



ST. GEORGE

CATHOLIC CHURCH

DECEMBER 21, 2025 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home" - Mt 1:20

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday:	6:15am Mass
Tuesday:	6:15am Mass
	12:00pm Mass
Wednesday:	6:15am Mass
	12:00pm Mass
Thursday:	6:15am Mass
Friday:	6:15am Mass

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday:	4:00pm Mass
	6:00pm Spanish Mass
Sunday:	7:30am Mass
	9:30am Mass LIVESTREAM
	11:30am Mass
	6:00pm Mass

OUR MISSION

St. George Catholic Church, centered on the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, guided by the Holy Spirit, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the communion of Saints, is a community of open doors and hearts where all are invited to encounter His transforming love. We seek the truth, serve with joy, and share Christ's mercy as missionary disciples.

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St. George Office Hours

Mondays—Thursdays 8am-4pm | Fridays 8am-3pm
(Closed for lunch | 12:30pm-1pm)

St. George Chapel

Monday—Friday 6:30am-7pm for prayer (closed Fridays, 7:45-9:30am)

Adoration in the Chapel

Mondays 7am-6pm | Thursdays 7am-7pm | Saturdays 6am-8:30am

Confessions

Monday—Friday | 6:45am-7am

Tuesday—Wednesday | 11:30am-11:50am

Saturday | 2:30pm-3:30pm

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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

December 21, 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Listening for God's Voice in Confusing Times

An Advent Reflection on St. Joseph

Most of us know what it feels like to lie awake at night, replaying a difficult situation over and over in our minds. A relationship has become complicated, a decision at work weighs heavily, a family problem seems to have no good solution. In those moments, a question often rises from the heart: "God, what do You want me to do?" Advent is a season made for that question. The Church invites us not only to prepare for Christmas as a date on the calendar, but to prepare the way of the Lord in our own hearts—clearing away whatever blocks us from hearing and following Him. This preparation is not abstract or sentimental; it happens right in the middle of confusing, painful, real-life situations. One person who can guide us in this is St. Joseph.

Before the angel ever spoke to him, Joseph was already a man of prayer. Scripture calls him "just"—upright, faithful, and humble. As a devout Jew, he longed for the coming of the Messiah. He worked with his hands, lived quietly, and prepared to welcome Mary as his wife. Then everything seemed to fall apart.

Mary returns from visiting her cousin Elizabeth, and Joseph learns she is with child. He is told that this child is from God, conceived by the Holy Spirit. But from the outside, nothing about this situation looks simple or clear. Joseph is torn between what

his heart feels and what his mind tells him. He loves Mary and wants to protect her, yet he cannot see how their marriage can go forward. Scripture is brief, but we can imagine those restless nights: "How could this have happened?" "What is the right thing to do?" "I don't want to hurt her, but I don't understand."

Joseph's situation is not so different from ours. Sometimes the most painful dilemmas are the ones that involve those we love and trust most. We want to be faithful to God and kind to others, but we truly do not know which path is right. Our thoughts spin, our emotions surge, and we are tempted to act out of fear, anger, or self-protection.

In this crisis, Joseph does not lash out or act impulsively. He chooses a path that is both responsible and compassionate: he resolves to divorce Mary quietly, trying to protect her from shame and harm. Even before the angel appears, Joseph is already searching for God's will with integrity and calm. It is at the very moment when his human reasoning has gone as far as it can that God gives more light. In a dream, the angel tells him: "Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home, for it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her." Joseph receives an answer that is both clear and utterly

astonishing. God does not simply confirm Joseph's plan; He reverses it and asks something far more mysterious and demanding. Yet Joseph recognizes the voice of God and obeys.

St. Joseph shows us that discerning God's will is not magic. It is the fruit of a life already shaped by faith. Before the dream, Joseph was prayerful—accustomed to turning to God, not only when crises hit. He was rooted in Scripture—formed by God's promises and the story of Israel. He was humble and just—willing to put God and others before his own pride. Because of this, when God spoke, Joseph could recognize His voice—even when the command was perplexing.

