Director of Development: The Catholic Community Foundation for Eastern South Dakota is seeking an experienced and qualified individual to fill the senior-level leadership position of Director of Development. The ideal candidate will have a strong background in major gifts, along with a proven track record in capital campaigns. If you know someone who would excel in this role, please reach out to Tony Menke at tmenke@ccfesd.org

Lourdes Center Offerings: 605-988-3775 Camp Sydney-The Lourdes Center will be offering a Grief Camp for youth and their families at Broom Tree Retreat Center, beginning at 6:00 p.m. June 21, 2024 until 11:00 a.m. June 23,2024. This two day camp will include fun activities, discussion and support. The Grief Camp is offered free of charge. Please register at thelourdescenter.com Registration is open. Call The Lourdes Center for more information.

A God Who Knocks-A 4-week series exploring the impact of emotional wounds and opening the door to God's healing love. Held on Tuesdays 6-8pm beginning March 6. Register for this series at www.thelourdescenter.com. Call with guestions.

2024 JPII Vocations Camp: July 30 – August 2 More info coming soon! **2024 Goretti Camp** (Vocations Camp for **girls ages 12-16**): June 5-7

Please Note: By policy of the Diocese of Sioux Falls, priests and deacons will not request financial assistance for their personal needs (cash or gift cards) from you via text message or email. As many have posed as our clergy while trying to scam parishioners of funds, we urge individuals to first verify they know the sender before ever giving money. If you are in doubt, please call the parish's office.

Mass Times: Saturday-5pm | Sunday-9:30am Tuesday & Thursday 5:30pm | Wednesday & Friday 8am | First Saturday 8:30am

Confession: Tuesday 4:45pm / Thursday 6-7pm Saturday 3:30-4:30pm

First Saturday-before\after 8:30am Mass

Rosary: Thirty minutes prior to weekend Masses **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** First Sunday prior to Mass Adoration: Thursday 6-9pm; Julie: 605-359-5428 for

info

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30am-2:30pm

Bulletin: Please email or call Rechelle ~ Deadline *10AM Wednesday*

Religious Education: Please contact Dana

Baptism, Matrimony & Member Registration:

Please contact the office





The USCCB is inviting YOU to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, July 17-21, 2024. This is a pivotal moment in the life of the Church in the USA. Tickets are only \$200 for a limited time if you get them through the diocese. That is a savings of \$175! Get all the info at sfcatholic.org/eucharist.

Broom Tree Schedule: 605-263-1040 or email: broomtree@sfcatholic.org: www.broom-tree.org

Silent Retreats:

Women: Feb 29-March 3, April 18-21 Men: April 4-7

Day of Recollection: Broom Tree Days of Recollection begin at 10 a.m. and include conferences, time for Adoration, Mass, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The day ends in mid-afternoon. Because lunch is served, we ask that you please register. A prayerful donation is requested. March 5: Fr Nick Haiar

Couples Retreat: April 12-14 During this retreat, couples will have the blessed opportunity to spend time together receiving from the very heart of God. The environment at Broom Tree makes for a perfect couples get-away: no TV, no radio, no phones or computers, just beautiful, peaceful surroundings, good food, and all the time and good direction you need to experience renewal in your marriage. Register early.

The Abbey of the Hills Inn & Retreat Center Marvin. SD www.abbeyofthe hills.org or 605-398-9200

St George Prayer Chain:

Please contact Cindy Steinhauer at 605-351-7502, stgeorgeprayer@gmail.com, or call the office with prayer requests or to join the Prayer Chain

Stay **INFORMED** and be **ENGAGED** in the South Dakota Legislative Pro-Life process. Every issue dealt with during session is a 'Moral Issue' that affects the everyday lives of our families and friends. Sign-up TODAY to receive SD Right to Life's weekly 'Legislative Pro-Life Report Email' by going to www.sdRightToLife.org. Current Pro-Life information is SOUTH DAKOTA also available by clicking on the tab 'Legislative Information'.

There will be rosary following 8am Mass at St George each Wednesday in support of LIFE as we continue to free our country from the culture of death and bring it back to a culture of life.

