

✠ Fourth Sunday of Advent ✠

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 26 – JANUARY 1

Tue, Dec 26 6:00pm NO Mass
Wed, Dec 27 8:00am NO Mass
Thu, Dec 28 8:00am NO Mass-*Frankenstein*
Fri, Dec 29 8:00am NO Mass
 Sat, Dec 30 5:00pm Robert & Gertrude Peters
 Sun, Dec 31 8:00am Doug Stieffermann-*Frankenstein*
 10:00am Parishioners

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MASS CELEBRATIONS

Mon, Jan 1

8:00am Harold & Nancy Jaegers – Frankenstein
 10:00am Parishioners – Linn

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

EVENTS

December 18–January 2– St. George School Christmas Break

December 25 – 29 – Parish Office is Closed

Tue, Dec 26 – Divine Mercy Chaplet- CANCELLED

December 30 – 31-Parish Council Elections – at Mass

Mon, Jan 1 – Solemnity of Mary Mass – 10am, St. George

Tue, Jan 2 – Divine Mercy Chaplet- 3pm, St. George Chapel

Tue, Jan 2 – Seeking Christ For Our Nation Mass- 6:30pm,

St. George Church, sponsored by Linn K of C. All are welcome

Tue, Jan 2 –Knights of Columbus Meeting- 7pm, Notre Dame

Wed, Jan 3 – PSR Classes – 4-5:30pm, Notre Dame Hall

Wed, Jan 3–Shroud of Turin Presentation–Cana Hall, St.

Joseph Cathedral, at 2 pm & 7pm. Two presentations (same information) by Fr. Andrew Dalton on the burial cloth of Jesus. The talks will be live streamed.

Fri, Jan 5 – First Friday Adoration – after the 8am Mass – 12pm, St. George Chapel. You can sign up for a Holy Hour in back of church or just drop in to spend some time in prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sun, Jan 7 – CYO Meeting – 11am – 1pm, in the Notre Dame Loft G. All youth grades 8 – 12 are welcome.

Tue, Jan 9 – Divine Mercy Chaplet- 3pm, St. George Chapel

Wed, Jan 10 – PSR Classes – 4-5:30pm, Notre Dame Hall

Thu, Jan 11 – Parish Council Meeting – 5:30pm, Notre Dame

Tue, Jan 16 – Divine Mercy Chaplet- 3pm, St. George Chapel

Tue, Jan 16 – St. Ann’s Sodality Meeting – 7pm, Notre Dame

Wed, Jan 17 – PSR Classes – 4-5:30pm, Notre Dame Hall

BISHOP’S DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

For the family; that all fathers, mothers & children of our community may follow the example of the Holy Family in practicing the virtues of family life & be bound more strongly together in the bonds of charity, we pray to the Lord...

	Total collection
December 2 & 3	\$23,791
December 9 & 10	\$13,219
December 16 & 17	\$12,997
December 23 & 24	
December 30 & 31	

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS – DECEMBER 30 & 31

USHERS

5pm–George Scheulen, Ralph Samson, Roger Stamp, Mike Thomas
10am– Knights of Columbus

LECTORS

5pm– Evelyn Neikamp, Debra Oliveras
10am – Knights of Columbus

COMMUNION MINISTERS

5pm – Deacon Tony, Melanie Wilson, Tom Wilson
10am–Deacon Tony, Knights of Columbus

SERVERS

5pm– Madison Wilson, Cooper Coots, Jaxon Davis
10am– Knights of Columbus

GREETERS

5pm – Don & Christy Brandt
10am – Knights of Columbus

MUSIC

5pm- Monica Schmitz, Samantha & Sarah Brandt & Choir
10am- Melissa Massman, volunteer needed, & Choir

ROSARY LEADER

5pm – Edna Kliethermes
10am – Knights of Columbus

COLLECTION COUNTERS

Ed & Judy Robinson

CALL TO PRAYER

*Please pray for: Amy Aiman, Kim Kliethermes Backes, Mary Berhorst, Kathy Cartwright, Dennis Dudenhoeffer, Holly Eynard, Nick Eynard, Kennedy Frank, Cody Fulkerson, Steve Gove, Kennedy Hartmann, Donnie Haslag, Nate Helmig, Lisa Higginbotham, Rosie Huckstep, Charlie Hueste, Bob Jurd, BJ Kaulen, Peggy Kempker, Melissa Koenigsfeld, John Lansford, Mark Lieneke, Donnie Linnenbrink, Claire Logan, Jacob Logan, Tana McNeese, Darlene Mengwasser, Berneice Miller, Wyatt Niemann, Cord Nilges, Terry Eugene Nilges, Mike Parkhurst, Roger Paulsmeyer, Jeff Peters, Sam & Nancy Reeves family, Tricia Rehagen, Scott Rikard, Lydia Samson, Anna Sanchez, Daniel Scheulen, Frank Schroeder, Judith Schroeder SSND, Eloise Taulbee, Lee Thomeczek, Sharon Thomas, Kyle Wagner, Dennis Westergren & Chad Williams. *Contact the parish office to add someone for prayer.**

