

Welcome to St. George Church

A Parish with Spirit and Heart!



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November 18, 2018

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The center of our lives is Jesus. Theologians have described him as the center of the cosmos, the heart of our hearts, the Alpha and the Omega, the Word of God Incarnate. Jesus invites us to relationship with God as individuals and as community. It is notable that despite all the differences among us, God loves us each uniquely and entirely. God's infinite love allows God to be fully inclusive.

Sadly, our human mortality limits us in this regard. Our love is limited because we are limited in understanding, in imagination, in faith, in internal capacity to encompass the diversity of the world. And yet, God still loves us uniquely and entirely! In the face of this belief our best response is *gratitude*. For all that God allows us to love, to receive and to share, we give thanks to God. Out of this gratitude for God's blessings, we are called to a certain *humility*. Not one of us deserves or have earned the love of God. Upon receiving the gift of faith in this loving God, we move forward in life, bit by bit, to be more in love with God's creation; especially all who are made in the image and likeness of God.

Our Triune God images for us perfect community, something impossible for us while on this earthly journey. We are, however, not to give up trying to be better at loving one another. The gift of Jesus at each Eucharist unites us as brothers and sisters in Christ. For this nourishment and for all God's blessings, we give humble thanks to God and pray for God's help in opening our hearts in love for all.

Sister Lori

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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| Saturday, November 17 | 5 pm | Alissa Mari Cole, by Father Jim |
| Sunday, November 18 | 10 am | Betty Schmidle, by the family |
| Monday, November 19 | 8 am | For the Faithful Departed |
| Tuesday, November 20 | 8 am | Deceased Members of our Rosary Altar Society |
| Wednesday, November 21 | 8 am | Communion Service and Novena |
| Thursday, November 22 | 10 am | In thanksgiving for the best parents ever, John & Rose Mahoney, by Fran and family |
| Thanksgiving Day Mass | | |
| Friday, November 23 | 8 am | Daniel Sojka, by Tony & Kathy Sojka |
| Saturday, November 24 | 5 pm | Stanley Kowalik, by his wife Rita |
| Sunday, November 25 | 10 am | Wilbur & Lillian Schmidle, by the family |

Our next First Friday Mass will be on December 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.

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.



BE A CHRISTMAS ANGEL TO SOMEONE IN NEED

Christmas Giving Tags are now available in the Gathering Space. Please choose a gift tag (or two!) and purchase a gift to make it a brighter Christmas for families at the **Bread of Life Outreach Center, Gerard Place** and **Harvest House**. Kindly bring your gifts to the Gathering Space or the parish office by **December 8th**.

NOTE: The **tree-** and **stocking-shaped** gift tags require that the gift be **unwrapped** with the gift tag attached to it. Gifts with **Angel gift tags** should be **wrapped**, and attach the tag to the outside of the gift, please.



SHARE IN AN ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE at **Bread of Life Outreach Center** on **Tuesday, November 20th** beginning at **7 pm**.

This joyous celebration is open to all ages and all denominations, with music, prayer and light refreshments. Non-perishable food donations are welcome.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY FOR OUR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We thank all who are able and who are kind enough to contribute to this very worthy cause. If you've forgotten your donation this week, it's not too late. Simply place your donation in an envelope marked *St. Vincent de Paul* and place it in the offering basket *next week*, or **donate online** at stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org/SVdP.



May you enjoy your Thanksgiving all the more, knowing that you have personally helped other families enjoy a Thanksgiving dinner. **God bless all.**

Join us to give thanks and praise on Thanksgiving Day!

Mass will be celebrated at 10 am in Church.

Debbie D'Alessandro will be our pianist for this Mass. Singers are welcome!

Please call the office if you are able to sing at this Mass.



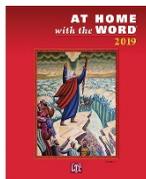
ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY'S MASS FOR ITS DECEASED MEMBERS

will be celebrated **Tuesday, November 20th at 8 am** in the chapel, with a **potluck breakfast to follow** in the parish hall.

P.S. If you haven't already done so, please bring along your donations for the December Bake, Craft and Gift Jar sale. Thank you!

