Welcome to St. George Church A Parish with Spirit and Heart!

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Week of July 2, 2017

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our nation's birthday is this week. As so many of our patriotic hymns mention, we are a nation truly blessed by God. Having had the opportunity to travel abroad several times, I can confidently state that we enjoy many comforts and freedoms not available in other places. May our celebrations this week remind us not only of our blessings, but also of our responsibility to promote justice and the common good.

As followers of Jesus, we are missioned to spread the Good News to every corner of the world. This is not just the duty of the Saints of old—the heroes and heroines of our faith. The Good News of God's saving love needs to be spread as much now as ever. From the earliest times, our Church has struggled to be inclusive; to be *catholic* in the *universal* sense. With the divisions experienced today in our homes, cities, country and world, we followers of Jesus have a responsibility to act. It is not enough for us to simply hold ourselves and our band of friends and family together. We must learn from Jesus to challenge injustice and exclusion. It is never an easy task and it seldom produces immediate results.

The establishment of God's reign, thy Kingdom come, is our prayer and our hope. As the Body of Christ on earth, we are the ones missioned at this time and in this place to build up this Kingdom of Love, Justice and Peace. From Jewish wisdom literature comes the reminder that, while we are not obligated to finish the task, we are also not free to quit the task. May we continue to advocate that God's will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 1	5 pm	Margaret Stellrecht, by Tom & Alice Dziulko
Sunday, July 2	8:30 am	Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day
	11 am	Mary Lou Rogalski, by Sr. Alisette Skotnicki, CSSF
Monday, July 3	8 am	Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day
Tuesday, July 4	8 am	Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day
Wednesday, July 5	8 am	Communion Service and Novena
Thursday, July 6	8 am	Communion Service
Thursday, July 6 Friday, July 7	8 am 8 am	Communion Service Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day
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Friday, July 7	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	

Our First Friday Mass is July 7th at 8:00 am in the Chapel.

Confession: Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm

Join us in praying the Rosary Saturdays at 4:30 pm



Doris Ellis, Don Murray, Barb Songin, Sally Denesha, Jeanne McIntyre, Joe Arcara, Diane Marts and Arnie O'Connor.

GUEST PRESIDER NEXT WEEKEND Rev. John W. Adams will celebrate all Masses for us next weekend, July 8-9, giving Fr. Jim a weekend off. Since his ordination in June 2014, Fr. John has served as the Parochial Vicar and School Liaison for SS Peter & Paul Church in Hamburg. More recently, Fr. John served as the temporary Pastoral Administrator of St. Maximillian Kolbe Parish in Corfu, and in June was appointed Associate Director of Priestly Formation and

Associate Professor in Pastoral Theology at Christ the King Seminary. Welcome!



PARENTING PERSPECTIVE If you watch or listen to the news, it can seem that terror is everywhere. Our children are not immune to this fear. Talk with your children about their fears. Listening, and discussing solutions can help you both move toward the goal of "*Do not be afraid*" (Mt. 10:31).

ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND are to honor the family of Glen & Cindy Weeks, donated by Glen & Cindy. Thank you for beautifying our worship space!

All weekends are now spoken for - Thank you!

CHICKEN BBQ DINNER TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!

(It's only 2 weeks away!)



Sunday, July 16th Noon 'til 4 pm or until sold out.

Buy them in the Gathering Space this weekend or online. It's only \$10.00 for a delicious Krolick's ½ chicken, salt potatoes, salad, roll, dessert and a beverage. Dinner tickets make great gifts, too! Tickets also sold at the door and take-outs available.

We really need volunteers to bake desserts, setup, serve, and clean up—sign up sheets are at the back of church—please help you're able to!

We still need THEME BASKETS! Please bring them in as soon as you can.
Your creativity and generosity always make our Theme Basket Auction a huge success!
Remember to get your Raffle ticket stubs & money in by Monday, July 3rd—the 2nd early bird prize winner will be drawn Thursday, July 6th!



PLEASE PRAY FOR Matt and Maggie Boyle, as they journey to Cuzco, Peru to work with the Missionary Servants of the Poor of the Third World, caring for orphans!

