

# Welcome to St. George Church

## *A Parish with Spirit and Heart!*



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Week of July 23, 2017

## Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thanks to the wonders of technology, I am able to compose these thoughts this week while on retreat in Rhinebeck, NY and send them to our parish secretary via e-mail. While I sorely missed attending the Chicken BBQ last weekend, this annual eight day retreat opportunity is an important pause in the hubbub of life for me. It never seems to be a convenient or ideal time to step away from daily duties, but I do recommend that periodic *time outs* be taken by anyone who is able to do so! The down time we choose to give ourselves is often the very time God floods into our hearts and speaks to us most clearly.

Even the brief *time out* that we take to attend a weekend Mass can renew and refresh our souls. The Hebrew commandment to “*Keep holy the Sabbath*” seems a wise bit of counsel. For Christians, the Lord's Day of Resurrection is a day set apart; meant to be experienced differently than the other days of the week.

Hopefully you have certain Sunday events that regularly mark this day as special. Some have brunch with family, others take a country ride; when I was young, we went each Sunday evening to watch the TV show *Lassie* with my Grandma High. If you do not have a special way to set the Lord's Day apart from other days, why not invent something? Read for a peaceful hour; take a walk or call/visit someone you love. And, as always, the weekly commitment to worship the Lord in a parish community at Mass is the fundamental renewing and life-giving way to “*Keep holy the Sabbath.*”

Sister Lori

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 22	5 pm	Special Intention, by Anonymous
Sunday, July 23	8:30 am	Special Intention, by Anonymous
	11 am	<b>Most Rev. Bishop Edward V. Head,</b> by Glen & Cindy Weeks
Monday, July 24	8 am	Father Harold Huber, by the St. Vincent de Paul Society
	<b>10 am</b>	<b>Memorial Mass for Helene Mertz-Dzikoski,</b> Mother of Jane McKale
Tuesday, July 25	8 am	Robert Krajnik, by Audrey Krajnik
Wednesday, July 26	8 am	<b>Communion Service and Novena</b>
Thursday, July 27	8 am	<b>Communion Service</b>
Friday, July 28	8 am	Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day
Saturday, July 29	5 pm	Francis E. Head, by Glen & Cindy Weeks
Sunday, July 30	8:30 am	Souls to be remembered from All Souls' Day
	<b>11 am</b>	<b>Baptism of Alexander Michael Wahl</b> The living and deceased members of the Hauser & Danheiser families, by Joseph Hauser

**Our next First Friday Mass will be August 4th at 8:00 am in the Chapel.  
Confession: Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm in the Church.  
Join us in praying the Rosary on Saturdays at 4:30 pm in the Church.**

*Let us  
pray for...*

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND** are to honor **Jerry Castiglia on his Birthday.** Enjoy a wonderful and very happy birthday, Jerry, and thank you to Barbara and Jerry for beautifying our worship space!

*Happy Birthday*



**PARENTING PERSPECTIVE** "...all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now." (Romans 8:22) Indeed, we know that the natural world speaks to us of God's being and creative spirit. Choose one way to join with your child to respect creation this week - *Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.*

**LECTORS ARE NEEDED** Reading from the Word of God is central to the Mass and effectively communicates God's grace and love to everyone in the church. *Lectors are especially needed at the 11 am Mass on Sunday mornings.* If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please contact Tricia at [mrbofing@roadrunner.com](mailto:mrbofing@roadrunner.com) or call the office at **652-3153.**



## A HUGE THANK YOU!

To all of you who contributed in *so many ways* to our **Chicken BBQ, Cash Raffle, and Theme Basket Auction** last Sunday! **This event would not be possible without the helping hands of so many willing volunteers!** It would not be **successful** without the support of everyone who bought/sold raffle tickets, dinner tickets and theme basket auction tickets!

