

# Welcome to St. George Church

## *A Parish with Spirit and Heart!*



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### **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven!* Our prayer when using these familiar words invites us to relinquish our narrow, individual perspective on reality. No matter our age, life experience or education, we are limited as individuals in our ability to comprehend things. One of the reasons religions have developed over the centuries is that we humans find our life full of unanswerable mysteries. Our ability to question, investigate, discover and solve some mysteries of life is a testimony to human ingenuity. We know, however, that there is always more to discover and we realize, if we are humble enough, that there are some things which are beyond human understanding.

This familiar phrase from the Lord's Prayer is one of our Christian ways to recognize spiritual reality. Whatever heaven is, it is a place of God's presence. Our understanding of God is as Trinity; the creative Love that initiates all things. This heaven, this place of God's presence, is described in limited human terms as a place of goodness, light and joy. We trust it is a place where oneness is experienced and time no longer exists. It is a place where the will of God is always done!

Our prayer asks that this will of God becomes the way of doing things on earth. We humans are gifted by God with our freedom of will. We can choose to yield our self-centeredness and allow God's will to be our guide. The example of Jesus and our faith in his Spirit filling our hearts and minds encourages us to persevere in belief and love of God.

Sister Lori

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 27	5 pm	Edwina Geiger, sister of Paula Callieri, by Barb Songin
Sunday, October 28	10 am	Daniel Sojka, by the Schneckenberger family
Monday, October 29	8 am	Josephine Tracy, by Ann & Neal Tara
Tuesday, October 30	8 am	Daniel Sojka, by Tony & Kathy Sojka
Wednesday, October 31	8 am	<b>Communion Service and Novena</b>
<b>Thursday, November 1</b>	<b>8 am</b>	<b>All Saints' Day: Mass in Church</b> Mary Jane Virginia on her birthday, by husband Tom
<b>Friday, November 2</b>	<b>8 am</b>	<b>All Souls' Day &amp; First Friday: Mass in the Chapel</b> Joseph & Eleanor Diggins & children, by the Estate
<b>Saturday, November 3</b>	<b>5 pm</b>	<b>Mass and Remembrance Service (Church)</b> For the Deceased, by the Bereavement Committee
Sunday, November 4	10 am	Cheri Henning, by Carolyn & Dennis Dee

**Our First Friday Mass will be on November 2nd (All Souls' Day)  
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.**

*Let us pray for...*

Doris Ellis, Don Murray, Joe Arcara, Stan Kociszewski,  
Jeanne McIntyre, Ann Marie Price, Bob Hardy, Linda  
Kraus, Gene Holden, and Rita Kowalik.

### OUR THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE HAS BEGUN!

Our K-8 Faith Formation classes are collecting non-perishable food items to be used for Thanksgiving gift baskets for those in need. Please place your **non-perishable food donations** in the "Thanksgiving" containers at church by **Saturday, November 10th**.



We suggest: stuffing, pie crust, roll or biscuit mixes; and canned vegetables, cranberry sauce, applesauce, gravy or pie fillings. Monetary gifts may be placed in the regular Sunday offering basket in an envelope clearly marked "Thanksgiving Baskets", or dropped off to the parish office **by November 10th**, please.

*Your generosity in this effort is always astounding—thank you!*



**ALL SAINTS' DAY IS THURSDAY, a Holy Day of celebration!**

Mass will be celebrated in the church at **8 am on Thursday, November 1st**.

## 6TH ANNUAL HAITI CLEAN WATER BENEFIT

**HAITI CLEAN WATER** Cash Raffle tickets are available to purchase before the Masses **this weekend**. Tickets are **\$5 each** or **3 for \$10**. **First prize is \$500, Second prize is \$250 and Third prize is \$100.**

*Raffle proceeds are used to purchase water purification systems for Haitian families.* For more information or to purchase tickets by mail, call **Donna Schwarzenholzer** at **713-3563**. The winning tickets will be drawn in the parish hall on **December 1st** after the **5 pm Mass**.



## SPECIAL YOUTH EVENT - *The Call: Sainthood is Now*



**Friday, November 9th** from **6:30-10 pm** at **Our Lady of Czestochowa**, 2160 Clinton St. in Buffalo. This is a **FREE** night of fun, faith and fellowship for youth in grades 7-12. ***If you want to attend, or if you need a ride, please contact Elaine Ahles at 942-3403.***

Parents are welcome to attend with their teens. We'll share games, music, witness, and we'll conclude the evening with Adoration or Mass. All you are asked to bring is an *open heart*, an *open mind*, and a bag or two of chips to share!

## CATHOLICS CARE. CATHOLICS VOTE. FORM YOUR CONSCIENCE.

*"We need to participate for the common good. Sometimes we hear: a good Catholic is not interested in politics. This is not true: good Catholics immerse themselves in politics by offering the best of themselves so that the leader can govern."* - **Pope Francis, 9/16/13.**

We are called to form our consciences through being open to truth, studying Scripture and Church teaching, examining facts and background information, and prayerful reflection.

***Please vote on Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 6th.***



## HEADING SOUTH SOON?

Be sure to let the parish office know before you leave, so that we can temporarily stop your offering envelopes or mailings. We'll miss you here! Safe travels and may you have a peaceful and warm winter, wherever you go!

## THANK YOU TO OUR PAINTING VOLUNTEERS!

*We are ever so grateful for these folks* who rolled up their sleeves and made short work of getting our church painted this week! **Tom & Alice Dziulko, Bob Wiczorek, Michael Scime, John Farrell, John Kraus and Bill Frick.** Our parish is incredibly blessed by you!



