



St. George ~ St. Francis Parish Christmas Luncheon
Sunday, December 22 immediately following the 11AM Mass, St. George church hall, Jeffersonville. All are welcome! Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share.



Holiday Mass Schedule



St. George -Jeffersonville

Christmas Eve
 4:00 PM Family Mass
 10:00 PM "Midnight Mass"
 Dec 25, Christmas Mass 11:00 AM
 Jan 1, New Year's Day Mass 11:00 AM

St. Francis -Youngsville

Christmas Eve Mass 7:00 PM
 New Year's Day Mass 9:00 AM

Healing After Abortion: Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates in the NYC area are: Jan 18th, Feb 8th, Feb 22nd (Spanish), March 21st, and more. For more dates, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (866)-575-0075 (toll free) or reach us by email at hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org

Advent and Christmas programming for both adults and children continues to be available on **Formed.org**, a Catholic movie streaming service available on demand free to all parishioners. Stream content on your computer, tablet, or smart phone. Sign up with your email address. Visit **formed.org** for more information.



Have you thought about becoming more active in your parish? Are you a lector who wants to learn more about the Scriptures? Give back this holiday season and sign-up for a new online training program! Through an instructional video and short quizzes, deepen your connection to this ministry and earn your certification in as little as two hours. Sign up at <https://nyliturgy.teachable.com/>



2020 Mass Book Now Open

A Church tradition invites people to offer a Mass for a deceased loved one, a special intention for healing, in thanksgiving for a special blessing, or an occasion such as a wedding anniversary or birthday. The 2020 Mass Book is now opened so you may come in and request a Mass on you special date. Or you may call the parish office, 482-4640, to make a request.

Customary donation, \$10 without card, \$15 with a special Mass card. Cards available for various occasions.

St. George ~ St. Francis

*A Parish Community;
 Catholic in our Faith, Christian in our
 witness, Franciscan in our Tradition*

Sacraments

Baptism - Fourth Sunday - Private preparation two weeks in advance.
Marriages - Initial contact with Pastor six months before marriage date.
Confessions - Thirty minutes before weekend Masses.

Pastoral Visitations

If you, or someone known to you is in an area Nursing Home, Hospital, or would just appreciate a home visit from the Pastor or a Pastoral Visitor, please notify the office.

Parish Registration

If you are moving into or out of the parish, please notify the office.

Mass Schedule:	Weekdays	8:00 AM	St. Kateri Chapel, St. George
	Saturday Vigil	4:00 PM	St. George
	Sunday	7:30 AM & 11:00 AM	St. George
	Sunday	9:00 AM	St. Francis

Serving the Catholic community in Jeffersonville and Youngsville, NY

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**Fourth Sunday
 of Advent**

*Isaiah 7: 10-14
 Psalm 24: 1-6
 Romans 1: 1-7
 Matthew 1: 18-24*

Sunday December 22, 2019



Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish

Requests for prayers will be published for four weeks, unless the requests are renewed from time to time. Please phone Roseann 482-4640.



Laura D'Ercole, Aldona Harder, Raymond, Patrick Madden, Keith Cousineau, Harriet Podbielski, Regina Wagner, Shannon Hayden, Imma Deluca, Carmen Crawford, Terry Calkin, Christina Hubert, Isabell Sander, Sr. Dolores, Elie Devlin, Bob Parks, Don Ammorusso, Joe Nosek, Frank Ruggiero, **John O'Toole, Steve Clifford, Owen Poley, Jacqui, Charlie Pribyl, Christopher Zappola, Mike Masciola, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke**

Mass Intentions

Saturday - December 21st

4:00PM - Donald Hauschild, Roy & Jennie Williams, and Betty Martin by Barbara Hauschild & family
Sunday - December 22nd
7:30AM - Pritchard family

9:00AM - Maria Hien & forgotten souls

11:00AM - Flora Turnbull by Georgeanne & Tom Mall

Monday - December 23rd

8:00AM - the Dorst family

Tuesday - December 24th

All Christmas Masses offered for the people of the parish
4:00 PM - St. George Family Mass
7:00 PM - St. Francis
10:00 PM - St. George

Wednesday - December 25th

11:00 AM - St. George—for the people

Thursday - December 26th

8:00AM - Anna Woods

Friday - December 27th

8:00AM - Alfred Niespolo

Saturday - December 28th

4:00PM - the Johnson family

Sunday - December 29th

7:30AM - Mary Tegeler

9:00AM - Florence Boss

11:00AM - John, Dorothy, and Nancy McGuire by Carolyn McGuire

Joseph the dreamer

Pope Francis has spoken on several occasions about his devotion to St Joseph. St Joseph is his favorite saint, he says, because he shows us how God reveals his plan to us in our times of silence and rest. He keeps a statue of a sleeping St Joseph on his desk, placing prayer requests under it.

