

✠ First Sunday of Advent ✠

MASS INTENTIONS

WEEK OF DECEMBER 2 - 8

Tue, Dec 3 6:30pm Jerry & Mary Lou Wekenborg;
Rick Wekenborg
Wed, Dec 4 8:00am Jack Light; Robert & Mary Wilson
Thu, Dec 5 8:00am John Troesser, Frank & Hilda Troesser;
Charles Samson–*Frankenstein*
Fri, Dec 6 8:00am Arlene Luechtefeld
Sat, Dec 7 **8:00am NO MASS** due to an Ordination
5:00pm Dale Benson; Mark Voss
Sun, Dec 8 8:00am Ted & Agatha Rustemeyer- *Frankenstein*
10:00am Parishioners

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

EVENTS

Sun, Dec 1 - OCIA/RCIA Class – 11am – 12pm, Notre Dame
Tue, Dec 3 – Divine Mercy Chaplet – 3pm, St. George Chapel
Tue, Dec 3–Legion of Mary Meeting–5:15pm, Church Library
Tue, Dec 3 – Seeking Christ for Our Nation Mass – 6:30pm,
All are welcome, sponsored by Linn Knights of Columbus.
Tue, Dec 3 – Knights of Columbus Meeting– 7pm, Notre Dame
Wed, Dec 4 – PSR Classes – 4-5:30pm, Notre Dame
Wed, Dec 7 – Christmas Choir Practice – 7pm in church
Fri, Dec 6 – First Friday Adoration – After the 8am Mass –
Noon. Come spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament. You
can sign up to cover a time in the back of church or just drop in.
Fri, Dec 6 – Advent Adoration/Confession Service – 7pm
Advent Adoration at both Linn & Frankenstein with
Confessions offered at Linn only this week.
Sat, Dec 7–First Saturday Mass- 8am, St. George, Confessions
opportunities available
Sat, Dec 7 – Wreathes for Heroes – 10am, St. George Church
Sat, Dec 7 – Miracle in the Message – A free drive thru
experience that will showcase the life of Jesus Christ with live
actors and animals, 5:30-8:30pm, Bland City Park, Hwy 28
Sun, Dec 8 – Freeburg K of C Sausage Breakfast – 6:30 –
11am, Holy Family School, Adults \$12, Kids 5-10yo \$6.
Sun, Dec 8 – CYO Gathering – 11am – 1pm in the loft, for all
youth in grades 8 – 12.
Sun, Dec 8 – 33 Days to Morning Glory Study – Chapel, 3pm
Sun, Dec 8 – St. Nick Night – Immaculate Conception, Loose
Creek, Rosary at 4:30pm, Christmas Candle Mass at 5pm. Pasta
Dinner serving 4:30 – 7pm \$10. Tickets from IC 7th & 8th grade.
Mon, Dec 9 – Immaculate Conception Mass – 8am in Linn,
10am in Frankenstein. It is not a holy day of obligation this year.

BISHOP'S DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

For hope to find a home in our hearts as we embrace the joy of Christ's birth. Amid the jubilation, may we also find time in prayer to experience the calm and peace of God's presence in our lives, we pray to the Lord...

	Total collection
November 2 & 3	\$20,295
November 9 & 10	\$15,093
November 16 & 17	\$16,890
November 23 & 24	\$10,493

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS –DECEMBER 7 & 8

USHERS

5pm–Paul Koenigsfeld, Donnie Linnenbrink, Richard&Jacob Peters
10am–CYO – Bobby & Kaelyn Winkelman, Lilly Scheulen,
Preston Jaegers

LECTORS

5pm– Donna Zeilmann, Arlene Broeker
10am – CYO – Addalyn Brandt, Paige Loethen

COMMUNION MINISTERS

5pm – Deacon Tony, Nathan Veltrop, Darlene Tyree
10am– Deacon Tony, Melissa Massman, Brenda Winkelman

SERVERS

5pm– Anna Brandt, Lucy Brandt, Grace Terry
10am–CYO – Leo Massman, Elyse Brandt, Kenzie Jurd

GREETERS

5pm – Alice Jacquin, Arlene Broeker
10am – CYO – Allie & Sarah Steinbeck

MUSIC

5pm- Monica Schmitz, *Volunteer Cantor Needed*, & Choir
10am- Pam Radmacher, *Volunteer Cantor Needed*, & Choir

ROSARY LEADER

5pm – Gerri Reynolds
10am – Debra Oliveras

COLLECTION COUNTERS

Tony Bieg, Sharon Monroe

CALL TO PRAYER

Please pray for: Amy Aiman, Mary Berhorst, Don Brandt, Mike Busche, Kathy Cartwright, Stephanie Cortvrient, Amy Davis, Dennis Dudenhoefter, Holly Eynard, Nick Eynard, Kennedy Frank, Cody Fulkerson, Steve Gove, Kennedy Hartmann, Donnie Haslag, Nate Helmig, Lisa Higginbotham, Charlie Hueste, BJ Kaullen, Peggy Kempker, Melissa Koenigsfeld, Grant Lamb, Mark Lieneke, Donnie Linnenbrink, Claire Logan, Jacob Logan, Steve & Tana McNeese, Kathy Mehmert, Darlene Mengwasser, Herb Meyer, Stretch & Shirley Mosley, Wyatt Niemann, Mike Parkhurst, Roger & Sherry Paulsmeyer, Jeff Peters, Sam & Nancy Reeves family, Tricia Rehagen, Scott Rikard, Lydia Samson, Anna Sanchez, Daniel Scheulen, Krista Schmitz, Frank Schroeder, Judith Schroeder SSND, Carol Starke, Cindy Stegeman, Eloise Taulbee, Lee Thomeczek, Sharon Thomas, Dennis Westergren, Chad Williams. *Contact the parish office to add someone for prayer.*