## Potluck Dinner



## POTLUCK DINNER & POUND AUCTION NOVEMBER 10TH!

Put the **unity** in **community** and come out for our Potluck Dinner & Pound Auction in the parish hall on **Saturday, November 10th** at **6 pm**. Bring a dish to pass and a wrapped gift that weighs about a pound. It can be something useful or not, and ***it's always a lot of fun!*** *The monies raised will support cancer research at Roswell Park.* Any questions, please call the parish office at 652-3153.

**YOUR OFFERINGS** enable our parish to keep the Good News of Jesus alive in our community. Last week's **Sunday** and **Holy Day** offerings were **\$2,468.00** this month. Currently, your offerings for **World Mission Sunday** total **\$753.00**.

Donate online anytime at [stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org](http://stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org).



**Welcome to our Faith Family!** We're thrilled to welcome **Robert & Corinna Fletcher** and their infant daughter **Dakota** into our St. George faith community! Dakota will receive the Sacrament of Baptism on **Sunday, November 11th** at the **10 am** Mass. *We pray that they find warmth, fellowship and happiness in our midst.*

### CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND

The **Catholic University of America** is the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, providing an education guided by Catholic intellectual tradition to 6,000 students every year. Every dollar given directly supports financial aid for students from dioceses across the country, including ours. If you wish to donate to this appeal, *place your offerings in an envelope marked "Catholic University" in the regular offering basket next weekend.* Donate online anytime at [stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org/cua](http://stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org/cua).

*In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus: "What do you want me to do for you?" And he answers, "Master, I want to see." Let us ask Jesus for the grace to see our brothers and sisters who are poor and lonely. This month, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring God's love and mercy to a family needing furniture, and to help a family with transportation needs. Your Poor Box donations allowed us to double our help to God's poor in the city. You never know the impact that you have on the lives of others. Thank you and God bless all.*

#### READINGS FOR November 3, 2018

Deuteronomy 6:2-6  
Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51  
Hebrews 7:23-28  
Mark 12:28B-34

#### CAN YOU HELP A FRIEND TO ATTEND MASS?

**Don Murray** is a member of our faith family who can no longer drive, so he really appreciates the favor of a ride to and from **5 pm Mass on Saturday**. *Might you be able to give Don a lift, whether it's once in a while or regularly?* If you can help our brother in need, please call the parish office at **652-3153**.

**CAN  
YOU  
HELP?**



...to everyone who supported our St. George Youth's **Fall BreakFEST** and **Theme Basket Auction** last Sunday. **Your support helped us raise \$1,318.00!** We are so grateful for **YOU**, the wonderful, generous people in our community who embody the spirit of giving and loving.

We'll keep you in our hearts and prayers at the **Diocesan Youth Convention in March**.

Remember to **turn your clocks back one hour NEXT SATURDAY** night, **November 3rd**, before bedtime!



The **November Parish Calendar** is available **online** and at all entrances of church. Download it or take a copy home with you today.

Join us  
for our **NEW!**

# Monthly Mingle Program

# Stress-Free Financial Life

Presented by Nancy Fortunato

Part One: November 8th  
Part Two: December 13th  
6:30-8:00pm



This will be a holistic approach to improving our quality of life through the management of money. The goal is to combine basic budgeting strategies with a look at behaviors such as impulse spending that really hit hard during the holidays. Let's look forward to a New Year without spending regrets. Part 1 November 8th and Part 2 December 13th at 6:30. A light meal will be served.

**RSVP by November 5th**

by calling 941-3550 or by emailing us at

[breadoflifeoutreach@gmail.com](mailto:breadoflifeoutreach@gmail.com)

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Celebrate!

# November

## Nov. 1 – All Saints

We honor all saints, named and not named. Only God knows all the names of the saints, so we here on earth take this feast day to recognize and ask all the saints to pray for us. Praying to our deceased relatives is a good way to remember All Saints Day. Today is also a holy day of obligation.

## Nov. 6 – Election Day

Talk as a family about the importance of understanding where candidates stand on the issues.

## Nov. 10 – Leo the Great

One of two popes called Great, Pope Leo I confronted Attila the Hun, convincing him not to attack Rome.

The other Great: Pope Gregory I.

## Nov. 11 – Veterans Day

Say thank you to any war veteran you know.

## Nov. 16 – Margaret of Scotland

Married to the king of Scotland, Margaret and her husband had eight children. At mealtimes, thank God for the gift of your family.

## Nov. 22 – Cecilia/Thanksgiving Day

In honor of the patroness of musicians, sing a song at today's Thanksgiving Day meal.

## Nov. 30 – Andrew the Apostle

Andrew was the older brother of Peter. Help a sibling in some small way today.



### Activity: Paper Thanksgiving Chain

Have your kids write what they are thankful for on strips of paper. Loop and link the strips together to make a paper chain. Use the chain as a centerpiece at your family's Thanksgiving dinner.

## Veterans Day Prayer

Dear Lord, today we take time to remember and give thanks for the many men and women who have served our country by working in the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard. We know that their jobs are not easy and require many sacrifices. Bless and keep the men and women and their families who have unselfishly served our country by committing themselves to the military. Amen.





# *Thanksgiving Service*

*Tuesday November 20th 7:00PM*

*Bread of Life Outreach Center  
8745 Supervisor Ave (at Heath Rd)*

**COME SHARE OUR THANKS TO GOD FOR ALL  
OUR BLESSINGS**

**Light refreshments will follow**

