MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends
Saturday....5:00 pm; (7:00 pm, Spanish)
Sunday .....9:00 am, 11:00 am; (1:00 pm, Spanish)

Weekdays
Monday - Friday 8:00 am; (7:00 pm Spanish) No Spanish evening Mass on the last Friday of each month.
First Saturday .... 8:00 am

Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule
8:00 am, 6:00 pm, (8:00 pm Spanish)

Confession
Saturday ............... 3:30 - 4:45 pm
Sunday.................. 7:30 - 8:30 am
Or by appointment

Baptism Preparation
English: Call 307-256-9814 to register
Spanish: 1st & 2nd Sat., 2:00 pm (Scanlan)

Baptism
English: 4th Saturday at 9:00 am
Spanish: 3rd Saturday at 9:00 am

Marriage Preparation
English: Contact the Parish Office
Spanish: Contact a Deacon

Anointing of the Sick
First Friday during 8:00 am Mass
Call Parish Office for home/hospital anointing

Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday - Friday......9:00 am - 7:00 pm
Last Friday of the Month, 9:00 am to Saturday 6:00 am

Mission Churches Mass Schedule
Saint Paul’s - Hurricane (171 S. Main)
Sunday Mass—12:30 pm
San Pablo Mission - Beryl Junction (721 S. Highway 18)
Sunday Mass—9:00 am
Saint Christopher’s - Kanab (39 West 200 South)
Daily Mass—8:00 am, Sundays— 9:00 am
Zion Park - Springdale (Canyon Community Center, 126 Lion Blvd.)
SCAP.................Sundays at 8:00 am
Palm Sunday through December 1st

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Closed from 12 noon - 1:00 pm, M-F

December 1, 2019 / 1st Sunday of Advent

Saint George
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Christmas Eve Drive
San Pablo Mission - Beryl Junction

Our San Pablo Mission needs our help again this Christmas. Every Christmas Eve they have a 6:00 pm Mass. After Mass, a family meal is held and families receive gifts. This year, the Knights of Columbus and the Saint George Catholic Women’s Group are providing 55 coats for the children.

If you can help, here is a list of other items that they need:

- Jackets – Men or women – Adult Medium, Large, or XL
- Rolled Plush Blankets
- Stuffed Animals, Games, Puzzles, Books, Coloring Books & Crayons
- Soccer Balls, Footballs & Basketballs
- Scarves & Boys/Girls Socks
- Candy

We have scheduled two weekends for donations: December 7th & 8th and 14th & 15th, before and after Masses. A Women’s Group member will be present to receive your donations. All items should be unwrapped. If you would like to help or have any questions, call Bonnie Arndt, 435-632-0000.

Nochebuena Drive Misión de San Pablo - Beryl Junction

Nuestra misión en Beryl Junction necesita nuestra ayuda nuevamente esta Navidad. Cada Nochebuena tiene una Misa a las 6:00 PM. Después de la Misa se celebra una comida familiar y las familias reciben regalos. Este año, los Caballeros de Colón y el Grupo de Mujeres Católicas de San Jorge están proporcionando 55 abrigos para los niños.

Aquí hay una lista de otros artículos que necesitan:

- Chaquetas - Hombres o mujeres - Adulto Mediano, Grande o XL
- Mantas de felpa enrollada
- Peluches, juegos, rompecabezas, libros, libros para colorear y crayones
- Balones de soccer, fútbol y de basquetbol
- Bufandas y calcetines para niños / niñas
- Dulces

Hemos programado dos fines de semana para donaciones. Son el 7 y 8 de diciembre y el 14 y 15, antes y después de las Misas. Un miembro del Grupo de Mujeres estará presente para recibir sus donaciones. Todos los artículos deben estar sin envolver. Si desea ayudar o tiene alguna pregunta, llame a Bonnie Arndt, 435-632-0000.
“If” is a little word that can carry a huge ‘punch’! “If” only I had said this, or “if” only I had done that. “If” can make a big difference in any situation.

“Every day we need to seek God’s guidance in our lives. Every day we must pray for the wisdom and strength to overcome temptation and make the right decisions.”

“What if” suggests doubt, or maybe a thought process offering different choices for a plan of action to attain a specific end result. “What if I make a mistake?” “What if I lose?” “What if I do it this way instead?” When these questions confront us, most always we turn immediately to God in prayer. We know only He can provide the ‘right’ answer.

