards.



2025 Mass for Marriage Anniversaries Sunday, February 16, 2025 2:20 pm St. Augustine Cathedral.

Celebrated by Bishop Edward Weisenburger
Questions? Contact Ofelia James
ojames@diocesetucson.org

Register by: **Friday, February 7, 2025**
ONLINE REGISTRATION:
<https://forms.office.com/r/KmvdLX6Kbi>



Discover the Mystery of the Shroud of Turin

Join us for a captivating exploration of the Shroud of Turin with Deacon Paul as we delve into pivotal questions: Who is the man on the Shroud? How was his image transferred to this ancient burial cloth? Why do the bloodstains on the Shroud and the Sudarium of Oviedo (face cloth) match, yet only the Shroud bears a mysterious image?

Explore these and other intriguing aspects from the "Who is the Man on the Shroud?" exhibition, hosted by the Faith and Science Institute at the Pontifical Museum in Rome. This virtual video tour promises an enlightening experience with enlarged images, a life-size bronzed 3D sculpture, and replicas of the historical artifacts associated with the crucifixion, including the Roman flagrum (whip), crown of thorns, nails of crucifixion, and more.

Also we will hear expert insights via videos from Rev. Dr. Andrew Dalton and Rev. Dr. Robert Spitzer. **Sessions will be held on four consecutive Thursdays: March 6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th, from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. in our social hall.**

Deepen your understanding of the Shroud's significance through the Gospels, especially John's account of the Passion events from Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday.

Every attendee will receive a complimentary copy of "The Shroud of Jesus" by Dr. Gilbert Lavoie, a book rich with illustrations and insights into the Shroud's history and its profound revelations.

Don't miss this opportunity to engage with a key aspect of our faith and history, as we begin the Lenten Season. **Anyone wishing to attend MUST Call the parish office to register for this free course. All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there!**



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