

Saint George Church - Worcester & Holden

September 30, 2018: Twenty-Sixth 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.

A Community of Ministries, September 30, 2018

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 29: Vigil

4:00 PM 2nd Anniversary for Martin Forhan
by family

Sunday, September 30: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Special Intention

9:00 AM Memorial for Armand Audette by Susanne
Graves & Claire Weiss

11:00 AM Memorial for Barbara Bullard by her
husband Ron

Monday, October 1: St. Therese of the Child Jesus

8:00 AM For the Community of St. George

Tuesday, October 2: The Holy Guardian Angels

8:00 AM In memory of Arthur Sullivan

Wednesday, October 3:

6:30 PM For those who serve our country & their
families

Thursday, October 4: St. Francis of Assisi

8:00 AM In memory of Robert & Peg Plante

Friday, October 5: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos

8:00 AM Memorial for William Woods

Saturday, October 6: Vigil

4:00 PM Anniversary for Anne Callan by family

Sunday, October 7: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Special Intention

9:00 AM 1st Anniversary for Joseph Dresley
by family

11:00 AM In memory of Donna M. Ferguson by
Robert & Fran Pike

Bulletin Deadlines

<u>Weekend of</u>	<u>Due to parish</u>
October 14	Wednesday, Oct. 3
October 21	Wednesday, Oct. 10
October 28	Wednesday, Oct. 17

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 B who will serve at our
Masses next weekend.

Attention Parents of Young Children

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

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.

Parish Calendar

Saturday, September 29:

8:00 PM AA Hall

Sunday, September 30:

8:00 AM Coffee Shop Hall

9:00 AM Children's Liturgy St. George Rm

9:00 AM Toddler Liturgy Confr Rm

6:00 PM Religious Ed Gr. 6-9 Hall/Church

Monday, October 1:

4:15 PM Religious Ed Gr. 1-5 Center

5:45 PM Yoga Hall

Tuesday, October 2:

4:15 PM Religious Ed Gr. 1-5 Center

Wednesday, October 3:

7:00 PM Faith Sharing Group Confr Rm

Thursday, October 4:

6:30 PM Family Prayer Church

Friday, October 5:

Saturday, October 6:

8:00 PM AA Hall

Sunday, October 7:

8:00 AM Coffee Shop Hall

9:00 AM Children's Liturgy St. George Rm

9:00 AM Toddler Liturgy Confr Rm

Scripture for the week of September 30, 2018

30 SUN Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45,
47-48

1 Mon Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50

2 Tue Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Mt 18:1-5, 10

3 Wed Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62

4 Thu Jb 19-21-27/Lk 10:1-12

5 Fri Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Lk 10:13-16

6 Sat Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24

7 SUN Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or
10:2-12



Second Collection

This weekend, the Annual Catholic Schools Appeal
collection will be taken up at all Masses. Thank you
for your generosity.

We Commend to your Prayers

Kevin Dudevoir

May the Angels lead him into Paradise



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

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Weekend of September 23, 2018

Total Weekly Ordinary: \$7,524.00

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for September

During the month of September, the Pope asks that young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

Pastoral Council Elections

The Pastoral Council will begin the election process for TWO open seats. Members serve as advisory committee to the Pastor, provide guidance on fulfilling the Parish Mission statement and collaborate with other ministries on parish planning and parish life. Elected members will serve for a term of 3 years beginning January 2019. Deadline for nominations are Oct 13-14. Candidates will be presented on Oct 27-28 and Elections will be held on Nov 3-4. Please consider sharing your talent and time to this important council. Please contact Andrea Berger with any question email: andreab264@gmail.com or phone 508-829-8230.

This Week...

Pray for those coping with mental illness that they will have care and counseling and be treated by all with the respect due every human being.

John McDermott & Friends Christmas Concert

You won't want to miss John McDermott and joyous Christmas Concert at St. John's Upper Church on Wednesday, November 14 at 7:00PM to benefit St. John's Food for the Poor(www.stjohnsforthepoor.org). Tickets are \$20 each and seating is limited! A great Christmas gift for family and friends! Buy your tickets online at www.johnmcdermott2018.evenbrite.com or call or email Frank Carroll at 508-770-0110 and fc Carroll@sbsb.com to reserve your ticket.

Public Square Rosary Crusade

Join the 2018 Public Square Rosary Crusade at Elm Park Worcester, MA 12 Noon October 13. For more information, please contact Joe Luca at 508-459-9687.



From Your Pastor

We begin our new parish office hours this week. Effective on Monday, October 1, 2018, the new office hours will be Mondays - Thursdays from 9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Like last year, you will also notice that over the next several weeks there will be additional altar servers in the sanctuary. These additional servers are in training to serve at our weekend Masses. They will be formally installed as altar servers on the weekend of October 27/28.