Obedience did not erase all mystery, but it did bring a deep, steady peace that comes from entrusting one's life and future to the Lord. We can practice the same attitudes: spending quiet time in prayer, especially in Advent; meditating on Scripture, letting God's word shape our thinking; reflecting on the deeper meaning of events instead of reacting only on the surface; and seeking counsel from holy and wise people when we are unsure. These habits do not eliminate difficulty, but they dispose our hearts to hear God's direction when it comes.

Every Advent, Christ desires to enter more deeply into our lives. But His coming often passes through decisions we would rather not have to make, crosses we would rather not carry, and invitations we do not

completely understand. Like Joseph, we are asked to discern between our way and God's way, between our will and His will. This does not mean ignoring our reason or our feelings. It means bringing both heart and mind before God, and then being willing to follow where He leads—trusting that His path, though sometimes painful or perplexing, is ultimately the one that will fulfill our vocation and bring true peace.

During this season, consider taking one concrete step: Set aside a few minutes each day to pray with this question: "Lord, what do You want me to do in this situation?" Read a short passage of Scripture (perhaps the infancy narratives in Matthew or Luke) and ask the Holy Spirit to speak through it. Offer to God a specific decision or worry, and then listen in silence, even briefly. As we do this, we may find that, like Joseph, God sheds light at the very moment when all other options seem exhausted. His answer may surprise us. It may stretch our faith. But if we, like Joseph, are willing to trust and obey, we will discover that the Lord is not only asking something from us—He is giving Himself to us. May this Advent be a time when, following the example of St. Joseph, we grow in the courage to ask, to listen, and to say "yes" to whatever God is inviting us to do.



WORSHIPING TOGETHER

December 21, 2025



WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

9:30am | OCIA Dismissal, Church Mtg Rm

MONDAY, DECEMBER 22

7:00am | Adoration, Chapel
6:30pm | OCIA, KAC

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23

8:00am | Church Décor Committee, Church
7:00pm | Hispanic Choir, Ch Music Rm

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHURCH PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY
4:00pm | Christmas Vigil Mass, Church
6:30pm | Christmas Vigil Mass, Church
10:00pm | Christmas Vigil Mass, Church

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

CHURCH PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY
8:00am | Christmas Day Mass, Church
10:00am | Christmas Day Mass, Church

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26

CHURCH PARISH OFFICE CLOSED TODAY
No events scheduled.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27

6:00am | Adoration, Chapel

The Church Parish Office will be closed
Wednesday, 12/24, Thursday, 12/25, and
Friday, 12/26.

We will resume regular hours
Monday, 12/29.

Merry Christmas!



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Mass Schedule for Christmas and New Year

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24

4PM (livestreamed) | 6:30PM – Mass for Christmas Eve
10PM – Solemn Mass for Christmas Eve (Choir & Strings)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

8AM | 10AM – Mass for Christmas Day

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

6PM Mass – Vigil Mass for Solemnity of Mary Mother of
God, New Year's Eve

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

8AM | 10AM

Mass for Solemnity of Mary Mother of God, New Year's Day

WEEKEND OF JANUARY 3 & 4

4PM – Saturday, Vigil Mass for Solemnity of the Epiphany
of the Lord

7:30AM | 9:30AM (livestreamed) | 11:30AM | 6PM

Sunday, Mass for Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord



PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, 12/21

4th Sunday of Advent

Is 7:10-14
Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)
Rom 1:1-7
Mt 1:18-24

Night: Is 9:1-6
Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)
Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Day: Is 52:7-10
Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)
Heb 1:1-6
Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

MONDAY, 12/22

1 Sm 1:24-28
1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd
Lk 1:46-56

TUESDAY, 12/23

St. John of Kenty, Priest

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24
Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14
Lk 1:57-66

FRIDAY, 12/26

St. Stephen, First Martyr

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59
Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17
Mt 10:17-22

WEDNESDAY, 12/24

Christmas Eve

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29
Lk 1:67-79

SATURDAY, 12/27

St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

1 Jn 1:1-4
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

NEXT SUNDAY, 12/28

Holy Family

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1)
Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

THURSDAY, 12/25

Nativity of the Lord

Vigil: Is 62:1-5
Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25
Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

VOCATIONS

"Do not be afraid, for you have found favor with God." Consider following Christ more closely as a priest or in consecrated life. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: ablount@diobr.org

PAPAL INTENTION

DECEMBER: FOR CHRISTIANS IN AREAS OF CONFLICT

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

PRESIDER SCHEDULE

4pm	7:30am	9:30am	11:30am	6pm
Fr. Yi	Fr. Fr. Yi	Fr. Fr. Yi	Fr. Antony	Antony

Ever Wonder About...

