



March 6th & 7th 2021 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal Commitment Weekend.

All parish families are asked support the Appeal by committing to an amount comfortable for their family. The funds raised during the Cardinal's Appeal help support the good works of the Archdiocese of New York, especially important during the Covid-19 crisis. But be assured that **60% of the amount over goal** comes back to our parish for our own needs.

You may have received a letter and pledge card in the mail which can be returned directly to the ArchNY or returned here. You may pledge an amount to be paid over time, or make a one-time donation. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, please use the envelopes provided here in church. Drop your completed envelope with your pledge or one-time donation in the collection basket or drop off at the parish office during the week. *If you did not receive a card in the mail be sure to write **St. George-St. Francis Parish #594** in the notation line on your check and on the envelope for proper credit to our parish.*



2021 Mass Intentions

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. You may email or call the parish office, 482-4640, to make a request.

Customary donation, \$10 without card, \$15 with a special Mass card.

Please pray for the following Military Personnel who are currently in active duty service:

- SSgt Sean Graham, USAF
 - Lt Kyle Daugherty, USMC
 - SSgt Francis J Reddy, USAF
 - SrA William F Reddy, USAF
 - Capt Sean Muth, USN
 - SrA Patrick Graham, USAF Reserves
- Parish families who have an active military member, please email the parish office and provide their name, rank and which branch of service.*

What are the rules for fasting in Lent? During the Season of Lent, the Church urges all the Faithful to reflect a spirit of fasting and abstinence.
Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days for both fasting and abstinence.

ABSTINENCE prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day.

FASTING requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two smaller meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but these two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity.



Visit our [parish website](#) for more information.



On Friday March 19, His Eminence Timothy Cardinal Dolan will consecrate the Archdiocese of New York to St. Joseph.

All parishes have been invited to join in offering the prayers so that the consecration will be made throughout the archdiocese. St. George - St. Francis Parish will offer the consecration prayers immediately following the 8am Mass on Friday, March 19. All are invited to attend.

St. George ~ St. Francis

Roman Catholic in our Faith; Franciscan in our Tradition



"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up."

...his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe ...

Sunday, March 7, 2021

Year of St. Joseph

Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20: 1-17
1 Corinthians 1: 22-25
John 2: 13-25

Serving the Catholic community in Jeffersonville and Youngsville, NY

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Sacraments

Baptism - Private preparation two weeks in advance.

Marriages - Couple should make initial contact with Pastor six months before marriage date.

Confessions - Thirty minutes before each weekend Mass and by appointment.

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 Tekakwitha Chapel in St. George rectory
Saturday Vigil	4:00 PM	St. George
Sunday	7:30 AM & 11:00 AM	St. George
Sunday	9:00 AM	St. Francis



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.



Aldona Harder, Regina Wagner, Christina Hubert, Isabell Sander, Sr. Dolores, Joe Nosek, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, John Tardibuono, Yvonne Schmidt, Gerri Keane, Sam Cuda, Lilli Black, Maureen Whipple, Elizabeth Gieger, Deacon Larry Knack, Walter Madden, Thomas Boxberger, for all those suffering with coronavirus, and for the deceased, Theresa Calkin.

Daily Mass Intentions

- Saturday March 6**
4:00 PM - Sarah Marshall
By Gail Marshall
- Sunday March 7**
7:30 - Vince Bensink
By Joe & KerryJo Nebzydoski
- 9:00 - Gerow Mangan
By Adelheid Sattler & family
- 11:00 - Eric Szefflinski
By Gregory & Roseann Brewer
- Monday March 8**
8:00 AM - Ignatius Venslov
By Gail Marshall
- Tuesday March 9**
8:00 AM - Vu Family
- Wednesday March 10**
8:00 AM - for the People of
St. George - St. Francis Parish
- Thursday March 11**
8:00 AM - Ignatius Hai
- Friday March 12**
8:00 AM - Ignatius Long
- Saturday March 13**
4:00 PM - Michael Erlwein
By Gary & Bea Erlwein
- Sunday March 14**
7:30 - Nick Nebzydoski
By Joe & KerryJo Nebzydoski
- 9:00 - Theresa Calkin
By St. Francis Ladies Guild
- 11:00 - Mary J. Caruana
By Carolyn McGuire

A Question of Authority, [from Intercom, The Deep End](#)

It is tough at times to figure out who has authority on certain issues. There are 'experts' everywhere, telling us how we should eat, exercise, manage our finances... the list goes on. Something that has struck me during the current pandemic is how hard it can be to know who to believe. We hear from doctors and virologists, politicians and economists, and their opinions don't always align. It can take us a while to trust the voices we hear in the media.

