July 15, 2018: Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

40 Brattle Street Worcester, MA 01606

Parish Office: 508-853-0183 www.saintgeorgesparish.org

Office Hours:

Monday & Wednesday 9:00AM to 5:00PM Tuesday & Thursday 9:00AM to 4:00PM

Parish Staff:

It is our privilege to serve you.

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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

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.

Searching for Jesus?

We have hidden a little
Drawing of Jesus in this bulletin.
Can you find Him again this week?

A Community of Ministries, July 15, 2018





Mass Intentions

Saturday, July 14: Vigil

4:00 PM Memorial for Edward & Margaret Cleary by the Cleary family

Sunday, July 15: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM 2nd Anniversary for Judy Ritchie by family

9:00 AM Birthday Remembrance for Robert Carter by family

11:00 AM 5th Anniversary for Dr. Frank Bednarek by family

Monday, July 16: Our Lady of Mount Carmel 8:00 AM In memory of Bobby Ovian by family

Tuesday, July 17:

8:00 AM In memory of Maureen Migdelaney by her sisters & brother

Wednesday, July 18: St. Camillus de Lellis 6:30 PM Memorial for Albert H. Duncan by Carol Wall

Thursday, July 19:

8:00 AM In memory of Cecelia & Anthony Laconte by children & grandchildren

Friday, July 20: St. Apollinaris

8:00 AM 2nd Anniversary for Judy Ritchie by family

Saturday, July 21: Vigil

4:00 PM Memorial for Mary Murray by

the Cleary family

Sunday, July 22: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Memorial for Gerald Skeean by Robert & Linda Mulhearn

9:00 AM In memory of Robert & Delores Chisholm by parishioners

11:00 AM Special Intention

Bulletin Deadlines

Weekend of	Due to parish	
July 29	Wednesday, July 18	
August 5	Wednesday, July 25	
August 12	Wednesday, August 1	

Items must be submitted by 5:00 PM on the due date. Email items to stgeooffice@gmail.com, or fax to the Rectory.

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.

Attention Parents of Young Children

The Church building is open to all. We ask that parents of young children to please accompany them at all times. Thank you.

Parish Calendar

	Ontonday July 44	
	Saturday, July 14:	1.1.11
	8:00 PM AA	Hall
Sunday, July 15:		
	8:00 AM Coffee Shop	Hall
	9:00 AM Children's Liturgy	St. George Rm
	9:00 AM Toddler Liturgy	Confr Rm
Monday, July 16:		
	9:00 AM Vacation Bible Camp	Hall/Center
	5:45 PM Yoga	Hall
Tuesday, July 17:		
	9:00 AM Vacation Bible Camp	Hall/ Center
Wednesday, July 18		
	9:00 AM Vacation Bible Camp	Hall/Center
Thursday, July 19:		
	9:00 AM Vacation Bible Camp	Hall/Center
	6:30 PM Family Prayer	Church
Friday, July 20:		
	9:00 AM Vacation Bible Camp	Hall & Center
Saturday, July 21:		
	8:00 PM AA	Hall
Sunday, July 22:		
	8:00 AM Coffee Shop	Hall
	9:00 AM Children's Liturgy	St. George Rm
	9:00 AM Toddler Liturgy	Confr Rm
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Scripture for the week of July 15, 2018

15 SUN Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14/Mk 6:7-13

16 Mon Is 1:10-17/Mt 10:34—11:1

17 Tue Is 7:1-9/Mt 11:20-24

18 Wed Is 10:5-7, 13b-16/Mt 11:25-27 19 Thu Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19/Mt 11:28-30

20 Fri Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8/Mt 12:1-8

21 Sat Mi 2:1-5/Mt 12:14-21

22 SUN Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

Eucharistic Adoration

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your Body and Blood help us to experience the salvation you won for us and the peace of the kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



Eucharistic Adoration Chapel Hours

Open 4:30 AM to 8:00 PM



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Weekend of July 8, 2018

Total Weekly Ordinary: \$8,137.37

You're invited— Join our Community of Ministries

Share your unique talent - baking, teaching, sewing, mending, gardening, welcoming newcomers, simple carpentry, landscaping, washing and ironing, computer skills, technology advice, knitting, and crocheting are a few of the skills needed.

