

## St George Catholic Church

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**All kings shall pay him homage,  
all nations shall serve him.**

Psalm 72:11

### Mass Intentions

Sat	Jan 2	5:30pm	Jim Schwartze by Jerry & Jeanne Wade
Sun	Jan 3	8:30am	Parishioners of St George
Tues	Jan 5	6:00pm	Priest Intention
Wed	Jan 6	9:00am	Heather Palmer by Bob & Maureen Carey
Thu	Jan 7	9:00am	Helen Haman by Matt & Julie Kurtz
Sat	Jan 9	5:30pm	Jeane Massey by Matt & Julie Kurtz
Sun	Jan 10	8:30am	Parishioners of St George

Daily Mass at St George will be on Tues-6pm, Wed-9am, Thu-9am.  
St Jude will have daily Mass on Tues-9am, Wed-6pm & Fri-9am.

### Schedule of Events

Sat	Jan 2	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Jan 3	7:45am	PSR packet pickup	Church
		8:00am	Confession	Church
		8:30am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
		8:30am	PSR packet pickup	Church
Tues	Jan 5	5-6pm	Adoration, Benediction & Confession	Church
		6:00pm	Mass	Church
Wed	Jan 6	9:00am	Mass	Church
Thu	Jan 7	6:00pm	Mass	Church
Sat	Jan 9	5:00pm	Confession	Church
		5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Jan 10	7:45am	Confession	Church
		8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church

### Liturgical Roles

#### Saturday, January 2, 2021, 5:30pm

Reader Larry Lackamp  
Ushers Jerry Wade, Any Available

#### Sunday, January 3, 2021, 8:30am

Reader Joyce Watkins  
Ushers Norm Brodeur, Carl Stein  
Money Counters Michelle Howard, Angie Platt

#### Saturday, January 9, 2021, 5:30pm

Reader Janet Tirschel  
Ushers Jerry Wade, Any Available

#### Sunday, January 10, 2021, 8:30am

Reader Bob Carey  
Ushers Bill Schuler, Rex Watkins  
Money Counters Mike Stevens, Drew Volmer

### Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord January 3, 2021

As a society, during these days we can be in something of a “postpartum” depression. Our celebrations of Christmas and New Year are over, and after today many of us will put away the decorations and the last visible remnants of the celebrations of the past weeks. The apostle Paul today uses the expression “partners of promise.” This is an uplifting phrase for us to reflect upon, and to think of as our own calling in these days following the birth of the Lord. What is this promise? We can find it in the gifts the magi bring: it is a promise of being a royal priesthood (gold), a holy nation (frankincense), a people set apart for self-giving (myrrh). We find more of the promise in Isaiah—a light shines upon us! In the psalm we know a promise of a world of flowering justice, profound peace, the poor rescued, pity for the lowly and the poor. This is the promise; and one of the best ways for us to lift ourselves out of any possible low spirits we may be suffering is to live out our partnership in this promise each and every day.

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### Remember in Prayer

Please keep these individuals in your prayers; Elsie Rees, Catherine Royeton, Gene Early, Marjorie Anderson, JoAnn McCarty, Helen Hotmer. Also remember all those who have been diagnosed with COVID 19 and all the health care workers and emergency responders.

### Low Gluten Hosts

Low gluten hosts are available for Communion. Please talk to Fr. Bryan for information.

### Online Giving

Did you know you can give online? Click give now on our website or use the link below. You can do a one time only or a recurring gift.  
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stgeorgeodessamo>

### Church Cleaning

#### Heavenly Duster

##### January 10

##### Team 4

Thank you to all those who volunteer to help keep our beautiful worship space clean.

### Sacrificial Offering

#### 12-27-20

Envelope	\$ 2336.00
Plate	\$ 1350.00
Maintenance	\$ 1035.00
Local Assistance	\$ 100.00
St Jude	\$ 2259.72
Christmas	\$ 2120.00
Total	\$ 9200.72

### Masks and Social Distancing

Everyone is asked to wear their mask when entering and leaving the church. You are also asked to wear your mask when coming up to Communion. Please stay 6 feet apart when you are in line. Parishioners should practice social distancing upon entering and leaving the church.