Come away to the guiet and be present to what God wants to offer you. Creighton University Retreat Center, located one hour east of Omaha in Griswold, IA is offering 3 Day Silent Directed Retreats at the times listed below. Retreats begin 6 p.m. supper the first day and end at 3 p.m. the last day. The cost is \$375 for room, meals and one-on-one spiritual direction sessions. Register at

creighton.edu/retreatcenter/ scheduleofretretreats or scan the code

Choose one from these available dates:

- Thurs-Sun Mar 21-24, 2024 Thurs-Sun May 2-5, 2024
- Sun-Wed July 14-17, 2024



Saint George Parish ~Our Lady of Victory Pastorate



February 25, 2024 The Second Sunday of Lent Month of the Passion of Our Lord

408 S Western Ave PO Box 577 | Hartford, SD 57033 www.stgeorgehartford.com | 605-361-1600-Note new number Emergency: 605-361-1600 or email the priests

Pastor: Fr Thomas Hartman-frthomashartman@sfcatholic.org Parochial Vicars: Fr Andrew Thuringer-frandrewthuringer@sfcatholic.org Fr Daniel Smith-frdanielsmith@sfcatholic.org

Office Administrator: Rechelle Dissing-rdissing@stgeorgehartford.com Director of Education: Dana Webskowski-DRE@stgeorgehartford.com

Director of Music: Ann Gooley-ann@stmichaelsfsd.org

As I reflect on the Lenten pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, two things come to mind when I think about Almsgiving. The first is that from the time of my early grade school days at St. Lawrence in Milbank I received a Rice Bowl every year. I remember the teachers letting us put them together in class but instilling the importance of a little change. In the USA, a few cents might not be much but in some of our poor countries, a few dollars is a day's wages and a little rice helps to fill some stomachs of hungry children. At home we would start by scavenging the couches, the car ashtrays, and dad's dresser and finding coins we thought of the bowl in this time and not our banks. These memories all come back to me as we distribute the Rice Bowls to you, I hope it has a lasting impact for your children and your family.

The other thing I think of when it comes to Almsgiving or Stewardship is that dad would always tell us the importance of tithing but in particular when it comes to making a will, to treat the church as one of your family members. At that time I envisioned St. Lawrence as my family but since that time it has expanded exponentially, and God has given me more children, so it looks like my will has to be updated.

As "Our Lady of Victory Pastorate" and in particular St. George Parish, we need to continue to provide for the future of our community. At this time, we are evaluating the need for a new cemetery. This isn't an immediate need and we will be looking into extending the life of our current cemetery with a columbarium but know we need to set something up for the future generations.

At this time, maintaining the usual practice of casket burials and in-ground inurnments it appears that the children of the parish that are early grade school and younger will experience a relatively tight selection of plots when they reach their late 60's-early 70's. Allowing for a slight increase of yearly burials and plot sales would project for useable plots to be sold out about 75 years from now. Again, projections are being made on a moving target, with many variables at play.

This is just to let you know this is something we are pursuing, but also want to put it out there that maybe you have the perfect land for a future cemetery site. Maybe God will put on your heart to help us out by donating the land or maybe you know someone who might be willing to sell us some land. Please feel free to contact the parish office with any questions or talk to one of us priests. Please continue to pray for our pastorate and in particular this St. George family.

Fr. Tom

Mass Intentions

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Saturday, February 24 | 5:00pm

+Bernadette Even

Sunday, February 25 | 9:30am

+Jim +Katherine Schartz

Monday, February 26 | NO MASS

Tuesday, February 27 | 5:30pm

+Andrew +Jennifer Hoefert +Abbi Vitek

Wednesday, February 28 | 8:00am

+Cheryl McIntosh

Thursday, February 29 | 5:30pm

+Loren Even

Friday, March 1 | 8:00am

+Grace M. Lueth

Saturday, March 2 | 8:30am

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Saturday, March 2 | 5:00pm

+Mary Lou Lusch

Sunday, March 3 | 9:30am

+Daniel Full

Congratulations to **Ryan Rykhus** and **Brianna Schreurs** who were united in Marriage at St. George.

May the Lord bless and quide them.



With Deepest Sympathy
We express our sympathy and prayers to:

Darrell Horacek and his family on the death of his sister Pam Hoekstra.

Welcome to the newest member of St. George!

Mary kay Sandal

World Day of Prayer will be held March 1st at Zion Lutheran Church at 1pm. Please contact Rechelle if you plan to attend by February 28th

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday March 2

Altar Servers: Bryce & Corbin Ridings, Destry Wilking

Read: Carolyn Spielmann

Usher: Brad & Anthony Bjergaard, Mike Cypher, Stephan Kulzer

EMOHC: Carolyn Spielmann, Roxy Whalen,

Bill Zortman

Offertory: Brad & Laura Bjergaard

Sacristan: Mike Jesse

Sunday March 3

Altar Servers: Austin & Trent Michaels, Jack Sebert Read: Butch Warrington, Olivia Sebert

Usher: Greg Boggs, Barry Lammers, Duncan Woodhull, Tanya Brown

EMOHC: Tanya Brown, Barb Olson,

Butch Warrington

Offertory: Scott & Vanessa Pulse

Sacristan: Patty Lammers **Donuts:** Brian & Liz Voss

First Friday Mass & devotions will be held March 1st at 8am and First Saturday Mass & devotions will be held March 2nd at 8:30am with confession available before and after Mass.

Stations of the Cross will be held at St George each Wednesday of Lent at 5:30pm. Rosary will follow. Consider making this part of your Lenten journey.