Fr. Niccolls

Saint John's High School Open House

Saint John's High School will be holding an Open House on Saturday, September 29 at 9:00 AM and Tuesday, October 16 at 6:00 PM. The Placement Test for Saint John's will be held on Saturday, October 27, 2018. See our website www.stjohnshigh.org, or contact the Admissions Office at (508-842-8934, ext. 266, for further information.



Coffee Shop Captain

October 7, 2018
Dave Allen: 508-853-2862

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.



"No one heals himself by wounding another."

... St. Ambrose

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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

Volunteers Needed

We are in need of a volunteer to help in the religious education office during class time on TUESDAYS 4:15-5:15pm. This person would help with attendance, answering the phone and door and making phone calls to the families of absent students. We are also in need of more volunteers to assist teachers at different grade levels. Please prayerfully consider helping our religious education program.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

We are very excited to be introducing a new program for children ages 3-5. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a wonderful program for the youngest of our parishioners. The program will take place on Mondays 10-11AM and will be beginning in mid to late October. Please contact Sarah Kelly at sarah.kelly@saintgeorgesparish.org for more information.

Grade One

Each week we will highlight a different grade level of our religious education program. First up is Grade One. Our 1st graders have been learning about how we belong to the Catholic Church. We are part of the community of Jesus' followers. The 1st graders are also learning the words and gestures of the Sign of the Cross. Each 1st grade group has had a chance to visit the church and locate different special objects like the baptismal font and the altar.

Religious Education Grades 6-9

Welcome back for the 2018-2019 Religious Education year! We are back for another year of learning, praying, upbeat music, stupid games, and of course, pizza!

Our next September meeting will be held from 6:00-7:30 PM on Sunday, September 30th.

Confirmation Service Projects

The Confirmation candidates will have their service project posters displayed in the church hall after all masses on Sunday, October 14th. Please come by to see their posters and speak with them about their introduction to community service experience.

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 Daily
Closed during the hours when students are in the building as of September 16th and continuing until the end of April.

This Weekend's Stewardship Thought

St. James warns in today's second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

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. Date for the upcoming class is November 4 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM in the Conference Room.

Healing a Spouse's Grieving Heart And Finding Your Way Saturday, October 13 Holden Senior Center 1:00 - 2:30 PM

This seminar, presented by Miles Funeral Home, will assist participants on their journey toward recovery and living fully once again after the profound loss of a spouse or partner. Miles Funeral Home Grief Consultant, Ms. Terri Philbrick, LICSW, a Licensed Independent Social Worker and Grief Counselor/Bereavement Coordinator, will be our facilitator.

There is no charge for the seminar and everyone is welcome, pre-registration is required. Please call 508-829-4434 or 978-422-0100 for a reservation.



**"Karina's Crew"
20th Annual UMASS Cancer
Walk & Run**

UMass Cancer Walk - September 30th

The Lubowicki Family invites you to join team "Karina's Crew" at the UMass Cancer Walk on Sunday, September 30th. This is our 7th annual walk in honor of Karina's fight against brain cancer when she was 6 years old. To join our team or make a donation, please go to: www.firstgiving.com/team/376325.

Thank You From the Mustard

Dear Fr. Nicolls & Parish Community,

On behalf of the Mustard Seed Catholic Worker Community, I would like to thank you for your very generous donation to the Mustard Seed to purchase four industrial door for 93 Piedmont Street to cover some long needed repairs.

These are visible signs of God's love for all of us. Thank you for being instruments of living out the Gospel in our midst and in the lives of God's poor among us.

May God bless your parish community in all that you do for the poor in your own circles.

Blessings and peace,
Susan Arraje

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.



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Kids have been back in class now for a month or more and many schools are holding Parent Nights. It is a chance for teachers to explain what the students will be learning, and to share information about special projects or requirements that parents need to know about. The principal might talk about new changes in the curriculum or construction or upgrade plans that are new. It is a hope-filled, exciting time.

No matter how skilled the teacher may be, or how impressive the course of study, a child still learns more at home than in school. Schools can teach values, but at home they must be lived. Schools can stress the way to success, but at home it must be planned and encouraged. Schools can demand excellence, but it must be nurtured and nourished at home. Schools can offer awards and recognition for a job well done, but it can only be confirmed by family and friends.

Faith is the same way, because faith is more caught than taught. The church can teach it, but families must live it. The church can stress the way to heaven, but families must show it. The church can demand excellence in service and worship, but families must practice it. It is good example and family practice that makes the difference. Let's strive for top grades this year. Let's teach what we practice and practice what we teach.

