

St George Catholic Church

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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 9:30am-12noon, Wednesday or Thursday, or call 816-633-7475. You may also fill out the Become a Parishioner form on the parish website at www.stgeorgeodessa.org.

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.

ATTENTION: Because of COVID 19, meeting hall rentals are limited. Contact Kate Root, marykroot@gmail.com for more information.

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.

Awaiting the Second Coming Day

Today's second reading is about Christ's coming again, "The day of the Lord," Peter calls it, but that day isn't December 25th. It's that other day, that second-coming day about which Peter is concerned. He waits with great hope and anticipation for God to remake the earth into a place of perfect justice and peace. And he sets some demanding goals for the Christian community as it awaits that final day of accounting and reconciliation: strive to be at peace, without spot or blemish. Christian stewards work for peace. As we await the coming of Christmas, what can we do to promote peace in our homes, workplaces, community and world?

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Mass Intentions

Sat	Dec 5	5:30pm	Parishioners of St George
Sun	Dec 6	8:30am	Paul Magruder by Dan & Linda Cobb
Tues	Dec 8	6:00pm	Priest Intention
Wed	Dec 9	9:00am	Priest Intention
Thu	Dec 10	9:00am	Priest Intention
Sat	Dec 12	5:30pm	Priest Intention
Sun	Dec 13	8:30am	Paul Magruder by Toni Hellums

Daily Mass at St George will be Tues-6pm, Wed-9am, Thur-9am.
St Jude will have Mass Tues-9am, Wed-6pm, Fri-9am

Schedule of Events

Sat	Dec 5	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Dec 6	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
Tues	Dec 8	5:00pm	Adoration, Benediction & Confession	Church
		6:00pm	Mass	Church
Wed	Dec 9	9:00am	Mass	Church
		2:00pm	Altar Society Meeting	MH
Thu	Dec 10	9:00am	Mass	Church
Sat	Dec 12	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Dec 13	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, December 5, 2020, 5:30pm

Reader Kate Root
Ushers John Hotmer

Sunday, December 6, 2020, 8:30am

Reader Abby Volmer
Ushers Dan Cobb, Bill Schuler
Money Counters Michelle Howard, Tami Shipley

Saturday, December 12, 2020, 5:30pm

Reader Larry Lackamp
Ushers Jerry Wade, John Hotmer

Sunday, December 13, 2020, 8:30am

Reader Bonnie White
Ushers Rex Watkins, Carl Stein
Money Counters Mike Stevens, Bruce Hudson

St George Parish Office

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Office Hours Wednesday & Thursday 9:30am – noon

Second Sunday in Advent December 6, 2020

Awaken to the Presence of God on Christmas Morning

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). An amazing truth occurred at the first Christmas; God came and lived among us. Even more amazing, He continues to live among us. During Advent, take steps to become more aware of His presence. Begin each day in His presence. Before you get out of bed in the morning, place yourself in His presence. Take a few minutes to focus on a sacred picture or an image that will help you to "Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10). Seek God's Word. Start your day with Scripture such as the daily Mass readings (found on www.usccb.org) or another reading you choose. Ask God to teach you during the day from that selection. Speak to him throughout the day. Picture the Lord next to you throughout your day and talk with Him as you experience the day together. Brother Lawrence, a 17th century monk, suggested prayer shouldn't be confined to formal times.

Growing In Faith

Online Giving

Did you know you can give online?
Click give now on our website or use the link below. You can do a one time only or a recurring gift.
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stgeorgeodessamo>

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. Also remember all those who have been diagnosed with COVID 19 and all the health care workers and emergency responders.

Church Cleaning

Heavenly Duster

December 13

Team 1

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

Sacrificial Offering

11-29-20

Envelope	\$ 1911.00
Plate	\$ 65.00
Maintenance	\$ 40.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 360.00
Haskin Memorial	\$ 1180.00
Total	\$ 3556.00

Lord let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.

Psalm 85:8

Masks and Social Distancing

Everyone is asked to wear their mask when entering and leaving the church. You are also asked to wear your mask when coming up to Communion. Please stay 6 feet apart when you are in line. Parishioners should practice social distancing upon entering and leaving the church.

Advent Calendars

Advent Calendars are on the kiosk in the gathering area. The calendar includes ideas for each day of Advent.

Impact Statement

During the past fiscal year, Catholic Charities KCSJ has KCS impacted approximately 16,957 people in our communities, including those who are widowed, single, divorced or separated, seniors, sex offenders, disabled and veterans. We provided over 1.3 million in rent, utility, and other emergency assistance. Catholic Charities also facilitated the adoption of two children this year. We are aware there is much more to be done and we are very thankful for your continued support of our outreach. For more information on our programs and impact please contact Nancy Butters, Parish Outreach Manager, 816-659-8266 at nbutters@ccharities.com

2nd Collection Next Weekend

Religious Retirement

In good times and bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated themselves to service and acts of mercy. Today we pray for an aching world. Yet years of serving for little or no pay have left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please be generous.

A Stewardship Prayer

for December

Heavenly Father,
You give us this blessed season of Advent as a gift of time to prepare for the coming of the Christ Child.

But all too often we turn this gift into a source of frenzy, stress and anxiety; a time when we're apt to prepare for a Christmas celebration looking perfect on the outside, but spiritually exhausting and without true meaning.

Restore in us that inherent quest for quiet expectation and hope. Show us the way to a more peaceful, prayerful disposition that makes us more open to a conversion of heart.

And give us the courage to let go of things that are ultimately unimportant to the true meaning of Christmas.

Help us be good stewards of this Advent season, so that on the Feast of the Nativity, we will be ready with our own sacred space for the arrival of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we now pray.

Amen

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Christmas Angel Tree

Due Next Sunday December 13

Christmas Angel Tree giving time is here. Please select tags from the tree in the gathering area. Purchase the suggested gifts, wrap them, and attach the gift tags. Return all gifts on or before **December 13**. They will be distributed to the families the following Saturday. What a great opportunity it is to be able to help some of those who are in great need!

PSR Projects

All lessons are set up by family in the back of church for each 1st weekend of the month. You may drop off your binders from the month before.

All completed Circle of Grace forms are due back in December.

December 6, 2020 Following Mass, pick up and drop off of assignments in the gathering area of the church.

For the month of December, I would like each family to share what Christmas means to them and what is a Christmas tradition you have at your home. This project is due the weekend of December 12-13 and will be displayed in the gathering area of the church.

Katherine Brown, email:katherinebrownpsr@gmail.com
PSR Coordinator

Blood Drive St Jude's

There will be a blood drive at St Jude's Catholic Church in Oak Grove on December 10 from 1-5pm.

Poinsettia Collection

We are collecting money to purchase poinsettia's for Christmas. You may make a general donation or in memory of someone. Memorial donations will be published in the Christmas bulletin. An envelope for the flower donation is in your contribution envelope packet dated November 29 or you can use the green envelopes on the table in the gathering area.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Feast of the Immaculate Conception is Tuesday, December 8. Mass for the feast day will be at 6pm. It is not a holy day of obligation because of Covid 19.

Altar Society Meeting

There will be an Altar Society Meeting on Wednesday, December 9, 2pm, in the meeting hall. Ladies are asked to bring items and homemade goodies to fill the Giving Baskets for the homebound.

Christmas Masses

St George in Odessa

Christmas Eve 5:30pm & Midnight

Christmas Day 9am

St Jude's in Oak Grove

Christmas Eve 3:30pm Christmas Day 10:30am

