

**WEEDAY MASS READINGS- JANUARY 17-24:**

**JANUARY 17: SUN—Green—2nd Sunday in Ordinary**

**Time—1 Sm 3:3b-10,19—1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 1-20—Jn 1:35-42 (65)**

**JANUARY 18: MON—Green—Heb 5:1-10—Mk 2:18-22(311)**

**JANUARY 19: TUES—Green—Heb 6:10-20—Mk 2:23-28 (312)**



**JANUARY 20: WED—Green or Red—St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr—St. Sebastian, Martyr—Heb 7:1-3, 15-17—Mk 3:1-6 (313)**

**JANUARY 21: TURS—Red—St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr—Heb 7:25-8:6—Mk 3:7-12 (314)**

**JANUARY 22: FRI—White or Purple—Day of Prayer for Protection of Unborn Children—St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr (887-891)**

**JANUARY 23: SAT—Green-Red or White—St. Marianne Cope, Virgin—St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr—Heb 9:2-3,11-14 —Mk 3:21-22 (316)**

**JANUARY 24: SUN—Green—3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—Jon 3:1-5,10—1 Cor 7:29-31—Mk 1:14-20 (68)**

**Video taping of weekend Mass this Tues, Jan. 19th, 4pm, at St. George. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!**

**Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) pledges to date from our Parish \$21,526. Our Parish goal is \$26,000.00. If we make our goal we will once again receive 10% of the goal, plus 90% of any funds raised above the goal.**

**That we at St. George Parish may respond to our Catholic Stewardship Appeal as grateful stewards of God's many gifts...we pray to the Lord**

**COLLECTION, January 10th, 2020**

Adults (129) .....	\$9,623.00
Children (4) .....	4.00
Loose .....	313.00
	<b>\$ 9,940.00</b>



Property Maintenance....	\$1,075.00
Education Fund.....	\$92.00

**Thank you to all who regularly use their church envelopes, use automatic bill pay or give in the loose collection, and therefore, support your parish!!! Your sacrifices are greatly appreciated!!**

FROM THE PASTOR: In this weekend's first reading from I Samuel 3:3-10 the young Samuel thought he heard the priest Eli speaking to him during the night. It happened not once or twice, but three times the young boy wakes up and goes to the old priest to ask what he was calling for. Finally, Eli figured out what the problem was. Samuel had presumed it was the old priest calling to him when actually it was the Lord. Eli gave Samuel a simple solution. He said if you hear something again say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."

"Listening" is a huge part of making friends and keeping friends. "Listening" is a huge part of falling in love and staying in love. "Listening" is a huge part of strengthening a marriage and strengthening a family. In order to have effective communication it is not enough to have a speaker. You must also have a listener. True and effective listening means putting aside your own thoughts, ideas, demands, or concerns, and giving the person speaking your undivided attention. All too often we are thinking about how we are going to answer or respond without actually listening to what is being said to us. Which means that we often miss hearing what is being said and we don't get the message.

When I meet with a couple who desires to be married in the Church and is preparing for that event I cover a number of aspects of their relationship, not the least of which is good communication. All too often that is the first to go within a year or so after the wedding. It is not necessarily because of selfishness or animosity or resentment, but, rather, because of carelessness and negligence. It becomes all too easy to think there is good communication going on because two people are speaking to one another. But that does not necessarily mean that there is good "listening" going on. Good listening involves 1) stopping what you are doing, 2) paying attention to what is "not" being said as much as to what is being said, 3) trying to understand, 4) being empathetic and compassionate, 5) not judging the speaker, 6) not dismissing what is being said, 7) not getting angry.

(We make the mistake of thinking that a person is "listening" to us when they "agree" with us. We make the mistake of thinking that if we "listen" to somebody, they'll think we are "agreeing" with them. Listening to a speaker is simply being respectful, courteous, charitable, and civil. It does not have to include agreement.)

