

Welcome to St. George Church

A Parish with Spirit and Heart!



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March 3, 2019

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, *the Holy Family*, are depicted in various ways around our Church and Chapel. Each year on the Sunday following Christmas we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Their relationship is often described in glowing terms of love, support and protection. Since we are all part of some type of family, we know that they must have also experienced the trials of disappointment, frustration and misunderstanding.

What we know today as a “family” has evolved significantly since the days of Ozzie and Harriet or the Brady Bunch. The term, however, remains descriptive of a relationship bond that exists whether we embrace it or not. Estranged family members are no longer not our brothers, sisters or parents, they remain as family even if distant or non-communicative.

This relationship bond of family is acknowledged as a traditional way to describe our faith relationship with God and one another. God, our Father; Jesus, our brother; Mary, our Mother and/or sister are familiar references in our prayers. We, the faithful, are also called the adopted brothers and sisters of Jesus and therefore are, in faith, brothers and sisters to one another.

Many times in our faith family we are united, loving and supportive. As with any family dynamic, there are also times of mistrust, disagreement and hostility. At these times, it is especially important to hold fast to the belief that God has a plan. No matter how much we may stray from it, God is the leader of this family and God’s design will prevail.

Sister Lori

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 2	5 pm	Genevieve D. O'Connell, by the Estate
Sunday, March 3	10 am	Kathy Tullar, by the family
Monday, March 4	8 am	John & Joyce Ambrosoli, by the Estate
Tuesday, March 5	8 am	Thomas G. Cummiskey, by the Estate
Wednesday, March 6	8 am	Ash Wednesday Mass Bill Formhals, by Mary Ann Pietrzak
	7 pm	Communion Service with Ashes
Thursday, March 7	8 am	Communion Service
Friday, March 8	8 am	Richard Romanowski, by the Estate
Saturday, March 9	5 pm	Everett J. Coakley, by Sally Lennertz
Sunday, March 10	10 am	Donald Schmidle on the anniversary of his birthday, by the family

Our next First Friday Mass will be on April 5th 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 & Ellen Kociszewski, Jeanne McIntyre, Ann Marie Price, Linda Kraus, Gene Holden, Rita Kowalik, Elaine Ahles, John Nichter, Robert Brand, and Joseph Grover.

FAITH FEST IS SUNDAY!

Our **Faith Fest** is **Sunday, March 3rd** from **8:55-9:50 am**, to help prepare for the season of Lent. **Sister Lori** will teach and share insights about the two **Sacraments of Healing!** *Join us in the parish hall for fellowship and fun!*



BLACK AND NATIVE MISSIONS APPEAL NEXT WEEKEND

Your support of this appeal helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast.

Schools, parish faith formation programs, and diocesan ministries

depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

Visit blackandindianmission.org for more information. *Please place your specially marked offering envelopes in the regular offering basket next week, or donate online at stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org/BNAM.*

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES – Wednesday, March 6th

8 am MASS and 7 pm COMMUNION SERVICE

Lenten Guide: Fasting and abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday.
Abstinence from meat on all Fridays during Lent.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES—HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR FIND HOPE

The **2019 Appeal** in support of **Catholic Charities of Buffalo** and the Fund for the Faith has begun. Our parish campaign is now underway, led by returning Chairperson **Kathleen Lell**, who welcomes the challenge once again this year. Thank you, Kathy!

Volunteers are welcome! *Contact the parish office at 652-3153 if you can assist with the 2019 Catholic Charities Appeal effort for St. George parish.*

UPDATE ON MASS COVERAGE

We're grateful to report that **Father John** will be able to preside for our Masses on **Monday, March 4th at 8 am** and **Tuesday, March 5th at 8 am**. We are also very thankful to **Fr. Gene Ulrich** of Annunciation parish in Elma for offering to preside for our **10 am Mass on March 3rd!** This covers all scheduled masses until Fr. Jim's return on March 9th!

FINAL WEEKEND FOR OTC MEDICINE DONATIONS FOR HAITI

We need **pain relievers, antacids, vitamins, cold/cough medicines, eye/ear drops, antifungal/antibiotic/hydrocortisone creams** and any other *new and unopened* medicines. **Toothbrushes & paste** are also needed.

Please make your donations in the box in the back of the church this weekend, and the collected items will be sent to Haiti on the sea container in April. Thank you!



HOLY THURSDAY MASS & DINNER AT THE SEMINARY



We invite all parishioners to attend the **7 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper** on **Holy Thursday, April 18th** at **Christ the King Seminary**. (*No Mass at St. George Church.*)

The Seminary community will gather for supper at **5:45 pm in the Dining Hall**, and anyone wishing to do so may sign up to join them for this meal prior to the Mass. To defray the cost of the meal, a **\$14 donation is requested**, but not required.

