

Saint George Church - Worcester & Holden

August 4, 2019: Eighteenth 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 3:00PM
Thursday 9AM to 12 noon
Closed on Fridays

Parish Staff:

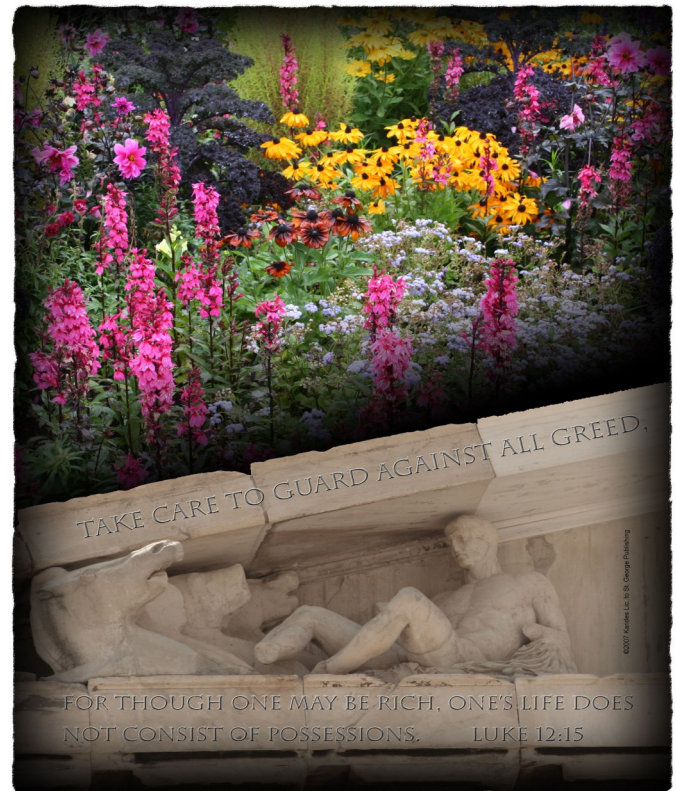
It is our privilege to serve you.

Rev. Edward D. Niccolls, Pastor Ext. 12
Rev. Joseph M. Nally, Senior Priest
Ext. 24

Deacon Paul T. Audette Ext.13

Annie Doyle, Pastoral Outreach
annie@saintgeorgesparish.org Ext. 11

Kate Lockney, Parish Secretary
NEW! office@saintgeorgesparish.org 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

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, August 4, 2019

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, 4:00 PM	August 3: Vigil 18th Anniversary for Donald Frye req. by wife Joan and family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	August 4: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th Anniversary for Helen Walker, req. by her nephew
9:00 AM	For the Community of St. George
11:00 AM	One month's mind mass for Michael Carolan req. by Bonnie Moran and family
Monday, 8:00 AM	August 5: Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major In memory of Maurice Ryan
Tuesday, 8:00 AM	August 6: The Transfiguration of the Lord In memory of Richard and Joan Girard
Wednesday, 6:30 PM	August 7: Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs, Saint Cajetan In memory of Anne Keenan
Thursday, 8:00 AM	August 8: Saint Dominic In memory of John and C.Rita Buzzell
Friday, 8:00 AM	August 9: Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross In memory of Mary Morin
Saturday, 4:00 PM	August 10: Vigil In memory of John and Regina McDonald
Sunday, 7:30 AM	August 11: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time First Anniversary Mass Richard W. Brosnihan req. by wife and daughters
9:00 AM	For the Community of St. George
11:00 AM	Catherine Maleckas req. by Pantos and Berger families

NEW! Bulletin Item Due Dates NEW!

<u>Weekend of</u>	<u>Due to parish</u>
August 18, 2019	Tuesday, August 6
August 25, 2019	Tuesday, August 13
September 1, 2019	Tuesday, August 21

Please submit items by 10:00 AM on the due date.
email to our parish Secretary at :
office@saintgeorgesparish.org

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 August 11th
John Lewczyk 508-856-9567



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 508-852-0293 for more information. All are welcome!

