

ST. GEORGE ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH 300 E. 16th Avenue

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Parish Office open Monday through Thursday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Friday: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon ONLY

Adoration Chapel
(across from the office)
Monday through Thursday:
8:00 a.m. to 11:45 & 1:00 to 2:45 p.m.
Friday: 8:00 to 11:45 a.m. only

LITURGY SCHEDULE Current Mass Schedule

Saturday: Confessions: 10:00 a.m. Masses: 11:30 a.m., 1:15, 3:00 & 4:30 p.m. Sunday: Masses: 6:30, 8:15, 10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. Daily Mass: 8:00 a.m. Rosary before Mass Adoration after Daily Mass for 10 minutes. Followed by Divine Mercy Holy Days: Special Schedule

Video Masses available online for Sundays and Holy Days for the Homebound www.stgeorgeaj.com

March 17, 2024

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you or someone you know is sick or homebound, please call for the assistance of a Minister of Care. Ministers of Care bring communion to those who cannot come to Mass. Please call the office at 480-982-2929 for more information.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR EMERGENCY

If you or someone you know is in critical condition or near death call 480-982-2929 weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. After hours and on weekends call 480-303-1253. Please do not use this service for any other reason.

INFANT BAPTISM

Parents requesting baptism for their children under 7 years old must attend a <u>mandatory</u> preparation class along with the Godparents. Please call the Parish Office for current requirements and to register for the class and the baptism. Class and baptisms are in English only.

MARRIAGES/MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Couples seeking the sacrament of marriage must be registered parishioners who are actively participating in the life of St. George Roman Catholic Parish. Notification of intent to marry must be provided nine months in advance. For more information on the marriage preparation process, please call the Parish Office.



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Our Sunday Visitor (for ON-LINE giving questions) 800-348-2886

5th Sunday of Lent

Sunday, March 17, 2024 An Irish Blessing



May your home always be too small to hold all your friends.



SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

All, from least to greatest, shall know me, says the LORD, for I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sin no more. (Jer 31:34)

Psalm:

Create a clean heart in me, O God. (Ps 51)

Second Reading:

Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. (Heb 5:8-9)

Gospel:

"Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit." (Jn 12:24)

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 22—Soup & Bread (Ladies Guild)
March 26 & 27—Divine Mercy movies
March 29—Parish office CLOSED
March 31—Easter
April 1—Parish office CLOSED
April 3—Our Lady of the Desert Guild meeting
April 3—Divine Mercy DVD
April 7—Divine Mercy Sunday
April 21—First Holy Communion
May 5—May Crowning &
1st Communion Reception



2024

Annual Catholic Appeal Live The Mission With a Generous Heart

We are currently at 15%. If you wish to help us reach our goal of \$183,000, there are envelopes in the pews and at the brochure racks.

Thank you from Msgr. Pinti

I would like to send out a very heartfelt thank you for all the cards, prayers and well wishes while I have been away on medical leave. I am doing much better and continue to recover from the procedures.

God Bless you all!

Rev. Msgr. Domenico C. Pinti

Help for the Needy Spring Food Drive

Below is a list of items for the pantry (Please, do not put perishable food in the bins)

Canned Ham
Canned Soup
Canned Chili Beans
Canned tuna, chicken or SPAM
Canned vegetables (any kind)
Cereal
Canned tomato products
Canned fruit
Beef Ravioli or Spaghetti O's with meat
Pasta Sauce
Pasta (all kinds)
Macaroni & Cheese

Jelly & Peanut Butter
Bagged rice or dry beans
Ramon noodles
Saltine crackers
Pennsylva mix or Pisquick

Pancake mix or Bisquick Syrup

Powdered milk or canned milk Toothpaste, Deodorant, Shampoo or Soap Baby Wipes

You do not need to purchase all the items on the list, anything you can will be appreciated.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Annual Charity Drawing Tickets



Ticket prices are 1 ticket \$5.00 5 tickets for \$20.00 30 tickets for \$100.00

*It would help if parishioners bring return address labels (include phone #) when purchasing tickets.

Tickets available:

After Masses at the East & West Entrances:
This weekend-March 16th & 17th
Tickets may be purchased with cash, check or credit card. You may also go to
KofC7243.square.site

To purchase tickets on line.

St. George Parish will receive half of the proceeds from the sales. The other half will go to charities in Arizona after deducting expenses.

\$30,000 in cash prizes will be awarded:

1st Prize: \$10,000 2nd Prize: \$7,000 3rd Prize: \$5,000 4th Prize: \$3,000 5th Prize: \$2,000 6th Prize: \$1,000 And (4) Prizes of \$500

The drawing will take place Saturday, May 18, 2024

Winner MUST be 21 years old to win Winner need not be present

HELP FOR THE NEEDY VOLUNTEER MEETING

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

9:30 a.m. in the Social Hall

This will be a short meeting to sign up for the April, May and June schedules. Any new volunteers can not sign up to work until we schedule you for training. Then, if there are openings, you would be scheduled with a regular volunteer to help you. Look forward to seeing you!

Divine Mercy DVD Schedule

Tuesday, March 26
"Understanding Divine Mercy-Part 1"
Thursday, March 28
"Understanding Divine Mercy—Part 2"



Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration April 7, 2024 @ 2:00 p.m. Celebrant Deacon Paul Rokosz

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



HOLY THURSDAY—March 28, 2024 8:00 a.m.—Morning Prayer 5:00 p.m.—Mass of the Lord's Supper GOOD FRIDAY—March 29, 2024 8:00 a.m.—Morning Prayer

12:00 noon—Stations of the Cross (Inside & Outside)

3:00 & 5:00 p.m.—The Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY—March 30, 2024—NO CONFESSIONS ON HOLY SATURDAY

8:00 A.M.—Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m.—Easter Vigil & Rite of Initiation into the Church

10:30 a.m.—Blessing of the Food

11:30 a.m., 1:15, 3:00 & 4:30 p.m.—Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY—March 31, 2024

Mass Times: 6:30, 8:15, 10:00, *11:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

(*The 11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass is only added on Palm Sunday, March 24, Easter Sunday, March 31 and First Communion, April 21 and will be discontinued after that)





In Honor of St. Joseph's Day

"Joseph of Nazareth" DVD Tuesday, March 19, 2024 Room 3 9:15 a.m.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse. we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities. O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril. so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity: shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness. and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.