Good communication is an essential part of all meaningful and fruitful and lasting relationships, including the one we are supposed to have with God our Father and Jesus our Savior. Let's not forget....when we speak to them (pray), we also need to allow them to speak to us. Prayer is a two-way road.....one goes from us to God, the other comes from God to us. So let's echo the 2,700 year old words of Samuel, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening." -Msgr. Greg

## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY-JAN 17:

7am — Ruth Kruse

10:30am — Parishioners of St. George

### MONDAY-JAN 18:

8:00am — Communion  
Service

### TUESDAY-JAN 19:

8:00am — Bernice Huffman Anniv

### WEDNESDAY-JAN 20:

7:50am — Greg Knecht

6pm — CRS— Mass

### THURSDAY-JAN 21:

8:00am — Amanda Witthaus

### FRIDAY-JAN 22:

8:00am — Ludwig Starke

### SATURDAY-JAN 23:

5pm — Bertha Van Booven Anniv

### SUNDAY-JAN 24:

7am — Parishioners of St. George

10:30am — Joe Engemann

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

### JANUARY 23-24:

#### 5:00pm Mass

Lector: Mary Beth  
Strassner

Comm. Minister: Jeannie Theissen

Sacristan: Dave Strassner

Ushers: Jeff Englert-Jim Schneider

#### 7:00am Mass

Lector: Lance Conway

Comm. Minister: Ruth Baumstark

Sacristan: Rick Kopmann

Ushers: Dan Baumstark  
Kirby Kotthoff

#### 10:30am Mass

Lector: Cheryl Schwartz

Comm. Minister: Sheila Bruckerhoff

Sacristan: Colette Moeckli

Ushers: Cliff Moeckli-Tom Bruckerhoff

Trustees: Alan Gloe-Dave & Barb  
Struttmann



**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** Due to all hospitals' strict protocols, it is important to seek the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation **prior** to going to the hospital. Most hospitals only allow a priest to provide sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick if the patient has been placed on comfort care (hospice) or is nearing death.

**PLEASE PRAY** for the health and safety of our Front Line Responders and Health Care Workers, all affected by the COVID Virus, Bishops, Priest, Deacons, our parishioners, Fr Chris Aubuchon, Mary Korman, Maura Winkelmann, Tim Hackmann, Jim Welschmeyer, all Military, especially from our parish: Bo Epple, Alex Hahne, Lucas Landolt, Tyler Sparks. Let us pray to the Lord—**Please let us know if you want names added to this list in the bulletin.**

**SCRIP ON HAND** is sold at the rectory office from 8am to 3pm, Monday through Friday, 7 to 8am in the church basement on Friday and after 10:30 am Sunday Mass.

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After you have accumulated rewards, you will click on the rewards tab (at the bottom of the screen of the Casey's app) to donate your rewards to St. George School. An easy way to earn money for our school!!

**YEAR END STATEMENTS** We are working on the year end statements for 2020. If you wish to have a statement, please mark as such on your collection envelope or call the rectory office 486-2723.

**OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS** to the family and friends of Shirley Busken, whose services were held in St. Louis and Rita Gawer, who lived these later years in Texas. Her services will be held at a later date. May they find comfort in knowing their loved one is surrounded by God's eternal light. May they rest in peace.

**CHARTER MEMBER WINNER for Jan 10th was Ashley Showe who won \$50 Choice Scrip donated by Norman & Marilyn Budnik Congratulations....there is still plenty of time to become a Charter Member and put your name in the basket to win some nice weekly prizes. Your name stays in the basket even if you have won a previous drawing in the same year!! \$100 for a ticket.**

**BE MINDFUL TO PATRONIZE OUR LOCAL STORES, ESPECIALLY THOSE ADVERTISERS WHO MAKE OUR BULLETIN POSSIBLE. WHEN YOU CAN. IF SHOPPING ON LINE, PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE RECEIVE A REBATE FROM AMAZON FOR EVERY PURCHASE MADE THROUGH OUR SCHOOL. GO TO THE ST. GEORGE SCHOOL WEB-SITE AND CLICK ON THE AMAZON ICON! ALSO, PURCHASING GIFT CARDS THROUGH THE SCRIP PROGRAM HELPS OUR SCHOOL BUDGET!!**