

✠ Fourth Sunday of Advent ✠

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 19 - 25

Tue, Dec 20 6:00pm Bob Niekamp
 Wed, Dec 21 8:00am Lisa Thomeczek
 Thu, Dec 22 9:30am Bernard&Annabelle Brandt-Frankenst^{ein}
 Fri, Dec 23 8:00am Living & Deceased members of the
 Joe & Dorothy Fick Family

Sat, Dec 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00pm Christmas Flower Memorials
 6:00pm Christmas Flower Memorials - *Frankenstein*
 12:00am Christmas Flower Memorials

Sun, Dec 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

8:00am Christmas Flower Memorials-*Frankenstein*
 10:00am Christmas Flower Memorials

The Saturday evening Mass and Holy Days of Obligation will be streamed at www.facebook.com/stgeorgeparishlinn/.

EVENTS

Sat, Dec 17-Confession Available-St. George, 10:30am-12pm, Frankenstein 12:15pm - 1:30pm

Sun, Dec 18 - K of C Pancake Breakfast/St. Ann's Bake Sale- St. George church hall, 7:30-11:30am, \$8/adult, \$4 for kids 5 years old and younger

Sun, Dec 18 - St. George Church Christmas Decorating-after the 10am Mass. All volunteers are welcome!

Mon, Dec 19 - St. George School Christmas Break- No school December 19 - January 2. Classes Resume January 3.

Tue, Dec 20 - Divine Mercy Chaplet -3pm, St. George Chapel

Wed, Dec 21 - St. George Choir Practice - 7-8:15pm

Thu, Dec 22 - Confession Available - St. George 5-7pm

Sat, Dec 24- Confession Available-St. George, 10:30am-12pm, Frankenstein 12:15pm - 1:30pm

Dec 26 - 30 - No Daily Mass & Parish Office Closure- Fr. Franklin will be out of town and the parish office will be closed the week between Christmas and New Year's. You can contact Brenda at 573-645-9020 in case of emergency.

Tue, Jan 3 - St. George School Classes Resume

Tue, Jan 3 - Divine Mercy Chaplet- 3pm, St. George Chapel

Tue, Jan 3- Seeking Christ For Our Nation Mass - 6:30pm, at St. George, sponsored by Linn Knights of Columbus. All are welcome to attend.

Tue, Jan 3 - Knights of Columbus Meeting- 7:30pm, Notre Dame Hall

Wed, Jan 4 - PSR Classes- 4-5:30pm, Notre Dame Hall

Fri, Jan 6 - First Friday Eucharistic Adoration - 8:30am-12pm in the chapel. There is a sign up in the back of church for a Holy Hour, or just stop by to pray in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Sat, Jan 7 - First Saturday Mass- 8am in Westphalia

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

DECEMBER 24 & 25

Sign-up sheets for liturgical volunteers are available in the back of church for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses.

Below are areas volunteers are still needed.

USHERS

(will need to complete Mass Counts of all attendees)

Christmas Eve 4pm & Midnight-4 volunteers needed each Mass

Christmas Day 10am-4 volunteers needed

LECTORS

Christmas Eve Midnight - 2 volunteers needed

Christmas Day 10am - 1 volunteer needed

COMMUNION MINISTERS

Christmas Eve Midnight - 1 Volunteers needed

Christmas Day 10am - 2 Volunteers needed

SERVERS

Christmas Eve Midnight - 3 volunteers needed

Christmas Day 10am - 3 volunteers needed

GREETERS

Christmas Eve Midnight - volunteers needed

Christmas Day 10am - volunteers needed

COLLECTION COUNTERS

Trained volunteer team needed

CALL TO PRAYER

Please pray for: Kim Kliethermes Backes, Jeanette Balliz, Mary Berhorst, Vince Boillot, Holly Eynard, Nick Eynard, Mike Fowler, Elmo Hamburg, Kennedy Hartmann, Nate Helmig, Lisa Higginbotham, Gary & Rosie Huckstep, BJ Kaullen, Tyler Kliethermes, Sr. Dorothy Lauberth, Donnie Linnenbrink, Heather Manfreddie, Darlene Mengwasser, Wyatt Niemann, Terry Eugene Nilges, John Painter, Bridget & Mike Parkhurst, Sam Price, Tricia Rehagen, Loretta Rustemeyer, Eleanor Scheulen, Frank Schroeder, Judith Schroeder SSND, Blake Snyder, Eloise Taulbee, Larry & Sharon Thomas, & James Voss. *Please contact the parish office to have someone added to our prayer list.*

BISHOP'S DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

During the holiday season, may our self-centeredness be replaced with generosity; our frustration with compassion; our anxieties with patience; and our intolerance with understanding. We pray to the Lord.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION OPPORTUNITIES

Thursday, December 22	5-7pm	Linn
Saturday, December 24	10:30am-12pm	Linn
	12-1:30pm	Frankenstein

	Total collection	Goal	Net income/(loss)
December 3 & 4	\$20,709	\$15,000	\$5,709
December 10 & 11	\$16,952	\$15,000	\$1,529
December 17 & 18		\$15,000	
December 24 & 25		\$15,000	
December 31/January 1		\$15,000	

SCHOOL NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This week's Home & School Raffle winner is Debbie Peters. This \$100 raffle ticket was sold by Peyton (7) and Aubrie (1) Peters.