OCTOBER 2024 PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

	September Actual	FY-To Date Actual	FY-To-Date Budgeted
Total Parish Receipts	\$119,825	\$409,424	\$451,008
Total Parish Expenses	\$109,514	\$527,571	\$516,863
School/Preschool	\$73,953	\$383,460	
Church	\$10,311	\$144,111	
Net	\$10,311	(\$118,147)	

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

We extend our congratulations to the second-grade students of our parish who have recently received the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This is a significant milestone in their spiritual journey, marking a deepening of their relationship with God. As they continue to grow in faith, may they be filled with God's grace and peace. We pray that this sacrament will inspire them to live lives of love, forgiveness, and compassion.

Advent is here and St. George School is working to prepare our student's hearts for the Christmas season. Advent, a season of anticipation and preparation, invites Catholics to spiritually renew themselves. By deepening their prayer life, participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and engaging in acts of charity, they can open their hearts to the coming of Christ. Embracing simplicity and focusing on the true meaning of Christmas, Catholics can experience a more profound and meaningful Advent season.

The annual St. George Christmas program will be on December 19th. We will be having two performances, the first at 1:00 pm and the second at 7:00 pm. All parishioners are invited to attend.

Please continue to save Best Choice labels and scan your receipts for Box Tops. If you don't want to download the app, just send the receipts into school, and we can do it for you.

SCRIP HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA

It's time for holiday shopping! Use the Scrip Program to make your holiday shopping easier while earning funds for the school, parish, or your family's school registration fees at St. George or Helias. Those with Scrip orders totaling \$500 or more between Nov 18 & Dec 15 will be entered in a drawing for \$200 Scrip cards of your choice limited to inventory on hand. The winner will be drawn on December 17.

TASTE OF ITALY

Mark your calendars - Taste of Italy, sponsored by St. George Home & School, will be held Saturday, January 18, 2025. Dine in & carry out Italian dinners will be served from 4- 7PM. There will be a silent & live auction this year. No online auction. The committee is looking for sponsors for the event and hand-crafted items for the auction. 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. We would like to have all donated items by mid December 2024 to prepare for the auction. Thank you for your support!

ORDINATION OF REV. GREGORY CLEVER

All are invited to the ordination of Rev. Mr. Gregory Clever to the Priesthood. The ordination will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday, December 7 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. Please RSVP if you will be attending the Mass at <https://diojeffcity.org/Ordination-2024/>

CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL (CSR)

Thank you for prayerfully considering how you and your family will share your gifts with our parish family by making your one-year commitment through the spiritual act of completing the Catholic Stewardship Renewal. Through your generosity of time, talent and treasure, our parish will continue to thrive as a center of charity and sanctuary of mercy for our community. There are stewardship packets in the back of church for those that would like a paper copy of the forms or you can scan the QR code in the bulletin or from the Stewardship Prayer Card to submit your forms electronically. **All school families are required to have the most recent CSR forms completed and on file with the parish to register at the parish school.**



CSR Response: 99 of 520 Parish Families (19%)

CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICE

The St. George Parish Choir will begin practicing for the Christmas liturgies on each Wednesday at 7pm beginning with December 4 until Christmas. All are welcome to attend practices and participate in the music for Christmas liturgies.

WCU CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Please return the unwrapped gift items with the ornaments to the parish office during the week or in the back of church on the weekends before December 15th. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

NATIVITY DISPLAY FOR CHRISTMAS ON MAIN ST.

The Linn community event "Christmas on Main Street" will be held December 13 - 15. St. George has participated each year by placing Nativity displays in church. Parishioners are invited to bring their treasured Nativity Sets following the 10 am Mass on Sunday, December 15. Please sign up on the form in the back of church. On Dec. 15, tables will be in place for you to arrange your display. Please bring a card with information about the unique features of your Nativity Set—how long it has been in your family, where purchased, any unusual story, etc. The St. George Church Nativity Set will be on display in the chapel (some of the figures are dated 1899.) Please consider bringing your set for display and invite friends to visit on Sun., Dec. 15, from 1 to 3. A special program has been added this year!

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

The Diocese of Jefferson City is preparing for the 2025 Jubilee. This holy year will invite the faithful to embrace the spirit of hope. The Jubilee Year will provide opportunities to experience grace, including by participating in special Jubilee Masses or joining a pilgrimage. The diocese has launched a new webpage with information about how we will be celebrating the Jubilee. Visit our website to learn more: <https://diojeffcity.org/jubilee-year/>

SUNDAY SCRIPTURES FOR DECEMBER 1

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/120124.cfm>

1st Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 25:4-5,8-10,14

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12- 4:2

Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36