GIFTED – INVITED – ENGAGED

Each of us has received gifts from our Creator. Do we recognize these gifts, and are we sharing them? We may find it difficult to see in ourselves what others see and perceive as a special quality that sets us apart, makes us different, perhaps unique. It may be our ability to sing, our smile, our attitude. It may be the warmth exuded in our eye contact, the firmness of our handshake, or the humbleness in our behavior. We may be compassionate, a good listener, or someone who can take charge. God’s gifts are endless! We all have the opportunity and are capable of making a positive difference in the lives of other people.

God invites all of us to discern our gifts and share them with others by engaging ourselves in His service according to His will. Sharing may require an hour of our time, or perhaps the gifts we offer may require us giving a little more time. Are we willing to offer God and those to whom He calls us to serve the time needed to share, or will we place limitations on that time? We expect God to give us whatever time is necessary when we call. Can He expect the same from us?

Each weekend, you see many people serving God and those of us attending Mass. Those serving at the altar assist the Presider in different capacities throughout the Mass celebration.

Music ministers afford us the opportunity to participate more fully by singing beautiful hymns of worship and praise.

Lectors proclaim the Word of God, bringing to life the many scriptures during our liturgical year.

Ushers greet, guide and assist us from the time we arrive until we depart. Greeters assist in making all feel welcome and part of the community.

The Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion offer us the Precious Body and Blood of Jesus from the altar table that provides nourishment and strength for our earthly journey.

Our Ministers to the Sick are available during the entire week to carry Holy Communion to our homebound and hospitalized brothers and sisters.

Beyond the celebration of Mass, Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament is an invitation to share our time in a special way with the Lord, keeping Him company during lengthy hours of the day.

Our Pro-Life affords a voice for the otherwise voiceless, unborn children.

The Gift Shop is available to us with religious resources for ourselves and people we wish to remember on special occasions.

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Greatness is synonymous with distinguished, high standing, importance, significance, celebrity, fame, genius, expertise, skill, distinction. Even more synonyms equate with greatness.

Servant is defined as a person who performs duties for others. Servant is also defined as a devoted helpful follower or supporter, such as a tireless servant of God.

As a Steward of God, what is your choice? Which appeals more to you, fame or obscurity?

Another word can help us identify with both greatness and servant. Humility.

Humility is synonymous with modesty, lack of vanity, meekness, lack of pride, unassertiveness, humbleness.

Certainly, there have been many great people who lived and walked among us. Their greatness was secondary to their role as servant. They served those they loved, cared for and who were entrusted to them. Recognition or awards was not what motivated their actions, deeds or call to serve. Great people live and walk among us even today.

Jesus was the greatest servant. He reached out to all who were hurting or in need, curing, healing, driving out demons. He taught. He shared of Himself. He loved unconditionally, a quality we strive to emulate.

Our Mother, Mary, is the faith-filled, beautiful servant to whom we pray, seeking to believe in and love, as she did, the God who has created us, redeemed us and continually calls us to Himself. She, as a great servant, not only believed without question and trusted without doubt, she also loved unconditionally throughout her life.

“At the message of the angel, she does not hide her surprise. It is the astonishment of realizing that God, to become man, had chosen her, a simple maid of Nazareth; not someone who lived in a palace amid power and riches, or one who had done extraordinary things, but simply someone who was open to God and put her trust in him, even without understanding everything: ‘Here I am, the servant of the Lord: let it be with me according to your word’ (Luke 1:38). That was her answer.”

1 Mother Mary: Inspiring Words from Pope Francis by Pope Francis

~Carole Drake, Director
Stewardship and Engagement

Being humble does not mean being weak, self-conscious, lacking in character or confused about our identity. To be humble is to recognize ourselves before God and others as we truly are, with all our tragedies, miseries, strengths and weaknesses. As Saint Teresa of Jesus said, "Humility is the truth". Who can doubt that Saint Peter and Saint Paul, who had very strong personalities, were humble men? They were truly humble, because they stood before God as they were, without pretense, and God transformed them from within.

The second call that Jesus makes to us is to serve others, especially the weakest and poorest of our world. Like most people, the disciples wanted prestige and recognition, not humility and a life of service. Jesus sat down with them and explained that if they truly wanted to be the greatest—the first—the only way to do that was to put their selfish interests last and help others. As Christ taught them, a kindness to one little child in His name is a kindness to Him.