When we apply the word “if” to our life of faith, we challenge ourselves to think seriously about our actions, our words, our deeds. We tend to ponder the ways of God in relation to our own. Do we measure up to God’s way of relating to people or dealing with events and life situations? Or can we use a little advice and encouragement to be different, perhaps ‘better’, so we follow more closely in the footsteps of Jesus?

“To follow Christ is an option, a choice, a call, . . . and we are totally free to say yes or no or maybe. You do not have to do this to make God love you. That is already taken care of. You do it to love God back and to love what God loves and how God loves!”

These “if” questions and concerns can certainly occupy an inordinate amount of our time and our thoughts. They can be so intrusive that even when we attempt to lift them to God in prayer, we cannot seem to truly let go of them and allow God to work and speak to us in return. They become such distractions! What then?

“Many distractions in prayer are inevitable.” Some you can easily let go; others you cannot get out of your mind. In this case, “let them be.”

Try simply to be with God in your distractedness, knowing that even the most ‘detached’ person has to put up with distractions. . . . pray with them. . . . once you’ve accepted those distractions . . . or perhaps bring them into prayer as something to discuss with God, something surprising may happen. They may cease to distract you.

1Talking to God: Prayers for Catholic Women by Julie Dortch Cragon
2Eager to Love by Richard Rohr
3Teach Us to Pray by Fr. James Martin, SJ, Give Us This Day, October 2019

Carole Drake
Pastoral Assistant and Community Outreach
Themes of Advent – waiting. Waiting is usually something people try to avoid; it’s associated with frustration and wasted time. However, the waiting of Advent is different. It is the waiting of prayer which is an active waiting.

Waiting in prayer includes the idea of quieting mind and heart. Our minds tend toward an endless conversation commenting, regretting, expecting, planning, worrying, and resenting. Because of this our encounters with God remain shallow and tentative. There are days when this interior volume is higher and days when it is lower. Our task is to gradually develop a response or a kind of rhythm which reduces the volume so that it doesn’t overcome our prayers. Establishing a rhythm means admitting we are distracted. We then work to replace the frustration of being distracted with a gentle reminder that distraction will have their own time. Now, in prayer, is not their time. These distractions will keep and we won’t be able to solve our problems this very minute. Now is the time for prayer. It may help to focus upon Matthew 6:26-27. “Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they? Can any of you by worrying add a single moment to your life-span?”

God does not compete with us. If we want to be our own guides deciding when and where spiritual advancements should be made, God’s voice is not usually heard. We might respond bitterly to this silence and lack of divine help. After all, we just want what is good and we can’t get it ourselves. Isn’t God supposed to help us? In fact it’s a matter of who is guiding, not whether or not God helps us.

When our interior chatter dies down a bit, it’s easier to hear God’s voice. God usually speaks through the experiences we’ve had, the Scriptures, and the good examples of others. These events are not usually the thoughts or feelings that preoccupy us. They are familiar, but not usual. Now we’re in a place to wait for God not in frustration but rather in hope, love, peace, and joy.

Penance Service
(English and Spanish)
December 15 at 6:00 pm
Several priests will be available to hear confessions.

Reminder...donations for the Christmas food baskets can be dropped off at Our Mother’s Food Pantry (Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9:00-11:00 and Wednesday afternoons from 1:30-4:00) or in the church vestibule until Wednesday, December 18.
## 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

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### Our Lady of Grace Candle

burns this week in memory of

**CHAD WORKMAN**

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### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday 11/30**
- 5:00 pm  ¶ Alfred Jankus
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo
  - All military service personnel, living and deceased

**Sunday 12/1**
- 9:00 am  Jonathan Benally by Gayle Benally
- 11:00 am  Jeanette & George—65 years blessed
- 1:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo
  - Niko—Birthday Wishes—by Lidija

**Monday 12/2**
- 8:00 am  Blanca Ruby Victoria Muñoz by Gloria
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Tuesday 12/3**
- 8:00 am  ¶ Miguel Angel Muñoz by Gloria
- 9:00 am  ¶ Carmen Elpidia Velasco
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Wednesday 12/4**
- 8:00 am  ¶ Barbara Ann Pelfrey by the Pilney Family
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Thursday 12/5**
- 8:00 am  Dan Sorensen
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Friday 12/6**
- 8:00 am  All Souls by Cy & Margaret
- 7:00 pm  (Spanish) Pro Populo
LOOKING AHEAD

Dec 7  Pro-Life “Walk for Life” 9:30 am
Dec 16 Lieto Voices Concert in the Church, 7 pm
Dec 28 Taste of Carmel: Carmelite Spirituality
Group, 2:15 pm, Scanlan, FL2.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

As December 8 is the 2nd Sunday of Advent, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Monday, December 9 and is not observed as a holy day of obligation.

