September 22, 2019 / The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint George
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. David Bittmenn, Pastor
Rev. Sébastien Sasa Nganomo Babisayone, Parochial Vicar

“Everyday God” Retreat

The bi-weekly “Everyday God” Retreat began as a parish ministry seven years ago. As a “retreat,” the purpose is to provide “a space and time” where parishioners would be able to reflect on and discuss their Catholic life. The overall “theme” is to promote awareness of Jesus’ “Presence” in our everyday experiences.

The inspiration for doing this ministry comes from Bernadette Farrell’s beloved hymn “Everyday God” which includes these stanzas:

In our resting, Everyday God, In our rising, O Jesus,
In our hoping, O Spirit, Light of all light, Come be with us.

In our dreaming, Everyday God, In our daring, O Jesus,
In our searching, O Spirit, In our sharing, Come be with us.

God of laughter, Everyday God, God of sorrow, O Jesus,
Home and shelter, O Spirit, Strong and patient, Come be with us.

For each meeting a different religious topic is presented with time for quiet reflection and open discussion. Orientation of the material is from a Franciscan and Jesuit outlook: The “seeing” of Jesus in our day-by-day lives and putting Jesus’ teachings “to work” for our happiness and practical benefit.

A few of the topics over the years have been: Improving our prayer and meditation - Using Jesus to handle stress, anxiety and distractions - Practicing and enjoying the “Presence of God” throughout the day - Letting Jesus help make our lives more of a joyful recreation - Developing more wisdom and discernment in our choices - Appreciating the spiritual landscape around St. George.

The norm for our meetings is an easy atmosphere of happy fellowship in Christ. Every effort is made to ensure that you will have an entertaining and insightful time. To that end, boredom, homework and “complicated” theology are expressly forbidden!

Newcomers are our delight and we hope you’ll consider “checking us out.”

Meetings are held Monday mornings on the second floor of the Scanlan Building in the San Augustin room from 10 am-12 noon:

September 30 ~ October 7 ~ October 21
November 11 ~ November 25 ~ December 9

If you have questions, please email: bobparks5835@gmail.com or call 954-684-5040.
“I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange gods before me.”

This first of The Ten Commandments states very clearly what our God expects. So, do you have “strange” gods, other gods, you embrace, perhaps even worship over the God who should be first in your life?

There are many enticements in this world. They can really intrude upon our time with God and family. They can steer us away from a healthy, wholesome way of life, including a faith-filled relationship with God and stronger family ties.

What do these gods look like? How do they intrude, even unsuspectingly imprison us?

Product advertising can capture our attention very subtly. New styles in clothing, newer lines and improvements to a vehicle we like to drive, and special dining spots are a few on the list of temptations that never seems to end.

Sporting events, first-run movies, new telephones, computers, iPads and other technological devices all create a certain appeal to the senses, depending on what piques our interest.

The temptations which are often the most seductive are labeled **pleasure, power, honor** and **wealth**.

We enjoy diversions, but do these desires for pleasure become excessive?

In our work or play, do we seek to lead and control, to exercise some “power” over others, for unhealthy or selfish reasons? Do we seek honor and recognition for the work we perform, the title we may hold, or the special talents we have, which, in reality, are generous gifts from God?

Do we feel the monetary wealth God has granted us will buy special favors?

What is at the center of your life? Is it the God we are called to know, love and serve? Or is it some other god, one that cannot grant us eternal happiness and peace?

Our souls can truly rest only when they find the peace and solace of the loving God who created each of us in His own image to live eternally in His presence.

~Carole Drake
Pastoral Assistant and Community Outreach
Tranquility in a world not tranquil. Our second reading this weekend asks prayers for everyone so that Christian communities might “lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity.” In the ancient world pagan neighbors could easily (and frequently did) make trouble for the new Church, so praying for neighbors helped them as well as members of the early Church. Today we continue these kinds of prayers for “a quiet and tranquil life” and we might want to add to them.