Christians are not weak or confused. They know who they are, what they do and why they do it. Through honesty about themselves and charity to others, they discover the will and love of God in their lives. The kingdom of God is a realm of humble servants.

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time / 25° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Last Friday of the month (September 28)
from 9:00 am to Saturday 6:00 am

Adoración del Sagrado Sacramento
El último viernes del mes (el 28 de septiembre)
de 9:00 am al sábado 6:00 am
EVENTS and MASS INTENTIONS
Please visit our website for more announcements or email us at sgcc.bulletin@gmail.com for questions or submissions.

PARISH EVENTS

Monday
7:00 pm  RCIA  Scanlan, FL2
7:00 pm  Holy Hour  Hurricane
10:00 am  Everyday God (begins Sept 17)  Scanlan, FL2

Tuesday
9:00 am  Marian Hour  Kuzy
12:4 pm  Bridge Group  Kuzy
7:00 pm  Neo Catechumenal Way  Church
7:00 pm  CCD  Scanlan FL2
First Tuesday
6:30 pm  Women’s Group (Sept-June)  Kuzy
6:30 pm  Knights of Columbus (Sept - June )  Kuzy, FL2
Second Tuesday
1:30 pm  Mass at Veterans Home, Ivins  160N 200E

Wednesday
10:30 am  Bible Study  Scanlan, FL3
12:00 pm  Bulletin Deadline (11 days prior to publication)
6:30 pm  Holy Spirit Prayer Group  Kuzy, FL2
7:00 pm  Clases Bíblicas  Scanlan, FL3
7:00 pm  Holy Hour & Benediction

Thursday
9:00 am  Way of the Cross of the Unborn
Second Thursday
1:30 pm  Mass at Sterling Court, St. George  324N 1680E
Third Thursday
6:30 pm  4th Degree K of C  Kuzy, FL2

Friday
7:00 pm  Holy Hour, Spanish
First Friday
8:00 am  Anointing of the Sick at Mass
Last Friday
9:00 am  Eucharistic Adoration begins

Saturday
7:00 pm  Neo Catechumenal Way  Church
First Saturday
8:00 am  Mass in Honor of Our Lady
9:15 am  Walk for Life (Oct-May)  Bluff & 600S
After last Friday
6:00 am  Eucharistic Adoration ends with Mass
First Weekend
At all Masses - Renovation Fund Collection
Third Weekend
At all Masses - K of C Food Drive

Sunday
9:00 am  CCD  Scanlan, FL2
11:00 am  CCD  Scanlan, FL2
5:00 pm  Rosary
First Weekend
At all Masses - Renovation Fund Collection
Third Weekend
At all Masses - K of C Food Drive

Our Sanctuary Candle burns this week in memory of

ROBERT A. KELLER

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 9/22
5:00 pm  Coach Ray Odette
5:00 pm  Ken Odette
All military service personnel, living and deceased
7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

Sunday 9/23
9:00 am  Steven Whitlock
11:00 am  Special Intention by Lidija
1:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

Monday 9/24
8:00 am  Jack Kincaid

Tuesday 9/25
8:00 am  Deacon Mark Bourget

Wednesday 9/26
8:00 am  Jack Kincaid

Thursday 9/27
8:00 am  Bob Kowalski
7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

Friday 9/28
8:00 am  Gary Hill

In Our Prayers
All Those Affected by Hurricane Florence
Weekly Collection Report
Collection (9/9).................................$ 10,398
Capital Improvement Project (August)
Renovation and Improvement Fund ...........$ 272,700
Renovation Fund Collections .................$  4,417

RCIA—Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
For those who feel the stirring of faith and curiosity in their heart...RCIA or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process by which the community initiates into its midst non-baptized adults, baptized adults from another faith seeking communion with the Catholic Church, and those preparing for full initiation through the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. RCIA is primarily a journey of faith that begins with wondering, asking and seeking; continues through hearing God’s word, studying, discussing, and praying; and leads to a commitment through the sacraments of initiation to a life of faith and love in communion with Catholics throughout the world. We meet every Monday night, 7:00 pm, Scanlan FL2. Please contact Judy Coryell (925-786-0257) with any questions.

Join Us in Worship Through Song
Beginning October 7
The 9:00 choir resumes on October 7. Rehearsals are in Kuzy Hall at 8:00 am before Mass each week. We welcome anyone who would like to join and worship through song.
Call Carol Frost at 435-628-6795 for additional information.