Thanks to all those who came to the St. George Christmas Program. This is always an excellent time to remember why we celebrate this season. It is important to take time to reflect that God loves us so much that he sent His son. That is the miracle of this season. His love is so strong that He wants us to have a deeper relationship with Him. His gift is unconditional and unending. Pope Francis says, "Christmas reveals the immense love of God for humanity. From that also flows the enthusiasm, the hope of us Christians, that in our poverty we know that we are loved, we are visited, accompanied by God."

TASTE OF ITALY

Taste of Italy will be held Saturday, January 21, 2023. Taste of Italy will serve an Italian dinner, 4:00 - 7:30 PM, Saturday, January 21st in the St. George Activity Center. The Italian dinner will include chicken parmesan, spaghetti with meatballs, fettuccini alfredo, a zesty salad, bread, & cheesecake. Bottles of wine & beer will be available for purchase. Carry out plates will be available from the church basement, with reserved carry out parking in front of the fry shack. Dinner tickets are \$13 in advance & \$15 at the door. To purchase dinner or raffle tickets, check with any St. George School family, the scrip table, the school or parish office, Thriftway, or Legends Bank. A live auction will take place at 8:30 PM. The silent auction will run 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM, with the first table closing at 7:30 PM. There is no online auction this year. We are still accepting sponsors for the event & hand-crafted items for the auction through the end of the year. If you have something to donate or wish to be a sponsor, please contact Sharon Sprenger 573-619-8090 or Emily Koenigsfeld 573-469-8070. Additional details will be posted on the St. George Home & School Facebook page. Thank you for your support!

ST. ANN'S BAKE SALE

St. Ann's Sodality will have a Christmas Bake Sale in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Pancake & Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, December 18. We appreciate all donations of baked items, candies, & jellies for sale. We also appreciate all of those that buy goodies for Christmas at our bake sale. Cookbooks & St. George History books will be available for a greatly reduced price. St. Ann's recently purchased a new steam table for the kitchen & donated \$15,000 to help the Knights finish the new floor in the church basement.

SCRIP HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA

The Scrip Extravaganza is ongoing with sales through Dec 18. A purchase of at least \$100 of Scrip will get you in the weekly drawing for for a free \$25 scrip card. If over \$500 is purchased during the 6 weeks, you will be entered in a drawing for a \$100 scrip card. The week 5 winner of a \$25 gift card is Margie Frank. Congratulations! *Scrip will not be sold at Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses. Since the parish office will be closed the week after Christmas, there will be no weekly sales December 26-30.*

MASS TIME CHANGE

Beginning the first full weekend in January, the Saturday evening Mass will be changing to 5pm. January 7 will be the first 5pm Saturday evening Mass.

ST. GEORGE NOVEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

Income Receipts

Church Offertory Collections	\$56,947.18
Other Church Receipts(fundraisers, Schwartz, etc)	\$19,059.58
Parish School Receipts	\$9,081.71
Preschool/Day Care Receipts	<u>\$6,298.25</u>
Total Receipts	\$91,386.72

Expenses

All Church/Rectory/Collections	\$16,447.22
Parish School Expenses	\$73,512.47
Preschool/Day Care Expenses	<u>\$12,474.12</u>
Total Expenses	\$102,433.81

Net Loss -\$11,047.09

Parish General Revenue Checking (11/30/2022)	\$14,986.19
Parish Savings at the Chancery	\$119,344.70

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

St. George Parish Council Elections are this weekend at the weekend Masses. Nominees for parish council include: Debbie Backes, Janet Baker, Jim Haslag, Gary Jahnsen, Evelyn Niekamp, and Korey Wolfe. Please vote for three nominees. We would like to thank Keith Jaegers, Chris Muenks, and Jerry Backes for their service on the parish council as they finish their three-year term this month. Remaining Parish Council members are: Debra Oliveras, Debbie Lumpkin, Carla McDaniel, Alfred Brandt, and Brendan Koenigsfeld.

SAUSAGE FOR SALE

We have frozen sausage for sale for \$4/pound in 5 or 10 lb. increments. To purchase, contact the parish office.



Through him we have received the grace of apostleship, to bring about the obedience of faith, for the sake of his name, among all the Gentiles, among whom are you also, who are called to belong to Jesus Christ; to all the beloved of God in Rome, called to be holy.

Romans 1:5-7

