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 Masses
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

March 8 bulletin submissions must be received by February 26.

Saint George
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

A Successful Saint George Catholic Women’s Group Quilt Raffle

The Saint George Catholic Women’s Group wishes to thank everyone who contributed to their recent quilt raffle. It was a huge success, raising $831 for the group. The SGCWG supports many organizations through their fundraising: the Hope Pregnancy Care Center, CCD, Seminarians, Youth Futures Shelter Home (homeless teenagers), San Pablo Mission, Dove Center, Cub Scouts and Switchpoint.

The winners are shown in this picture taken by Father Sebastien. From left to right:
- Lori Roselli won the beautiful "flowery" quilt hand-made by Cherryl Cordova
- Mrs. Tischler won the beautiful blue "baby" quilt hand-made by Cherryl Cordova
- Karen Martinez won the beautiful "reindeer" quilt hand-made by Cherryl Cordova
- Delores Hickel won the gorgeous large "Arizona Chrysocolla" pendant made by Mike Martinez
- Genesis won the gorgeous the small "Arizona Chrysocolla" pendant made by Mike Martinez

(M. Brooks, where are you? Your ticket 860282 won the "African Chrysocolla" blue pendant made by Mike Martinez. We have been unable to get a hold of you. Please contact the Church Office at 435-673-2604 to claim your prize.)
So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.” (Matthew 5:48)

This is a very daunting command. Perfection is certainly something for which we may strive. Throughout the years, we probably have learned it is also unattainable. We can do our very best and we may excel in many of our efforts. There will be times though, when what we undertake will, no doubt, fall short of expectations.

“Perfection is not what being human is about. Perfection is simply not attainable in the human condition. The function of being human is to become the best human beings we can be, one insight, one mistake, at a time. Then, knowing the struggle that comes with trying and failing over and over again, we become tender with others who are also struggling in the process.”

What qualities about ourselves can we seek to change so we might experience a “sense” of perfection or of holiness? We are called to ‘turn the other cheek’, to avoid confrontation, retaliation, to be of a nonviolent nature, and to give beyond what is required of us. We are called to love, not to hate.

We are also called to be virtuous people. “A virtue is an habitual and firm disposition to do the good. It allows the person not only to perform good acts, but to give the best of himself. The virtuous person tends toward the good with all his sensory and spiritual powers; he pursues the good and chooses it in concrete actions.

The goal of a virtuous life is to become like God.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, Second Edition)

We are reminded we are temples of God and the Spirit of God dwells within us. We are also reminded God dwells in the other person as well. If we attack another, verbally or physically, are we not also attacking our Lord? If we deny the other those things in life to which we all are entitled, are we not also denying God?

Whether in church, in our home or on the streets of St. George, Ivins or Washington, everywhere, God deserves our awareness, our respect and most of all, our love. The person we greet during Mass, the people with whom we live or our friends, and the stranger on the street reflect the same God Who dwells in each of us.

“The coming of the dawn is the rising up of an inner light. In that undefiled dawn, the soul opens wide to life’s essential wonder, and the hidden meaning of being here knocks on the door of the heart.”

1In God’s Holy Light by Joan Chittister
2Stars at Night by Paula D’Arcy

~Carole Drake
Pastoral Assistant and Community Outreach

“Sean ustedes perfectos, como su Padre que está en el cielo es perfecto”. (Mateo 5:48)

Este es un comando muy desalentador. La perfección es ciertamente algo por lo que podemos luchar. A lo largo de los años, probablemente hemos aprendido que también es inalcanzable. Podemos hacer nuestro mejor esfuerzo y lo podemos destacar en muchos de nuestros esfuerzos. Sin embargo, habrá momentos en que lo que emprendemos, sin duda, no alcanzará las expectativas.

“La perfección no es de lo que se trata ser humano. La perfección simplemente no es alcanzable en la condición humana. La función de ser humano es convertirse en los mejores seres humanos que podemos ser, una idea, un error, a la vez. Luego, al conocer la lucha que conlleva intentar y fracasar una y otra vez, nos volvemos tiernos con otros que también están luchando en el proceso”.

¿Qué cualidades de nosotros mismos podemos buscar cambiar para que podamos experimentar un "sentido" de perfección o santidad? Estamos llamados a "poner la otra mejilla", para evitar confrontaciones, represalias, ser de naturaleza no violenta y dar más allá de lo que se requiere de nosotros. Estamos llamados a amar, no a odiar.

También estamos llamados a ser personas virtuosas. “Una virtud es una disposición habitual y firme para hacer el bien. Le permite a la persona no solo realizar buenos actos, sino dar lo mejor de sí mismo. La persona virtuosa tiende hacia el bien con todos sus poderes sensoriales y espirituales; él persigue lo bueno y lo elige en acciones concretas.