Scripture Readings for the Week of September 23
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Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [1]/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 [35]/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 [105]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc [1]/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 [1]/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51
Next Sunday Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Parish Mission
November 11-13
Facilitated by Tracy Earl Welliver

Saint Therese Gift Shop
We are now OPEN during the week. Come in and look around at the variety of once loved items which have been donated by fellow Parishioners. We also have a variety of Holy Cards, Crucifixes, Statues, Children's books, Rosaries, Auto Devotionals, and much more. If you don't see what you need, I would be happy to see if I can special order the item(s) through my catalogs.

Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm and after all weekend Masses.
Contact: Sharon Rawlins at 435-688-1948

Bible Study
Bible Study is every Wednesday at 10:30 am, FL3 of the Scanlan Building. This weekly Bible Study has been approved by Father Martin who encourages parishioners to attend.

“Everyday God” Meeting Schedule
Mondays, 10:00 am—12:00 noon in Scanlan FL2
October 8
October 22
November 5
November 19
December 10

LOOKING AHEAD
Oct 9  SGCGW Luncheon, Harmons Santa Clara, 1:00 pm
Oct 20  Thrift Store Fall Festival
PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are one community nourished and transformed by the Eucharist.
As the body of Christ, we are led by the Holy Spirit to know, love and serve God and one another.

Somos una comunidad alimentada y transformada por la Eucaristía.
Como cuerpo de Cristo, somos guiados por el Espíritu Santo, para conocer, amar y servir a Dios y unos a otros.

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The Bulletin and Website Ministries allow us to spread the word, make our voices heard and share the pulse of our Saint George Catholic Church with those seeking to know more about us.

The parish offices, Religious Education, bible study groups, Women’s Group, Knights of Columbus, together with all the many councils, committees, active groups and services within our parish offer us an avenue of service with different commitments of time and talent.

Many of our parishioners serve in one or more of these ministries, programs and services, both those identified and those not specifically named.

We all have been blessed by our Lord in special ways with gifts and talents He chose to bestow upon us. He simply asks us to engage ourselves in His service as we continue our earthly journey toward an unknown day and time when He calls and invites us to serve Him eternally according to His plan.

What gifts has God given you? Has He invited you to share them? Are you engaged in His service? If you are reading this and have identified your gifts but feel you have not been invited and you are not engaged in His service, perhaps this is your invitation! Perhaps this is the time! It, obviously, is not too late!

~Carole Drake, Director
Stewardship and Engagement

After Mass Coffee & Donuts
Starts September 30

We have a coordinator, but still need assistance after the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses each Sunday. If you can help, please call Sandra, 435-673-2604, at the Parish Office.

Thrift Store Fall Festival ~ Saturday, October 20 ~ 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Free Admission—Music & Giveaways—And More! Take Your Picture—Our Photo Area is Decorated for Fall Something for Everyone! One of a Kind — Vintage & Specialty Items Shop Early—Fantastic Home & Holiday Décó Treat Yourself—Gorgeous Jewelry & Designer Handbags—Bring the Family—Face Painting & Bounce Houses Bring Your Appetite—Traditional Mexican Food—Saint George Catholic Church Parking Lot—Join us! Visit Our Thrift Store—Open During Festival

Tienda de Regalos Santa Teresita

Ahora estamos ABIERTOS durante la semana. Pase y mire la variedad de artículos de segunda mano, que han sido donados por otros feligreses.

También tenemos una variedad de tarjetas Sagradas, Crucifijos, Estatuas, Libros infantiles, Rosarios, Devociones automotrices y mucho más. Si no ves lo que necesitas estaremos más que feliz de ver si puedo hacer un pedido especial de los artículos a través de mis catálogos.

Horario: martes a viernes, de 10:00 am a 2:00 pm y después de todas las Misas del fin de semana.
Contacto: Sharon Rawlins al 435-688-1948

Festival de Otoño
Sábado, 20 de octubre
10:00 am a 4:00 pm

Admisión gratis ~ Música y obsequios ~ ¡Y más!
Tome su fotografía: nuestra área de fotografías está decorada para otoño
¡Algo para todos!
Único en su género - Vendimia y Artículos especiales
Compre pronto: fantástica decoración para el hogar y para las fiestas
Date el gusto - preciosas joyas y bolsos de diseño
Traiga a la familia – Caritas Pintadas y Casas de Rebote
Traiga su apetito - comida tradicional mexicana
Estacionamiento de la Iglesia Católica de Saint George
157 W 200 N en el centro de St. George
Visita nuestra tienda de segunda mano – ¡Abierto durante el festival!