NOVEMBER 2023 PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

	November	FY-To Date	FY-To-Date
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>
Total Parish Receipts	\$73,278	\$456,578	\$568,331
Total Parish Expenses	\$90,426	\$560,846	\$608,137
School/Preschool	\$76,018	\$437,024	
Church	\$14,409	\$123,822	
Net Loss	(\$17,149)	(\$104,268)	

Please note: Account transfers, software issues, accrual accounting, & transaction posting may cause reporting to fluctuate month to month. The YTD totals & fiscal year end reports are the best to compare. Fiscal Year (FY July 1–June 30)

SCHOOL NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL

This year, as we celebrate the Nativity of our Lord, we are reminded of the profound gift of hope, peace, joy, & love that Christ brought into the world. His birth marked a moment of light amidst darkness, offering us a path towards redemption & renewal. Within the walls of our school, we have embraced the spirit of Christmas through a variety of joyful activities. Our students have diligently prepared a heartwarming Nativity play and caroling performances, sharing the story of Christ's birth and spreading the message of love & salvation. We have also participated in acts of service by organizing a food drive & gift-giving initiative to support families in need within our community. These acts of generosity embody the true spirit of Christmas, reminding us to care for those less fortunate & share our blessings with all. May the light of Christ illuminate your hearts & homes this Christmas. May the joy of the season fill you with hope & peace. May the love of God bless you & your families throughout the year. With warmest wishes & blessings for a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year,

– Mrs. Grellner

TASTE OF ITALY

Taste of Italy will serve a catered Italian dinner from 4 – 7:30 PM Saturday, January 20th in the St. George Activity Center. The Italian dinner will include chicken parmesan, lasagna, fettuccini alfredo, salad, breadstick, and cheesecake. Bottles of wine and beer will be available for purchase. Carry out dinner plates will also be available from the church basement, with reserved carry out parking in front of the fry shack. A live auction will take place at 8:00 PM. The silent auction will begin at 4:00 PM and end at 9:00 PM, with the first table closing at 7:00 PM. Additional details will be posted on the St. George Home & School Facebook page. Dinner tickets are \$15 in advance and \$17 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.

SCRIP HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA WINNER

The winner of \$200 of their choice of scrip cards in stock is Sheila Lenger. Congratulations to Sheila & thank you to everyone that supported our St. George Scrip Program during the holiday season! There will be no Scrip sales December 24–January 1. Sales will resume on Tues, January 2.

NOVEMBER MASS COUNTS

	Sat	Sun	Weekend Total
November 4 & 5	212	208	420
November 11& 12	153	235	388
November 18& 19	168	298	466
November 25& 26	225	247	472
Avg Attendance	190	247	437

St. George has 1,153 registered adults & children in the parish. Average weekend Mass attendance for October is 38% of our parish members.

BAPTISMS

Over the last few weeks we have celebrated three Baptisms at St. George. *Allison Marie Aholt*, daughter of Nathan and April Aholt was Baptized on December 2nd. *Michayla Marie Mantle*, daughter of Mickey and Ashley Mantle was Baptized on December 9th. *Makenzie Rose Thompson*, daughter of David and Caroline Thompson was Baptized on December 10th. Congratulations to Allison, Mickayla, Makenzie and their families on their Baptisms!

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Parish Council Elections will be held the weekend of December 30 and 31 at Mass. Thank you to Carla McDaniel, Debra Oliveras, and Debbie Lumpkin who have completed their three year terms. We will be electing three new Parish Council members to serve three year terms from the following nominees: Amy Ames, Renee Goans, Zeb Hoffman, Wade Orscheln, Dana Peters, and Nathan Peters.

THANK YOU!

St. Ann’s Sodality would like to thank the family of Diana Mittelhauser for the donation towards preparing & serving her funeral meal. May her soul rest in peace.

Christmas Special Collection

for seminarian education and infirm priests

**During this holy time of giving,
please remember our clergy.**

Christ was born to share God’s good news. Today, our Catholic clergy dedicate their lives to sharing this same message with the world.

Your gift will help us educate our seminarians and provide for the needs of our infirm priests.



St. George Parish is assessed \$5,524 from the Diocese for this collection. Please help defray this cost. So far our parish has collected \$445. We appreciate your generosity!

Mary said, “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

Luke 1:38

As the first disciple, Mary shows us that while you might not always know God’s plan, you should always TRUST in his plan because he will walk with you every step of the way.



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