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**Welcome**

The parishioners of St George welcome you to our parish community. If you would like to register with our parish, forms are on the kiosk, come by the parish office, 202 W. Phillips St from 10am-12noon, M-F or call 816-633-7475.

**Attention:**

To ensure proper reservations for all events located at any of the St George facilities and to rent the St George meeting hall **PLEASE contact Kate Root, 816-263-7598, marykroot@gmail.com** or the St George Parish Office, stgeorgeodessa@gmail.com, 816-633-7475.

**Bulletin**

All items for the St George bulletin should be sent to stgeorgeodessa@gmail.com or call the church office 816-633-7475 by noon on Tues.

**Sexual Abuse:** The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse: 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the **Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti**, at 816-812-2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact **Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain** at 816-392-0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

**Mass Intentions**

Sat Dec 29 5:30pm Parishioners of St George & St Jude  
 Sun Dec 30 8:30am Parishioners of St George & St Jude  
**Tues Jan 1 9:00am Parishioners of St George & St Jude**  
 Wed Jan 2 9:00am Priest Intentions  
 Sat Jan 5 5:30pm Ingeborg Hanna by Pat Hanna  
 Sun Jan 6 8:30am Parishioners of St George & St Jude  
 Mass at St George will be Tuesday & Wednesday at 9am.  
 No 5:30pm Mass on Tuesday.  
 Mass at St Jude will be Monday at 5:30pm & Wednesday at 6pm.

**Schedule of Events**

Sat	Dec 29	5:00pm	Reconciliation	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Dec 30	7:45am	Reconciliation	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
Tues	Jan 1	9:00am	Holy Day Mass	Church
Wed	Jan 2	9:00am	Mass	Church
		1:00pm	Bunco	MH
Sat	Jan 5	5:00pm	Reconciliation	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Jan 6	7:45am	Reconciliation	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
		9:30am	Fellowship	MH
		9:30am	PSR	YEC

**Liturgical Roles**

**SATURDAY, December 29, 2018, 5:30pm**  
 Readers Kate Root, Janet Tirschel  
 Servers Any Available  
 E. Ministers Paula Eldred, Audrey Miller, Cheryl Horne  
 Ushers Ken Zey, John Hotmer

**SUNDAY, December 30, 2018, 8:30am**  
 Readers Knights of Columbus  
 Servers Knights of Columbus  
 E. Ministers Knights of Columbus  
 Ushers Knights of Columbus  
 Greeters Knights of Columbus  
 Money Counters

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2018, 9:00am - Holy Day**  
 Readers Gerard Schulte, Larry Lackamp  
 Servers Any Available  
 E. Ministers Mathiew Kurtz, Audrey Miller, Paula Eldred  
 Ushers Ken Zey, Jerry Wade

**SATURDAY, January 5, 2019, 5:30pm**  
 Readers Bob Carey, Maureen Carey  
 Servers Any Available  
 E. Ministers Paula Eldred, Mathiew Kurtz, Bob Carey  
 Ushers Joyce Watkins, Dave Elgin

**SUNDAY, January 6, 2019, 8:30am**  
 Readers Joyce Watkins, Dave Elgin  
 Servers Felton Stevens, Jacob Tate  
 E. Ministers Toni Hellums, Mike Stevens, Ruth Elgin  
 Ushers Phil Rucker, Norm Brodeur  
 Greeters Prime Timers  
 Money Counters

**St George Parish Office**  
**202 W. Phillips St Odessa, Mo. 64076**  
**816-633-7475**

**Office Hours Tuesday – Thursday 10 a.m. — 12 noon 5p.m. — 7p.m.**

**Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**  
**December 30, 2018**

The ultimate aim of Saint Paul's Letter to the Colossians is to teach the community how to deepen its relationship with Christ Jesus. His list of virtues summarizes the ideals of communal stewardship: *compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience*. For Paul, practicing these virtues opens our hearts to Christ as individuals and as a worshipping community. This is how the Christian community ought to live. This is how its members should behave in their dealings with others, particularly with fellow believers. As we approach a new year, how might we embrace one of these virtues more fully in order to deepen our relationship with Jesus?  
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**Catholic Key Subscription**  
**Sunday January 6**

Envelopes are in your contribution packet for subscription to the diocesan paper, the Catholic Key.

**Parish Office Hours for**  
**January**  
**Tuesday through Thursday**  
**10am to Noon and 5pm-7pm**

**2019 Annual Catholic Appeal**

Remember to make your donation to the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal. Letters and contribution envelopes were mailed to parishioners and there are envelopes are in the pews.

**Low Gluten Hosts**

Low gluten hosts are available for Communion. Please talk to Fr. Bryan for information.

**Remember in Prayer**

Please keep these individuals in your prayers; Elsie Rees, Wanda Markes, Catherine Royeton, Gene Early, Marjorie Anderson, JoAnn McCarty.

