

## **Saint George Church - Worcester & Holden**

**June 23, 2019: Corpus Christi Sunday**

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40 Brattle Street Worcester, MA 01606

Parish Office: 508-853-0183

[www.saintgeorgesparish.org](http://www.saintgeorgesparish.org)

### **Office Hours:**

Monday- Wednesday 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Thursday 9-12 noon

Closed on Fridays

### **Parish Staff:**

*It is our privilege to serve you.*

Rev. Edward D. Niccolls, Pastor Ext. 12

Rev. Charles P.O. Omolo, Associate Pastor  
Ext.24

Deacon Paul T. Audette Ext.13

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[annie@saintgeorgesparish.org](mailto:annie@saintgeorgesparish.org) Ext. 11

Kate Lockney, Parish Secretary

[stgeooffice@gmail.com](mailto:stgeooffice@gmail.com) Ext.10



# **St. George Catholic Church**

For information regarding Pastoral Care of the Sick, Marriage Preparation, Confirmation, and Ministry Involvement, we invite you to call the Parish Office.

**Baptism Information:** Please contact  
Susan Pacek at 508-856-9960 or  
email: [st.geobaptism@gmail.com](mailto:st.geobaptism@gmail.com)

### **Eucharist Celebrated:**

First Saturday Mass: 8:00 AM - Chapel

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 AM

Wednesday: 6:30 PM

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday 3:00 to 3:30 PM and

by appointment

### **Parish Mission Statement**

We, the parish community of St George, celebrate the welcoming presence of Christ in our lives. Together with the universal Church, we are nourished and sustained through the Mystery of the Holy Eucharist, and we are inspired by the proclamation of the Word, guided by the Holy Spirit.

We continually seek to grow in a deeper understanding of our faith, to respect the sanctity of human life, and respond to what Jesus asks of us in our time by sharing our gifts and participating in parish activities and outreach to others.

***A Community of Ministries, June 23, 2019***

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## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday, June 22:</b>	Vigil Memorial for David Desourdi by Cleary family
<b>Sunday, June 23:</b>	Corpus Christi
7:30 AM	Special Intention
9:00 AM	Memorial for Fr. Henry Donoghue by a friend
11:00 AM	Memorial for George Paulin by Pike family
<b>Monday, June 24:</b>	Saint John the Baptist For the Community of St. George
8:00 AM	
<b>Tuesday, June 25:</b>	
8:00 AM	In Memory of Geraldine Bak
<b>Wednesday, June 26:</b>	
6:30 PM	In Memory of Pauline Lambert
<b>Thursday, June 27:</b>	St. Cyril 25th Anniversary for Rev. Msgr. Francis J. Manning
8:00 AM	
<b>Friday, June 28:</b>	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Birthday Remembrance for Angelo Gentile by family
8:00 AM	
<b>Saturday, June 29:</b>	
4:00 PM	Mass for John Scotti by Cleary Family
<b>Sunday, June 30:</b>	
7:30 AM	60th Anniv. Stephanie Niccolls req. by her son
9:00 AM	17th Anniv. Angelo Gentile, req. by family
11:00 AM	Mass of Thanksgiving: Rev. Sagar Gundiga (Reception follows in Church Hall)

## Bulletin Item Due Dates

<u>Weekend of</u>	<u>Due to parish</u>
July 7, 2019	Wednesday, June 26
July 14, 2019	Wednesday, July 3
July 21, 2019	Wednesday, July 10

Please submit items by 3:00 PM on the due date.  
Email to our parish secretary at : stgeoof-  
fice@gmail.com

## Please Join us!

Join us downstairs in the Church Hall  
after Sunday Mass for Coffee, Donuts and to enjoy  
being part of the parish community.

### Coffee Shop Captain for June 30th

Mark Viens  
774-262-0309



All men and women are invited to join one  
of the St. George Coffee Shop Teams to serve once every  
9 weeks. Please contact Jim Sanford at 508-852-029  
for more information. All are welcome!

