# St. George Catholic Church

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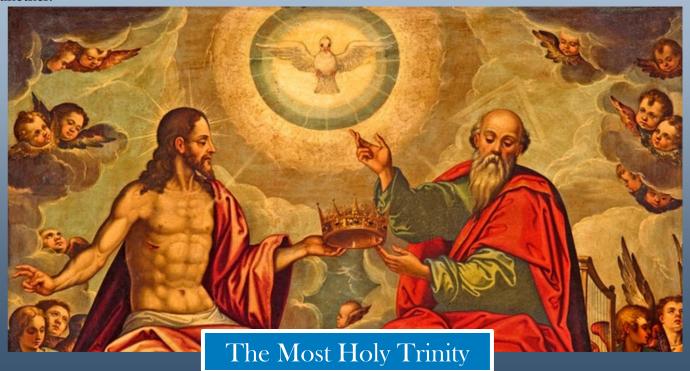


# **WELCOME**

Our parish family extends a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship, guidance or instruction. If you are new to the area or coming home, we invite you to register and make St. George Catholic Church your parish. Registration forms can be obtained in the church vestibule, at the office or online.

# MISSION STATEMENT:

The Gospel calls all people to holiness of life. Saint George Catholic Church is a family of faith, committing ourselves as a welcoming Catholic community to worship God in Word and in Sacrament; to live and to share our faith; to serve the poor, the vulnerable, and those in need; and to reconcile ourselves with God and one another.



# **PARISH STAFF**

Fr. Paul Nguyen, Pastor

Deacon Joel Carpenter, Parish Deacon

Mrs. Kimberley Browne, Minister of Religious Education

Mrs. Barbara Carpenter, Business Manager

Director of Liturgy and Music

Mrs. Divine Stachowski, Parish Secretary

Mr. Rico Romero, Facility Maintenance Supervisor

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Closed on Mondays

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00am-4:00pm Wednesday & Friday 10:00am-2:00pm

#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses: (all Masses limited to 20 households that reside together)

Tuesday — Friday: 9:00 am (beginning June 2)

First Saturday: 9:00 am (beginning June 6)

Weekend Masses

Saturday — CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Sunday — 10:00am (beginning May 31, attendance

limited to registered parishioners, reservation required)

St. Francis Xavier Mission Chapel (on St. George's Island)

Saturday cancelled until further notice

\*Memorial Day to Labor Day

Holy Day Masses — 9am & 7pm...or as announced

#### OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Youth Faith Formation (YFF) meets in the Community Center 9:30-10:45 AM. Contact Kim Browne for class enrollment and for more information: (301) 994-0737 or email: *kim.browne* @*stgeorgercc.org* 

#### **RCIA (Preparation for Easter Sacraments)**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is a process of inquiry and discernment for those who wish to come into full communion with the Catholic faith and are above the age of infant baptism. Classes are held Saturdays at 10-11:30am in the Community Center beginning in October and ending in May. For more information and registration, please contact Fr. Paul at the church office or email: *fr.paulnguyen@stgeorgercc.com* 

# REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL: LITTLE FLOWER SCHOOL (pre-K – 8th grades)

For registration or information, please call LFS at (301) 994-0404 or visit us online www.littleflowercatholic.org

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Group meets on Sundays, 5:00-8:00PM in St. George Community Center. All teens grade 6 and up are invited and welcome to attend our weekly meeting. For more information, please contact the church office (301) 994-0607 or contact one of our Youth Group Team Leaders (Maddie Mushrush, Omotayo Ojo and Darren Rogers) at YouthGroup@stgeorgercc.org

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **BAPTISM:**

Arrangements must be made in advance with Deacon Joel Carpenter or Father Paul by at least one parent for children under the age of seven.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION/EUCHARIST:

Contact Mrs. Kimberley Browne for more information: kim.browne@stgeorgerrc.org

#### CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is celebrated in the Fall and requires a 2-year preparation in our Sunday Youth Faith Formation. Contact Mrs. Kimberley Browne for more information: *kim.browne* @stgeorgerrc.org

## **RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION:**

Saturday 4:00-4:30PM, or by appointment. And First Friday during Eucharistic Adoration (10-10:30am)

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HOLY EUCHARIST:

Parishioners unable to attend Mass on the weekends or who are ill are encouraged to call the parish office to receive these Sacraments.