Can you sing or play a musical instrument?

Do you want to learn more about scripture?

Just call or email us at Annie Doyle annie@ saintgeorgesparish.org or 508-853-0183



Coffee Shop Captain

July 22, 2018

Mike Doherty/John Beahn: 508-856-0823

All men and women are invited to join the St. George Coffee Shop Teams to serve once every 9 weeks. Please contact Jim Sanford at 508-852-0293 for more information.

Note: Team Listings and Schedule of Teams can be found on our parish website.

This Week ...

Pray for all who despair of God's forgiveness, may they trust in God's mercy and find peace again through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Diocesan Daily Mass on TV

Daily Mass is LIVE each weekday morning on Charter TV3 (Ch193), delay Broadcast on Shrewsbury TV28 at 4:30 pm and Clinton Cable TV8 at 4:30 pm.



We Commend to your Prayers

Edward J. Provencal

May the Angels lead him into Paradise



From Your Pastor

Today's Gospel reminds us that God has chosen us to be his disciples and now sends us out to bring his love and mercy to the world. This mission is accomplished through God's grace, power and authority. In our lives there will be times when will not choose Jesus. We will betray him, but he will never give up on us. In those moments we are called to repentance and can then walk with Jesus again. As we continue on through this week, we might reflect upon this Gospel passage as an encounter with Jesus today. As we encounter him in Word and Sacrament, let us allow him to transform us, revealing how he is choosing us and sending us out. Will he want us to have a partner in this mission? How will he call us to repentance for our failures and encourage us to persevere in following him despite our weaknesses?

Fr. Niccolls

Dear St. George's Parish,

Thank you so much for the very generous scholarship. It means so much to me to know I have my parish behind me supporting my dreams and continuing my education. I will continue my faith at Boston College. This money will help with a computer and books. Thank you so much, I will make St. George's proud.

Sincerely, Kathleen Murphy

Dear Pat & Joe Cote, The St. George Men's Club & The Rest of Saint George Parish,

I would like to thank you for the scholarship you have so generously provided to me. You have helped me a Lot in reaching my academic goals.

Sincerely, David Carlson



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Religious Education

"Growing Together in Faith"

Sarah Kelly, Administrator - 508-852-1784
Email: sarah.Kelly@saintgeorgesparish.org
Kevin.brown@saintgeorgesparish.org

New program for Ages 3-5

We are very excited to be introducing a new program for children ages 3-5 in the fall. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is an wonderful program for the youngest of our parishioners. We are in the process on working out the schedule and timing for that program. If you have children in that age range, could you please share with Sarah Kelly at sarah.kelly@saintgeorgesparish.org if a weekday afternoon or weekday morning would work better for your family.

Registration for Next Year

Registration materials for the 2018-2019 school year were sent home with each family. We look forward to seeing everyone at classes in September.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for July

During the month of July, the Pope asks that priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may fid help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Happy Father's Day! Take time for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Sep 15-16, 2018 in Medway, MA and Dec 7-9, 2018 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at https://wwmema.org/.

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.

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This Weekend's Stewardship Thought

Today's readings are about being chosen and sent. The prophet Amos was chosen by the Lord and sent to use his talents for the people of God. The Gospel recounts the story of the sending of the twelve. In the second reading, St. Paul reminds us that we, too, are chosen. For what have I been chosen? To whom have I been sent?

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 in this matter.

Baptism Preparation



This Sacrament welcomes everyone. For registration and information about selection of Godparents, please contact Susan Pacek at 508-856-9960 or Email: st.geobaptism@gmail.com.

Baptisms are usually held monthly following the preparation sessions and completion of paperwork. Dates for the upcoming classes are July 15, September 23 and November 4 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Conference Room.

