

# Welcome to St. George Church

## *A Parish with Spirit and Heart!*



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**Week of May 27, 2018**

### **Most Holy Trinity Sunday**

If you've never paused in the entranceway of the Memorare Chapel and read the two large stone plaques mounted there, I encourage you to do so during these Spring days. One is a tribute to Msgr. Snyder, the pastor of St. George who had the vision to begin the mission parish of St. George in Kenya. The other is inscribed with a quote from Bishop McNulty of Buffalo describing his appreciation of the beauty of this area and our chapel dedicated to Mary.

There are many reminders of Father Snyder around the parish. A portrait of him overlooks the Gathering Space and is beside the display case full of Kenyan artifacts he brought back from his travels to St. George in Kenya. A huge scrapbook of Msgr. Snyder's is in the parish office and has page after page of memories of lawn fetes held here from 1954-1971. Other pastors have tributes on the property as well; Fr. Huber is recognized on a plaque in the Memorare Chapel; and trees all over the property are living reminders, displaying the names of priests and nuns who have served our parish over the decades.

The worship space used by the St. George faith community changed 60 years ago this summer. In 1958, the building we now use as our Church was built, and the smaller Church building, constructed in 1912, became our Memorare Chapel. I am told of a barn that used to be on the property that finally had to come down some years ago and that there was a small dwelling on the back of the property at one point. The St. George story is long and rich. We are a faith-filled community and have persevered in our love of God through all the changes of the years. May God continue to bless all who praise His Name here!

Sister Lori

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 26	5 pm	Cecilia Lindsley, by Barb Pusztay
Sunday, May 27	10 am	Matthew Babisz, by Father Jim
Monday, May 28	8 am	For the Faithful Departed
Tuesday, May 29	8 am	Mary Jane (Hanley) Wise, by the friends of Mary Jane
Wednesday, May 30	8 am	<b>Communion Service and Novena</b>
Thursday, May 31	8 am	<b>Communion Service</b>
<b>Friday, June 1</b> <b>First Friday</b>	8 am	Rose & Wally Bochen, by Larry Bochen
Saturday, June 2	5 pm	George, Alberta & Danny Nichter, by the Nichter family
Sunday, June 3	10 am	George Johengen, by Barbara Castiglia

**Our First Friday Mass will be on June 1st at 8:00 am in the Chapel.  
Confession: Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm in the Church.**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR...** Doris Ellis, Don Murray, Joe Arcara, Stan Kociszewski, Jeanne McIntyre, Ann Marie Price, Ellen Nichter, and Gene Holden.



### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED YOUTH!!

We congratulate **Robert Offhaus, Kelsey Robertson, Joshua Oun** and **Marc Meissner** upon receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on **Saturday, May 19th** at St. Joseph Church in Holland.



*May the Father fill you with his Love, may Jesus Christ bring you Hope, and may the Holy Spirit strengthen your faith all the days of your life.*

**FIRST EARLY BIRD CASH PRIZE AWARDED!! Lindsay Spalti** is our first Early Bird Cash Raffle winner of **\$25.00!** And everyone has another chance to win—return the money and ticket stubs by **Sunday, June 17th** to be eligible for the second **Early Bird prize of \$25.00!**

*Thank you for purchasing and/or selling Cash Raffle tickets!*



### HAS YOUR VOICE BEEN HEARD??



We want **everyone** to complete our **Lifelong Faith Formation Survey** so that we might know how you feel about our Lifelong Faith Formation efforts for this year and in the future. Surveys are available at the church entrances, or online at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/VYGM9PF](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VYGM9PF). Return your completed surveys to us in the offering basket or at the Parish Office **by June 3rd**.

You can view the current survey results at [surveymonkey.com/results/SM-9NTH2DXDL/](http://surveymonkey.com/results/SM-9NTH2DXDL/)

***We thank everyone who has participated in our Faith Fests throughout this Church year.***



## HONORING MEMORIAL DAY

Let us pray for every person who has served, or is currently serving, in our nation's military. **Set aside some time this weekend to honor them for their service and their sacrifices.**

*The Parish Office will be closed **Monday, May 28th**, for **Memorial Day**. **8 am Mass will be celebrated as usual**, and **Scripture Sharing with Fr. Jim** will be at 9 am at the parish office.*

The **Catholic Charities Workforce & Education Department** provides services for youths and adults such as tutoring, high school equivalency preparation instruction, basic skills upgrades, employment readiness preparation, post-secondary school education planning, and more. To learn more, call **893-3500**.