Youth Trips 2024

Steubenville Youth Conference: July 12-14, 2024.

Cost \$600-\$800- depending on the number of youth attending. Includes hotel, conference fees, conference t-shirt, all food and transportation.

~St George will pay half of trip cost to Steubenville for registered members of the parish.
90% of Catholic teens in the present age will leave the Catholic Faith, most of them will leave not for another church but leave faith completely behind. Parents, helping your teen to fall in love with Jesus is the biggest gift you could ever give them. How do you do that? You expose them to Jesus as much as possible. I have been taking teens to Steubenville since 2015. I have watched teens who "didn't care" about their faith become followers of Christ. Steubenville is a great experience, one that I wish I had known about for my daughters. I encourage you as parents to make a decision for your teens that will help them grow in their Catholic faith and help them find the path to eternal life! It is a gift that will keep on giving!

Guatemala Mission Trip- July 2024- Dates TBA Juniors, Seniors, college and older can attend. Whole families can attend. Cost \$1750-\$2000 per person.

CHWH-(Catholic Heart Work Camp) June 8-15 2024.

Cost to attend \$800.00. Ages: Those entering 9th grade fall of 2024.

Please contact Dana if you are interested in attending any of these events.

Sacrificial Giving as of February 22, 2024 ~Thank you for your generosity

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs \$5,952.83
Weekly Receipts-Actual \$6,134.00
Weekly-Overage (Shortfall) \$ 181.17

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget
Year-To-Date-Actual
Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)
CFSA Overage (Shortfall)
Actual Overage (Shortfall)

\$202,396.22
\$216,481.00
\$14,084.78
(\$47,843.46)
\$(\$33,758.68)

CFSA 2024:

Goal \$61,100.00 Receipts-Actual \$13,256.54 YTD \$47,843.46

40 Days for Life is a peaceful, prayerful, witness to end abortion and save lives and runs thru 3/24/24. Can you give just one hour this Lent? Sign up:

www.40daysforlife.com Location: SD.

Our pastorate will cover the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood on Friday, 3/8 and Thursday, 3/14. Sign up after Masses this weekend or call Lisa for more information: 605-351-8778.

Please sign up in the foyer to serve meals at the Hartford Senior Center in the month of March.



Join the Knights of Columbus online. Visit KofC.org/Joinus

St George Food Pantry is in need of the following:
Toilet paper, Dish soap, laundry detergent, shampoo & conditioner, Macaroni noodles, soups-no cream soups, flour, sugar, instant potatoes, hamburger helper, crackers, microwave popcorn, juice Donations can be left in the baskets in the foyer.

THANK YOU!

Holy Spirit & St Lambert Parishes are hosting an introduction to the Theology of the Body featuring Bill Donaghy. Talk will be March 8 @ 7pm @ St Lambert and Seminar will be March 9 from 9am until 3:30pm at Holy Spirit. Fee for lunch is \$10. Registration can be found on the Holy Spirit website ~For teens and adults

St. George Religious Education Family Formation (K-5) & CGS (pre-k) 6:30pm (5:45 dinner) Mar 13, Apr 10, May 8

First Communion

Retreat: April 14 First Communion April 28th @ 9:30am

> Ignite (6-11) 6:30pm Feb 28 Mar 6, 20 Apr 3, 17, 24

St George Knights News
Knight of the Month for February:
Steve Boyle
Knight Family of the Month for February:
Barry & Patty Lammers

Congratulations and thank you for your service

Upcoming Meetings

• Parish Society: March 1 at 8:30am

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the

DATE

Magnificat Prayer Meal
w/ Fr Kristopher Cowles

APRIL 27, 2024
ST LAMBERT PARISH

More Details Coming Soon

St George: Please be kind and tidy up around you after Mass. Please take care to leave the pew, hymnals etc as you found them. Please put theprayer sheets behind the hymnals & pick up any bulletins & garbage that may be lying around you. Please refrain from braiding the hymnal ribbons. Please take pride in your parish & its contents! The cleaning staff is part time & the volunteers are few so any help that you offer is greatly appreciated!



Wisconsin Shrines Pilgrimage
April 17-19, 2024
Fr. Bill Hamak will accompany
us as we journey in faith to the

Our Lady of Champion in Champion Holy Hill Shrine in Hubertus Our Lady of Guadalupe in Lacrosse

> Call now for more information: Elsie Baye: 605-359-3450 Lisa Ulmer: 605-351-8778

Church of Epiphany Sausage Sale

Sausage sale will begin 1PM Saturday March 9th 2024 until gone.

They will NOT be hosting a meal.
You can follow Epiphany Sausage Sale on Facebook
for further announcements. You can also contact
LAS Pres Rene Koepsell- 605 480-1641 with any
questions