

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

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

****Ignatian Silent Retreats:**
Women: Nov 2-5
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.

Oct 10: "Renovating the Heart"-The Lourdes Center
Nov 7: "A Glorified Wound"-The Lourdes Center
Dec 5: "Advent Prayer with Handel's Messiah"
-Fr Steven Jones

Healing Retreats: Oct 13-15
Directed by Fr Scott Traynor

Couples Retreat: Nov 10-12
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 team that produces The Bishop's Bulletin every month works hard to create interesting, faithful and inspiring stories to help everyone grow in their Catholic faith.

We want to hear your thoughts about the content we provide here and in other formats. We've developed a survey to help us get to know you better and to understand what you like and need. We will use the information to focus our efforts and continue to improve this magazine and other content such as videos, podcasts and social media content.

To complete the survey and have your voice heard, scan the QR code below. It won't take long, but it will really help us out!



Inaugural Magnificat-Sioux Falls Women's Prayer Breakfast to be held at St. Therese parish hall Saturday, November 4th at 9:30 am. Magnificat is a prayer meal that is based on the beautiful meeting of the Visitation between Our Lady and St. Elizabeth. The Meal will include music, prayer, fellowship, and delicious food. Our guest speaker, Robyn Bruggeman, will be sharing her testimony with us. Come be Uplifted! Tickets are \$17.50. RSVP by October 27th to Erin (605) 595-4584 or magnificatsiouxfalls@gmail.com.

Real Presence Radio invites you to attend the annual fundraising banquet in Sioux Falls on November 9th at the Best Western Plus Ramkota Hotel. This year's keynote speaker is Bear Woznick. Bear Woznick is the host of motorcycle-based reality TV show, "Long Ride Home with Bear Woznick." He is also the host of EWTN's "The Bear Woznick Adventure" radio show heard by millions each week on over 500 radio stations as well as Sirius FM, global shortwave, internet radio and YouTube. He is a Benedictine Oblate at the Mary Spouse of the Holy Spirit Monastery on the North Shore of Oahu, Hawaii. Bear's life message transparently communicates the thrills and spills of life lived in the quest of abandonment of God. His life inspires people to rise to the unique challenge and purpose that God has for them in every dimension of their lives. Sponsorship packages are available at the \$300, \$1,000, \$3,000, 5,000 or higher levels. For more information about the event, or to become a table host, event sponsor, or register as a guest, visit our website, or call Blake Ritteman at 701-960-0453 or email blake@realpresenceradio.com.

Lourdes Center Offerings: 605-988-3775
A God Who Knocks- 6-week series exploring the impact of emotional wounds and opening the door to God's healing love. This series will be held on Tuesdays 6-8 pm beginning November 7.
"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!

Please join us for the St Joseph Catholic Church (Huntimer) Annual Soup Supper on Sunday, October 29, from 3:30pm to 6:30 pm.
All are welcome!

Join us for:
The Genesis of Gender Book Study Introduction
October 14th at 9:30am~ St Lambert Parish-Sioux Falls

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



Saint George Parish

October 8, 2023
The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Month of the Most Holy Rosary

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Vineyard 19

The last couple of weeks we’ve been diving into the parables of Jesus, in particular the many parables of Jesus that focus on vineyards. We read about the master of the vineyard that never stops calling more workers. Last weekend we read the parable of the son who at first refuses to work in God’s vineyard but later accepts the call. Now this Sunday we read about a vineyard run by wicked tenants who kill the master’s beloved son. Each of these parables has its own unique lesson for us, but if I may, let’s take a step back and look at what God has been saying to us over the past several weeks.

Here in Pastorate 19 we are well on our way undertaking the Set Ablaze initiative. Over the last few weeks we’ve held two parish town halls, thinking and aspiring how God is calling us to:

- 1.Elevate our celebration of the Mass.
- 2.Revitalize our call to evangelize.

In other words, we as a Church - united and fed by our weekly worship - are being called by the master to work in his vineyard for the salvation of souls. Will we accept the call or will we refuse like so many in the parables of Jesus? Look at how actively God has been speaking to us this past month!

