

Welcome to St. George Church

A Parish with Spirit and Heart!



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Week of March 4, 2018

Third Sunday in Lent

Often we hear that Christians are a pilgrim people. A pilgrimage is a particular type of journey. The goal is known and a choice is made to embark toward the desired endpoint. The goal of our Christian pilgrimage is to be united with God for eternity. While each of us journeys along our individual paths, the reality that millions converge seeking this same goal creates the community of faith. Traditions may vary but believers in Jesus as Savior all journey toward union with Him forever.

Our life's pilgrimage, as with any journey, requires movement in both time and space. We likely will get lost, or at least take a wrong turn, a few times along the way. The companionship and advice of others on the journey can be a great comfort along the way. Our sense of self and our sense of others will be informed by the challenges we meet and the accomplishments we attain.

Our pilgrimage entwines the past, the present and the future. We trust that the experience of God through generations of believers has brought us to this moment of faith. We have confidence in God's merciful love that our present time is blessed with possibilities for holiness so that earth and heaven may become one united in Christ. These Lenten days of repentance are but one small leg of our pilgrimage toward heaven. May we walk confidently onward.

Sister Lori

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 3	5 pm	Deceased members of the Donato Morgante family, by Frank & Louise Dolce
Sunday, March 4	8:30 am	Joseph & Eleanor Diggins & children, by the Estate
	11 am	Kathy Tullar, by her family
Monday, March 5	8 am	For the Faithful Departed
Tuesday, March 6	8 am	For the Faithful Departed
Wednesday, March 7	8 am	Communion Service and Novena
Thursday, March 8	8 am	Communion Service
Friday, March 9	8 am	For the Faithful Departed
Saturday, March 10	5 pm	Joan Kazmierczak, by Ray Perreault
Sunday, March 11	8:30 am	Joseph & Eleanor Diggins & children, by the Estate
	11 am	For the Faithful Departed

Our next First Friday Mass will be on April 6th at 8:00 am in the Chapel.

Confession: Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:30 pm in the Church.

LET US PRAY FOR... Doris Ellis, Don Murray, Sally Denesha, Joe Arcara, Daniel Sojka, Stan Kociszewski, Jeanne McIntyre, Rita Kowalik, Pat Whittington and Sally Tanner.



YOUTH CONVENTION THIS WEEKEND!

*Please keep our Youth and their leaders close to your heart and in your prayers this weekend, as they explore the **True Story** of Jesus, and what it means in our world of alternative facts and fake news! Maybe truth isn't just some **thing**, but **someone**!*



CAN YOU HELP? TRANSPORT NEEDED FOR DON MURRAY Don is a disabled parishioner who can no longer drive, so he needs some help getting to and from Saturday Mass at St. George each week. The two ladies who normally drive him to/from Mass have some upcoming conflicts with travel and other commitments, so we're asking for your help in finding volunteers who might be willing to help get Don to/from Mass. Don lives next door to the **Colden Country Kitchen**, and he needs a ride in *a vehicle that doesn't require him to climb up in order to get in*. If you and your vehicle might meet Don's needs, would you kindly call the parish office at 652-3153? Thanks for considering this help for our brother in need.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICES

On **Monday, March 26th**, Penance Services will be offered at **3 pm** and **7 pm** at **Immaculate Conception Church** in East Aurora.



Haven't been to Confession in a while? Put your mind and heart at ease before you go, with the help of this **Confession tip sheet**: goo.gl/osyYFK.



Help us deliver important parish news directly to your phone or tablet, free! Text @stg002 to 81010, or visit rmd.at/stg002.

2018 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL UNDERWAY!



We have begun this year's Appeal with an incredible first weekend of Lent! As of **March 1st**, our parish has already contributed **\$40,202.00** to Catholic Charities!

If you didn't already receive your personalized **2018 Appeal Pledge Card** in the mail, cards will be available in the Gathering Space at all Masses throughout Lent. Donate online at ccwny.org/donation "**Love your neighbor.**" Gal. 5:14

THIS IS THE *FINAL WEEKEND* TO DONATE OTC MEDICINES FOR HAITI

We need **tylenol, ibuprofen, antacids, vitamins, cold and cough medicines, eye and ear drops, antifungal creams, antibiotic creams, hydrocortisone cream** and any other **new and unopened medicines. Toothbrushes and toothpaste** are also needed.