The Temple scene in today's gospel sparks a debate about Jesus' authority. While he certainly cuts an authoritative figure as he drives out the stall-holders and money-changers, he is immediately questioned. The Jews demand a sign to explain his provocative words and actions, as if to say 'Who do you think you are?' It is interesting to note that in John's Gospel, this scene takes place at the beginning of Jesus' ministry (unlike the Synoptic Gospels where it comes towards the end). This would explain the disbelief of the witnesses.

In calling the Temple 'my Father's house' Jesus identifies the source of his authority. But his interrogators do not understand, nor do his disciples, though we are told it later makes sense to them after the resurrection. This scene offers more than an angry Jesus and a clueless audience. It is a public revelation of Jesus' identity and authority, as the one in whom God's presence dwells. It also emphasizes the radical new way of living that Jesus has come to bring about. As we journey through Lent, we ask ourselves where the message of Jesus has become obstructed in our lives, and how we might open our hearts again to his presence and guidance.

OFFERTORY REPORT February 28, 2020

First Collection
St. George - \$1,907.
St. Francis - \$969.

2nd Collection for Fuel
St. George - \$318.
St. Francis - \$83.

WeShare Feb 1 - Feb 28
St. George - \$175.31
St. Francis - \$49.60

Next Week's Readings

March 14, 2021

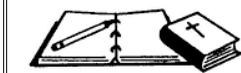
Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chronicles 36:
14-16, 19-23
Ephesians 2:4-10
John 3:14-21

CHURCH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

- March 7 - Third Sunday of Lent, 2nd collection for Easter Flowers, also Commitment Weekend for the 2021 Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal
- March 10 - 7PM, ZOOM meeting for parents of children in second and third grades (Sacrament of Penance)
- March 12 - Stations of the Cross, 7pm, St. Kateri Tekakwitha Chapel
- March 14 - Fourth Sunday of Lent, 2nd collection Archdiocesan collection for Catholic Relief Services
- March 19 - 8AM Mass, Solemnity of St. Joseph, we will join with the ArchNY by offering the Prayer of Consecration and the Litany of St. Joseph commemoration of the Year of St. Joseph immediately following Mass

Thought for the week ~ "we welcome back to Mass all Catholics who have already been engaged in other activities that would present a similar or greater risk of exposure, such as eating out at restaurants, traveling, partaking in non-essential shopping, and widening one's circle of contacts" *Archbishop A. Vigneron, Diocese of Detroit*
Prayerfully consider returning to Mass.



Religious Education News

Attention parents of 2nd, 3rd, & 8th graders: Parents of children receiving a sacrament this year must attend a sacrament ZOOM session, Penance March 10, First Holy Communion March 24, Confirmation March 31. Watch your email & check with your child's catechist for more information.

CHILD PROTECTION

Required Announcement

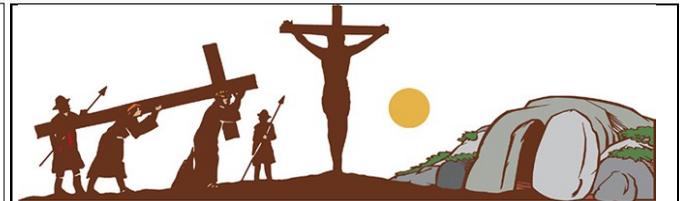
Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by a priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Eileen Mulcahy at 646-794-2949. Mrs. Mulcahy may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can 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 stewardship of your donations seriously. If you have knowledge of or reason to suspect misconduct, 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 church's name. Contributions to be made to a Parish by check should **NOT** be made payable to the Pastor, Administrator, or any Parish employee.



STATIONS of the CROSS

Friday evenings at 7 PM
St. Kateri Tekakwitha Chapel
in the rectory at St. George
Every Friday evening
through March 26

All are welcome!

For those who continue to be homebound at this time, EWTN offers several versions of the Way of the Cross both online at their website ewtn.com and on their YouTube channel, by using the YouTube app or website. Search for EWTN to be sure you use the correct site.

[Way of the Cross for Kids](#) and [Stations of the Cross from the Holy Land](#) are set to beautiful music and can be used by all ages.

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)

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.