And let me add one more layer to this vineyard imagery. Throughout the Old Testament human beings are compared to trees. God’s first commandment to humanity is to “be fruitful.” Israelites who reject God are said to be “cut off” from the tree of life. Look at how Psalm 1 talks about a faithful man:

He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.

In all that he does, he prospers. (Psalm 1:3)

So we are called to work in the vineyard but we are also trees in the vineyard. Now look at how Jesus talks about his followers:

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. (John 15:1-2)

If we are going to have any chance of laboring in the vineyard and winning new disciples for Christ, then we have to be willing to be pruned in his vineyard as well. God has clearly been speaking to us this month. Is there anything in our lives that God is calling us to prune so that we may be fruitful in his vineyard?

God bless,
Fr. Andy

Mass Intentions

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Saturday, October 7 | 5:00pm

+Becky Price

Sunday, October 8 | 9:30am

+Francis Sieverding

Monday, October 9 | NO MASS

Tuesday, October 10 | 5:30pm

+Heiberger +Schulte Families

Wednesday, October 11 | 8:00am

Int of Ken & Ronda Snyder

Thursday, October 12 | 5:30pm

+Loren +Dorothy Penning

Friday, October 13 | NO MASS

Saturday, October 14 | 5:00pm


+Judy Jesse

Sunday, October 15 | 9:30am


+Ed +Sylvia Blocker

Congratulations to **Marshall Hofstad** and **Jennifer McKee** who were united in Marriage at St. George.

May the Lord bless and guide them.



Come join us **TUESDAY**
October 10 ~6pm~
@ St George for the Monthly
Pro-Life Rosary to pray for LIFE!




We are eager to announce the Fall Festival that will take the place of the Turkey Dinner this year. The goal with a new event is to get our church community excited to participate in a family centered event. The volunteers required for the Fall Festival will be fewer and the work load will be lighter so this should allow for more possibility to visit and connect with your fellow church members.


On that note, here is what we anticipate the Fall Festival to entail. The big draw will be our Bingo event. We will have Bingo going on in the hall with cards to purchase and some great prizes for the winners. Another part of the festival will be 'Game Rooms'. We will be looking for volunteer families or groups to take charge of a game room.

We will have multiple classrooms available for your group to setup in and run a game. There are so many options including a duck pond, ring toss, bowling, face painting, or another experience your team invents. The plan is to have tickets for sale to play the games and have prizes available for the winners. The volunteer game room groups would be in charge of choosing the game, setting it up, and operating it for the festival. There will also be a simple meal available; hot dog or sloppy joe, chips, and a drink. We will need some donations for the meal as well as some volunteers to help serve the meal. We will continue to have the country store set up in it's regular room. Other activities will include a cake walk and our annual raffle. There will be a letter going out with more details and raffle tickets as we have done in the past with the turkey dinner.

Sign up sheets will be in the back of church and online at Signup Genius. We will need donations for the meal, for the Country Store, always a hit, and to offset some of the costs of prizes.

Volunteers will be needed for setup, serving the meal, game rooms, and associated activities. Our hope is to create a family centered event with a reasonable cost for all ages to enjoy. We would ask for some patience with us as we try to create this event this year and try to grow it in the future. Thank you in advance for your participation and please pray about how you can be involved with this event, either though volunteering, donating, or enjoying the activities.





Liturgical Ministers

Saturday October 14

Altar Servers: Chris Ebsen,
Destry & Rehme Wilking

Read: Mike Cypher

Usher: Dan & Kyle Christensen, Dave Putoff, NEED

EMOHC: Gilbert & Rosemary Mohrhauser,
George Pelletier

Offertory: Gilbert & Rosemary Mohrhauser

Sacristan: George Pelletier

Sunday October 15

Altar Servers: Catie Danielson,
Eliot & Sarah Beth Nielsen

Read: Julie Ernster

Usher: Tim McMahon, Andy Perrion,
Brian Voss, Mark Wegleitner

EMOHC: Pat Danielson, Mike & Martha Masgai

Offertory: Darrin & Heidi Mebius

Sacristan: Gerald Dvorak

Donuts: Doug & Brenda Deffenbaugh

Travelling Blessed Virgin: Available! Call Julie

The diocese is offering bulk rate Magnificat subscriptions! Please contact Rechelle if you are interested in receiving your own copy each month. Deadline is October 15th! Final Cost will be determined later....estimate of \$31/subscription