School Supplies needed at Catholic Charities

Backpacks with:

- $\hfill\square$ Notebooks & 3-Ring Binders 1-3 Subject
- ☐ Calculators (Especially Scientific!)
- ☐ Clorox Disinfecting Wipes
- □ Colored Markers
- □ Copy/Print Paper
- □ Crayons
- ☐ Glue Sticks
- ☐ Highlighters
- ☐ Pencil Sharpeners
- □ Pencils & Pens
- □ Pocket Folders

These items can be left in our church Outreach Collection area-before August 5.
Many Thanks!



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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

At the community college, a local band put on a mini-concert to publicize their upcoming appearance. They performed over the lunch hours in the cafeteria. Many students got up and danced, or clapped, nodding their heads in rhythm with the band. In an article in the newspaper, one student was quoted as saying, "With music, you just have to dance. It is not a spectator event."

Jesus sends the Apostles out, two by two, to try their hand at proclaiming the Gospel. It was not a time to watch and see, but rather a time to say and do. They expelled demons, anointed the sick and cured many. The Kingdom of God comes in power, moving aside anything that stands in its way. It is music to the soul that causes its listeners to proclaim, to love, and to serve. Faith is not a spectator sport!

God calls each one of us. From the moment of your Baptism, you are given spiritual gifts to be used for the sake of the whole community. You are to serve as best you can, advancing the cause of the Gospel and announcing in all you say and do that the Kingdom is at hand. By word and deed, we live the Gospel, witnessing to the saving power of grace, and the joy of faith that gives life purpose, meaning and power. Are you still on the sidelines watching? It's time to be part of the mission, time to find and use your gifts. Pray, work, serve, and lead. It's time to be His disciple.

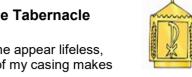
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Online giving is one method of making your financial contributions Online Giving to St. George Parish through an electronic network. It eliminates paper envelopes, thereby reducing the cost of printing, postage and processing.

In whatever manner you choose to give to our parish, be it electronically, by using weekly envelopes or the basket-know that your donations are essential and always greatly appreciated.

If you would like assistance contact Kathy Hessel at MKHessel@aol.com

The Tabernacle



My ark makes me appear lifeless, The smallness of my casing makes vou overlook me.

My silence makes it appear as if I am not present,

But from within my ark comes forth life itself, Through my smallness all can receive me, And in my silence, my presence resounds.

Our Seminarian, Peter Bui

A Christian Steward receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with all, and returns them with increase to the Lord.

Scheduling of **Parish Calendar Events**

The new parish calendar becomes effective September 1st. Even if your group's schedule has not changed we need your information so that the calendar is as accurate as possible. You will be notified if your request for meeting space is unavailable.

Please email schedules to Joan Koppenal at stgeooffice@gmail.com or mail to the Parish Office.

131st Annual Novena to Saint Anne

St. Anne Shrine, 16 Church St., Fiskdale will hold the 131st Annual Novena to St. Anne from July 18 -26. Each evening includes confessions at 6 pm in St. Anne Church; 6:30 pm Rosary Procession; 7 pm Novena Mass in the Outdoor Pavilion. On July 26 there will be an additional Healing Mass at 11 am in the Pavilion. Celebrant/homilists in order by day are: Rev. Peter Precourt, AA for Opening Day; Rev. Peter Joyce for Hispanic Day; Rev. Stanley Rousseau for Haitian Day; Rev. Enoch Kyeremateng for African Day; Rev. Tam Bui for Vietnamese Day; Rev. Jonathan Slavinskas for American Day; Rev. Alex Castro, AA for Filipino Day; Rev. Nicholas Desimone for Youth Day, and Most Rev. Robert J. McManus for the Closing Day.

Visit stannestpatrickparish.com for more information or call 508-347-7338.

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A Community of Ministries







PARISH OUTREACH

Annie Doyle - 508-853-0183 Office hours Mon-Tue-Wed 9-5 annie@saintgeorgesparish.org

Thank You! Our service week at the IHN Shelter was wonderful!