We're taking reservations in our parish office until April 14th. This will allow us to give an accurate head count to the Seminary's food service folks as they prepare. After the Holy Thursday Mass at the Seminary, the Blessed Sacrament will be brought for reposition in our Memorare Chapel until **10 pm**.

DID YOU KNOW... the homily is recorded at Mass every weekend? Visit www.stgeorgercchurch.org/homilies to listen to the homily. It's also a great way for shut-ins to feel "connected"!





Your generosity enables us to support and expand our community outreach and lifelong faith formation efforts as we journey in faith together.

Sunday and Holy Day offerings last week were \$2,512.00. Thank you!

READINGS FOR

March 10, 2019

First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Psalms 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15

Romans 10:8-13

Luke 4:1-13

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
MARCH 9TH**

Catholic Women of Buffalo, Inc. invites all women to the 4th Annual Buffalo Catholic

Women's Conference, ***Nourished by Christ***

on **Saturday, March 9th** from **8 am – 12 pm** at St. Mary's High School in Lancaster, NY.

Conference Speakers are **Sonja Corbitt**, and **Rev. Dave Richards**. Tickets are \$20. Call **222-0622** for more information or to register.



FISH FRY TO RAISE FUNDS FOR HAITI MEDICAL CLINIC

at **Nativity of Our Lord Church** on **Friday, March 15th** from **4-6:30 pm**. (**Take-out only, prepared by Krolick's BBQ.**)

Purchase **\$12.00 Pre-sale tickets** in the Gathering Space this weekend, or call Donna at 713-3563. Tickets are **\$13 at the door** on March 15th.



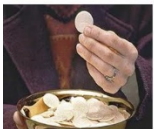
DIOCESAN YOUTH CONVENTION THIS WEEKEND!

*Please keep our Youth and their leaders close to your heart and in your prayers this weekend, as they explore what it means to be connected to God and the ways he can help us **POWER UP** for our mission as disciples in the world!*

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY In the Gospel today, Jesus uses images in speaking to his disciples: *"Can a blind man act as guide to a blind man?...Why look at the speck in your brother's eye when you miss the plank in your own?...A good tree does not produce decayed fruit..."* **It is true that donations come to the Society because a good person produces goodness from the good in their heart. Thank you and God bless all.**



BECOME A MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION



Free training sessions are scheduled at **Christ the King Seminary** in East Aurora on these **Saturdays: March 9, April 6, and May 5** from **9:30 am - 2 pm**. Speak with Sister Lori or call the parish office at 652-3153 if you would like to serve in this role.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES for parishes in our area will be offered on **Monday, April 15th** at **3 pm & 7 pm** at **Annunciation Church** in Elma.



St. George Parish + Lent 2019

Wednesday, March 6th – 8:00am Mass in Church

Ash Wednesday

7:00pm Communion Service in Church

**Friday, March 8th – 8:00am Mass followed by Stations of the Cross led
by Rosary Altar Society – Chapel**

**Friday, March 15th – 6:00pm – Soup and Bread Supper – Hall
7:00pm – Shadow Stations of the Cross – Church**

Friday, March 22nd – 7:00pm Stations led by Parish Council - Church

Friday, March 29th – Stations time/place : TBA – watch bulletin for info.

**Friday, April 5th – 8:00am First Friday Mass followed by adoration
7:00pm Children’s Stations in the Church**

**Friday, April 12th – 7:00pm Stations of the Cross led by the St. Vincent
dePaul Society - Chapel**

Sat. April 13/14 – Masses of Passion/Palm Sunday –Church (5pm/10am)

**Holy Thursday, April 18th – No Mass at St. George Church –
All are invited to join in the Mass of the Lord’s Supper
at Christ the King Seminary Chapel – 7:00pm.
Following the celebration, the Blessed Sacrament will be
brought for reposition in our Memorare Chapel until 10pm.**

Good Friday, April 19th – 3:00pm – The Passion of the Lord – Church

Holy Saturday, April 20th – 8:30pm – The Easter Vigil Mass - Church

Easter Sunday, April 21st – Mass at 10am - Church

4th Annual
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

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MARCH 9, 2019

2019 SPEAKER



Sonja Corbitt

**BRING
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BIBLE**

2019 SPEAKER



Fr. Dave Richards

7:30AM Registration and Continental Breakfast | **\$20 Tickets** / Limited seating!
New Location! St. Mary's High School / 142 Laverack Ave, Lancaster, NY 14086
Register on CatholicWomenofBuffalo.org / 716.222.0622 / mail-in to **PO Box 89,**
Niagara Falls, NY 14304 | *Conference ends at 12pm / Lunch will not be served*

*Please bring a non-perishable food item to be donated to
The Mother Teresa House food pantry.*

