

Welcome to St. George Church

A Parish with Spirit and Heart!



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August 12, 2018

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

On Wednesday our Church celebrates the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven. This feast is an expression of the uniqueness of Mary in Church teaching. As belief in Jesus as Incarnate Word of God grew in the early faith community, consideration of the role Mary played in fulfilling God's plan of salvation became increasingly important. Jesus, being fully human and fully Divine, required a *vessel* through which to enter humanity. Mary, through her *fiat*—her “yes”—at the Annunciation, became the chosen one to bear Christ into the world.

Upon further reflection, Church leaders, during times when God's awesome Divinity was being emphasized, developed more teachings about Mary as Mother of God. In order to be a *vessel* worthy to contain the Son of God, Mary must have been perfect. This thinking led to development of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception of Mary whereby she was declared to have been conceived immune from original sin. Likewise, at the end of her days on earth, this *vessel*, which had performed her role perfectly, could not suffer the corruption of death.

Hence, the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven. We hold that Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven and exulted by God as Queen of Heaven. She already shares in the glory of her Son's resurrection and is a sign for all believers of the promise of eternal life. Our Roman Catholic tradition holds Mary as person unique in salvation history. She is honored but not worshipped, she is a *vessel* through which we meet Jesus who is God, Lord and Savior of all.

Sister Lori

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 11	5 pm	Jerome Murray, by Carol & Dennis Engasser
Sunday, August 12	10 am	Elizabeth Sypniewski, by Clarence & Margaret Sypniewski
Monday, August 13	8 am	John & Irene Szeliga, by the Mieth family
Tuesday, August 14	8 am	Mary Anne Wagner
Wednesday, August 15	7 pm	Feast of the Assumption of Mary (Church)
Holy Day		Michael Casciano, by Louise & Frank Dolce
Thursday, August 16	8 am	Communion Service
Friday, August 17	8 am	Matthew Casciano, by Charles & Rosa Buscaglia
Saturday, August 18	5 pm	Randy DeWitt, by Debbie & Tony Stellrecht
Sunday, August 19	10 am	The Hauser & Danheiser families, by Joseph Hauser

Our next First Friday Mass will be on September 7th at 8 am in the Chapel.

Each First Friday of the month, following the 8 am Mass in the Memorare Chapel, we offer Eucharistic exposition and adoration until 10 am. Consider joining us in this prayerful devotion.

Confession: Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm in the Church.

**Join us in praying the Rosary Saturdays at 4:30 pm in the Church,
and at 7 pm Mondays in the Chapel.**



PLEASE PRAY FOR... Doris Ellis, Don Murray, Joe Arcara, Stan Kociszewski, Jeanne McIntyre, Ann Marie Price, Bob Hardy, Joyce Wohlfeil, Linda Kraus, Gene Holden, Kathy Grover and Rita Kowalik.

ALTAR FLOWERS The floral bouquets beautifying our altar at this weekend's Masses have been donated by **Bob & Maggi Mauger**, in **loving memory of their son Brian**. *Thank you!*



*All weekends **except for Sept. 1-2** are now spoken for. Call or email the parish office if you would like to sponsor flowers for that weekend.*

RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY AT BOLO AUGUST 16TH!



You're all invited to celebrate the successful completion of **Bread of Life Outreach Center's** purchase of its campus from St. George Parish! On **Thursday, August 16th at 6 pm**, all are welcome to come out for the ribbon-cutting ceremony, celebrate BOLO's newly acquired autonomy, and enjoy light refreshments. Sister Lori, Father Jim and our St. George faith family wish BOLO continued success in all of its ecumenical Outreach endeavors for the residents of Colden and surrounding areas.

In addition to presenting BOLO with a financial gift, our parish is returning the beautiful painting of Jesus washing the feet of Peter to its original home at BOLO.

(Painting by Sr. Catherine Muehlbauer, SSMN)

LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION IS UNDER WAY!

Parents and guardians of children who will be in Grades K-8 in September will receive Faith Formation registration forms by mail, and **please return your forms and registration fee to us by August 31st**. If your family is not on file with the parish, registration forms may be picked up in the Gathering Space and **online**. Questions? Please call the office at **652-3153**, or email stgeorge.wf@gmail.com.

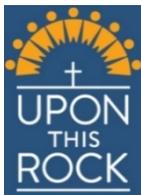


YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

If your High School Youth (Grades 9-12) wants to participate in **Youth Faith Formation** and/or **Confirmation** for 2018-19, register with Elaine Ahles by calling **942-3403** or by emailing eahles22@aol.com.

Our Advent, Lent and Easter Faith Fests are not-to-be-missed events included in the High School Youth Faith Formation experience, too—please plan to attend.

The **PLAYERS ONLY!** Youth kick-off event, for high school youth and their parents or guardians, will be on **Saturday, September 15th**. We'll celebrate the Eucharist together at the 5 pm Mass, followed by a **Bring a dish to share** picnic dinner. After dinner we'll give everyone an overview of the year and information on Confirmation preparation. If you didn't receive an invitation in the mail, or if you have questions, please call **Elaine Ahles** at **942-3403** or email stgeorgeyouthcommunity@yahoo.com.