**To give to the 2018 Catholic Charities Appeal**, visit the parish office, call Catholic Charities at **218-1400**, or donate online at [ccwny.org/donation](http://ccwny.org/donation). As of **May 24th**, our parish has contributed **\$57,477.00** to Catholic Charities, **93%** of our goal of **\$61,800.00**.



**The Altar Server, Eucharistic Minister and Lector Schedule for June and July** is now available in the sacristy and [online](#). Please pick up or [download](#) your copy today!

## CONSIDERING MUSIC MINISTRY?

Our Sunday music ministry is undergoing some transitions as we enter Ordinary Time this Sunday. If you are a singer or musician hearing the call to serve in music ministry, we encourage you to speak with Sr. Lori, call the Parish Office at **652-3153**, or email [stgeorge.wf@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorge.wf@gmail.com).



*Remember—singing is like praying twice!*

## CLAIM YOUR DISHES, PLEASE

We've cleaned out the kitchen cupboards in the parish hall, and we found a good number of **unclaimed dishes** from various potluck dinners and social events. Please take a moment to look at the collection downstairs in the hall, and take home any that are yours.



*This is the final weekend to pick up your dishes.* Unclaimed dishes will be donated to charity.

The **West Falls Volunteer Fire Company** is hosting a **Meat Raffle** fundraiser in our parish hall on **Sunday, June 10th**, from **2-5 pm** (doors open at 1 pm). This event raises much needed funds to support the Fire Company's operating expenses and improvements. **Presale tickets are \$6** from the Fire Hall any Tuesday or Thursday evening at 7 pm, or **\$8 at the door**. See the posters in the Gathering Space for details.



 **remind** Help us reach you quickly with parish alerts and messages, directly to your phone or tablet, free! Text **@stg002** to **81010**, or visit [rmd.at/stg002](http://rmd.at/stg002).

**You are, truly, the Spirit and Heart of St. George Parish!**

Your weekly offerings, maintenance offerings, and special collection donations allow our Parish to keep the message of the Risen Jesus alive in our community. **Sunday** and **Holy Day** offerings last week were **\$3,133.00**.

**Give online with WeShare. Thank you!**



**READINGS FOR  
Corpus Christi  
June 3, 2018**

Exodus 24:3-8  
Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18  
Hebrews 9:11-15  
Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

**ENHANCE OUR WORSHIP WITH THE  
BEAUTY OF GOD'S FLOWERS!**

Beginning the weekend of **June 9-10** and continuing until the weekend of **October 6-7**, you may remember a loved one or a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, graduation, etc.) by donating \$30 for the purchase of two altar bouquets.



*Sign up soon—the weekends are filling fast!  
A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Gathering Space.*

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity, we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this, our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

*St. Vincent de Paul*  
**POOR BOX**

**Please continue your generous donations to the Poor Box. Donations small and large add up and allow us to bring your love to the less fortunate. Children gain a great deal by putting coins in the Poor Box; create a tradition they will fondly remember. Thank you and God bless all.**

**As the Month of Mary draws to a close, we share with you this cherished poem:**

*Lovely Lady dressed in blue ---  
Teach me how to pray!  
God was just your little boy,  
Tell me what to say!*

*Did you lift Him up, sometimes,  
Gently on your knee?  
Did you sing to Him the way  
Mother does to me?*

*Did you hold His hand at night?  
Did you ever try  
Telling stories of the world?  
O! And did He cry?*

*Do you really think He cares  
If I tell Him things-  
Little things that happen? And  
Do the Angels' wings*

*Make a noise? And can He hear  
Me if I speak low?  
Does He understand me now?  
Tell me --- for you know?*

*Lovely Lady dressed in blue ---  
Teach me how to pray!  
God was just your little boy,  
And you know the way.*



## Community News & Events

**St. George Parish in West Falls is looking for a keyboardist** for our **Sunday 10 am Masses**, whether regular weekly or on a casual basis. If you or someone you know of is interested in this (per diem) position, please call the parish at (716) 652-3153, or email [stgeorge.wf@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorge.wf@gmail.com).