TITHING VS. STEWARDSHIP

Question:

What is the difference between tithing and stewardship?

Answer:

Both tithing and stewardship are part of a spiritual way of life that calls us to use all of our resources for the service of the Gospel. Everything we are and everything we have comes from God. Offering back to God what He has given us is part of how we worship and give thanks to God.

Tithing is the practice of giving back 10 percent of what we earn. It comes from the Old English word for "ten." The first Scriptural example of tithing came from Abraham who gave a tenth of his possessions to the priest Melchizedek. He did so as an act of thanksgiving to God.

Stewardship as a way of life calls us to use well all that we have and all that we are, placing all things in service of others and God. Stewardship helps us see the good we can accomplish by making God and our spiritual life the most important values in our life. Whatever we accumulate in this life stays here. We can't take it with us! Both tithing and stewardship help us remember that nothing is mine or even ours... all belongs to God.

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The Lord
has not
forgotten us

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

December 21, 2025



KNIGHTS CORNER COUNCIL #4030

COFFEE & DONUTS

On Sunday, Jan. 4th, the Knights of Columbus will be serving Coffee & Donuts after the 7:30am and 9:30am Masses.

Interested in learning about the Knights of Columbus, or becoming a member:

www.kofcc4030.org or contact
Wieslaw, "Joe" Stryjewski at 225-348-8364 or
GrandKnight@KofCC4030.org



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send us your prayer intentions via our online prayer request form: st-george.org/prayer-line

You may also call the office to request prayers: 225-293-2212



 ST. GEORGE
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FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY

Any time! Any day!

When dining at **Pedro's Taco & Tequila Bar** across the street from our church, tell them you're **"with St. George."** The restaurant will give back 20% of your purchase to St. George!



Thank you!



Advent Giving Tree

THANK YOU!

Our parishioners really showed up to show others love and charity to those less fortunate this year by supporting the **Advent Giving Tree Ministry**.

We were able to help 15 local agencies to provide Christmas gifts this year.

Your generosity is appreciated.

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There are incarcerated women and men in the Diocese of Baton Rouge who are having profound experiences with the Lord - but they need someone to support them on their journey of faith.

Perhaps that someone is you...

VOLUNTEER FOR PRISON MINISTRY!

Contact Jorge Lavastida at jlavastida@diobr.org or 225-242-0222 for more information. Scan the QR code or visit diobr.org/pm-form to let the diocesan prison ministry team know how they can best contact you.



MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

December 21, 2025

2026 HONDURAS MISSION TRIP

Join us for St. George's first international mission trip!

March 7-13, 2026 • Tegucigalpa, Honduras

It will be a meaningful, hands-on mission experience supporting the villages of Las Flores and Las Cienegas, just outside of the country's capital, Tegucigalpa. This 7-day trip is led by Rob and Stacy

Dille and is open to 10-12 adult men and women (age 21+). It is organized by longtime mission partner Lucas Padilla, who grew up just minutes from these two villages. The trip includes both community projects and opportunities to build relationships with local families.



What the Trip Involves

We will spend five days assisting local residents with light-construction community projects. The work is very simple, non-strenuous and requires no prior experience or skill. The more demanding tasks are handled by the villagers, working alongside us. Examples of the projects we do are:

Concrete floors + Tin roofs (from the ground) + Latrines + Incinerators + Pilas (concrete wash basins)

Additional activities include visits to Casa Blanca (a home for abandoned elderly residents), Vacation Bible School (VBS) with local children, Field Day outdoor games, a village welcome, and a closing fiesta.

For more information: Rob Dille, robdille@icloud.com

LOGISTICS:

- Accommodations: McArthur Hotel (simple, clean, safe)
- Meals: Lunches and most dinners at Lucas' home, remainder at the hotel

APPROXIMATE COSTS:

- Flights: \$800
- Room & Board: \$600
- Project Materials: \$600
- Total Cost: \$2,000



ST. GEORGE MEN'S CLUB

MONTHLY MEETING TUESDAY, JAN. 6

6pm Dinner – Men's Club Shack
6:30pm Meeting – Cafeteria



ST. GEORGE MEN'S CLUB

SERVICE DAY SATURDAY, JAN. 10 6-9AM MEN'S CLUB SHACK

Roll up your sleeves & offer some elbow grease and your handy man skills to help out with some small projects on campus.