UPON THIS ROCK UPDATE

Disbursement of **Upon This Rock** funds to contributing parishes takes place *twice a year* on **January 31** and **July 31**.

St. George parish has just received the second payment of our portion of the proceeds of the UTR campaign; **\$83,597.64**, a much larger sum than we expected! We've since discovered the primary source of this incredible sum.

*We are beyond grateful to our benefactor, the late **Jerry Castiglia**, who gave his contribution to UTR with the assurance that a portion of the funds would be distributed to our parish. Kindly pray with grateful thanks to God for blessing us abundantly with Jerry, and for the gift of Jerry's graceful stewardship of our parish for many years.*

UTR funds are designated for accessibility and climate control improvements to the Church. We are grateful to each of you who have pledged and contributed to Upon This Rock.

A PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY



We know, Lord, that you yourself are a migrant. You experienced the trials of the refugee, having fled as a child with your parents, Joseph and Mary, to Egypt. We know your special love for those with no other possession but one another and you. Move our hearts, Lord, and the hearts of our leaders to love them as you do, to love them with your love, to be your love for migrants at the doorway of our country. Amen.

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

Your Sunday offerings, Maintenance offerings, and special appeal offering enable our Parish to keep the Good News of Jesus alive in our community. Last week's **Sunday** and **Holy Day** offerings totaled **\$2,164.38**. **Maintenance & Capital Improvement** offerings were **\$542.00**. *Thank you!*



Your offerings for the **RETIRED DIOCESAN PRIESTS' MEDICAL BENEFIT FUND** last weekend totaled **\$1,071.00**—thank you! If you missed it, you may still donate online at stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org/RDPMBF.

READINGS FOR August 19, 2018

Proverbs 9:1-6
Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Ephesians 5:15-20
John 6:51-58

PACK A BACKPACK donations need to be in by **August 26th, please!**

Bread of Life Outreach Center (BOLO) is collecting school supplies for children at Colden Elementary School and their clients! *See the event flyer at the end of this bulletin for a full list of needed supplies and drop-off locations.* For more information, call the Bread of Life Outreach Center at **941-3550**.

In today's Gospel Jesus says, *"I am the bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."* By receiving the Eucharist, we acknowledge that we are to be bread from heaven for others.

Through your gift to the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**, you enable our members to be bread from heaven for the hungry, the homeless and the struggling poor.



*The **Watch Box** remains at the back of the Church for your old watches, clocks, and rings.*

PRAYERS & FAREWELLS

Fr. Dan Lusch asks for your prayers for him, his family, and his late sister, **Barbara Ann Darcey**, who recently lost her battle with pancreatic cancer.

Let us also pray for comfort for

...**Nancy Tabaczynski** and her family, as they mourn the loss of her brother, **Mike 'Tank' Vogel**, and for

... **Bill Frick** and his family, as they mourn the passing of his sister, **Mary Lou Bitterman**.

Kindly keep them all close in your hearts and prayers.



Sister Margaret Donner, SSMN, has arrived safely at her new home in South Carolina! She welcomes you to stay in touch with her at her new address: 3100 Ashley Town Center Dr., Apt. 311, Charleston, SC 29414.
Email: mdonnerssmn@gmail.com. *Peace and blessings in your new home!*

Pack a Backpack Fundraiser

Sponsored by the Bread of Life Outreach Center
and the Rural Outreach Center



*Make a difference in the life
of a child!*
Please help us in providing school
supplies to children from Colden
Elementary School and BOLD's client
base by donating essential materials
needed.

Items that are needed are:

- Backpacks (New only please)
- Scissors
- 3 Ring Binders (all sizes)
- Dividers
- Mechanical Pencils
- Folders with Pockets
- Tape
- Boxes of Tissues
- Stapler, staples
- Spiral Notebooks
- Pencil Sharpeners
- Pencil Box/Pouch
- Loose leaf paper
- Erasers
- Crayons
- Pencils
- Pens
- Colored Pencils
- Markers
- Glue/Glue Sticks
- Composition Notebooks
- Dry Erase Markers

Please drop of any donations to the
Bread of Life Outreach Center
8745 Supervisor Ave.

Colden Elementary School
8263 Boston Colden Road

Colden Town Hall
8812 State Rd.

Please have all donations dropped
off by
August 26th

Thank you for your support!

For more information please call Bread of Life Outreach Center at 941-3550
or Carrie DePasquale at 474-2532



#teamJesus #withmywholeheart #neverquit

“All good athletes train hard just to win a Blue Ribbon or a Gold Medal, but we do it for a heavenly reward that will never disappear.” 1 Corinthians 9:25

Saturday, September 15th

An Event for High School Youth and Parents

Schedule

5:00 p.m. Mass – Celebrate the Eucharist Together

6:00 p.m. – “Bring a dish to share” Picnic Dinner
Hamburgers, Hotdogs and Beverages will be supplied

7:00-9:30 p.m. – Session for Youth and Parents
Includes an overview of the year and information on Confirmation preparation

9:30-10:00 p.m. – Bonfire

Everyone is encouraged to wear a Sports Jersey or T-Shirt

RSVP to Elaine at 942-3403 or
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