

Communion Hymn: Parable

To ev’ry thing there is a season; a time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time for harvest; a time to meet and a time to part. A sower went out to sow the seed. Some of it fell upon the path, some fell on shallow, rocky soil, and some among choking thorns.

To ev’ry thing there is a season; a time to be born and a time to die. A time to speak and a time for silence; a time to wound and a time to heal. Nothing can grow in barren soil; briars and ravens take their toll; still there is grain a hundredfold, from seed that took root and grew.

To ev’ry thing there is a season; a time to be born and a time to die. A time for joy and a time for grieving; a time to seek and a time to lose. God’s word is like the farmer’s seed, rooted in joyful, loving hearts, growing like grain in fertile ground, a harvest that overflows.

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Lourdes Center Offerings: 605-988-3775
“He is Stable” – A Night for Grieving Hearts to Find Rest in His Peace – on **December 5, 2023 at St. Therese Catholic Church in Sioux Falls**. The evening will include presentations from individuals who have experienced grief along with a beautiful candle lighting ceremony. Christmas cookies and hot chocolate to follow! Children welcome!

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 www.thelourdescenter.com Registration will begin January 15, 2024 at 8:00am. Call The Lourdes Center at 605-988-3775 for more information.

Broom Tree Schedule: 605-263-1040 or email: broomtree@sfcatholic.org; www.broom-tree.org
****Ignatian Silent Retreats:**
Men: Nov 16-19
****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.
Dec 5: “Advent Prayer with Handel’s Messiah”
-Fr Steven Jones

The Society of St. Vincent dePaul Conference at St. Michael Church would like to invite our St. George friends to attend a meeting to find out if they'd like to join us in serving people in need. The mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is:
"a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need." We, as trained volunteers, go out in pairs to visit those who have requested assistance, assist as we can, refer to other resources as applicable, and pray with them.
Our meetings are the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month starting at 6:15, usually in the teachers' lounge in St. Michael School. Feel free to contact Brenda at brendaw@svdpsd.org with questions or to let her know you'll be attending in case of a location change. You can also check out the Sioux Falls St. Vincent de Paul website at svdpsd.com

Come away to the quiet 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/scheduleofretreats or scan the code

Choose one from these available dates:

- Thurs-Sun Jan 18-21, 2024
- Thurs-Sun Mar 21-24, 2024
- Thurs-Sun May 2-5, 2024
- Sun-Wed July 14-17, 2024



The 27th annual Christmas at The Cathedral will be performed December 14-17, at the Cathedral of St Joseph. This year’s theme, “The Heavens Declare,” is a first-hand account of the monumental events surrounding Jesus’ birth and His miraculous mission and impact through the experience of one of the magi. This inspiring production features actor, Mark Christopher Lawrence, best known for his role as Big Mike on the NBC series Chuck. He has also made guest appearances on many television programs and movies. The script will come alive through the inspiring musical compositions and arrangements of Christmas at The Cathedral Music Director and Conductor, Dan Goeller; and our featured soloists, Nashville recording artists, Shelley Jennings and Carlos Santiago; along with the Christmas at The Cathedral Orchestra and Choir. In addition to being an inspiring Christmas experience, Christmas at The Cathedral supports the poor and vulnerable in our midst through endowments for the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House, as well as the ongoing care of the Cathedral of St Joseph, one of the region’s most significant civic and sacred landmarks. Christmas is not just an historical event or celebration, it is something that happens within each of us every moment of every day.

We look forward to sharing with you the hope and joy of God’s Incarnation during the 27th annual Christmas at The CathedralThe Heavens Declare! Tickets available!



Saint George Parish

November 12, 2023
The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Month of the Holy Souls

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Emergency: Please email the priests

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Enlightened by Christ

There’s a beautiful moment in the Baptismal Rite which meditates on Jesus’ parable in this week’s Gospel. After the child is baptized, the priest anoints the head of the child with sacred Chrism. Then he lights a Baptismal Candle from the Easter Candle and hands it to one of the parents or godparents, saying:

Receive the Light of Christ.
Parents and godparents,
this light is entrusted to you to be kept burning brightly.
This child of yours has been enlightened by Christ.
He (she) is to walk always as a child of the light.
May he (she) keep the flame of faith alive in his (her) heart.
When the Lord comes, may he (she) go out to meet him with all the saints in the heavenly kingdom.