ST. GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

REMINDER: USE OF FACILITY

If you wish to use any space on St. George campus, you must reserve it **in advance** by emailing bettym@st-george.org or by calling the church office, (225) 293-2212.

All keys must be returned to the church office immediately following the use of any space.

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Never Been Confirmed?

Adult Confirmation classes (total of four) will begin January 7th from 6:30-8pm in the Parish Office conference room.

Are you a Baptized Catholic who has received the Sacrament of First Eucharist, is out of high school, but has not been Confirmed?

Confirmation is a personal invitation from Jesus, through the power of his Holy Spirit, to become the best Catholic ever. The Sacrament of Confirmation completes the grace of Baptism, more perfectly binds one to the Church, and enriches one with a special strength of the Holy Spirit.

The Rite of Confirmation with Bishop Duca is planned for May 26, 2026 at St. Joseph's Cathedral.



For more information, call Karen Fawley at the parish office (225)-293-2212 or karenf@st-george.org



VOCATIONAL PRAYER MINISTRY

Will you welcome the vocation prayer materials into your home for one week and pray for the current future vocations (religious, sisters, deacons, and priests)?

Join the Vocational Prayer Ministry to receive the vocational prayer materials (Chalice, Statue of St. Therese of Lisieux and Vocational prayer materials) in your home for a week! At this time, please limit your signup to one week so we can bring the materials into as many homes as possible to pray for an outpouring of vocations.

Sign up is for one week, receive the materials at the weekend Mass of your choice and bring the materials back to the Church Office the following Friday afternoon by 3pm for another family to receive at the next weekend Mass. Sign up poster board in the Narthex for Saturday 4pm, Sunday 7:30am, 11:30am or 6pm.

Thank you! Questions: 225-333-8129. The Vocational Prayer Ministry is sponsored by the Marian Servants of the Eucharist.



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Choir & Strings

Please join us at 9:30pm prior to our 10pm Christmas Eve Mass to enjoy a string quartet & St. George Choir.



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Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

Please consider serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. All EMHC's should show the greatest reverence for the Most Holy Eucharist by their demeanor and the manner in which they handle the consecrated bread and wine.

Training will take place on:
Jan. 13th at 6-8PM in the Church

Prospective ministers must complete an additional online training through the Diocese of Baton Rouge.

More info: Richard Owen in the Parish Office at (225) 293-2212 or richardo@st-george.org

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Engaged & wondering how to schedule your Sacrament of Marriage at St. George?

- Fill out the Info & Guidelines request form online
- Ask your priest to marry you, turn in your agreement form & deposit
- Six months of wedding prep with your priest
- Walk down our long aisle & say, "I Do!"



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Sacristans LITURGICAL MINISTRY

TRAINING FOR NEW SACRISTANS

Jan. 12th
6-8pm
in the Church

Please contact Richard Owen in the church office for more info:
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'A MATTER OF BALANCE' CLASS FOR AGES 55+

Do you have concerns about falling? Many older adults experience concerns about falling and restrict their activities. A Matter of Balance is an award-winning program designed to manage falls and increase activity levels. This program is for people 55 or older.

This is an eight week course facilitated by people from OLOL trained in this class. Classes will be held on Wednesdays from 9am-10:30am in the Kleinpeter Activity Center in the St. Paul Room. **The first class will be Jan. 7, 2026. We will end on Feb. 25th.** To attend, please register by contacting the parish office at 225-293-2212.

There is no cost for this class. Space is limited to the first 20 people so sign up today!

YOU WILL LEARN:

- View falls as controllable
- Set goals for increasing activity
- Make changes to reduce fall risks at home
- Exercise to increase strength and balance



WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Anyone concerned about falls
- Anyone interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength
- Anyone who has fallen in the past
- Anyone who has restricted activities because of falling concerns

(Please note that this class is not for anyone with dementia/Alzheimer's Disease.)