One possible addition to these prayers comes from the increased demands for time that our jobs and lives make of us. With smart phones and emails we can do more and so sometimes we think we can do everything. Vacations become looking at the same screens in different places and aren’t particularly restful. We find ourselves praying for quiet time allowing us simply to be.

Times of peace and quiet are just half the battle. If these times are to be spiritually utilized they cannot be filled with any other activity we find more enjoyable than work. Put differently, we need to be comfortable with quiet. We need to get past the idea that we are really just wasting time and we should be doing something else, and we need to get past all the interior chatter that pulls our minds and hearts away from what silence has to offer.

In spiritual times of silence we don’t rehash the thoughts and feelings common to us. In spiritual times of silence we do not obsess on aspects of our lives be they good or bad. In spiritual times of silence we acknowledge what is common to us, what delights us, and what worries us and then we gently place these things aside so as to listen to the different themes the Scriptures or life itself present to us. In this way it is possible for us to experience more of the Holy Spirit. It’s also possible for us to gain insight and new ways of looking at old issues. We start or continue these spiritual times of silence in the conviction that the Lord lives now in our lives and we simply need to listen and reflect. We’re not looking for mystical moments; we just want to check in with one closer to us than we are to ourselves. Then tranquility and quiet become satisfying and deepening, things of “devotion and dignity.”

Tranquilidad en un mundo no tranquilo. Nuestra segunda lectura de este fin de semana pide oraciones por todos para que las comunidades cristianas puedan "llevar una vida tranquila y quieta con toda devoción y dignidad". En el mundo antiguo, los vecinos paganos podían fácilmente (y frecuentemente lo hacían) causarle problemas a la nueva Iglesia, así que orar por los vecinos les ayudaba a ellos y a los miembros de la Iglesia primitiva. Hoy continuamos este tipo de oraciones por "una vida tranquila y apacible" y quizás deseemos agregarles más.

Una posible adición a estas oraciones proviene de las crecientes demandas de tiempo que nuestros trabajos y vidas nos hacen. Con los teléfonos inteligentes y los correos electrónicos podemos hacer más y, a veces, creemos que podemos hacer todo. Las vacaciones se convierten en mirar las mismas pantallas en diferentes lugares y no son particularmente relajantes. Nos encontramos orando por un tiempo tranquilo que nos permite simplemente estar.

Los tiempos de paz y tranquilidad son solo la mitad de la batalla. Si estos tiempos se van a utilizar espiritualmente, no pueden llenarse con ninguna otra actividad que encontremos más agradable que el trabajo. Dicho de otra manera, necesitamos estar cómodos con la tranquilidad. Necesitamos superar la idea de que realmente solo estamos perdiendo el tiempo y deberíamos estar haciendo otra cosa, y debemos superar toda la charla interior que aleja nuestras mentes y corazones de lo que el silencio tiene para ofrecer.

En tiempos espirituales de silencio no repetimos los pensamientos y sentimientos comunes a nosotros. En los tiempos espirituales de silencio, no nos obsesionamos con los aspectos de nuestras vidas, sean buenos o malos. En tiempos espirituales de silencio, reconocemos lo que es común para nosotros, lo que nos deleita y lo que nos preocupa, y luego dejamos de lado estas cosas suavemente para escuchar los diferentes temas que las Escrituras o la vida misma nos presentan. De esta manera, es posible que experimentemos más del Espíritu Santo. También es posible que obtengamos información y nuevas formas de ver los viejos problemas. Comenzamos o continuamos estos tiempos espirituales de silencio con la convicción de que el Señor vive ahora en nuestras vidas y simplemente necesitamos escuchar y reflexionar. No estamos buscando momentos místicos; solo queremos registrarnos con alguien más cercano a nosotros que a nosotros mismos. Luego, la tranquilidad y el silencio se vuelven satisfactorios y profundos, cosas de "devoción y dignidad".