Speaking on a trip to the Philippines in 2015, he said: 'I have great love for Saint Joseph, because he is a man of silence and strength ... Joseph's rest revealed God's will to him. In this moment of rest in the Lord, as we pause from our many daily obligations and activities, God is also speaking to us. But like St Joseph, once we have heard God's voice, we must rise from our slumber; we must get up and act.'

Today's Gospel recalls the central role played by St Joseph in the story of the birth of Jesus. A man of honor from the outset, the goodness of his character is further highlighted by his response to God's voice. When he wakes up after hearing God's instructions in a dream, he immediately acts on it and takes Mary into his home. His openness to God's will is a crucial element in the story that follows: his partnership with and support of Mary, the birth of Jesus, his care for the child 'who is to save his people'.

Christmas is very near now, and we are busy and preoccupied with our preparations. A good time, perhaps, to pause in silence, to rest with God, and to listen to what he might have to say to us. ~Triona Doherty

OFFERTORY REPORT

Weekend of Dec. 15th

1st Collection

@St. George - \$1285..

@St. Francis - \$533.

2nd Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious

@St. George - \$489.

@St. Francis - \$112.

Scripture Next Weekend

December 29, 2019
Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

Sirach 3:2-6

Psalms 128: 1-5

Colossians 3: 12-21

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

CHURCH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Dec 22 - Fourth Sunday of Advent, 2nd collection for **Christmas flowers**

Dec 22 - Parish Christmas Party immediately following the 11AM mass in Pope John XXIII Hall. All are welcome. Please bring a dish to share!

Dec 24 - Christmas Eve - Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord, Masses at 4 & 10 PM, St. George, Jeffersonville, and at 7PM at St. Francis, Youngsville.

Dec 25 - Christmas Day - Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord, Mass at 11AM St. George, Jeffersonville

Dec 29 - Feast of the Holy Family, 2nd collection for **Fuel Oil**

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has much information on its website that may be interesting and useful for our parishioners. Included are blessings for your family's Christmas Tree and Nativity Scene. Visit usccb.org and go to the Prayer and Worship section (Advent) for more information.

Come and **pray the Rosary** for an end to abortion. The Right to Life group of Sullivan county gathers outside of Planned Parenthood each 2nd and 4th Friday of the month to pray for the unborn. Gather at St. Peter's Church in Monticello following the 12:15 Mass, then proceed to Planned Parenthood.

CHILD PROTECTION

Required Announcement

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Eileen Mulcahy at 646-794-2949. Mrs. Mulcahy may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

Financial Wrongdoing Hotline

The Archdiocese of New York takes the stewardship of your donations and its resources seriously. If you have knowledge of financial misconduct or suspect that it might be occurring, please report your concerns via a toll free hotline, at 877-820-0541, or on the internet, at <http://www.reportlineweb.com/ADNY>.

Reminder: Donations to the Parish Made by Check:

Please remember that all contributions made to the parish by check should be made payable to the Parish in the Parish's name. Contributions to be made to a Parish by check should **NOT** be made payable to the Pastor, Administrator, or any Parish employee.

Come Join Us!

Weekday Mass

8 a.m. Monday - Friday

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Chapel in St. George's Rectory

Holy Hour

1st Saturday of each month at St. George, 3:00pm

Religious Education Classes

St. George 9:30 - 11:00am, **St. Francis** 10:00 - 11:30am

Choir

St. George - Anne Devlin Raum 482-3844

St. Francis - Linda Hauschild 482-4640

Altar Rosary Society

St. George

St. Francis Ladies Guild

Mary Nosek 482-4292

Facebook Page Novenas

Search for: **Novenas Daily** to join in Devotions & Prayers

St. George ~ St. Francis Parish is now on Facebook

Look for *Saint George & Saint Francis*

@stgeorgestfrancis

GIFT SHOPS

St. George - Danielle Corcillo, Saturday Mass

Mon - Wed, see office staff

St. Francis - before & after 9:00 AM Mass

Mary Nosek (482-4292) Susan Busing (701-0907)

BIBLE STUDY

Every Saturday 10:30am

St. Peter's Church, Monticello, NY

For more information 845-796-0228

Use of Parish Spaces: Anyone having an event involving the use of St. George ~ St. Francis Parish must contact the Parish Office at least one month in advance.