

St. Joseph's Seminary Evening for Vocations

Join Saint Joseph's Seminary for an evening for vocations on Thursday, March 19, from 5 to 8 PM. Young men ages 15-25 are invited to tour the Seminary, after which there will be solemn evening prayer and a buffet dinner. RSVP to the Office of Vocations at (914) 968-1340 or via email at nypriest@archny.org, by Monday, February 17.

Community Lunch Program

Join your friends and neighbors for free soup & sandwiches at either of the following locations: Grace Lutheran Church, North Branch or United Reform Church, Youngsville February 15th & 29th from 12 to 2 PM
All are welcome!



All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors of our parish are encouraged to refresh their knowledge of the theology and practicalities of their ministry. Please visit nyliturgy.org for Archdiocesan guidelines, upcoming workshops, and free online training.



The 1st Way Life Center extends their sincere thanks and gratitude to the parishioners of St. George~St. Francis for their generosity during this past Advent-Christmas season. Over \$640 was collected during the baby bottle campaign. This allows the center to continue their mission of helping women and girls who find themselves pregnant without support or assistance.

Call 845-796-5305 for more information.



More than \$675 billion in annual federal funds are dependent on Census Data, including school funding and political representation. This is why it is critical to ensure that everyone is counted. **Do your part! Complete the Census!**

Day of Prayer and Reflection for Liturgical Ministers Saturday, March 7, 2020 10am-3pm St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers and Parish Musicians are invited to gather together to reflect on the meaning of the Easter Triduum and discover its deep meaning for their lives, their ministry and their parish communities. This day of prayer and reflection will include presentations by Dr. Donna Eschenauer, associate dean and associate professor of pastoral theology at St. Joseph's Seminary, and author of "A Journey Through the Three Days: Theological Reflections on the Paschal Triduum."

Visit <https://nyliturgy.org/workshops/> for more information.

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



The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

*Malachi 3:1-4
Psalm 24: 7-10
Hebrews 2: 14-18
Luke 2 22-40*

Sunday February 2, 2020

Serving the Catholic community in Jeffersonville and Youngsville, NY

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Youth Group Coordinator:
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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, Joe Nosek, John O'Toole, Steve Clifford, Owen Poley, Jacqui, Charlie Pribyl, Christopher Zappola, Mike Masciola, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Terence Connolly, and the deceased,

CHURCH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Feb 2 - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, 2nd collection for Religious Education program of our parish
Feb 9 - 2nd collection for Peter's Pence for the Works of the Holy Father, Pope Francis
Feb 9 - Winter Fest for young people in grades 6 through 9, Villa Roma Resort, 1-4PM
Feb 16 - 2nd collection for insurance
Mar 21 - Pancake Breakfast at St. George Church, watch bulletin for more details
Religious Education Classes
Sundays—St. George 9:30 - 11:00am, St. Francis 10:00 -11:30am

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 1st
4:00PM - the Johnson family

Sunday, February 2nd
7:30AM - Vincent E. McDonnell (living)

9:00AM - Anne Mages
11:00AM - Miroslaw Szefflinski
By the Szefflinski family

Monday, February 3rd
8:00AM- Vincent E McDonnell (living)

Tuesday, February 4th
8:00AM- Vincent E McDonnell (living)

Wednesday, February 5th
8:00 AM - for the people

Thursday, February 6th
8:00AM - Vincent Bensink

Friday, February 7th
8:00AM - Intentions of Ivanka

Saturday, February 8th
4:00PM - Michael Altomare
By the Lupardo family

Sunday, February 9th
7:30AM - Salvatore Ciccione
By Joe Anne Baker
9:00AM - Jon Kessel
By Ed & Laurene McKenna
11:00AM - Frank Ruggiero
By Gregory & Roseann Brewer

Unexpected moments

It was an important day for this little family, when Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Did they expect everything to go smoothly, or had they already had to let go of some of their dreams and plans? After all, the story of Jesus' birth had already been unusual, not to mention the shepherds turning up to visit the newborn Messiah. Still, they could not have expected two elderly people to suddenly appear in the Temple with a message about their child – that he was going to do great things but also would be rejected and cause great pain to his mother. Was it at this moment that they realized life would never be the same again?

The most important messages can come from unexpected sources. Anna and Simeon were advanced in years, wise and devout people who had lived well, and still hoped and trusted in God's plan. This encounter was unexpected for them too, taking place close to the end of their lives; but they were ready, willing and able to recognize its significance. Their call was to be among the first people to encounter the Messiah and to share the Good News. What is our call? The story of Anna and Simeon shows us the value of being open to an encounter with Jesus. Despite what we have been through, or what stage we are at in life, there are good things to come. Each of us has something unique to offer. We pray that we will recognize the unexpected opportunities to encounter God that come our way. ~Triona Doherty

OFFERTORY REPORT

January 26, 2020
1st Collection
St. George - \$1045.
St. Francis - \$593.

2nd Collection for Fuel Oil
St. George - \$318.
St. Francis - \$152.

Scripture Next Weekend

February 9, 2020
5th Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Isaiah 58: 7-10
Psalm 112: 4-9
1 Corinthians 2: 1-5
Matthew 5: 13-16

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

Look for Saint George & Saint Francis
@stgeorgestfrancis

Facebook Page Novenas

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

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 your special date. Or you may call the parish office, 482-4640, to make a request.

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.



The Blessing of Throats will take place after all masses Feb 1st & 2nd.

St. Blaise is given special recognition not only with a feast day on February 3, but with a unique ceremony that parallels the practice of anointing the sick. In this case, it is blessing the throats of those with throat disorders and anyone who wishes to avoid getting such a malady or something related to the throat, even the words one speaks. Two candles are blessed, held slightly open, and pressed against the throat as the blessing is said. St. Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fish bone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when St. Blaise healed him.

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.