## Parish Calendar



<b>Saturday, June 22:</b>	AA	Hall
8:00 PM		
<b>Sunday, June 23:</b>		
8:00 AM	Coffee Shop	Hall
9:00 AM	Children's Liturgy	St. George Rm
9:00 AM	Toddler Liturgy	Conf Rm
<b>Monday, June 24:</b>		
5:15 PM	Finance Committee	Rectory
	No Yoga	
7:00 PM	Book Discussion	Conf Rm
<b>Tuesday, June 25:</b>		
10:30 AM	Prayer Shawl	Hall
<b>Wednesday, June 26:</b>		
<b>Thursday, June 27:</b>		
6:30 PM	Family Prayer	Church
<b>Friday, June 28:</b>		
10:00 AM	Faith Sharing Grp	2nd fl Ctr
<b>Saturday, June 29:</b>		
8:00 PM	AA	Hall
<b>Sunday, June 30:</b>		
8:00 AM	Coffee Shop	Hall
9:00 AM	Children's Liturgy	St. George Rm
9:00 AM	Toddler Liturgy	Conf Rm
1:00 PM	Reception Rev. Sagar Gundiga	Hall

## Daily Scripture Readings

Daily Scripture Readings are available at the  
United States Catholic Conference of Bishops  
Web site: <http://usccb.org/>

## Scripture for the week of June 23, 2019

23	SUN	Gn 14:18-20/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17
24	Mon	Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17
		Day: Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
25	Tue	Gn 13:2, 5-18/Mt 7:6, 12-14
26	Wed	Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Mt 7:15-20
27	Thu	Gn 16:1-12, 15-16 or 16:6b-12, 15-16/Mt 7:21-29
28	Fri	Ez 34:11-16/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7
29	Sat	Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19
		Day: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
30	SUN	1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62



thank you

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### Diocesan Victim Service Coordinator Note

If you have been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church, please believe in the possibility for hope and help and healing. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. The victim service coordinator for the Diocese of Worcester is Judith Audette. A report can be made by phone to (508) 929-4363.



### From Your Pastor

This weekend we join with Fr. Sagar Gundiga as he is ordained the Priesthood. For him it is the fulfillment of many years of formation and preparation for this major milestone in his life. We pray that God will bless him with many happy and spiritually fulfilling years in priestly ministry, not only for himself but also for the people whom he will serve in his priestly ministry. For Fr. Sagar and for all priests, let us pray this prayer taken from the 1970 Sacramentary:



### Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Open 4:30 AM to 8:00 PM Daily  
Please consider visiting the Chapel  
All are welcome!

Note: The chapel is closed during the hours when students are in the building. These hours are posted on the door.

### "Just One Thing"

Our lives can be filled with so much! Yet God is present and speaks to us always, especially at Mass. We hear it sometimes, but at times the clutter of life can cause us to miss it or forget.

When you join us for Mass - listen and pray for JUST ONE THING. Ask God to help you hear JUST ONE THING: one word or idea, one challenge or invitation. Jot it down - Pencils and "Mass Notes" paper are at each church entrance.

Hold this ONE THING in your mind and heart during the next week. Pray and trust. God's love for you will grow this "ONE THING" within you into what it is meant to be.

Mass  
Notes



"Lord our God,  
you guide your people  
by the ministry  
of your priests.  
Keep them faithful  
in obedient service to you  
that by their life and  
Ministry they may bring  
you glory in Christ."  
Amen.

On Sunday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, at the 11:00 A.M., Fr. Sagar will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving here at St. George's. A reception will follow in the church hall. This invitation is open to all of you to attend this joyful celebration.

Fr. Niccolls



### Total Weekly Ordinary Collection

Weekend of June 9, 2019

Ordinary Weekly: \$5,634.00

Online Giving: \$2,180.00

Your generosity helps us to continue to be a vibrant parish community worshipping our Risen Lord and reaching out to our neighbors in need.

Thank you for your support!



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"Growing Together in Faith"

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Religious Education  
2019-2020 Registration

For returning students, registration packets were sent home with the youngest child in each family on the last day of classes. Please read over the registration packet carefully paying attention to registration deadlines and fees. Please take note that students entering grade 2 and Confirmation have an additional sacrament fee of \$35. Additional forms can be found outside of the Religious Education Office in the Parish Center, on the table near the Religious Education Bulletin Board in the Church Hall, or on the parish website.

