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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, 816-633-7945, or email stgeorgeodessa@gmail.com.

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	Feb 22	5:30pm	Wanda Markes by Gene Benedict
Sun	Feb 23	8:30am	Parishioners of St George
Tues	Feb 25	6:00pm	Priest Intention
Wed	Feb 26	7:00pm	Priest Intention
Thu	Feb 27	9:00am	Priest Intention
Sat	Feb 29	5:30pm	Wanda Markes by Gene Benedict
Sun	Mar 1	8:30am	Parishioners of St George

Daily Mass at St George will be Tues-6pm and Wed-7pm, Thur-9am. St Jude will have Mass Tues-9am, Wed-5pm & Fri-9am. No 9am Mass on Wednesday.

Schedule of Events

Sat	Feb 22	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Feb 23	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
		9:30am	PSR Lenten Retreat till 1pm	YEC
Tues	Feb 25	5:00pm	Adoration, Benediction & Confession	Church
		6:00pm	Mass	Church
		6:45pm	Choir Practice	Church
Wed	Feb 26	7:00pm	Ash Wednesday Mass	Church
Thu	Feb 27	9:00am	Mass	Church
Fri	Feb 28	11:00am	Stations & Soup	Church
		5-7pm	Fish Fry	MH
Sat	Feb 29	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Mar 1	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
		9:30am	PSR	YEC
		9:30am	Fellowship	MH

Liturgical Roles

SATURDAY, February 22, 2020, 5:30pm
 Reader Larry Lackamp
 Servers Any Available
 E. Ministers Kate Root, Mathiew Kurtz
 Ushers Jerry Wade, Larry Lackamp
SUNDAY, February 23, 2020, 8:30am
 Reader Bonnie White
 Servers Kiley Thomas, Rollie Platt, Journey Platt
 E. Ministers Mike Stevens, Tom Crowley
 Ushers Rex Watkins, Bill Schuler
 Money Counters Mike Stevens, Angie Platt

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO FILL THE LITURGICAL ROLES AT THE 7PM MASS ON ASH WEDNESDAY.

SATURDAY, February 29, 2020, 5:30pm
 Reader Janet Tirschel
 Servers Any Available
 E. Ministers Julie Kurtz, Ashley Boydston
 Ushers Jerry Wade, Volunteer Needed
SUNDAY, March 1, 2020, 8:30am
 Reader Joyce Watkins
 Servers Emery Laboube, Brooks Laboube, Chris Utterback
 E. Ministers Kate Root, Gerald Schulte
 Ushers Carl Stein, Dan Cobb
 Money Counters Michelle Howard, Bruce Hudson

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Office Hours Monday – Friday 10 a.m. – 12 noon

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 23, 2020

Dear St. George and St. Jude,
 Lent is on the way! Enjoy Fat Tuesday to your hearts content because Wednesday you must come get your ash in Church. Think about your penances for Lent. You should do something good for others, you should give up something yourself, and pray, pray, pray! Think of Lent not as 40 days of suffering but as a spa treatment for the soul. It will sometimes be painful but you will emerge refreshed. Check the bulletin for the opportunity for Stations of the Cross and fish fries! You will notice that Tuesday and Wed. Evenings are jam packed but you are free to come to whichever parts of the night you prefer.

This week in our journey we discuss Catholic Social justice. Being reminded that as Catholics we are champions of life and we must defend and care for all life from Conception till natural death. Our journey into the deep session will be moved to the first week of March, Mar. 4th and 5th since this week is Ash Wednesday.

Stay Holy St. George and St. Jude,
 Fr. Bryan

The Lord is Kind and Merciful

He pardons all your iniquities, heals all your ills. He redeems your life from destruction, crowns you with kindness and compassion.

Psalms 103:3-4

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 March 1

Altar Society

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

Sacrificial Offering February 16

Envelope	\$ 1670.00
Plate	\$ 379.00
Maintenance	\$ 240.00
Raise The Roof	\$ 30.00
Other	\$ 50.00
2nd Collection CCEAA	\$ 339.00
Local Assist-Poor	\$ 165.00
Italian Dinner	\$ 687.60
Total	\$ 3560.60

Stand Up For Life

Planned Parenthood cares little about government funding. This organization makes its vast amount money by selling the murdered babies for medical science research. Our continuous prayers are our greatest weapon. Join us to pray the Rosary each Sunday at 8:00am and then continue each day to beg for a change of heart for all in this country.

Fellowship Next Sunday

There will be fellowship in the meeting hall next Sunday, March 1, after the 8:30am Mass, sponsored by the parish council.

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who brought back your palms. They will be burnt and the ashes used on Ash Wednesday.

Find Your New Heart During Lent

The root of the word “convert” means to “change,” or “transform.” Think of turning from sin and evil toward grace, virtue, goodness, and God. It is the transformation of the human heart, by an act of God’s grace. *“A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will take out of your flesh the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh”* (Ezekiel 36:26).

A new heart. God desires our conversion more than we ever could. With the perfect heart of a Father, he pursues and draws us to himself. Conversion begins by offering him our whole heart so he can remake it as his own.

Break the heart of stone. There can be no healing or conversion when we harbor unconfessed sin. Make a full Confession to a priest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Don’t worry if you have been away for a while. The priest will be happy to guide you and to welcome you back to God’s friendship.

A new spirit. When we have a soft and tender heart of flesh, we are able to receive God’s holy will. Our new spirit requires renewal every day. Daily prayer, frequent Confession, and regular reception of the Holy Eucharist will keep our hearts filled with God’s love.

Growing in Faith

Lenten Obligations

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday (February 26th) and Good Friday (April 10th). In addition, all Catholics 14 years old and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. The U. S. bishops define fasting as eating one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted as necessary to maintain strength.

PSR Youth Needed to Help With Fish Fries

Fish Fries are coming up on Friday evenings. The K of C need help from the PSR youth to clean up tables during the fish fries and also help with anything else that needs to be done. You can sign up with Katherine Brown during PSR classes. This volunteer opportunity counts towards the Golden Bead.

Knights of Columbus Fish Fries

Friday February 28 through April 3

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring a fish fry every Friday evening during Lent from 5-7pm in the meeting hall beginning February 28 through April 3. Menu will be fried fish, French fries, cheese grits, slaw, assorted side dishes, corn bread, drinks and dessert. Price will be adults-\$10, children ages 5-12-\$5.00 and children under 5 will be free. Come and enjoy a delicious fish dinner and help support the Knights of Columbus.

Ash Wednesday Services

St Jude 5pm St George 7pm

There will be Mass and distribution of ashes on Wednesday, February 26.

Stations and Soup on the Friday's During Lent

All are welcome to attend Stations of the Cross and Soup on the Fridays during Lent beginning at 11am on Friday, February 28. Stations of the Cross will be said at 11am in the church followed by a meatless soup lunch in the meeting hall.

Stations of the Cross on Tuesday Evenings

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession from 5-5:55pm, Benediction 5:55pm, Mass 6:00pm and Stations of the Cross begins at 6:30pm. You may come for all or part of the Tuesday services.

Adult Continuing Education

"Create in me a clean heart, O Lord." An incredible way to begin this great work is to attend the Lenten Scripture study, "Conversion", written and presented by Bishop Robert Barron. A DVD six week study with a guide (\$16), questions to lead you to conversion, and accompanying discussion. Thursdays, 9:30am beginning February 27, at the YEC building. Call Maureen at 805-208-3442 to order book or go to wordonfire.org.