**Our net proceeds were \$4,215.02!**

**(BBQ Dinner: \$1092.10 Basket Auction: \$1842.42 Cash Raffle: \$1280.50)**

**CASH RAFFLE WINNERS WERE:** Bernie & Ginger Lewis, \$250.00; Brian Smith, \$150.00; Sandy Bowersox, \$50; and Marta Hiczewski, \$50.00. The anonymous winner of the \$100.00 3rd prize donated it back to St. George – *Thank you!*

Our **BBQ Chairpersons, Alice and Tom Dziulko**, are *stepping down from their leadership role* this year, and they extend their thanks to everyone who has helped out with the BBQ and Auction, both this year and in past years. *Please consider stepping into the role of BBQ Chairperson for 2018*, and they will guide you in all of the preparations.

*We sincerely thank Tom and Alice for their selfless dedication to making the BBQ and Auction a successful and profitable event every year!*

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## A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR BUSINESS SPONSORS:

*Bob-O-Link Golf Club  
The Aurora Theater  
The Dog Bar  
Salvatore's Italian Gardens  
Waste Management  
Colden Market & Café  
Pizza del Aureo's  
H. G. Miller Farm  
Henry's Garden Center  
Bob's Deli*

*If you brought in a donation from a business and would like the parish to send a thank you letter to the donating business, please call or email the office. Thank you!*

**THE FOOD BANK OF WNY MOBILE PANTRY TRUCK** is coming to the **Bread of Life Outreach Center** on **Thursday, July 27th**, from **3-5 pm**. The truck brings perishable foods to be distributed to ANYONE in the community. Please bring boxes, bags or wagons to carry the goods. *You must have picture ID. You don't have to be a member of the food pantry to participate.* The items available vary—produce, meats, dairy, etc.—and whatever the truck brings will be distributed.



## ***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 **\$2,656.00**.



Your offerings for **Peter's Pence** totaled **\$356.00**. *Thank you! If you missed giving last weekend, you may place your designated offering envelope or any plain envelope clearly marked "Peter's Pence" in the regular offertory this weekend, or visit [stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org/PP2017](http://stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org/PP2017).* We're so grateful for your generosity.



**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** Hearing this Gospel, we can trust that God knows our love and good deeds, and that he will mercifully gather us into his kingdom. ***This week, please say a special prayer each day for the poor and forgotten in our parish. God bless all.***

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is looking for a few women or men interested in serving those in need in an unheralded way. If interested in obtaining more information, please contact the Parish Office at **652-3153**. Thank you.



*Join us for the Rosary in our beautiful Chapel on Mondays at 7 pm.*



**BREAD OF LIFE OUTREACH CENTER** is in need of cold cereals for its Food Pantry. BOLO currently serves more than 80 families through the food pantry, and ***your generous support is always very much appreciated!***

**Food Pantry:** Thurs. 3–6 pm, Sat. 10 am–1pm.

**Gabriel's Closet:** Tues. & Wed. 10 am–2 pm, Thurs. 3–8 pm, Sat. 10 am–1 pm.

## **ARE YOU CELEBRATING 50, 60 OR 70 YEARS OF MARRIAGE IN 2017?**

The Diocese of Buffalo wants to honor you with a special Diocesan ceremony, scheduled for **Sunday, October 16th at 3 pm at St. Joseph's Cathedral**, followed by a reception at the **Adam's Mark Hotel**. Family members are encouraged and most welcome to attend, but seating is limited, so please call the office at **652-3153** or email [stgeorge.wf@gmail.com](mailto:stgeorge.wf@gmail.com), so we can register you as soon as possible. Even if you're unable to attend the ceremony, you will still be honored with a certificate signed by Bishop Malone. Sponsored by the **Office of Family Life Ministries**.



**Did you know** that 'likes' and 'follows' of our parish website and Social Media pages improve our faith community's reputation both locally and with major search engines? You help us to reach others with the Good News of God's love by being both **a disciple and a follower**—'like' us on **Facebook** and 'follow' us on **Twitter** and **Google+**. *Thanks!*

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/StGeorgeWestFalls>

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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 8<sup>th</sup> – Thank you!**

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