**St. George  
Summer Bible Camp**

Monday, July 29th - Friday, August 2nd  
The camp is for



**Save the Date  
More Information Coming Soon!!**



**RELIGIOUS  
FREEDOM  
WEEK**

Religious Freedom Week (the successor to the Fortnight for Freedom which was held from 2012 - 2017) will be celebrated in dioceses nationwide from **June 22 to June 29**. Throughout the week we will focus on the importance of preserving the essential right of religious freedom, both now and in the future, for Catholics and all people of faith.

This year's theme is "**Strength in Hope**". The significant feast days during the week (Saints Thomas More and John Fisher – June 22, Saint John the Baptist – June 24, and Saints Peter and Paul – June 29) inspire us to follow the example of these great saints who loved God above all and remained faithful in the face of adversity.

Please visit [www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek](http://www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek) to download the "Pray-Reflect-Act" one-pagers for each day on various religious liberty topics. These excellent resources are intended to inspire us to learn more about religious liberty from a Catholic perspective, help us to pray about particular issues, and provide us with tools to act on what we learn. Additional information can be found at [www.worcesterdiocese.org/religiousfreedomweek](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/religiousfreedomweek).

*We Commend to your Prayer*

James Phelan  
Paul T. Coleman



May the angels lead them into Paradise



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

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### Volunteer Opportunity

Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) New England, a year-long volunteer opportunity for women and men 50 years of age and better, is recruiting volunteers for the upcoming (September to June) year.

Volunteers give two full days/week of service and commit to a monthly spiritual reflection program in the Jesuit tradition. IVC works with nonprofits in the Boston/Worcester/Providence areas that address problems of homelessness, education, immigration and more. Get info and application by contacting regional director Dave Hinchey at:

[newengland@ivcusa.org](mailto:newengland@ivcusa.org), or check out the IVC New England website @ [www.ivcusa.org/new-england](http://www.ivcusa.org/new-england)



If you, or someone you know, is interested in finding out more about reconnecting with your Catholic faith or being baptized into the Catholic Church, please speak to one of our priests or to our Deacon today.

Perhaps you would like to learn more about receiving Holy Communion or Confirmation? Couples married by a Justice of the Peace may want to receive the Sacrament of Marriage. Preparation sessions for this strengthening Sacrament are also available and far simpler than you would imagine.

For more information you may also contact Annie Doyle at 508-853-0183 x 11 or [annie@saintgeorgesparish.org](mailto:annie@saintgeorgesparish.org)

### Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for June

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

### *Eucharist and Prayers for the Sick*

Please: Call to let us know if a family member or neighbor is hospitalized, homebound or ill.

We can arrange to visit and bring Eucharist. Remember that due to HIPAA regulations, unless you allow the hospital or health care institution to release information and list St. George's as your religious affiliation, we are not told that you are a patient.

We call the area hospitals each week to see if any of our parishioners are hospitalized. Thank you for your understanding.

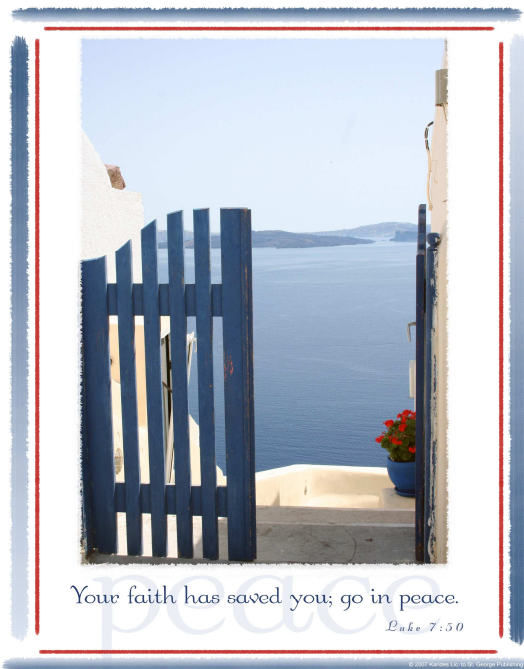


### Partners In Charity

As of June 9th, our parish family has raised **\$88,790 from 243 donors** toward our parish goal of \$100,000. Thank you for your generosity.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to make a gift, we encourage you to do so today. Pledge envelopes are available in each pew and at the church exits.

In today's Gospel, the disciples suggest that Jesus disperse the crowd so that they might *individually* seek food and lodging. The miracle of the feeding of the five thousand is Jesus' powerful reminder that when we *share* our gifts in His name there is always more than enough!