YOUTH MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

December 21, 2025

St. George Youth Ministries | All events take place at St. George Youth House

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Advent Schedule

- 11/24 | Youth Group @St George Youth House
 - 4:30-6:00 Hangout | 6:00-8:30 Youth Group KICKOFF!!
- 12/1 | Youth Group @St George Youth House
 - 4:30-6:00 Hangout | 6:00-8:30 Youth Group
- 12/8 | Youth Group @St George Youth House
 - 4:30-6:00 Hangout | 6:00-8:30 Youth Group
- 12/15 | Youth Group @St George Youth House
 - 4:30-6:00 Hangout | 6:00-8:30 Youth Group
- 12/22 | Youth Group @St George Youth House
 - 4:30-6:00 Hangout | 6:00-8:30 Youth Group

9TH -12TH GRADE STUDENTS INVITED

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ST. GEORGE YOUTH MINISTRIES

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

CHRIST, COMMUNITY, & (ORGANIZED) CHAOS

CREDO NIGHT!
JANUARY 9TH
6:00-7:30PM | KAC

FOR ALL 6TH-8TH GRADERS

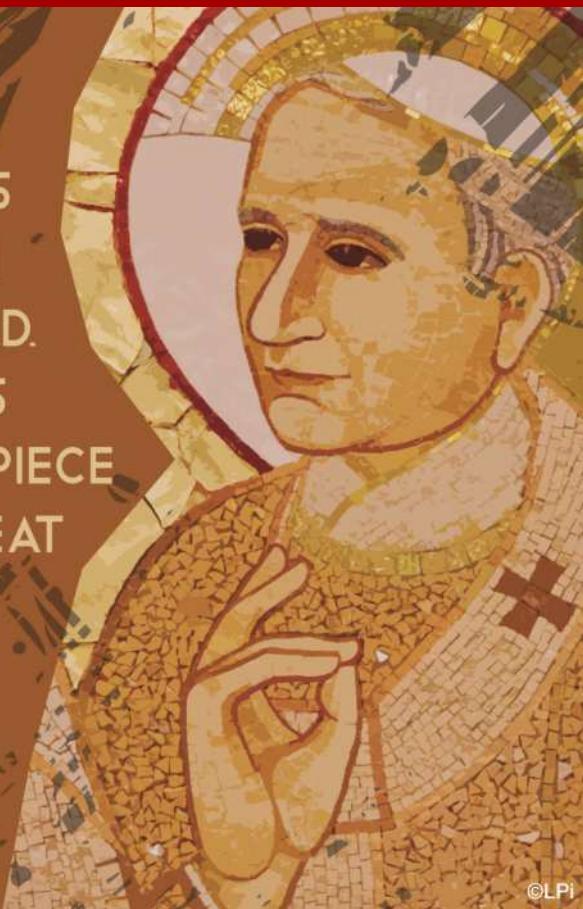
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school youth
ministries webpage



Contact Mrs. Catherine:
CatherineS@St-George.org

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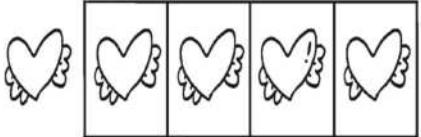
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MISSION

Tonight after dinner, ask your family to light some candles, turn off the lights, and sing some of your favorite Christmas songs about Jesus.

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ST. GEORGE YOUTH MINISTRIES IS GOING TO **ARISE** DIOCESAN MIDDLE SCHOOL RALLY

Saturday, 03.07.26



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Price goes up to \$40/student and NO t-shirt if register **after** 2/5/26
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CATHERINES@ST-GEORGE.ORG



ST. GEORGE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel



MONDAYS 7 AM - 6 PM
THURSDAYS 7 AM - 7 PM
SATURDAYS 6 AM - 8:30 AM

If you feel called to commit to a scheduled hour of Adoration in the chapel at St. George Catholic Church, please sign up using the QR code.

A weekly commitment is not necessary to sign up for Adoration. We invite all who wish to experience this powerful space for prayer to join us in adoring the Eucharist.



Pray THE ROSARY



Devotions, Explained!