Dear Friends.

Newly painted steps and lovely flowers now welcome guests home to the Interfaith Hospitality Network



Shelter in Worcester. I can't thank you enough for the wonderful work that was done by so many of you! Your time, attention and dedication really transformed the shelter. The gardens, outdoor play area, rugs and storage spaces were cleaned and updated. The dining room was filled with families appreciating the delicious, abundant food

which you shared from your own kitchens and from your generous donations. One evening there was even laughter, music and dancing during dinner! A healthy new baby was born during the week and the

whole house rejoiced! The basketball hoop was enjoyed for hours - flowers and pole beans were planted by the children with the help of our Confirmation Candidate.

Thanks to you, the storage shelves are now filled with necessary supplies. Your prayers added extra joy to every day! We look forward to completing a few more projects as our ongoing commitment to IHN continues with your help.



Next Mustard Seed Meal- Friday July 20

To help fill a need for hot dogs, buns or dessert -Please choose a ticket available at all exits of the church. Thank you to our Confirmation Candidates who will help prepare and serve the meal.

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Prayer for the Family Vacation...Loving God, bless this family as we begin a time of fun and relaxation together. Protect us, be our companion and everloving presence. Guide us safely as we travel, help us bring the best of who we are as a family to the places and people we will visit. Lead us on, Lord, to a healthy and holy time together. Grant that we may return to our home renewed and happy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.



All Are Welcome - Call Today

If you, or someone you know, are interested in finding out more about being baptized into the Catholic faith, please call the Parish Office 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.

Join St. George's "Food Donation Team"

For information on bargains and/or to join the team, just email Dave at DavewithFDT@gmail.com

Special needs for July are:

Small bags of rice, cans of tuna, and cans of beans

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



Youth Faith Connection

Ice Breakers, Faith Sharing Discussion, Lunch

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Sundays 2018

July 8th, 15th, 22nd, & 29th

10:00AM - 11:30AM

Attend 1 or Attend All Dates

Parish Center 2nd Floor

Facilitators:

Peter Bui - Seminarian in Residence

Courtney & Ed Shoro - Religious Education

Please contact Courtney with questions

Call/Text 774-249-5788

courtneymcreamer@gmail.com

### Help to prevent family homelessness Every weekend in our Church Hall

We invite you to begin today to join this effort. Use "Hope for Housing Cards" to buy your weekly groceries or prescriptions at CVS. Give a Dunkin Donut or Panera Bread Gift Card as a birthday gift to a friend.

You receive the full face value of the card in the amount you choose. The stores - CVS, Panera Bread, Dunkin Donuts and local grocery stores - donate up to 5% of that amount to "Hope For Housing" to assist children with families in crisis.

Thanks to Sue & Dave Genereux who are in the Church Hall after <u>every</u> Mass. Contact them at 508-829-5776 or email WaysideATQ@aol.com for more information.



### Spiritual Growth Ministry

"Silence is not the absence of noise but the absence of resistance to God.

God is always present. We're the ones who are absent.

The yearning you feel for God is actually God's yearning for you." (Thomas Keating)

### **Faith Sharing Groups**

Prayerfully consider becoming part of one of our Faith Sharing Groups. We meet once a week for 75 minutes. There is a Wednesday evening group and a Friday morning group. We read the upcoming Sunday's Gospel, pray and reflect as a group to better understand and live the values of the Gospel.

You don't have to come every week...we understand that you have other commitments. For additional information, please speak with Fr. Niccolls, Fr. Charles, JoAnn @508-527-6973 or Joyce @ 508 852-3304.

### ATTENTION: ALL PARISH YOUTH!!!

Watch The Bulletin And
The Posters On The Bulletin Board
For Information About Gatherings After The 9:00
AM Mass and Before The 11:00 AM Mass For The
Sundays in July

#### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

New members are invited to join this important ministry of outreach to the sick and suffering. You might want to knit or crochet – here at our bimonthly meetings or at home. Please call Annie Doyle at the Rectory for more information 508-853-0183.