El objetivo de una vida virtuosa es llegar a ser como Dios”. (Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, segunda edición)

Se nos recuerda que somos templos de Dios y que el Espíritu de Dios mora en nosotros. También se nos recuerda que Dios también habita en la otra persona. Si atacamos a otro, verbal o físicamente, ¿no estamos atacando también a nuestro Señor? Si negamos al otro esas cosas en la vida a las que todos tenemos derecho, ¿no estamos también negando a Dios?

Ya sea en la iglesia, en nuestro hogar o en las calles de St.George, Ivins o Washington, en todas partes, Dios merece nuestra conciencia, nuestro respeto y, sobre todo, nuestro amor. La persona que saludamos durante la Misa, las personas con quienes vivimos o nuestros amigos, y el extraño en la calle reflejan el mismo Dios que habita en cada uno de nosotros.

“La llegada del amanecer es el surgimiento de una luz interior. En ese amanecer sin mancha, el alma se abre de par en par a la maravilla esencial de la vida, y el significado oculto de estar aquí toca a la puerta del corazón”.

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The trials and tribulations of our weekday Adoration schedule: Weeks ago a parishioner, a woman, was praying alone before the Blessed Sacrament in the church. A group of young men noisily tried to enter the main doors of the church but they were locked. Yelling and hollering, the same group went around the building and crashed through the open doors on the west side of the church. They bumped into the tables and chairs in the vestibule thoroughly scaring the lone parishioner in the church. People from the Scanlan Center chased out the group and no one was physically hurt. But the woman by herself in the church was clearly frightened. Part of the problem is that the church does need to be open because people are coming to pray and not all of them have signed up for a particular time in front of the Blessed Sacrament. The bookstore is also open on Tuesdays.

Another issue: not all the Adoration time slots are covered and it is not permitted to leave the Blessed Sacrament exposed in an empty church. There have been quite a few instances of one or two people staying well beyond the time they had committed to stay. This does not encourage people to sign up for time before the Blessed Sacrament.

Our weekday Adoration practice is well worth keeping. “The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it but also by praying before it outside of Mass, we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace…. It is pleasant to spend time with [Jesus], to lie close to his breast like the Beloved Disciple (cf. Jn 13:25) and to feel the infinite love present in his heart (Pope Saint John Paul II, Ecclesia de Eucharistia, 25).” Additionally we do have a dedicated group of regulars praying before the Blessed Sacrament while it is in the monstrance. Their prayers benefit us all.

It may well be time to condense the time the Blessed Sacrament is exposed. Instead of exposing the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., the hours would be between 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The weekdays during which the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, Tuesday through Friday, would remain the same. This change would reduce the possibility of time slots not being filled and it would allow those who regularly pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament in the monstrance to cluster together. There is strength in numbers, particularly in the face of unwanted visitors.

Before this change is made, people with other solutions or suggestions are encouraged to call Fr. Dave in the office.

Las pruebas y tribulaciones de nuestro horario diario de adoración: Hace unas semanas, un feligrés, una mujer, rezaba solo ante el Santísimo Sacramento en la iglesia. Un grupo de jóvenes intentaron ruidosamente entrar por las puertas principales de la iglesia, pero estaban cerradas. Gritando y vociferando, el mismo grupo rodeó el edificio y entraron por las puertas abiertas en el lado oeste de la iglesia. Toparon con las mesas y sillas en el vestíbulo, asustando al parroquiano solitario en la iglesia. La gente del Centro Scanlan persiguió al grupo y nadie resultó herido físicamente. Pero la mujer sola en la iglesia estaba claramente asustada. Parte del problema es que la iglesia necesita estar abierta porque la gente viene a rezar y no todos se han inscrito a un momento en particular frente al Santísimo Sacramento. La tienda de regalos también está abierta los martes.

Otro problema: no todas las plazas de tiempo de Adoración están cubiertos y no está permitido dejar el Santísimo Sacramento expuesto en una iglesia vacía. Ha habido bastantes casos que una o dos personas se quedaron mucho más allá del tiempo del que se habían comprometido a quedarse. Esto no anima a las personas a inscribirse por cierto tiempo antes del Santísimo Sacramento.

Vale la pena mantener nuestra práctica de adoración durante la semana. “La Eucaristía es un tesoro invaluéble: no solo celebrándolo sino también orando ante él fuera de la Misa, estamos capacitados para hacer contacto con la fuente de la gracia... Es agradable pasar tiempo con [Jesús], acostarse cerca de su pecho como el discípulo amado (cf. Jn 13, 25) y sentir el amor infinito presente en su corazón (Papa San Juan Pablo II, Ecclesia de Eucharistia, 25).” Además, tenemos un grupo dedicado de personas que habitualmente oran ante el Santísimo Sacramento mientras está en custodia. Sus oraciones nos benefician a todos.