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Last Friday of the month (September 27)
from 9 am to Saturday 6 am

Adoración del Sagrado Sacramento
El último viernes del mes (27 de septiembre)
de 9 am al sábado 6 am

Recordatorio … No a las 7 pm misa el 27 de septiembre
PARISH EVENTS

**Monday**
- 10:00 am  Everyday God (September 30)  Scanlan, FL2
- 7:00 pm  RCIA  Scanlan, FL2
- 3:30 pm  Holy Rosary—please join us  Hurricane

**Tuesday**
- 9:00 am  Marian Hour - Our Lady of Peace  Church
- 12-4 pm  Bridge Group*  Scanlan
- 6:00 pm  CCD  Scanlan

**Second Tuesday**
- 1:00 pm  Women’s Group Lunch at Harmons  Santa Clara

**Wednesday**
- 12:00 pm  Bulletin Deadline (11 days prior to publication date)
- 6:30 pm  Holy Spirit Prayer Group  Scanlan, FL2
- 6:30 pm  Knights of Columbus (10/2, 11/6)  Scanlan, FL3
- 7:00 pm  Holy Hour of Reparation  Church
- 7:00 pm  Neo Catechumenal Way  Scanlan, FL2

**Third Wednesday**
- 6:30 pm  4th Degree K of C  Scanlan, FL3

**Thursday**
- 9:00 am  Prayers for the Unborn  Church
- 6:00 pm  CCD  Scanlan

**Second Thursday**
- 1:30 pm  Mass at Sterling Court, St. George  324N 1680E

**Friday**
- 7:00 pm  Holy Hour, Spanish  Church

**First Friday**
- 8:00 am  Anointing of the Sick at Mass  Church
- 6:30 pm  Women’s Group (Sept-June)  Scanlan, FL2

**Last Friday**
- 9:00 am  Eucharistic Adoration begins  Church

**Saturday**
- 7:00 pm  Neo Catechumenal Way  Scanlan, FL2

**First Saturday**
- 8:00 am  Mass in Honor of Our Lady  Church
- 9:00 am  Walk for Life  Bluff & 600S

**After last Friday**
- 6:00 am  Eucharistic Adoration ends with Mass  Church

**First Weekend**
- At all Masses - Renovation Fund Collection

**Third Weekend**
- At all Masses - K of C Food Drive

**Sunday**
- 9:00 am  CCD  Scanlan
- 11:00 am  CCD  Scanlan
- 5:00 pm  Rosary  Church

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*Due to the Kuzy Hall renovation, please contact your group leader for your revised meeting time & place.

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**MASS INTentions**

**Saturday 9/21**
- 5:00 pm  ✝ Alfred Jankus  
  ✝ Thomas Eckroth by Family  
  ✝ Coach Ray Odette by Family  
  ✝ Ken Odette by Family  
  All military service personnel, living and deceased
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Sunday 9/22**
- 9:00 am  Paul Doetsch by Ruth & Jim  
  ✝ Robert A. Pfannenstiel
- 11:00 am  Chris & Ann Felice — For Their Marriage  
  ✝ James Busby  
  ✝ Mary D’Angelo
- 1:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Monday 9/23**
- 8:00 am  ✝ Brian Anthony Rodney by Yvette del Prado
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Tuesday 9/24**
- 8:00 am  ✝ Lois & Glenn Graham
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Wednesday 9/25**
- 8:00 am  ✝ Marilyn Jacobsen
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Thursday 9/26**
- 8:00 am  ✝ Robert Kowalski by Karen
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Friday 9/27**
- 8:00 am  ✝ JoElyn Brotherton
PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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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.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sept 21-22 Diaper Drive before & after all Masses
Sept 28-29 Diaper Drive before & after all Masses
Sept 28 Taste of Carmel: Carmelite Spirituality Group, 2:30 pm, Scanlan, FL2
Sept 30 “Everyday God” begins, Scanlan, FL2
Oct 4 K of C Parish Blood Drive
Oct 5 Formation Workshop: Ministers of the Word (Lectors), 9 am-12 pm, Scanlan, FL2
Oct 19 Formation Workshop: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, 9 am-12 pm, Scanlan, FL2

On October 4
Give Blood, Give Life

The Knights of Columbus are holding a Red Cross blood drive on Friday, October 4, from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm at the St. George Senior Citizen Center, 245 N 200 W.