The Church understands that newly baptized children have a fundamental choice set before them. Will they grow up pursuing the wisdom which God offers them like the wise virgins of today’s parable? Will they be guided by their parents and godparents to grow in their relationship with God? Will they remain vigilant, awaiting the Bridegroom’s triumphant second coming?

Or will they be lulled to sleep by the apparent pleasures of this world? Will they lack the support and formation that is required in a world hostile to faith in Christ? Will they pursue their own ideas of what is good in this world like the foolish virgins, locked out of the great wedding banquet of heaven?

A beautiful but sobering mediation to be sure. Please pray for all the parents in our pastorate who have been entrusted with such a great responsibility. And let’s all pray for each other, that the light of faith entrusted to us at our own baptisms may burn brightly, ready for when the Lord comes.

~Fr Andy

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*

Mass Intentions

Order of Mass p7 | Readings p946

Saturday, November 11 | 5:00pm
+Mary Lou Lusch

Sunday, November 12 | 9:30am
+Ed +Sylvia Blocker

Monday, November 13 | NO MASS

Tuesday, November 14 | 5:30pm
+JoAnn Miles

Wednesday, November 15 | 8:00am
+Loren Even


Thursday, November 16 | 5:30pm
+Paul J Huls


Friday, November 17 | 8:00am
+Luke +Fansin Families

Saturday, November 18 | 5:00pm
+Andrew +Jennifer Hoefert +Abbi Vitek


Sunday, November 19 | 9:30am
+Ron +Iona Sechser


Congratulations to **Jayden Even** and **Hayley Miles** who were united in Marriage at St. George.
May the Lord bless and guide them.





Come join us **TUESDAY**
November 14 ~6pm~
@ St George for the Monthly
Pro-Life Rosary to pray for LIFE!





No Confession or Adoration on November 16th. Mass will be held.
Also, Mass on Thanksgiving, November 23rd, will be held at 9am. No Confession or Adoration will be held on November 23rd.

Upcoming Meetings

- Catholic Daughters: November 13 @ 6:30pm
- HHRTL: November 16 @ 6:30pm @ St George
- 4th Degree Knights: November 20 @ 6:45pm
 - Knights: November 20 @ 7:30pm

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 the prayer 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!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday November 18

Altar Servers: Chris Ebsen, Bryce & Corbin Ridings

Read: Linda Andersen

Usher: Mike Cypher, Stephan Kulzer, Gilbert Mohrhauser, Dave Puthoff

EMOHC: Linda Andersen, George Pelletier, Julie Weber

Offertory: Jeremy & Elizabeth Bartmann

Sacristan: George Pelletier

Sunday November 19

Altar Servers: Drayden Deffenbaugh, Ryker & Rayleigh MacFarlane

Read: Laurie Bergeson

Usher: Greg Anderson, Marlyn Bergeson, Jacob Maras, John Reiser

EMOHC: Amy Anderson, Marlyn & Laurie Bergeson


Offertory: Amy Lupkes

Sacristan: Kelly & Paula Meehan

Donuts: Mark & Nancy Wegleitner

Welcome by the waters of Baptism
Magnolia Sue, daughter of **Kassidy & Natalie Koenig**
May she always walk in the light of Christ

The St George Catholic Daughters will be serving fresh cinnamon and caramel rolls *after Mass on November 12th*. All are invited to join us. Also, if you placed an order, please remember to pick it up!