LAS POSADAS

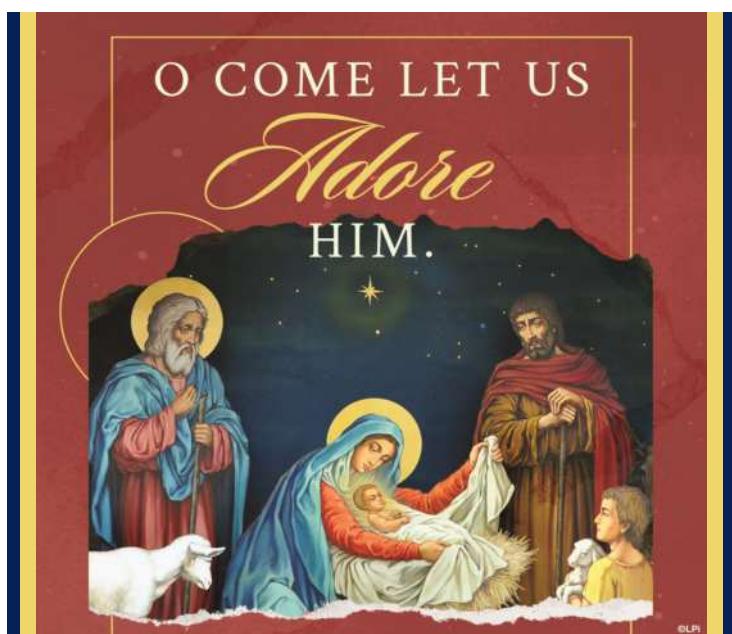
Explained:

Las Posadas, typically celebrated between Dec. 16 and Dec. 25, is a Mexican tradition which recreates the Holy Family's search for lodging in Bethlehem. A novenario, or a devotion which extends over a period of nine days, Las Posadas is a celebration of anticipation for the birth of Jesus Christ, who seeks refuge in the heart of every man and woman.

Each night of Las Posadas, a couple portraying Mary and Joseph knocks on the doors of different homes looking for a place to stay. Traditionally, the Holy Family is accompanied by a procession of people singing hymns and bearing candles who stand outside the home as they are denied entry again and again. Finally, they come to the "inn," the house or church that welcomes them. Carols are sung, a feast is enjoyed and star-shaped piñatas are broken open.

Still practiced in Mexico today, Las Posadas has also become an important cultural and spiritual touchstone for communities of Mexican immigrants who have moved abroad.

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ACTS RETREATS REGISTRATION OPEN

The intent of an ACTS retreat is to provide an opportunity for a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. The purpose of the retreat is to promote intentional Christ-centered discipleship and build parish community.



Space on each retreat is limited to 36, and registration is open to those 21 years and older. Please note that St George Parishioners are given first priority. Those outside of the parish are encouraged to apply and if necessary, will be placed on a waiting list and contacted if space becomes available.

Cost for each retreat participant is \$325 to help defer overall retreat expenses. Payment must be made within 7 days after notification of being selected. You will get an email to pay online using the St George website. **NO DEPOSIT IS REQUIRED**. Financial aid is also available and can be requested on the registration form.

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Men's Retreat Date: March 5-8th

Retreatant Registration Deadline: Jan. 15th

When: The retreat begins Thursday evening, March 5th with check-in for retreatants at 5:45pm to 6:15 in the St. George KAC. We will return to St. George on March 8th for 11:30am Mass with a reception in the KAC to follow.

Where: Tracy Center, Baton Rouge, LA

For info about the retreat, we ask that you please do not call the parish office but send a message through the website: www.st-george.org/acts

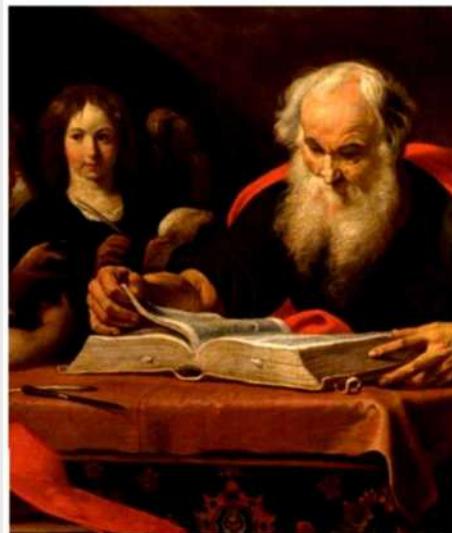


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