Mass In Honor of Our Lady

Join fellow parishioners at Mass in Honor of Our Lady at 8:00 am, on the first Saturday, December 7

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Discover the Shrines of Ireland

with Father Adrian Komar
June 18-26, 2020

Please join us for an informational meeting
Tuesday, December 3 from 1:00-2:00 pm

Pro-Life “Walk for Life”
First Saturday, December 7

The Pro-Life Ministry’s monthly “Walk for Life” is Saturday, December 7 from 9:30 to 11:30 am, at the corner of Bluff Street and 600 South.

What a great opportunity to offer up a sacrifice for the cleansing of the Church and at the same time for the protection of the tiny babies in the womb.

If you can’t stand, bring a folding chair. If you can't stay for 2 hours, invite a friend to take your place when you leave. We need a good turnout. Please come and remember to bring your Rosary. All for Jesus, Amen!

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.

Richard ………………….673-7354
Pastor …………………. Rev. David Bittmenn
Parochial Vicar ……… Rev. Sébastien Sasa Nganomo Babisyayne
Retired ………………… Rev. Glenn Dare
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Rogaciano Tellez ……… 652-9219
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Thrift Store ………… 673-1029 Gift Shop ………… 688-1948
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Maintenance ……… Call Office (673-2604)

ANNOUNCEMENTS and REPORTS
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Weekly Collection Report
Collection (11/17) ……………………………... $ 10,561
Capital Improvement Project (October)
Renovation and Improvement Fund ……… $ 445,561
Restricted Fund—Kuzy Hall Pledges $ 64,334
Renovation Fund Collections ………………… $ 7,889

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Scripture Readings for the Week of December 1

Sunday:  Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44
Monday:  Is 4:2-6/Ps122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118: 1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

ANNOUNCEMENTS and EVENTS

Theology on Tap
The first Theology on Tap kicked off on November 6, to a sold out group of people thirsting for knowledge and eager to learn how to defend the Catholic faith.

What is Theology on Tap?
Theology on Tap is a program through which the Catholic Church seeks to engage adults in learning more about their faith. The objective of Theology on Tap is to provide an opportunity for Catholic parishes and groups to share the richness of Catholic faith with adults, and offer a setting where people of similar values and faith can gather in a peer community.

Where: Red Lion Hotel
850 S. Bluff Street, St. George, UT
When: December 6 (5 pm - ?)
Topic: Immaculate Conception and Perpetual Virginity of our Blessed Mother
Food: Catered by Green Iguana (cost: ~ $25)

Please RSVP Tim Kockler via email ASAP as seating is limited (tkockler@msn.com).

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Bienaventurada Virgen María
Como el 8 de diciembre es el segundo domingo de Adviento, la solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María se transfiere al lunes 9 de diciembre y no se observa como un día sagrado de obligación.

Misa en Honor a Nuestra Señora
Únase con sus feligreses a la misa en Honor a Nuestra Señora a las 8:00 am, el primer sábado, 7 de diciembre

La segunda colecta próxim fin de semana...
Será a beneficio de los proyectos de la Iglesia Católica de Saint George.

“Caminata Por la Vida”
Sábado, 7 de diciembre
La "Caminata por la Vida" del Ministerio Pro-Vida es el sábado 7 de diciembre, de 9:30 a 11:00 am, en la esquina de Bluff Street y 600 South.
¡Qué gran oportunidad para ofrecer un sacrificio para la limpieza de la Iglesia y al mismo tiempo para la protección de los pequeños bebés en el útero! Si no puedes pararte, tra帷 una sillita plegable. Si no puedes quedarte 2 horas, invita a un Amigo para tomar tu lugar cuando te vayas. Necesitamos una buena participación. Por favor ven y recuerda traer tu rosario. Todo para Jesús, Amén!

Angels of Christmas Tree
If you are participating in this wonderful program, please remember to secure the tag with number on it to your wrapped gift(s).
You may drop off your gift(s) after Mass, or take them to the Parish Office before Wednesday, December 18.
The purchase price is suggested to be between $25 and $50.

The Advent season starts Sunday, December 1st. Beginning December 3, visit our Parish Gift Shop to see the variety of Advent wreaths, ornaments, books, candles, jewelry, Christmas cards and much more. Come in to find that special Christmas gift. You have until Sunday, December 22nd to shop. Business Hours: Tuesday - Friday 10am - 2pm and after the weekend Masses. Contact: Sharon Rawlins 435-688-1948

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