**Church Cleaning**  
**January 6**  
**Team 2**

Thank you to all the who volunteer to help keep our beautiful worship space clean.

**Sacrificial Offering**

Envelope	\$ 1714.00
Plate	\$ 485.00
Maintenance	\$ 605.00
Other	\$ 2219.36
Total	\$ 5023.36

Thank you for your contributions.

The Lord bless you and  
 keep you!  
 The Lord let his face  
 shine upon you,  
 and be gracious to you!  
 The Lord look upon you kindly  
 and give you peace!  
 Numbers 6:24-26

**Feast of Mary the Mother of God**  
**Holy Day, January 1**

**Mass will be 9am on Tuesday**

Mary is honored as the "Mother of God," the greatest of her titles. This title is the foundation for every other title attributed to her as she became the mother of God from the instant Jesus was conceived in her womb by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Why do Catholics call Mary the Mother of God?**

When we refer to Mary as "Mother of God," we are saying that Jesus is God. The Church has always taught that Jesus is both God and sinless man. As the Word of God, He always existed. He took on flesh and became man in history through Mary (John 1:14). Mary is truly his mother: she gave birth to him and raised him. Since Jesus is God, Mary, his mother, is the Mother of God (Catechism of the Catholic Church #495).

Growing in Faith

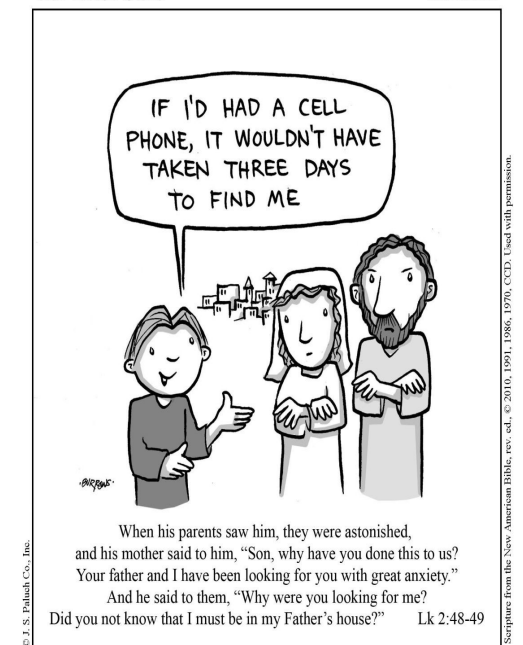
**Mass Intentions for 2019**

Mass intentions for 2019 are being scheduled. If you wish to have a Mass said for a specific date, please contact the church office as soon as possible. There are on 2-5 Masses available per week. Intentions will be taken on a first come first come serve basis. \$10.00 per Mass intention is requested.

**Thank You**

We received **\$52.40** for **131** pounds of aluminum cans collected on December 16th & 17th. The funds will be used to buy medicine for the children of St Joan of Arc School in Mawuuki, Uganda. Thank you. Our next collection will be in March.

**The Little Ones**



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**Feast of the Holy Family     December 30, 2018**  
**HOME IS WHERE THE FAMILY IS**

The idea, dream, and reality of family is so strong and durable that we use it to describe all that is best about human gatherings. We speak of the family of nations, of our church and parish families. The greatest compliment we can pay a friend or gracious host is to say that we feel at home with them, we feel part of the family.

Families are the first crucibles in which love is tested and tempered. Jesus himself was one of three people who lived in the shadow of each other. This family, like our own, did not always “get it right,” but they always tried to. These three “amateurs” were on holiday, and one of them got lost. Two were worried sick and took great measures to find the third, a boy after all, who was seeking the meaning of his calling. He found his vocation—to do his Father’s work—but he also returned home with his parents.

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**Readings for the Week**

Monday:    1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18  
Tuesday:    Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28  
Thursday:   1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34  
Friday:      1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42  
Saturday:   1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51  
Sunday:     Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6;  
                 Mt 2:1-12

**Holy Day of Obligation   Tuesday, January 1, 2019**

The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

**Masses**

St Jude’s on December 31, 2018, 5:30pm

**St George in Odessa, January 1, 2019, 9am**

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**No 5:30pm Mass, Adoration or Benediction on  
Tuesday, January 1, 2019.**

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**St George Visioning Session**

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the St George Visioning Session on Sunday, January 20, 2019, after the 8:30am Mass. What are your plans for the future of St George? Come and express your thoughts and ideas.

**Bunco 1pm Wednesday**

Come join your fellow parishioners for an afternoon of Bunco on Wednesday, January 2, 2019, beginning at 1pm, in the meeting hall. Bring a snack to share, \$5.00 and your beverage of choice.

**PSR begins Next Sunday January 6, 2019**

PSR will begin again on Sunday, January 6, 2019, from 9:30am to 11am in the YEC building.

**Fellowship Sunday, January 6, 2019**

Fellowship will be held in the meeting hall on Sunday, January 6, 2019, after the 8:30am.