#### **MARRIAGE**

Couples should contact the parish office and priest to make arrangements as soon as possible, **at least 6 months** in advance of the wedding. Pre-Cana Classes or Engagement Encounter (Marriage Prep.) is required.

#### **DEVOTIONS**

Holy Rosary: After Daily Masses & Sat. 4:30pm + Divine Mercy Chaplet: Fridays after Daily Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: 1st Fri. & Sat. 9:30-10:30am

We can no longer share books, pamphlets and resources. Please bring your own if you have them. If we make resources available, please take them with you or we will be forced to discard them.

#### **WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

Tue	Jun 9	9:00am	John & Rose Slade (L)	
Wed	<b>Jun 10</b>	9:00am	The Garner Family (L)	
Thu	Jun 11	9:00am	John Re	
Fri	Jun 12	9:00am	Joe & Virginia Royston (L)	
Sat	Jun 13	6:00pm (Private Mass)	Bill Goddard	
Sun	Jun 14	10:00am	Charlie Springer	

#### **WEEKDAY LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

Daily Lector: J. Blackwell, M. Goldsmith, C. Galli, B. Gallo Meals on Wheels: No volunteer deliveries until further notice Altar Preparation: No Altar preparation until further notice

## <u>Liturgical Feast Days</u>

Tue, Jun 9 St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church

Thu, Jun 11 ST. BARNABAS, APOSTLE

Sat, Jun 6 ST ANTHONY OF PADUA, PRIEST AND

**DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH** 



#### REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Please remember our parishioners who are sick, homebound and those in the nursing homes and hospitals, and all in need of our prayers, especially those who serve our country and their families, and all who are listed in our Parish Book of Intentions.

# Flowers on the altar are in Memory of Howard Britton, Sr.



#### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

EX 34:4B-6, 8-9; DN 3:52-56; 2 COR 13:11-13; JN 3:16-18

Today we celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* tells us that the Holy Trinity is the "central mystery of the Christian faith" (261). The concept of the Triune God — Three Persons in one God — is truly a mystery, almost too lofty for us ordinary people to even begin to grasp. Can the truth of the Holy Trinity teach us anything as everyday Christian stewards? Actually, yes!

St. John Paul II described the Holy Trinity is a "Divine Family," a community of Persons Who give themselves completely to each other and Who wishes to share Itself, Its life, with us. These concepts are at the very heart of the stewardship way of life. As stewards, we too are called to share ourselves and our lives with others. As a stewardship parish, we are called to invite others into our community though the gift of hospitality.

These characteristics of our Triune God — offering Himself to us through intimacy with Him in His Divine life — are made manifest from the earliest passages of Scripture as we see in today's first reading, from the Book of Exodus. Earlier in Exodus, God had already developed a close relationship with Moses. Today we read that, "Having come down in a cloud, the Lord stood with Moses there and proclaimed his name, 'Lord.'" He even goes on to describe Himself as "a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity." The God of the universe "comes down" to His people, He tells them His name and He tells them some (wonderful) things about Himself. The Father wants to be known and to give Himself to His people!

Our second reading, from 2 Corinthians, carries this theme even farther, as St. Paul prays that, "the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit" will be with all of us. In other words, we are invited in to an ever deepening

intimacy with this Divine Family, this community of Persons. We are reminded that this Triune God already dwells within us through our Baptism. This divine intimacy we are offered should motivate us to do as St. Paul in-structs at the beginning of this passage, to "mend [our] ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace."

Finally, our Gospel passage from John reminds us that the stewardship way of life is nothing more and nothing less than the imitation of our Most Holy Trinity. "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes might not perish but might have eternal life." He gave Himself, in the Person of His Son, for love of us. We must love this God back now by giving our-selves, our lives, to Him.