Sacrificial Giving as of October 5, 2023

~Thank you for your generosity

General Needs:

Weekly Collection Needs \$5,952.83

Weekly Receipts-Actual \$5,887.00

Weekly-Overage (Shortfall) (\$ 65.83)

Year-To-Date Receipts-Budget \$83,339.62

Year-To-Date-Actual \$78,835.50

Year-To-Date-Overage (Shortfall) (\$ 4,504.12)

CFSA Overage (Shortfall) \$ 11,238.00

Actual Overage (Shortfall) \$ 6,733.88

CFSA 2023:

Goal \$58,000.00

Receipts-Actual \$69,238.00

YTD \$11,238.00

Is the Lord calling you?

Liturgical Ministers (helpers at Mass) are needed! There are many opportunities to assist.

Ushers: Count as people come in, help seat people and set up chairs when the church is full, & take up the offertory

Altar Servers: Assist the priest. Anyone 4th grade thru 12th grade! TRAINING: October 15th after 9:30am Mass-ONLY NEW SERVERS

Readers: read announcements prior to Mass, proclaim readings, & prayers of the faithful

Gift Carriers: Bring up the bread & wine at offertory

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Help the priest distribute communion-TRAINING following Mass on October 7 & October 8-ONLY NEW VOLUNTEERS

Please contact Rechelle with your unavailable dates for November and December, for scheduling purposes, by October 15th.

****If you would consider, 5pm is in need of more help than 9:30am****

The Knights will be handing out Tootsie Rolls

Oct 14 & 15!

Mass Times: Saturday-5pm | Sunday-9:30am

Tuesday 5:30pm | Wednesday 8am | Thursday 5:30pm

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-1:30pm

Bulletin: Please email or call Rechelle

~ Deadline *10AM Wednesday*

Religious Education: Please contact Dana

Baptism, Matrimony & Member Registration: Please contact the office

St. George Religious Education

Family Formation (K-5) & CGS (pre-k)

6:30pm (5:45 dinner)

Oct 11, Nov 8, 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

Oct 18, 25 Nov 15, 29 Dec 6, 20

Jan 3, 17, 24 Feb 21, 28 Mar 6, 20 Apr 3, 17, 24

Special Event dates

Nov 1: All Saints Day: Mass @ 6:30pm

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

40 Days for Life

Will you consider spending an hour in prayer with 40 Days for Life on the sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood? This silent, prayerful, peaceful display has saved 23,525 babies, closed 145 abortion centers, and rescued 251 abortion workers since it began in 2007.

We need your help: St. George will be covering Monday, October 9th. Please sign up in the foyer. For questions call Lisa Ulmer 351-8778.

Fall Kickoff Rally: Sunday-Oct 8th at 7pm

Sioux Falls First-6300 W 41st St

Featuring Rebecca Kiessling-Founder of Save the 1

Upcoming Meetings

- Catholic Daughters: October 9 @ 6:30pm
- Parish Society: October 11 @ 8:45am
- 4th Degree Knights: October 16 @ 6:45pm
 - Knights: October 16 @ 7:30pm
- Finance Council: October 19 @ 7am

St. Margaret's Circle for single moms will have their monthly meeting on Saturday October 21st from 9-11am at St. Michael's, in the conference room. Any single mom, divorced/widowed/separated/never married, is welcome to join. Please contact Jenna at 605 366 0160 with any questions.

Perpetual Adoration Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament

Fundraising Fiesta

Sunday, October 15; 1-4pm

Mater Ecclesiae Monastery 707 W 4th St (Behind St Joseph Cathedral)

Food, Games, Silent Auction, Prizes and More Surprises!!!

Come Pray, Play and Have Fun!