Amen.

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59 Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/Jn 10:31-

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/Jn 11:45-56

MASS INTENTIONS		
Monday	March 18, 2024	
8:00 a.m.	Gretchen Jacobs	
	Jason & Mackenzie	
	+Donna Kopriva	
Tuesday	March 19, 2024	
8:00 a.m.	+Jerry Markuson	
	+John Perbohner	
	+Philip Rychlak	
Wednesday	March 20, 2024	
8:00 a.m.	The Kukowski family	
	Mass of Thanksgiving	
	+Donna Kopriva	
Thursday	March 21, 2024	
8:00 a.m.	For Special Intentions	
	+Ken Hodges	
Friday	March 22, 2024	
8:00 a.m.	+Dorothy Garman	
	+Jeff Gonnering	
	+Geraldine Johnson	
	+Joe Stanislawczyk	
Saturday	March 23, 2024	
11:30 a.m.	+Todd Ashker	
1:15 p.m.	+Anne Renda	
_	+Doris Schunk	
3:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory	
	+Donna Kopriva	
4:30 p.m.	+Judy Masching	
Sunday	March 24, 2024	
6:30 a.m.	+Matthew Salmon	
8:15 a.m.	+John Insalaco	

+Mary Fran Pietig

+William Michael Kerr

+Stanley & Laura Korczyk

+Conrad Gorney

+Lynda Neuman

+Gil Conte

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

4:00 p.m.



St. George Roman Catholic Parish



Lenten Penance Service (Individual Confessions) Thursday, March 21, 2024 8:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Our Lady of the Desert Guild GIFT SHOP HOURS

Saturdays: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sundays: 7:00 to 11:00 a.m. Come see what we have for Lent.

St. George Roman Catholic Parish



No Religious Education Classes:

EDGE, SPC 6-12 Tuesday, March 12 & 19, 2024

Grades K-3, SPC 3-5 & God's Angels Wednesday, March 13 & 20, 2024

> Life Teen Sunday March 10 & 17, 2024

Enjoy your Spring Break!



THE CATHOLIC OUTLOOK

To keep up to date with The Diocese of Tucson news, go to;

https://news.diocesetucson.org

2024 St. George Roman Catholic Parish Scholarship Applications

Available from website or parish office

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Graduate from high school in the Class of 2024
- Confirmed in the Catholic church.
- Demonstrate leadership in church, school or communityrelated activities.
- A practicing Catholic in St. George Roman Catholic Parish.

 Applications must be submitted by noon Friday, March 28, 2024.

Observances for the week

Monday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Tuesday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin

Mary

Saturday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

St. Turbius De Mogrovejo, Bishop, March 23

Born in 1538 at Majorca, Spain, St. Turibuius became a Professor of Law at the University of Salamanca and was appointed president of the court of the Inquisition at Granada. In 1581, while still a layman he was appointed to the See of Lima, Peru—a most difficult charge both religiously and geographically.

For the next twenty-five years, this saintly man wore himself out in the service of his flock. He traversed his entire diocese on foot, willingly exposing himself to the steaming climate, wild animals, tropical maladies, and other dangers in order to reform the clergy and instruct the people in the faith. He founded the first seminary on the American continent, and baptized and confirmed close to a million people.

His work was aided because he took pains to learn the Indian languages of the people ((in which he was associated with St. Francis Solano) and opposed all attempts to justify their mistreatment by the Spanish. Thus, he exerted a great influence on other South American countries also.

St. Turibius was ever solicitous of the feelings of the poor and unstinting in his charities toward them. In the course of his ministrations he also befriended and confirmed St. Rose of Lima. In 1606, at the age of sixty-eight, he received Viaticum and passed on to his heavenly reward.

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STATION OF THE CROSS

(Fridays during Lent)

4:00 p.m.

FOLLOWED BY SOUP & BREAD

March 15—Rosary Makers March 22—Ladies Guild



Monday, March 25, 2024

During Holy week, the Bishop blesses three oils. The oil of catechumens, the oil of the infirm, and the holy chrism, which is used in the administration of the sacraments throughout the diocese for the year.

We have reserved a bus for those who wish to attend the Chrism Mass at St. Augustine Cathedral in Tucson. The bus will leave St. George at 10:45 a.m., the Mass is at 2:00 p.m. We will stop for dinner on the way back. The bus should be returning approximately around 8:00 p.m.

To reserve a seat on the bus at no cost, please call the parish office to put your name on the list. Space is limited. No animals are allowed on the bus.

If you sign up and can not make it, please call the parish a few days before in case there is a waiting list.

How to Report Abuse

- 1. Call 911 to make a police report
- 2. If the abuse happens in any other state, call the Police or Sheriff's Office in the specific area of that state.
- 3. Call the Victim Assistance Program of the Diocese of Tucson at 1-800-234-0344 and/or the Office of Child Adolescent and Adult Protection at 520-838-2513
- 4. Go to the Diocese of Tucson link: https://diocesetucson.org/our-call-to-protect-1



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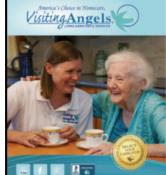
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