Amazingly, the more we give of ourselves to God in love, the more we will find the "grace of the Lord, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit within us." The God of the universe — this mysterious, Triune God — invites us to an ever-deepening intimacy with Him when we make our lives a loving gift to Him and to others through the stewardship way of life.

https://www.stgeorgercc.org/donations

STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL REPORT					
	5/31/2020 (Week 48 of FY)	YTD Actual:	YTD Budget:		
Offertory: **E-Giving	\$2,115.41	\$209,426.09	\$240,000.00		
Maintenance:  **E-Giving	\$25.00	\$29,714.00	\$29,568.00		
Poor Box:  **E-Giving		\$11,250.30	\$10,176.00		
Donations: **E-Giving	\$745.00 	\$61,305.43	\$52,608.00		
Easter Donations  **E-Giving	\$25.00	\$7,660.00	\$10,000.00		
CRS **E-Giving		\$765.00	N/A		

\*\*E-Giving will be reported after it is received by the parish, typically the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weeks of the month.

A HUGE thank-you to everyone who has continued to donate to the parish – we truly cannot do anything without your support!!

# LITURGICAL NEWS

#### PLEASE JOIN US!

St George will continue live-streaming Sunday Masses at 10:00am each week.

'In-person' Masses began on May 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00am for **registered parishioners only.** Registered parishioners may call to reserve a spot Tuesdays — Thursdays, 10am — 2pm. All others may call on Fridays 10am — 2pm. We ask that if you have already attended in person, you wait until Thursday after 12pm if you wish to attend again. If you have the ability to stream to your vehicle, you may attend Mass in the parking lot and communion will be brought out to the side vestibule door.

Fr. Paul and many of our parishioners are joining spiritually to pray the rosary each day at 11am. To join, all you have to do is pray a rosary at that time!



# Mark Your Calendars: Sunday, November 22, 2020 Jubilarian Mass

The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples celebrating milestone-wedding anniversaries will take place on Sunday, November 22 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. To register, couples should contact their parish office by September 30. For more information, call the Office of Family Life at 301-853-4546 or send an email to: visiblesign@adw.org

- Name of the Couple (as you want it printed on the certificate):
- Anniversary (number of years married):
   25 30 35 40 45 50
   More than 50? \_\_\_\_\_\_ years
- Will you attend the Mass at the Basilica?
- Mailing Address:

If you have never attended this Mass, please consider doing so – it is truly a wonderful way to celebrate your marriage!

# Catholic Charities Legal Network Seeking Volunteer Lawyers

Catholic Charities Legal Network counsels and provides legal representation to low- income and poor residents throughout the Archdiocese of

Washington, D.C. and relies heavily on volunteer lawyers to fulfill its mission. If you are a lawyer in active status who wants to make a real difference in the lives of families and individuals struggling in our community, please reach out to Dan Collopy at (301) 615-0949 or daniel.collopy@cc-dc.org to discuss how you can help. The Legal Network handles most civil practice areas and criminal expungements.

# Stress Reduction Workshop Offered by Catholic Health Ministry Leader

Donna Chacko, a St. Mark Catholic Church Health Ministry leader and a retired physician, is offering a faith-based stress reduction workshop online, Three Keys to Less Stress During the COVID-19 Crisis. It is free and open to all.

https://www.serenityandhealth.com/covid19guide For more information contact Donna Chacko dc@serenityandhealth.com.

## Virtual Spiritual Retreats, with Spiritual Direction

During this time of physical separation, Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is providing virtual retreats so that you can connect with others and feed your soul. Currently, these programs are being offered at no cost, and a suggested donation of only \$75 per person is greatly appreciated. Click here to find more information and upcoming dates.

# **Nightly Rosary**

The Council of Catholic Women for the Archdiocese of Washington (CCW-ADW) invites all, who would like to unite in prayer at this time of uncertainty, to join in our nightly Rosary at 8 p.m., 7 days a week. We offer this prayer for the healing of the Church and for our currently health - challenged world. To join us, call 605-468-8016, ID 357090# at 8 p.m. seven days a week. If you have any questions, please email us at archdioceseccw@gmail.com. For other prayer resources please see our website https://www.councilofcatholicwomen-adw.com/See the tab: Coronavirus Prayer Resources, which lists many opportunities for daily Mass and meditations.