*Why not dedicate the first hour of your families' work week to God?*

## *A Community of Ministries*



### **St. George Parish Outreach**

Annie Doyle  
508-853-0183 Ext. 11  
annie@saintgeorgesparish.org



**St. George Confirmation  
Candidates begin  
Summer Service  
at the Mustard Seed!**

They cleaned, painted  
and helped to  
organize and stock food  
and clothing.

They also built a  
wonderful garden box!

The next crew of  
candidates will plant  
herbs and continue the  
landscaping.

Our next parish Mustard  
Seed Meal is scheduled  
for July 19th.



### **All are Welcome to the Sacrament of Baptism**

For registration, preparation session dates  
and more information please contact:  
Susan Pacek at: 508-856-9960 or  
st.geobaptism@gmail.com



### **THE FAMILY CONNECTION**

*Parent's Prayer for Adult Children* - Dear Lord, my children are grown, yet I find that a parent's work is never done. The love and concern do not die when they graduate from school, or get married. But the objects of that love and concern are no longer dependent young children, but grown individuals with lives of their own. Help me to let go of becoming overly involved in their lives. Grant me patience when they stray from the ways in which I raised them. Help me to let them know I am there when they need love and understanding, but never let me interfere with their independence and integrity. Guide them Lord, that they will never be far from you.



### **Young parishioners spread positive messages**

As members of a "Save the World" project in their English class, St. George parishioners Maeghan, Jamie and Gavin distributed small bags of treats to guests at the Mustard Seed. Each bag contained a note with an uplifting message. The guests enjoyed and shared the notes, band aides, mints, hair elastics and others items with one another. This act of kindness spread and helped, in small and important ways - to "Save the World" from what can usually be sad and lonely moments in the life of those who suffer from illness and poverty.

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*Our Parish Vision: To **welcome** all, build **connections** to Christ and one another, and **live our faith** as true disciples of Jesus.*



### Join St. George's "Food Donation Team"

For information on bargains and/or to join the team, just email Dave at [DavewithFDT@gmail.com](mailto:DavewithFDT@gmail.com)

Special needs for June are:

Jars of Peanut Butter, Cans of Tuna Fish and cans of Soup (flip top cans are great if possible).

All non-perishable food items are always welcome and can be left in the Outreach area at the foot of the stairs inside the church entrance near the parking lot.

### INH Family Shelter - Service Week Begins

June 23 till June 30, 2019 5:30 PM till 6 AM

Needs are posted at the church exits. Call Annie Doyle if you are interested in volunteering or donating your time, expertise or supplies.

### Why a "Community of Ministries"?

Here at St. George Parish we strive to work together as a "Community of Ministries" who collaborate and cooperate with one another. It is in this spirit of humility and unity, that we hope to continue to grow "as one" in Christ.



### You Can Help to Prevent Homelessness after Mass today

We invite you to use "Hope for Housing cards" to buy your weekly groceries or prescriptions at CVS. Celebrate a graduation with a treat from Dunkin Donuts or Panera Bread.

You receive the full face value of the a card in the amount you choose. The stores- CVS, Dunkin Donuts, Panera Bread, and local grocery stores - donate up to 5% of that amount to "Hope for Housing" to assist children with families in crisis. See Sue & Dave Genereux who are selling these cards in the Church Hall after Mass



### Spiritual Growth Ministry

Ministry Contact: JoAnn Nally  
508-527- 6973

### Faith Sharing Groups

Our Wednesday 7 p.m. Faith Sharing Group will not be meeting during the summer. We intend to resume our meetings in the fall.



### What is a Prayer Shawl Ministry?

Do you knit or crochet at any level?  
Beginners are welcome!

We meet in the church hall twice monthly, on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

New members are invited to join this important ministry of outreach.

Shawls can be used for: undergoing medical procedures; as a comfort after a loss or in times of stress; during bereavement; prayer or meditation; during an illness and recovery; ministering to others ...there are endless possibilities!

Please call Annie Doyle at the Rectory for more information  
508-853-0183.



### Altar Ministries

We are thankful to the Altar Servers and Ministers of Holy Communion from TEAM C who will serve at our Masses next weekend.

