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Second Sunday of Advent December 8, 2019

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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 10am on Tuesday.

Sexual Abuse: The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting 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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, 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 the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Mass Intentions

Sat	Dec 7	5:30pm	Wanda Markes by Toni Hellums
Sun	Dec 8	8:30am	Parishioners of St George
Mon	Dec 9	9:00am	Priest Intention
Tues	Dec 10	6:00pm	Joe Haman by Mathiew & Julie Kurtz
Wed	Dec 11	9:00am	Helen Miller by Mathiew & Julie Kurtz
Thu	Dec 12	9:00am	Priest Intention
Sat	Dec 14	5:30pm	Michael Feder by Phil & Jean Falke
Sun	Dec 15	8:30am	Parishioners of St George

St George daily Mass: Mon 9am, Tues 6pm, Wed 9am, Thu 9am
 St Jude daily Mass: Mon 6pm, Tues 9am, Wed 6pm, Fri 9am

Schedule of Events

Sat	Dec 7	10:00am	Oh Holy Night Nativity Display MH	
		5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Dec 8	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
		9:30am	PSR	YEC
		9:30am	Oh Holy Night Nativity Display MH	
Mon	Dec 9	9:00am	Mass-Immaculate Conception	Church
Tues	Dec 10	5:00pm	Adoration, Benediction & Confession	Church
		6:00pm	Mass	Church
		6:45pm	Choir Practice	Church
		9:30am	ACE	YEC
Wed	Dec 11	9:00am	Mass	Church
		7:00pm	St George Altar Society	MH
Thu	Dec 12	9:00am	Mass	Church
		12noon	Prime Timers	MH
Sat	Dec 14	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
		10-4:30pm	Advent Retreat @ St Jude's	St Jude's
Sun	Dec 15	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
		9:30am	PSR	YEC

Liturgical Roles

SATURDAY, December 7, 2019, 5:30pm
 Reader Kate Root
 Server Any Available
 E. Ministers Larry Horne, Cheryl Horne
 Ushers Larry Lackamp, Jerry Wade
SUNDAY, December 8, 2019, 8:30am
 Reader Bonnie White
 Servers Clayton Stevens, Kiley Thomas
 E. Ministers Mike Stevens, Ruth Elgin
 Ushers Norm Brodeur, Dan Cobb
 Money Counters Julie Kurtz, Angie Platt
SATURDAY, December 14, 2019, 5:30pm
 Reader Gerard Schulte
 Server Any Available
 E. Ministers Bob Carey, Maureen Carey
 Ushers John Hotmer, Jerry Wade
SUNDAY, December 15, 2019, 8:30am
 Reader Cory LaBoube
 Servers Journey Platt, Rollie Platt, Felton Stevens
 E. Ministers Kate Root, Tom Crowley
 Ushers Phil Tucker, Carl Stein
 Money Counters Michelle Howard, Tom Casey

Dear St. George and St. Jude,

Today we begin our 10th week and halfway point for our journey into the deep. This week's topic is the Last Things. What happens after death. Judgment, Heaven, Hell and purgatory. All your questions answered!

Also during this time of Advent please consider joining us for our Holy Family retreat next Sat. Dec. 14, 10-3:30 at St. Jude. This endeavor is very important for our parishes. We oftentimes are very involved in dinners and community outreach which is good but we above all need to take care of our souls and get to Heaven. Let's make it a packed house! Learn about the Church calendar and how to not worry and trust in God. The 3:30 Mass will be a special Mass commemorating our Lady of Guadalupe and end with consecrating the parish to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Stay tuned for the schedule. Please feel free to come and go as you please.

Peace,
 Fr. Bryan

Masses for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 Monday December 9
 St George 9am St Jude 6pm

Annual Catholic Appeal Pledge
 Please remember to make your pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal. Envelopes are available in the gathering area.

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, Catherine Royeton, Gene Early, Marjorie Anderson, JoAnn McCarty, Helen Hotmer.

Church Cleaning Heavenly Dusters
December 15
Team 1

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

Sacrificial Offering

Envelope	\$ 2573.00
Plate	\$ 455.50
Maintenance	\$ 25.00
Assistance for Poor	\$ 200.00
Raffle	\$ 50.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 125.00
Raise the Roof	\$ 3875.00
Military Archdiocese	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 7703.50

2nd Collection This Weekend
 The 2nd collection this weekend will be for religious retirement. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious offers vital support for necessities, such as medications and nursing care for 30,000 Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.