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Eucharistic Minister Volunteer Openings

UMass Memorial Medical Center, Memorial Campus, 119 Belmont Street, Worcester, has volunteer openings for Eucharistic Ministers to administer Communion to Catholic patients during their Hospital stay. Volunteer commitment is one day a week for 2 to 3 hours.

Please contact Tatjana Abovich, Coordinator,
Volunteer Services - 508-334-6308.



A Community of Ministries



PARISH OUTREACH

Annie Doyle - 508-853-0183
Ext. 11

Office hours Mon-Tue-Wed 9-5
annie@saintgeorgesparish.org

Many Thanks..

- To all who have brought food, paper supplies and soap to help replenish the Mustard Seed Food Pantry this month
- To everyone who has been donating clothing and bedding to the Urban Missionaries and to the homeless
- To our Mary (merry!) Gardeners who have continued to beautify our church grounds into the Fall season
- To our Ministers of Hospitality who warmly greet those who come to Mass
- To our Altar Guild members who so faithfully care for the linens which are used at every Mass
- To our Ministers of the Word who serve our Toddlers and Children at the 9AM Mass

Call for Volunteers!

Are you looking for a service project in our community? Would you like to give 2-3 hours per year of your time to a noble cause? St. George's supports the Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry at the Unitarian Church on Holden Street with a portion of its generous food donations every month. The pantry provides food to approximately 65 needy families in the area. On the third Friday evening of each month, volunteers from the Unitarian Church, St. George's and other organizations help set up the "market" for distribution the following day. Setting up takes less than 90 minutes and begins at 6 pm. It would be great to have 6-12 families, couples, singles or students willing to help 1-2 times throughout the year with this activity. If Interested please contact Andy or Cheryl Labrecque at 508-856-0515 or at alabrecque2016@outlook.com

THE FAMILY CONNECTION

Lord, I used to have a name. Now I have a number. I have zip and area code numbers. I have telephone, credit card, ATM and social security numbers. I dare not forget a single digit because Lord, my days are numbered. Let me remember to count my blessings - which are numberless. And when my countless friends are unavailable when I need advice, I can always call you, Lord. I know you'll answer because you're the only one left who doesn't have an answering machine or an unlisted number!



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 September are:

Peanut Butter, Cans of beef stew (flip top if possible)
Mac & Cheese and 100% juice boxes are a welcome treat!

Fall Retreat for Women

On Saturday, October 20, A Retreat for Women with Jaymie Stuart Wolfe will be held from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM at St. Mary Church Hall, Shrewsbury. Sponsored by the Commission for Women of the Diocese of Worcester. For more information, please contact Pamela Ashmankas at 508-798-0612.

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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.*

Worcester Catholic Women's Conference Saturday, November 10, 2018 Assumption College

Additional Details and Online Registration
@ Worcester Catholic Women's Conference
Diocese of Worcester, MA
Ticket Prices (including lunch)
Students (ages 16 - 22) \$25.00
Early Bird - \$45.00
After Oct 13th - \$60.00



Spiritual Growth Ministry

Morning Prayer

Gracious God, thank you for the gift of today. Refresh me. Invite me to discover your presence in each person that I meet and every situation that I encounter.

Teach me when to speak and when to listen, when to ponder and when to share. In moments of challenge and decision, attune my heart to the whispers of Your Wisdom. As I understand ordinary and unnoticed tasks, gift me with simple joy.

When my days go well, may I rejoice. When things are difficult, surprise me with new possibilities. When life is overwhelming, call me to Sabbath moments to feel your peace and harmony. May the way I live today, reveal your Goodness and Love to all those I meet. Amen. (Pat Berger, C.S.J.)

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

Bereavement Support Group Our Lady of Good Counsel

Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish will hold a six-session bereavement support group beginning, Monday, October 15th, from 1:00 - 2:30 PM in the parish hall, 111 Worcester Street, West Boylston. The faith based program offers insights about grieving in a healthy way to work toward healing. For more information or to register [registration require] call Renate Isbell (508) 835-3286.

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.

Faith Sharing Groups

Have you thought about joining a Faith Sharing Group this Fall?

Faith Sharing Groups are held on Wednesday evening from 7:00 - 8:15 PM and Friday morning from 10:00 - 11:15 AM. Many who have joined one of these groups, state that they listen to the Sunday Gospel and homily in a more reflective way, feel that they understand their faith in a deeper way and experience a growing sense of community. Please see one of our priests, JoAnn Nally (508-527-6973) or Joyce Purcell (508-852-3304) if you would like additional information.

Pietà

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 October 8 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room.

Please join us.

.. Before Mass talk to God...

During Mass let God talk to you...

After Mass talk about God to everyone...