Tal vez sea el momento de condensar el tiempo que se expone el Santísimo Sacramento. En lugar de exponer el Santísimo Sacramento de 9:00 a.m. a 7:00 p.m., el horario sería de 9:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m. Los días de la semana durante los cuales se expone el Santísimo Sacramento son, de martes a viernes, seguirán siendo los mismos. Este cambio reduciría la posibilidad de los espacios de tiempo sin nadie y permitiría que aquellos que rezan regularmente frente al Santísimo Sacramento en la custodia se agrupen. Hay fuerza en los números, particularmente frente a los visitantes no deseados.

Antes de hacer este cambio, se recomienda a las personas con otras soluciones o sugerencias que llamen al Padre Dave en la oficina.
**PARISH EVENTS**

**Monday**
- 10:00 am: Everyday God (every other week)  
  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-Room at the Square St. George  
- 5:00 pm: Holy Hour of Reparation Church  
- 6:00 pm: CCD Scanlan

**First Tuesday**
- 6:00 pm: Knights of Columbus (Library) St. George

**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  
- 7:00 pm: Neo Catechumenal Way  
  Scanlan, FL2  
- 7:00 pm: Classes Bíblicas CERS Scanlan

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

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

**Thursday**
- 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  
- 9:30 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

**Last Weekend**
At all Masses - DDD Collection

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

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

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At all Masses - K of C Food Drive

**Last Weekend**
At all Masses - DDD Collection

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**Our Lady of Grace Candle**

*burns this week in memory of*

Ken Odette

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, 2/22**
- 5:00 pm: Alfred Jankus  
  Helen Milovich and Ken Odette  
  Valeria and Vilma Harrington  
- 7:00 pm: (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Sunday, 2/23**
- 9:00 am: Tom Walsh  
  Sal Dano by the Taylors  
  Mae Wall  
- 11:00 am: Generational Healing of Families  
- 1:00 pm: Para La Curación General de las Familias

**Monday, 2/24**
- 8:00 am: Shirley Ruth Brohammer  
- 7:00 pm: (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Tuesday, 2/25**
- 8:00 am: Lucy Kennedy by Rita
- 7:00 pm: (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Wednesday, 2/26**
- 8:00 am: Lucy Kennedy by Julia  
- 12:00 pm: Service of Ashes (Spanish)  
- 6:00 pm: English Mass Father Kuzy  
- 8:00 pm: (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Thursday, 2/27**
- 8:00 am: JoElyn Brotherton  
- 7:00 pm: (Spanish) Pro Populo

**Friday, 2/28**
- 8:00 am: Bob Kowalski by Karen Kowalski  
- 7:00 pm: (Spanish) Pro Populo

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**THIS WEEK’S SECOND COLLECTION**

This week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 20 countries that still struggle to recover from Communist rule.
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**Weekly Collection Report**

Collection (02/09)............................................$12,797

**Capital Improvement Project (January)**

Renovation and Improvement Fund ........ $341,607
Restricted Fund—Kuzy Hall Pledges......$ 65,818
Renovation Fund Collections .............$ 4,282

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**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Last Friday of the month *(February 28)*
from 9 am to Saturday 6 am

**Adoración del Sagrado Sacramento**

El último viernes del mes *(28 de febrero)*
de 9 am al sábado 6 am

**BETHLEHEM WOOD CARVING**

Will be here next weekend February 29 – March 1 offering olive wood carvings from the Holy Land. Proceeds will help support more than 600 Catholic and Christian families living in Bethlehem, facing hard times due to clashes in the Middle East that have caused them serious harm. These olive wood carvings make great gifts for family and loved ones. Your needed support will be greatly appreciated!

**Knights of Columbus Food Collection Program**

40 Cans for 40 Days

Throughout Lent, please bring non-perishable food items to church and deposit them in the Knights’ Food Wagons in the Church vestibule.

**40 latas por 40 días**

Durante la Cuaresma, por favor traiga alimentos no perecederos a la iglesia y déjelos en el vagón de comida de los Caballeros de Colón en el vestíbulo de la Iglesia.

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**Rectory.............673-7354**

Pastor................. Rev. David Bittmenn

Parochial Vicar........ Rev. Sébastien Sasa Nganomo Babisayone
Retired.................. Rev. Glenn Dare

**Office.............673-2604**

Business Manager .... Don Drake (ddrake@sgcatholics.com)
Bookkeeper .............. Kelli Callister (kcallister@sgcatholics.com)
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**Deacons**

Rigoberto Aguirre............... 628-9107
Rogaciano Tellez............. 652-9219

**Baptismal Preparation Registration (English)**

Kathy Snyder..................307-256-9814—call to register

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**Online Giving Link** ....please visit our website

**Bulletin Ministry** ........sgcc.bulletin@gmail.com

**Thrift Store........673-1029**

**Gift Shop...............688-1948**

**Parish Council ........parishcouncil@sgcatholics.com**

**Newman Catholic Club**

Veronica Gonzales, President: veronica.gonzales@dmail.dixie.edu

**Maintenance.........Call Office (673-2604)**
Scripture Readings for the Week of February 23

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48
Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 [9a]/Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10/Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23 [23a]/Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 [cf. 3a]/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11