Parish Calendar



Saturday, 8:00 PM	August 3: AA	Hall
Sunday, 8:00 AM	August 4: Coffee Shop	Hall
9:00 AM	Children's Liturgy	St. George Room
9:00 AM	Toddler Liturgy	Conf. Room
Monday, 5:45 PM	August 5: Yoga	Church Hall
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 6:30 PM	August 6: August 7: August 8: Family Prayer	Church
Friday, Saturday, 8:00 PM	August 9: August 10: AA	Hall
Sunday, 8:00 AM	August 11: Coffee Shop	St. George Room
9:00 AM	Children's Liturgy	Hall
9:00 AM	Toddler Liturgy	Conf. Room

Scripture Readings

Scripture for the week of August 4, 2019

4	SUN	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
5	Mon	Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21
6	Tue	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
7	Wed	Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28
8	Thu	Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23
9	Fri	Dt 4:32-40/Mt 16:24-28
10	Sat	2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
11	SUN	Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Pieta

is an ongoing support group for bereaved parents. Anyone who has experienced the death of a child is welcome to attend. The next meeting will be on August 12th at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room. Please join us.

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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

From the Pastor's Desk:

Recently, our fourth Vacation Bible Camp was held. We had twenty-five of our young parishioners take part in it and they enjoyed it very much. I am very grateful to Aaron & Karen Fuller and all the adult and youth volunteers who helped them to make this Vacation Bible Camp such a great learning and fun experience for our young parishioners and their families. We have not yet scheduled next year's Vacation Bible Camp. When we do have it scheduled, we will inform you so that you can mark it on your calendars.

I want to mention that this is the last weekend that our seminarian, Peter Bui, will be with us. He will soon be returning to the Theological College in Washington, D.C. to begin his first year of theological studies there in preparation for the priesthood. We wish Peter well and pray that this coming year will be a very spiritually, pastorally and academically fulfilling one for him.

Fr. Niccolls

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel



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

Jesus urges us to be rich in what matters to God.

This Weekend's Stewardship Thought

The psalmist warns us against hardening our hearts. Are our hearts open to what really matters?



Consider Joining Our Community of Ministries

Call or e-mail the Parish Office today
to check out the many possibilities.
We have something for everyone!

Total Weekly
Ordinary Collection



Weekend of
July 28, 2019

Ordinary Weekly: \$ 4,716.75
Online Giving: \$ 1,292.00

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!

We Commend to your Prayers

John D. Hughes

Rev. Joseph W. McKiernan

Maribeth McGowan, sister of Rev. Charles Dumphry



May the Angels lead him into Paradise

Parish Calendar Attention Ministry Leaders

The new parish calendar becomes effective September 1st. All ministry schedules should be submitted no later than August 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 Kate Lockney at:
office@saintgeorgesparish.org.

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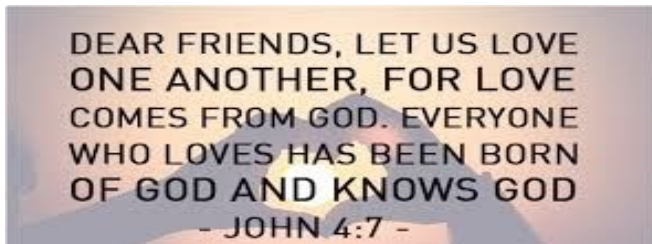


"Growing Together in Faith"

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

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.



Wondering about becoming Catholic?

Have you ever considered the idea of becoming Catholic or receiving the Sacraments of Holy Communion, Confirmation and/or Marriage ? Do you have a friend, neighbor, or relative who might be curious about the Catholic faith?

Our priests are happy to speak with anyone who is interested in exploring this thought or feel free to contact

Annie Doyle at 508-853-0183 x11 or annie@saintgeorgesparish.org with any questions.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." (Luke 12:15) The Gospel message today is contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle and become more "other-centered" and less "self-centered."

Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe

Next week we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 20 countries that are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccce.

A letter from Bishop McManus will be available next weekend.



