

## 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

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Monday through Thursday:
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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

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March 10, 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.

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#### **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

## 4th Sunday of Lent

#### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

(subject to change)

Monday March 11, 2024

9:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Makers (Room 6) 5:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Council

(Room 3)

Tuesday March 12, 2024

9:15 a.m. "The Ocean of Mercy" DVD

(Room 3)

1:30 p.m. "No Greater Love" session 6

(Social Hall)

Wednesday March 13, 2024

9:00 a.m. Rosary Makers (Room 3)

Thursday March 14, 2024 8:30 a.m. Quilters (Social Hall)

9:15 a.m. Divine Mercy Lenten Meditation

(Not a movie) (Room 3)

4:00 p.m. Choir (Atrium)
Friday March 15, 2024
4:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

(Followed by Soup & Bread)

Saturday March 16, 2024

Knights of Columbus Raffle Ticket Sales (after Masses-East & West entrances)

Sunday March 17, 2024

Knights of Columbus Raffle Ticket Sales (after Masses-East & West entrances)

#### 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.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 19—Help for Needy Volunteer meeting
March 19—"St. Joseph of Nazareth" DVD
March 21—Penance Service
March 24—Palm Sunday
March 26 & 28—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 7—Divine Mercy Sunday



#### 2024

Annual Catholic Appeal Live The Mission With a Generous Heart

Please make your pledge to the Annual Catholic Appeal, today! Our goal is \$183,000. We are currently at 10%.

#### **SUNDAY'S READINGS**

#### **First Reading:**

Early and often did the LORD, the God of their fathers, send his messengers to them, for he had compassion on his people and his dwelling place. But they mocked the messengers of God, despised his warnings, and scoffed at his prophets, until the anger of the LORD against his people was so inflamed that there was no remedy. (2 Chr 36:15-16)

#### Psalm:

Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Ps 137)

#### **Second Reading:**

God, who is rich in mercy, because of the great love he had for us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, brought us to life with Christ. (Eph 2:4-5)

#### Gospel:

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. (Jn 3:16)

#### **Fourth Sunday of Lent**

"God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him"

Reflection: Treating others with respect, encouragement, and compassion creates a world where fear and hatred have no place.

*Prayer:* Lord, you gave your life for the salvation of all people. Help me not to condemn but to pray for those who bring hatred and violence upon others.

#### 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 9th & 10th

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

## Divine Mercy DVD Schedule Room 3 @ 9:15 a.m.

Tuesday, March 12—"Ocean of Mercy"

Thursday, March 14—(NO movie will be shown)
Divine Mercy Lenten Meditation

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

## HELP FOR THE NEEDY VOLUNTEER MEETING

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 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!



#### 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)



#### Divine Mercy Lenten Meditation Thursday, March 14, 2024 & 9:15 a.m.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy through St. Faustina's Mediation on the Passion of Christ. This is not a movie. It will be a 35 minute meditation.

#### **Examination of Conscience: A New Heart**

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me." Psalm 51:10

#### Do I have an open heart?

Can I embrace new people, experiences, or ways of looking at God? Does my heart reach out to strangers, but bristle when people I know make requests?

#### Do I have a prayerful heart?

Do I seek quiet time, reflection, and study?

Do I respect the uniqueness
of every human being?

#### Do I have a peaceful heart?

Does my heart waste itself on small stuff, losing sight of God's far-reaching vision? Do I need to rid myself of grumbling and complaining about everyday frustrations?

#### Do I have a quiet heart?

Do I fill my days with busyness to avoid listening to God and others? Is life a series of virtual communications that fails to share God's truth?

#### Do I have a hopeful heart?

Can I recognize all the positive influences in our world?

Am I able to let go of outcomes I disagree with?

#### Do I have a grateful heart?

Am I aware that all that I have been given is truly a gift?

Do I appreciate the gifts and talents God has bestowed on those around me?

#### Do I have a loving heart?

Do others recognize that I am a follower of Jesus by how I treat people?

Is inner goodness shown in my outward actions?

#### Do I have a forgiving heart?

Am I ready to give up grudges, resentments, and old hurts?

Can I look past being shunned and mistreated by others in my community?

#### Do I have a serving heart?

Do I share my spiritual and material gifts with others?

Am I willing to do what needs to be done, regardless of reward?

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday	March 11, 2024
8:00 a.m.	Jeannie Dietz
	Souls in Purgatory
	+Mary Ann Gasper
Tuesday	<b>March 12, 2024</b>
8:00 a.m.	Maria Escarcega
	+Donna Kopriva
	+Marie Montello
Wednesday	March 13, 2024
8:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving for blessings
Thursday	<b>March 14, 2024</b>
8:00 a.m.	+Richard Polfliet
Friday	<b>March 15, 2024</b>
8:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	<b>March 16, 2024</b>
11:30 a.m.	+Anne Renda
	+Clara Spangler
1:15 p.m.	+Mary Fran Pietig
	+Doris Schunk
	+Daniel Wise
3:00 p.m.	Donna Noonan
	Tom & Flora Waller
	+Carole Olive
4:30 p.m.	+Judy Masching
Sunday	March 17, 2024
6:30 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
8:15 a.m.	+Phyllis Cady
	+Lynda Neuman
	+Joanne Rasmussen
10:00 a.m.	Fr. Flynn
	+Joseph Burkhardt
	+Conrad Gorney
	+Hyacinth Joan Starosta
4:00 p.m.	+Gil Conte

#### Readings for the week

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12/Jn 7:40-53

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Family programs and Community programs.

#### "Joseph of Nazareth" DVD Tuesday, March 19, 2024



Room 3 9:15 a.m.



St. Joseph's Day, also called the Feast of St. Joseph or The Solemnity of St. Joseph is March 19. If you would like to learn more about St. Joseph, you are invited to come on Tuesday, March 19 in room 3 to view the DVD, "Joseph of Nazareth.

#### 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!



## March 13 National "Good Samaritan" Day Are you a Good Samaritan?

## 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.



#### St. George Roman Catholic Parish



Communal Penance Service Thursday, March 21, 2024 8:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m.



#### 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.

#### **Help for the Needy Spring Food Drive**

The Help for the Needy Spring Food drive has started. There are bags at the exits with a list attached for the items that are needed in the food pantry. Thank you in advance for your continued giving.

Help for the Needy hours of operation are: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.



#### STATION OF THE CROSS

(Fridays during Lent) 4:00 p.m.

#### FOLLOWED BY SOUP & BREAD

There will be soup & bread in the social hall AF-TER the Stations of the Cross. You are asked to bring bread before the Stations and give it to the ministry that is doing the soup & bread that day. Below is a list of what ministries have signed up.

March 15—Rosary Makers
March 22—No ministry is signed up yet

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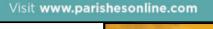
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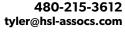
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