### Prayer

Prayer is not just a formula of words or a series of desires springing up in the heart — it is the orientation of our whole body, mind and spirit to God in silence, attention, and adoration. All good meditative prayer is a conversion of our entire self to God.

Thomas Merton

### Max Prison Ministry

#### Opportunities

Incarceration presents many challenges for our Catholic faithful, but you can help. Each month we receive requests from prisoners and prison chaplains seeking Bibles, catechisms, RCIA books and other faith-related items. Please prayerfully consider making a financial contribution to the diocesan MAX Jail & Prison Ministry Fund for Prisoners to help offset the costs of supplies and shipping so more prisoners will have access to faith forming materials. Contact Laurie Jo at [holmes@diocesekcs.org](mailto:holmes@diocesekcs.org) or call the Human Rights Office at 816-714-2364.

### Psalm for the Week

The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts;

the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute.

All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out,

and the afflicted when he has no one to help him.

He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor;

the lives of the poor he shall save.

Psalm 72:10-14

### Save The Date

#### Benefit Dinner

JANUARY 29, 2021

#### Support Our Seminarians (SOS) Benefit Dinner:

The SOS Committee seeks assistance in sharing information and encouraging all parishioners' participation in this fundraiser as it will be the last ever — and hopefully best ever — effort in its nearly 30-year history! Entirely a virtual event: online giving, exciting raffle items, video expressions of thanks, and live-stream announcements of raffle winners, as well as the final fundraising tally. Please include information in your Parish Bulletins, as well as end-of-Mass announcements. For more information, visit: [supportourseminarians.com](http://supportourseminarians.com).



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### Welcome

The parishioners of St George welcome you to our parish community. If you would like to register with our parish, forms are on the kiosk, come by the parish office, 202 W. Phillips St, from 9:30am-12noon, Wednesday or Thursday, or call 816-633-7475. You may also fill out the Become a Parishioner form on the parish website at [www.stgeorgeodessa.org](http://www.stgeorgeodessa.org).

### Bulletin

All items for the St George bulletin should be sent to [stgeorgeodessa@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorgeodessa@gmail.com) or call the church office, 816-633-7475, by 10am on Tuesday.

ATTENTION: Because of COVID 19, meeting hall rentals are limited. Contact Kate Root, [marykroot@gmail.com](mailto:marykroot@gmail.com) for more information.

Sexual Abuse: The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911 and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org), if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or [chastain@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:chastain@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.

### **Laying Our Gifts At The Feet Of The King**

The three Wise Men gave Jesus gifts worthy of a king. We can also present him with our own royal gifts. While ours may not be actual gold, frankincense, and myrrh, we can still give him the best we have.

**Gold:** The gift of kings, the "gold" we can offer the King of Kings is our talents and abilities. Like gold, our talents do the most good when given to others.

**Frankincense:** Frankincense was used as incense during worship and symbolized the prayers offered up to God. In the time of Jesus, frankincense was used by priests whose job it was to intercede for the people. Our priestly ministry can be praying daily for those who need it, especially anyone we know who is struggling and particularly in need of strength and comfort.

**Myrrh:** A spice used to ease suffering, myrrh was a valuable gift. Mother Teresa once said, "I serve because I love Jesus." Our kindness can be our "myrrh" offered to God—a valuable gift.

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### **2021 Calendars**

2021 Calendars are available in the gathering space provided by Ralph O Jones Funeral Home. Please take home a calendar.

### **The Face of God**

God doesn't want us to sacrifice our own wellbeing, but does want us to willingly bring his love to other people. It can be uncomfortable being his living face to others. This means being patient with those who annoy us, kind to those who are demanding, and forgiving to those who haven't asked.

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### **PSR Schedule**

#### **January**

- 1/3/2021 PSR packets will be ready for pick up on Jan 1 and Jan 2 after each Mass
- 1/4/2021 Parent Meeting for 1st Communion Class @ YEC building 7pm
- 1/18/2021 1st Reconciliation Class meeting YEC building 7pm
- 1/19/2021 Confirmation Class Meeting YEC building 7-9pm

For more information contact Katherine Brown, St George PSR Coordinator, 816-633-2341 or email [katherinebrownpsr@gmail.com](mailto:katherinebrownpsr@gmail.com)