Christian communities have always remembered the names of their dead. These names are heard in prayers of intercession during the liturgy (Prayer of the Faithful) and in the chanting of the Litany of the Saints at the Easter Vigil; they are also seen on memorial cards (Holy cards) and grave markers. Especially in the month of November the dead are remembered in prayer. This book is given a place of honor so parishioners may write the names of their deceased friends and family members in it. Also known as “The Book of the Names of the Dead”, this one volume is large enough to receive names over many years. From the Feast of All Saints through the end of November this book will be kept open. Please write the names of your loved ones in our Book of Remembrance as we pray for them each week.

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.

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

Sacrificial Giving as of November 9, 2023
~Thank you for your generosity

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs\$5,952.83

Weekly Receipts-Actual\$7,213.00

Weekly-Overage (Shortfall)\$1,260.17

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget\$113,103.77

Year-To-Date-Actual\$106,635.50

Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall)(\$ 6,468.27)

CFSA Overage (Shortfall)\$ 18,815.00

Actual Overage (Shortfall)\$ 12,346.73

CFSA 2023:Receipts

Goal\$58,000.00

Receipts-Actual\$76,815.00

YTD\$18,815.00

Annual Prison Christmas Packages
The SD Prison Chaplains Assoc. is once again asking for donations for those incarcerated. Christmas is a very difficult and lonely time for inmates and this small gesture lets them know they are not forgotten. For some it is the only gift they will receive. Please join us in this beautiful act of charity and Corporal Work of Mercy “visit the imprisoned”. Donations can be sent by November 30th to SD Prison Chaplains Assoc., Christmas Sacks, 601 W 57th St., Sioux Falls SD 57108. Please write Christmas Sacks in the memo line or give electronically to www.convergeheartland.org/donate and choose SDPCA Christmas Sacks. For more information or any questions ~ feel free to email Mo Irvine at prisonministry@sfcatholic.org

The Men of the Jericho Wall pray the Patriotic Rosary at 7pm each Tuesday at St George. All are welcome to join in praying for the conversion of our country.

Youth Trips 2024
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.
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. *Please contact Dana if you are interested in attending any of these events.*

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

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St. George #2688 has St. Gerard, patron saint of motherhood and expectant mothers, medals for any expectant mother or any mother who would like one. The medals are given anonymously. If interested call Brenda at 526-6780

St. George Religious Education
Family Formation (K-5) & CGS (pre-k)
6:30pm (5:45 dinner)
Dec 13 Jan 10, Feb 7, Mar 13, Apr 10, May 8

First Communion
Retreats: Jan 14 & April 14
First Communion April 28th @ 9:30am


Ignite (6-11)
6:30pm
Nov 15, 29 Dec 6, 20 Jan 3, 17, 24 Feb 21, 28 Mar 6, 20 Apr 3, 17, 24

Special Event dates
Feb 14-Ash Wednesday

Confirmation-Juniors
Saturday January 20th @ 10am @ St Michael’s

Dead Theologian’s Society (9th-young adult)
All IGNITE nights 8-9pm

The Banquet is a feeding ministry that is seeking individual volunteers to help prepare & serve meals. Just a few volunteer hours on any given day makes a real difference. The Banquet has a need for **individual volunteers**. While various groups make up a large part of our volunteer base, individual volunteers are needed & welcomed! For open days & times, please go to <https://thebanquetsf.org/volunteer> or call 335 7066.



Thank you to the Fall Festival committee and St George parishioners who helped in the success of the St George Fall Festival. It was a great event. It would not have been possible without the participation of our great parish! Because of this success, the parish society was able to donate to the cemetery upkeep as well as to youth travel! Thank you!

Did you know the diocese has a weekly email newsletter? This newsletter is full of carefully curated Catholic content, including our Sunday Scripture Series, a weekly challenge, tips on living your baptismal call of missionary discipleship, new and fun ways to bring your faith into everyday life, news from the week through a Catholic lens, and much more. Visit sfcatholic.org/ newsletter to sign up!

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

Are you NEW to the Hartford area or are you LOOKING for a parish to join? We welcome you to Saint George! If you are interested in becoming members of our parish just contact the office by phone or email. Contact info can be found on the cover of the bulletin. Registration forms can be found in the rack in the foyer as well as online at www.stgeorgehartford.com