Rev. Eugene Ulrich, pastor at Annunciation Church in Elma, invites those interested to a prayer and sharing at the Church of the Annunciation, Elma (7580 Clinton Street) in Selbert Hall (enter from Church parking lot) on **Wednesday May 30, 2018** (7:00 - 8:30 pm). Rev. James Croglio and Sr. Jo-Anne Grabowski, OSF, from the **Diocesan Counselling Center** will guide those attending in processing their thoughts and emotions in response to the revelations of priest abuse of children/teens. **Please confirm your attendance with an e-reply by May 28th to Fr. Gene at [eg.annunciation@gmail.com](mailto:eg.annunciation@gmail.com).**

### 8th Annual 'Junk in The Trunk' Sale

Saturday, **June 23, 2018** from **8 am – noon** at **Saint Bernadette Church**, 5930 Abbott Road, Orchard Park. Bring your car full of “Junk” to sell, or to fill with “Treasures.”

**SELLERS:** Outside - \$10 - Your trunk & table; Inside - \$15 - Table provided

**BUYERS:** Admission is FREE!

Sellers, pre-register by emailing [office@saintbopny.org](mailto:office@saintbopny.org), or you may secure a spot on the morning of June 23rd. Food available. Questions: Ann **649-8081**

### CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETS SATURDAYS



Join other men of faith **every Saturday morning** from **8:30-9:30 am** in the Parish Hall kitchen to share some coffee, scripture, and fellowship. *Questions?* Email **Paul** at [kalinskip@gmail.com](mailto:kalinskip@gmail.com) or **Matt** at [his.t.his.victory15@gmail.com](mailto:his.t.his.victory15@gmail.com).

**Did you know** that ‘likes’ and ‘follows’ of our parish’s Social Media sites improve our faith community’s reputation both locally and with major search engines? You help us to reach others with the Good News of God’s love by being both **a disciple and a follower**—‘like’ us on Facebook and ‘follow’ us on Twitter and Google+. *Thanks!*





**SUNDAY JUNE 10, 2018**  
WEST FALLS FIRE COMPANY— PRESENTS  
**PRE-FATHER'S DAY MEAT RAFFLE**

@  
ST. GEORGE CHURCH  
74 OLD GLENWOOD RD  
WEST FALLS, NY 14170

*DOORS OPEN AT 1:00 PM    FIRST SPIN AT 2:00 PM*  
*STEAKS | RACKS-O-RIBS | PORK LOINS | SAUSAGE LINKS | CHICKEN*

\$6.00 PRE-SALE TICKETS, MAY BE PURCHASED  
AT THE FIRE HALL ...1864 DAVIS ROAD WEST FALLS, NY  
ANY TUES OR THURSEVENING AT 7PM  
OR FROM ANY FIRE COMPANY MEMBER.

TICKET INCLUDES BEER, POP, FOOD, AND WATER.

NO OUTSIDE BEVERAGES ARE ALLOWED  
BUT YOU ARE WELCOME TO BRING IN SNACKS.

TICKETS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR FOR \$8

YOU MAY RESERVE A TABLE OF 8 FOR \$40.00  
FOR TABLE RESERVATIONS PLEASE CALL OR  
TEXT 716-331-0765 OR 716-655-3036



## YOGA AND MEDITATION RETREAT



- Date:** June 22-June 23 2018
- Location:** Christ the King Seminary  
711 Knox Road East Aurora, NY 14052
- Time:** Check in begins @2 pm; Friday June 22  
Check out @ 5:30 pm; Saturday June 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Price:** \$75.00

**What to Expect:**

- ❖ Yoga and meditation classes as Christian Spiritual practice
- ❖ Overnight accommodations in a private room
- ❖ Friday Night Dinner, and Breakfast and Lunch Saturday.
- ❖ Musical Entertainment Friday night.
- ❖ Time for prayer and reflection.
- ❖ Beautiful grounds to stroll... find peace in nature.

**Contact:** Jane Schmitt; (716) 984-6282 or  
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