Sign up for an appointment after weekend Masses (9/21-9/22 and 9/28-9/29) or go online at redcrossblood.org or contact Tom Witt: 435-619-5046/thwitt@outlook.com. Walk-ins are welcome. However, those donors with appointments are taken before walk-ins.

If you’re a blood donor, you’re a hero to someone, somewhere, who received your gracious gift of life.

Weekly Collection Report

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STEPHEN MINISTRIES

A Stephen Ministry is being established for our parish family and St. George community.

A Stephen Minister is trained to provide one-to-one Christ-centered care to someone hurting, offering both emotional and spiritual support. A priest in Iowa, whose parish has a Stephen Ministry, says, “I frequently care for people during times of crisis, but with so many parishioners, it’s impossible for me to provide all the follow-up care people need.”

Grief and loss enter our lives in many different forms. Stephen Ministers can offer assistance. Education and support for ministers is ongoing.

Seeking ministers willing to be trained to provide care for others. Also seeking a few ministry leaders willing to train as teachers and supervisors.

Further information, call Carole Drake at (435) 668-9202 or email at cdrake@sgcatholics.com

Visit our website and register—your subscription is FREE.

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Scripture Readings for the Week of September 22

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 [cf. 1a, 7b]/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-17

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Ps/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Ps/Jer 31:10, 11-12a, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

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ANNOUNCEMENTS and EVENTS

Nuestra sexta anual recaudo de pañales a beneficio del Centro de Atención de Embarazo Hope

Cuándo: antes y después de todas las misas, Sábado / Domingo 21/22 de septiembre, Sábado /domingo 28 y 29 de septiembre

Dónde: en las entradas de la iglesia

Le agradecemos nuevamente su generosidad pasada que brindó apoyo al personal del trabajo de HOPE para salvar vidas que brinda apoyo y asesoramiento a las familias durante el primer año de vida del bebé. Una vez más, le pedimos su generoso apoyo para la campaña de este año.

Pase por nuestra rótulo de Diaper Drive y consulte la información/folletos que describen los numerosos servicios que HOPE ofrece a los futuros padres / familias en crisis.

TAMANOS DE PAÑAL NECESARIOS: TAMAÑO 3 y TAMAÑO 5
DONACIONES EN EFECTIVO son siempre bienvenidas
DONACIONES/CHEQUES: Haga los cheques a nombre de Saint George Catholic Church "en la línea de memorando escriba "for HOPE"

TARJETAS DE REGALO: WalMart, Target, Kohls u otras tiendas que venden artículos para bebés

patrocinado por Grupo de mujeres católicas de San Jorge

Parish DIAPER DRIVE THIS WEEKEND AND NEXT WEEKEND

before and after all masses for the benefit of HOPE Pregnancy Care Center

Please bring your donations to a table at our church entrances

We have a display board there which has information about HOPE and its many programs to help their clients. Check it out. It also has some adorable baby pictures. HOPE has saved many babies lives and continues helping these families as needed through the baby’s first year. They have been so very grateful for our parish’s generous support for the past five diaper drives. Won’t you please help them again. They need:

DIAPERS: SIZES 3 and 5

OTHER DONATIONS: Cash is always appreciated OR Checks payable to “Saint George Catholic Church” with the notation “for Hope”. ALSO Gift cards from Target, WalMart or other stores carrying baby items.

Sponsored by the Saint George Catholic Women’s Group—contact: Judy Williams, 435-773-5999

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Announcement…

One of the things usually done when preparing for a new parish is to hold Mass in the area of the new parish. These Masses are usually in an auditorium, a gym, or even a theater not used on Sunday. Should you know of such a place close to Washington Fields, please let Father Dave know.

Anuncio…

Una de las cosas que generalmente se hacen al prepararse para una nueva parroquia es celebrar una Misa en el área de la nueva parroquia. Estas Misas generalmente se realizan en un auditorio, un gimnasio o incluso en un teatro que no se usa los domingos. Si sabes de un lugar cerca de Washington Fields, comunicáselo al Padre Dave.