Bingo
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12
 St. Jude's Catholic Church
 2001 S. Broadway
 Oak Grove, Mo
 Doors open at 5:00pm. Games start at 6:00pm. Bring a friend and you get a \$5.00 free concessions coupon. Must be age 16 or older. Admission \$20 - 16 games (9 per game). For more information contact Ann Arndover 816-690-2296.

Support Catholic Charities
 You can support Catholic Charities each time you order from Amazon simply by signing into your regular Amazon account at smile.amazon.com/ch/43-0887779. Each time you use the link, Amazon will donate a portion of your purchase to Catholic Charities KCSJ. Please contact Nancy Butters, Development Manager at nbutters@ccharities.com or 816-659-8266 for more information.

Stewardship Prayer for December

Come, Lord Jesus!
 We hear John the Baptist's cry. Open our hearts. Give us humility to repent. Come, Lord Jesus!
 Let us walk in your light! Show us how we prepare your way and make straight your paths. Come, Lord Jesus!
 We give you thanks and praise, for the shining star and angelic host, for Mary and Joseph, good stewards, both. Come, Lord Jesus!
 We rejoice and are glad! For the Good News you bring And God's glory you revealed. Come, Lord Jesus!
 Amen.
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Future Events at St George

O Holy Night Display	Dec 7 & 8
Altar Society	Dec 11
Prime Timers	Dec 12
K of C Meeting	Dec 19
Parish Christmas Party	Dec 21
Christmas Masses	
Christmas Eve	Dec 24
St Jude 3:30pm & Midnight	
St George 5:30pm	
Christmas Day	Dec 25
St George—9:00am	

Prime Timers Christmas Party

The Prime Timers will have their Christmas party on December 12 at noon, in the meeting hall. Nadlers will cater the lunch. The cost is \$10.00. Bunco will be played after lunch and prizes awarded. No worries if you haven't played Bunco before. It's easy to learn and a lot of fun. There is a collection for Baby Grace so all attending should bring name brand diapers and wipes.

St George Altar Society Meeting

All ladies of the parish are invited to the St George Altar Society Meeting on Wednesday, December 11, 7pm, in the meeting hall. Ladies are asked to bring items for the Christmas baskets.

Advent Wreath Symbols

The circle of the wreath, which has not a beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God (the Alpha and Omega). The evergreen is chosen as the base because God is the foundation of all good. Green is the color that represents hope and new life. Four candles represent the four (4) weeks of Advent. Traditionally, each week represents one thousand years, from Adam and Eve until the Birth of the Savior. The first two purple candles symbolizes hope and love respectively. The third candle (which is pink/rose) symbolizes joy. The fourth and last purple candle represents (5) peace. The light of the candles signifies the light of Christ to mankind.

Christmas Angel Tree Gifts

Our Christmas Angel Tree gift tags are on the table in the gathering area. Take as many as you wish. There is also a basket to collect donations of health products that are sorely needed. Remember to wrap each gift, securely attach the angel tag and return to the church by **December 15**. All families are from Odessa and their gratitude is overwhelming.

Christmas Flower Collection

There is a Christmas flower collection through December 15. You may make a general flower donation or a donation in memory of a loved one. There are green envelopes on the communion table or you may use the envelopes in your contribution envelope packet dated November 24. All the memorial donations will be listed in the Christmas bulletin. Please put your donations in the collection basket.

Raise the Roof Christmas Raffle

Raffle chances are available after Mass through December 21 for a Laptop Computer, Kindle Reader or Keurig Coffee Maker. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for six. All proceeds will go to the "Raise the Roof" fundraising project. The winners will be announced at the Parish Christmas Dinner on Saturday evening, December 21. (Winners do not have to be present to win.)



O Holy Night Nativity Display

December 7, 2019

10 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

December 8, 2019

9:30a.m.—3:30p.m.

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**Nativity sets can be designed and made
in many different ways.**

**St George parish will be displaying 100+
nativity sets on December 7 & 8.**

**Plan a family visit to this very unique
and interesting exhibit.**



Christmas Flower Collection

Now through December 15

In Memory/Honor of... _____

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Christmas flower donations should in a separate
envelope marked flower donation and put in the
collection basket.

