



**SCHOOL NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

The \$1500 final winner of the Home & School Raffle is Emily & Caleb Marion. Their ticket was sold by Maggie(5), Eleanor(3), & Penelope(K) Schmitz. The students did a tremendous job with this raffle this year, which earned them a dress-down day, pizza provided by Main Street Pizza, and a bounce house obstacle course. All money raised will go to benefit the students directly.

Congratulations to these outstanding warriors for following in the footsteps of St. Nicholas with December’s virtue of generosity: Cody Heckman, Matthew Jahnsen, Nicole Grellner, Cody Leivian, Preston Jaegers, Ali Steinbeck, Nora Brandford, Charlie Reinkemeyer, and Reagan Huesgen. We are proud of their giving hearts. Way to go warriors!

As we wrap up the first semester of school, it is good to reflect on the grace God has given us. I know that I have been blessed to work at St. George. The faculty & staff are truly outstanding. We are very blessed to have unique, creative, & exceptional students. I am thankful to be a part of this school with it’s strong sense of faith and community. Pope Francis has said, “Christmas joy, religious joy, is an inner joy of light and peace.” I pray that your family is filled this season with great joy that comes from sharing time with loved ones and participating in the unique traditions of our faith this time of year..

From all of us at St. George School, Merry Christmas, and may the New Year bring even more joy and blessings! May we all continue to grow and work towards genuinely being “Christ-centered and faith directed in all we do.”

**TASTE OF ITALY**

Taste of Italy will be held Saturday, January 21, with dinner being served, 4:00 - 7:30PM in the St. George Activity Center. Dinner includes chicken parmesan, spaghetti with meatballs, fettuccini alfredo, zesty salad, bread, & cheesecake. Bottles of wine & beer will be available for purchase. Carry out plates are 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, scrip table, school or parish office, Thriftway, or Legends Bank. A live auction will take place at 8:30PM. The silent auction is 4:00PM - 9:00PM, with the first table closing at 7:30PM. We are still accepting sponsors for the event & hand-crafted items for the auction through the end of the year. To donate or sponsor, please contact Sharon Sprenger 573-619-8090 or Emily Koenigsfeld 573-469-8070. Watch the St. George Home & School Facebook page for updates. Thank you for your support!

**SCRIP HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA**

The Scrip Extravaganza is complete with sales from November 7 through December 18. A total of \$41,920 of sales were achieved during the extravaganza. The week 6 winner of a \$25 gift card is Pam Harris. The grand prize winner of a \$100 gift card is Debra Oliveras. Congratulations! *Scrip will not be sold at Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses. Also, since the parish office will be closed, there will be no weekly sales December 26-30.*

**MASS TIME CHANGE**

Beginning January 7, 2023, the Saturday evening Mass will be changing to 5pm. Confessions will be available 4 – 4:45pm prior to 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>
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$91,386.72</b>

***Expenses***

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

***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 ELECTION RESULTS**

St. George Parish Council Elections were held last weekend. Newly elected members to three year terms of the parish council are: Janet Baker, Debbie Backes, & Korey Wolfe. Congratulations to the new parish council members and thank you to those willing to run on the election ballots. 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 \$3/pound in 5 or 10 lb. increments. To purchase, contact the parish office.



**The Nativity of the Lord**

And the Word became flesh  
and made his dwelling among us,  
and we saw his glory,  
the glory as of the Father’s only Son,  
full of grace and truth.

John 1:14

# 20TH ANNUAL *Taste of Italy*

Saturday, January 21, 2023

Serving 4-7:30 pm

St. George Activity Center

Carry out - St. George Church Basement



## MEAL TICKETS

Meal includes: spaghetti with meatballs, fettuccini, chicken parmesan, tossed salad, bread & cheesecake

\$13 in advance

\$15 at the door

(No charge for admission)

\*\*Carry out dinners available with reserved parking by the fry shack.

## SILENT & LIVE AUCTION

- Silent auction will open at 4 p.m. in the St. George Activity Center.
- Bidding will close starting at 7:30 p.m.
- Live auction will begin at 8:30 p.m.
- 50/50 and raffle winners announced after live auction.
- Check or credit card payment will be accepted.

## BEER & WINE

Wine tasting from 5-7:30 p.m.  
Bottles of wine available for purchase.

Featured wineries:

Giggling Grapes  
Summit Lake  
Wenwood Farm

Beer from Fechtels Beverage

Assortment of wine jello shots

\$1/shot

**NEW!**

No refunds

Advance ticket sales end Friday, Jan. 20 at 4 pm

For tickets contact: St. George School or Parish Office  
Also available at Thriftway & Legends Main Bank, Linn