Free Donut Tickets for Children's Liturgy

The Men's Club will be offering "Free Donut Tickets" to all participants to the "Children's Liturgy" during the 9:00 AM Mass *NEXT* Sunday. The children will be given the chips while at the Liturgy to be redeemed after any Sunday Mass. Best Wishes to our young Catholics.

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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, or check out the IVC New England website @ www.ivcusa.org/new-england



Partners In Charity

As of July 21, our parish family has raised \$97,274.00 **from 271** 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.



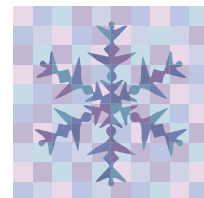
For times when you are away on vacation, online giving is a good solution to keep your weekly donation systematic. Online giving is one method of making your financial contributions to St. George Parish through an electronic network.

It eliminates paper envelopes, thereby reducing the cost of printing, postage and processing.

For more information contact Kathy Hessel at: mkhessel@aol.com

Help keep our Church cool

Please help us keep our church cool by closing any window or door that you notice is open. This will help to assure that the air conditioner is working at full efficiency.



School Supplies needed at Catholic Charities and Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry

Backpacks
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 up to August 5. Thank you!



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.

A Community of Ministries



**St. George
Parish Outreach**
Annie Doyle
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The Mustard Seed building has been brightened up with fresh paint, flower boxes and a wreath of daisies on the door to welcome our guests!

Many thanks to all the parishioners of St. George who recently helped serve a meal, donated socks, t-shirts, tooth paste and brushes as well as non-perishable food items. The food pantry remains stocked with essentials thanks to your generosity.

Our Confirmation Candidates are continuing their introduction to community service.
A special "Thank You" to Trudy!

Current Needs

- Razors
- Deodorant
- Back Packs
- Gently used towels

Items can be left in the Outreach Area - inside the parking lot side door.

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

"Someday" we're going to have a mother-daughter lunch date. "Someday" we're going to write our family history. "Someday" we're going to go on a weekend retreat. "Someday" we're going to tell our children how much we love them. "Someday" we're going to do a family tree for the grandkids. "Someday..." The calendar contains Mon-days, Tues-days, Wednes-days, Thurs-days, Fri-days, Satur-days, Sun-days, but no Some-days.



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



Prayer Shawl Ministry



Thank you to all of our faithful knitters who spread comfort and kindness through their generous work!

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 semi-monthly meetings or at home. Gatherings are in the church hall at 10:30 AM on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Our next gathering in the church hall is on August 13. Come join us!

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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.*



**Sacrament of the
Anointing
of the Sick**

Please Join Us!

Monday, August 12, 2019
at 11:00 AM

A brief service will take place
followed by a light lunch in the
Church Hall.

The Sacrament of the Sick is administered by the priest and is for those who are ill, elderly, and those afflicted by physical or emotional pain.

The graces of this Sacrament include a strengthening, peace and courage to overcome the difficulties of illness, as well as healing, and forgiveness.

Please call Annie Doyle - Parish Outreach at
508-853-0183 Ex. 11 or Cell 508-450-4134 to
participate in the celebration of this Sacrament.

**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.

Thanks to Sue & Dave Genereux who are in the Church Hall after every Mass.

Contact them at 508-829-5776
or email WaysideATQ@aol.com
for more information.



Spiritual Growth Ministry
Ministry Contact: JoAnn Nally
508-527- 6973

**LAUGH when you can,
APOLOGIZE when you should and
LET GO of what you cannot change.**
(from Contemplative Monk)

FAITH SHARING GROUPS
**How about coming to a Faith Sharing Group
this summer?**

**FRIDAY 10: 00- 11:15 AM, 2nd Floor- Parish
Center**

This is a great opportunity to meet other members of our Parish Community, to learn more about the upcoming Sunday Gospel, to share ideas and learn more about our faith. ALL ARE WELCOME! If you have questions/need more information, please talk with one of our Priests, or call Joyce Purcell @ 508-852-3304 or JoAnn Nally @ 508- 527-6973.



**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 and August are:

Canned chicken, cereal, soft, healthy granola bars. 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.