SUMMER DINNER LECTURES AT CKS—*Everyone welcome!* Christ the King Seminary will host the third of four summer dinner lectures on Wednesday, July 19th. You're invited to *Spirituality of Aging*, presented by Madalene Stafford, MS. The fourth dinner lecture will be on July 26th, with Fr. Joe Gatto presenting *Thomas Merton, Contemplative Prayer & the Contemporary World.*

Dinner is at **5:45 pm**; lectures are **6:45-8:30 pm** in the Seminary's main dining room, 711 Knox Road, East Aurora. Dinner plus lecture: **\$35 per person**. Lecture only, with coffee and dessert: **\$25 per person**. To register, please call **Gayle Mann** at **805-1438**.

ANNUNCIATION SCHOOL, formerly on Buffalo's West Side, currently holds an **annual reunion** each autumn for those who attended the elementary school, the high school or both. The reunion is *by reservation only*, so at this time, we are seeking to locate former students and faculty. Please provide your contact information to **Sister Corinne Yarborough**, at corinne49@juno.com or call **939-2318**. *Thanks very much!*

Happily, the **Diocesan Capital Campaign**, **UPON THIS ROCK**, is announcing that it has **achieved its goal of \$100 million** pledged over the next 5 years! *Thank you for your patience and understanding during this Diocesan initiative*. You may still receive a final mailing from the campaign—unfortunately, we have no control over the campaign mailings.



The Parish Office will be closed for the Independence Day holiday Tuesday, July 4th, as well as our usual day off, Wednesday, July 5th.

Have a safe and wonderful holiday, everyone, and may God bless our Nation!

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 Good News of Jesus alive in our community. **Sunday and Holy Day Offerings** last week totaled **\$2,972.87**. Thank you!



Give online with WeShare. Visit stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org today.



The Altar Server, Eucharistic Minister and Lector Schedule for July and August is now available in the sacristy and online. Please pick up or download your copy today!

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us: "Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple—Amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."



This week, know that you will bring hope to the poor by your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you and God bless all.

Join us for the Rosary in our beautiful Chapel on Mondays at 7 pm. Have your children ever participated in the Rosary in the Chapel? Summer is a great time to begin a lifelong devotion to our Blessed Mother.

PACK A BACKPACK Bread of Life Outreach Center has partnered with the Colden



Elementary School (CES) PTA to provide fully supplied backpacks to children in need for the upcoming school year. There are approximately 45 kids at CES who qualify to receive a backpack, in addition to the children of qualified clients of BOLO. See the bulletin board in the Gathering Space for a flyer that details the program, supplies needed, donation sites and deadlines. Please make your donations *before August 8th*, so that the packs can be distributed August 12th. *Thank you!*

To my St. George Parish Family,

I am so grateful to you for the many ways you so kindly congratulated me on the occasion of the Birthday celebration you held for me June 18th. Thank you all, from the bottom of my heart, for your love. I feel so privileged to serve your spiritual needs as a priest. I grow in my love for you with every passing day. I pray daily for all of you and ask only that you continue to pray for me that I may serve you faithfully for as long as God designs. Gratefully, with love,





ST. GEORGE PARISH

CHICKEN DINNER &THEME BASKET AUCTION

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2017

12 NOON TO 4 PM OR UNTIL SOLD OUT

KROLICK'S BBQ CHICKEN Presale Dinners Pick-up By 3 pm

INCLUDES: Half chicken, salt potatoes, chef salad, roll, butter, beverage and dessert (\$10.00 per dinner)

Take Out Available
CASH RAFFLE: 1st Prize \$250, 2nd Prize \$150, 3rd Prize \$100
& 4th & 5th Prizes \$50 each

Come early - Theme Basket Drawings begin at 3 pm sharp!

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"Pack a Backpack" Fundraiser

Sponsored by the Bread of Life Outreach Center & the Colden Elementary PTA



Make a difference in the life of a child!

Please help by donating essential materials needed for educational success. All donations will stay in the area by benefitting students from Colden Elementary and BOLO's client base.

Items that every student needs to help him / her be successful in school.

- Backpack New
- Scissors
- School Binders All sizes
- Dividers
- Mechanical Pencils
- Folders with pockets
- Tape
- A box of tissue
- Stapler, staples
- Spiral notebooks

- Pencil sharpeners
- Pencil box / pouch
- 3 ring paper
- Erasers
- Crayons
- Pencils
- Pens
- Colored Pencils
- Markers
- Glue

Bring your donations to the Bread of Life Outreach Center 8745 Supervisor Ave. or Colden Elementary 8263 Boston Colden Road

Please have all donations in by August 8th – Thank you!

For more information call the Outreach Center at 941-3550 or Colden Elementary at 941-5218