

St George Catholic Church

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Mass Intentions

Sat	Dec 19	5:30pm	Paul Magruder by Magruder Family
Sun	Dec 20	8:30am	Parishioners of St George
Tues	Dec 22	6:00pm	Priest Intention
Wed	Dec 23	9:00am	Priest Intention
Thu	Dec 24	5:30pm	Parishioners of St George
Fri	Dec 25	Midnight	Parishioners of St George
Fri	Dec 25	9:00am	Parishioners of St George
Sat	Dec 26	5:30pm	Mike Haskins by Jerry & Jeanne Wade
Sun	Dec 27	8:30am	Parishioners of St George

Daily Mass at St George will be Tues-6pm & Wed-9am.

No 9am Mass on Thu at St George

St Jude will have Mass Tues -9am & Wed-6pm,

No 9am Mass on Friday at St Jude.

Schedule of Events

Sat	Dec 19	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Dec 20	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
Tues	Dec 22	5:00pm	Adoration, Benediction & Confession	Church
		6:00pm	Mass	Church
Wed	Dec 23	9:00am	Mass	Church
Thu	Dec 24	5:30pm	Christmas Eve Mass	Church
		Midnight	Christmas Midnight Mass	Church
Fri	Dec 25	9:00am	Christmas Mass	Church
Sat	Dec 26	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Dec 27	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, December 19, 2020, 5:30pm

Reader Janet Tirschel
Ushers Jerry Wade

Sunday, December 20, 2020, 8:30am

Reader Cory LaBoube
Ushers Phil Rucker, Dan Cobb
Money Counters Janet Tirschel, Tom Casey

Thursday, December 24, 2020, 5:30pm Christmas Eve

Reader Bob Carey
Ushers John Hotmer
Servers Chris Utterback

Friday, December 25, 2020, Midnight Mass

Servers Lucas & Jacob Tate

Friday, December 25, 2020, 9:00am, Christmas Day

Reader Abby Volmer
Ushers Norm Broder, Bill Schuler
Servers Rollie Platt, Journey Platt

Saturday, December 26, 2020, 5:30pm

Reader Bonnie White
Ushers John Hotmer, Jerry Wade

Sunday, December 27, 2020, 8:30am

Reader Gerard Schulte
Ushers Carl Stein, Rex Watkins
Money Counters Bob Carey, Toni Hellums

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 20, 2020

In today's Gospel reading we have the story of the Annunciation, when the angel of the Lord announced to Mary that she would give birth to Christ through the intercession of the Holy Spirit. Mary allowed God's messenger to speak to her. She was attentive, not afraid to enter into a dialogue, then unconditionally obedient. Mary's acceptance of this mystery is a stewardship model for us. Good stewards remain open to the incursions of divine life into the normal course of their daily lives. How open are we to the promptings of the Holy Spirit in our own lives? What might we do this last week of Advent to be more attentive to the Lord?

International Catholic Stewardship Conference e-bulletin

Christmas Masses

St George-Odessa, Mo.

Christmas Eve
5:30pm

Christmas Day
Midnight & 9am

St Jude -Oak Grove, Mo.

Christmas Eve
3:30pm

Christmas Day
10:30am

Low Gluten Hosts

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

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>

Church Cleaning

Heavenly Duster

December 27

Team 2

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

Sacrificial Offering

12-13-20

Envelope	\$ 1556.00
Plate	\$ 275.00
Maintenance	\$ 70.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 160.00
Local Assistance - Poor	\$ 10.00
Religious Retirement	\$ 1130.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 230.00
Haskin Memorial	\$ 255.00
Total	\$ 3710.00

Parish Office Closed

Parish Office will be closed December 23, December 24, December 30 and December 31. Office will reopen on Wednesday, January 6 at 9:30am.

Psalm for this Week

The promises of the Lord I will sing forever; through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness.

For you have said, "My kindness is established forever"; in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness. Psalm 89:1-3

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.

Why do Catholics believe in a "virgin birth?"

Before Jesus was born, Isaiah was told, "the virgin shall be with child, and bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel" (Isaiah 7:14). The virgin birth was documented in Luke 1:34. Had Jesus been conceived like the rest of us, He could not have been a perfect sacrifice for our sins. "And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).

Growing In Faith

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.

Unborn Joy

"When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb ..." (Luke 1:40). Even in the womb, John was filled with joy to serve God. With the coming of Christmas, look for ways to do God's will and then leap for joy as you fulfill His plan. "She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21). Growing In Faith

Christmas Greetings from Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities KCSJ would like to wish the blessings of the season on all parishioners, families, and friends of the diocese. Although this holiday season may look a little different due to separations caused by the pandemic, we know that we all still have much to be grateful for. It is through your generosity that we were able to meet the needs of so many throughout this challenging year. May this Christmas season be filled with joy, love, peace, and family. For information about our programs please contact Nancy Butters, Parish Outreach Manager at 816-659-8266 or nbutters@ccharities.com.



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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.

Back Snack Program

Thanks to the members of St. George Parish we have been able to supply filled backpacks to the McQuerry Elementary School again this year. These children are recommended by the school counselor as being in need. At the present we are providing 8 filled backpacks each week.

2020 has been a very stressful time for so many, in numerous ways. Just think, if those who are able to give even one non-perishable food item each week, when we put it all together we can make a difference.

Remember we are the hands of Christ. God bless everyone.

Bonnie White

Back Snack Coordinator for St George

Thank You for the Angel Tree Gifts

Thank you to all who so generously contributed gifts for our Angel Tree Project this year. You have brought so much joy to families who truly need it.

Maureen Carey

2021 Calendars

2021 Calendars are available in the gathering space provided by Ralph O Jones Funeral Home. Please take home a calendar.

Christmas Masses

St George in Odessa

Christmas Eve 5:30pm

Christmas Day Midnight & 9am

St Jude's in Oak Grove

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

PSR Schedule for January & February

January

- 1/3/2021 Mass @ 8:30am
PSR packets will be ready for pick up on Jan 1 & Jan 2 after each Mass.
- 1/4/2021 Parent Meeting for 1st Communion Class @ YEC building 7pm
- 1/18/2021 1st Reconciliation Class meeting
YEC building 7pm
- 1/19/2021 Confirmation Class Meeting
YEC building 7-9pm

February

- 2/6/2021 Mass @8:30am
PSR packets will be ready for pick up 2/6-2/7
- 2/9/2021 1st Reconciliation Meeting @ Church 7pm
- 2/16/2021 1st Reconciliation 7pm @ Church