A GREAT, BIG THANK YOU to all who contributed food or funds to the **K-8 Faith Formation & St. Vincent de Paul Society Thanksgiving Food Drive.**

Your generosity has enabled us to pack 12 Thanksgiving food boxes to be distributed to families in need by our St. Vincent de Paul Society before Thanksgiving. Our Faith Formation children did a great job of decorating the food boxes and creating cards to be delivered along with them.



LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION BOOKS FOR THE NEW CHURCH YEAR

Pick up your *free* copy of *At Home with the Word* in the Gathering Space.

Advent and a new Church Year are just around the corner!!

We ask you to sign for your book only as a way of measuring the number of Lifelong Faith Formation participants for statistical purposes.

SWADDLING BLANKET COLLECTION STARTS SOON

The Mother Theresa home for unwed mothers was very grateful for the 25 blankets we donated to it last year, so we will be collecting swaddling blankets again this year.

Beginning the First Sunday of Advent, December 1st, please place your swaddling blanket donations in the designated container in the Gathering Space.



Donate only if your budget allows—we understand how many worthy causes appeal for your contributions at this time of the year!



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 **\$3,022.00**, and your gifts for **Maintenance and Capital Improvements** now total **\$630.00**. *God bless your generous hearts!*

Donate online anytime at stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Your contributions toward last week's **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** totaled **\$232.00**. More at usccb.org/cchd/collection.

The Gospel predicts end times; our challenge though is to live faithfully now. When we live in conformity to the Word, hearing Jesus' words and living them out, the future holds no fear for us.



As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul poor box, know that you are hearing the words of Jesus and living them out.

A special thanks to the K-8 Faith Formation children & families for their generous donations of canned goods to the Thanksgiving efforts. We were able to deliver 12 beautifully decorated boxes of Thanksgiving supplies this past week. Thank you all.



BREAD OF LIFE OUTREACH CENTER is collecting NEW kid's hats, gloves, mittens and scarves—especially **MITTENS AND GLOVES!**

You can drop off your donations in the designated bin in the Gathering Space, or at **BOLO** or the **Colden Market**.

Help us keep the kids warm this winter!

READINGS FOR November 25, 2018

*The Solemnity of our Lord Jesus
Christ, King of the Universe*

Daniel 7:13-14
Psalm 93:1, 1-2, 5
Revelations 1:5-8
John 18:33B-37

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

Be especially watchful for slippery spots on the church walkways and in the parking lot. Despite our best efforts to plow and salt them, icy spots still do persist.



Father John Adams thanks you for your kind and loving Happy Birthday wishes and cards. He truly appreciates all of the warmth, support and caring he receives from our faith family!



THANK YOU to everyone who joined us for our parish **Potluck Supper and Pound Auction** last Saturday evening. We had a wonderful, fun time, and our crazy efforts to outbid each other for the gifts raised **\$435.00** for **Cancer Research at Roswell Park Cancer Institute**.

Also, thank you to our *Pillsbury Doughboy* and his buddies who made it even livelier! Be sure to check out all the fun photos from this fellowship and fundraising event on our parish's Facebook page at <http://ow.ly/wWF630mClms>.



ANNUAL ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS SALE

Saturday Dec. 8th, 4:30-6:30pm & Dec. 9th, 9:30-11:30am!

Stop by the Gathering Space to purchase delicious baked goods, **Gift Jars**, and handcrafts, which make *great last-minute gifts for friends, teachers, coworkers, etc.* Proceeds of the sale are used to purchase necessities for our worship spaces.

CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Join other men of faith **every Saturday morning** from **8-9:15am** in the parish hall to share some coffee, scripture, and fellowship.

Questions? Email **Paul** at kalinski@gmail.com or **Matt** at his.t.his.victory15@gmail.com.



**Sunday, December 2nd &
Saturday, December 8th
10:00am - 3:00pm**

**Bread of Life Outreach
8745 Supervisor Ave
Golden, NY 14033**



❄️ **Shop inside for a great selection of
local handcrafted unique gift items**

❄️ **Raffle Items, Book Sale, and Gabriel's
Closet Thrift store will be open**