Please place 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 all for your donations; the people of our twin parish greatly appreciate your generosity.*

STATIONS OF THE CROSS on **Friday, March 9th** will be in the church at **7 pm**. Our **Parish Council members** will lead us in the Stations.

On **Friday, March 16th** come and enjoy a **Soup & Bread supper** in the parish hall, hosted by our **St. George Youth**. After supper, our Youth will present the **Shadow Stations of the Cross** at **7 pm** in church.

Don't miss this crowd favorite!



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Our next **Parish Faith Fest** will be on **Sunday, March 18th** from **9:40-10:50am**. Join us in preparing for Easter, and Sister Lori will enlighten us with her teachings about Holy Week. **Be sure to save the date for this one!!**

BREAD OF LIFE OUTREACH CENTER hosts **SEATS FOR EATS: A CHAIR-ITY EVENT!** **Tuesday, April 24th** from **6-9 pm** at the Colden Fire Hall. There will be restaurant, winery and brewery **tastings**, a silent auction of **artisan-crafted chairs** and lots more! **Tickets are \$25** and they're now available at **BOLO, the Colden Market and Café** or by calling **462-2930**. Proceeds support the Center.



Acknowledging wrongs committed by Church personnel is painful. However, as we have heard throughout this past week, the Church of Buffalo has its own experience with clergy sexual abuse. To anyone affected by the pain caused by such abuse, I apologize.

Integrity, trustworthiness, honesty and respect for each life should be hallmarks of Christian leadership. Healing is a long and difficult process. May we be united in prayer for all who suffer as a result of the selfish and hurtful behaviors of trusted Church leaders.

~Sister Lori



YOU HELP US FULFILL OUR MISSION OF MERCY

We are so grateful for you, our St. George parish family, and for the gifts which you share with us. 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 **\$1,802.00**.

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

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, March 29th** at **Christ the King Seminary**. (No Mass at St. George Church.) The Seminary community will gather for supper at **5:15 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 \$13 donation is requested, but not required.

Be sure to reserve your dinner by March 18th! Call the Parish Office, email stgeorge.wf@gmail.com, or sign-up in the Gathering Space after Mass. Reserve online at stgeorgercchurch.weshareonline.org/HolyThursdayDinner.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL In today's Gospel Jesus is asked "What sign can you show us?" Every day we can see signs of how God has visited us in the blessings of our lives. Let us be a sign of God's love by being a blessing to others.

Do you know of a family who needs assistance? Please notify the Parish Office, so that together we can be a sign of God's love to the suffering and poor. *God bless all.*

Join us in Praying the Rosary in the Memorare Chapel Monday evenings at 7 pm.

READINGS FOR March 11, 2018

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23 (32B)
Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6
Ephesians 2:4-10
John 3:14-21

CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Join other men of faith **every Saturday morning from 8:30-9:30 am** in the Parish Hall kitchen to share some coffee, scripture, and fellowship. *Questions?* Email **Paul: kalinskip@gmail.com** or **Matt: his.t.his.victory15@gmail.com**.

BREAD OF LIFE OUTREACH EXPANSION

Thanks to a generous donation, BOLO is now the proud owner of the site of the former **Colden Country Store**. They plan to open a new retail shop during 2018. We are extremely excited to see BOLO grow and offer new ways to connect with the community in support of our mission—to feed and clothe those in need.





Daylight Saving Time begins **March 11th!** Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour next Saturday night (March 10th).

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND NEWS

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend



WEEKLY GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

For more information, meeting schedule and location, call Immaculate Conception Parish at 652-6400 or Christine Peters at 655-5108

GriefShare

Session Schedule – March 2018 to August 2018

Session 1	March 19
Session 2	April 2 (day after Easter)
Session 3	April 16
Session 4	April 30
Session 5	May 14
Session 6	June 4 (5/28 is Memorial Day)
Session 7	June 18
Session 8	July 2
Session 9	July 16
Session 10	July 30
Session 11	August 13
Session 12/13	August 27



"Just as Jesus was anointed priest, prophet, and king, so may you live always as a member of his body sharing everlasting life."

The challenge and invitation to live a life of intentional discipleship is found in our Baptism. Join us as we break open and explore what it means to live our baptismal call to be priest, prophet and king today.

You are a Priest

Sanctifying Your Life and the Life of Others

You are a Prophet

God's Spokesperson All the Time

You are a King

Servant-Leader Just Like Jesus

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

7:00 – 8:30 pm

Saint Joseph's Church 46 North Main Street Holland

Our guide for the evening ... Deacon Greg Feary