

**Sunday, August 19, 2007**

7:00 a.m. Norma DeClue
 9:00 a.m. Special Intention
 11:00 a.m. Marcella Haessig

Monday, August 20, 2007

6:00 a.m. Margaret Anthony
 8:00 a.m. Margaret Rolfes

Tuesday, August 21, 2007

6:00 a.m. Communion Service
 8:00 a.m. Joey Birsinger

Wednesday, August 22, 2007

6:00 a.m. Virginia Reardon
 8:00 a.m. Richard Hook

Thursday, August 23, 2007

6:00 a.m. Communion Service
 8:00 a.m. Stella Frey

Friday, August 24, 2007

6:00 a.m. Communion Service
 8:00 a.m. Purgatorial Society

Saturday, August 25, 2007

8:00 a.m. William (dec) & Theresa (liv) Kuturovac
 4:00 p.m. Robert Breuhan

Sunday, August 26, 2007

7:00 a.m. Special Intention
 9:00 a.m. Our Parish Family
 11:00 a.m. Mary & Lloyd Lewis



SATURDAY & SUNDAY
August 25 & 26, 2007

Saturday, August 25

4:00 p.m.

SERVERS: Becky Warren & Meagan Barbeau
LECTOR: J. Arbutti

Sunday, August 26

7:00 a.m.

SERVERS: Adult Servers
LECTOR: S. Crafton

9:00 a.m.

SERVERS: Max Herrin & Tim Gruendler
LECTOR: J. Kistner

11:00 a.m.

SERVERS: Keith Biskup & Michael Vullo
LECTOR: K. Hasenfratz

PARISH COUNCIL MISSION STATEMENT

We will promote an environment where everyone is welcome and has an opportunity to develop a stronger relationship with God and each other through prayer and Christian dialogue. We seek to unite the parish of St. George as a family of God that will live and teach His word and reflect our Catholic Christian beliefs to the community around us.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 19, 2007**FIRE AND SWORD**

The soldiers of the Roman Empire couldn't understand this new group of people who followed Jesus Christ. These men and women knew they would be persecuted, even to death, for their worship. Yet every Sunday they gathered together in large groups, seemingly waiting to be captured. They just made it too easy.

Tradition has it that once one of these baffled soldiers asked a Christian, whom they were arresting, "Why would you all gather together always at the same time, when you know we will find you."

The Christian, *already blazing*, simply answered him, "We cannot live without Sunday."

It seems these Christians could not imagine themselves to be anything else and were undaunted in the face of conflict, whether with the Romans or their own families. When the father of the young martyr Perpetua desperately tried to persuade his daughter to save her life, she asked him to consider a vase. "Can it be anything else than what it really is?" When he said no, Perpetua replied, "So I also cannot be called anything else than what I am, a Christian."

In Christ's words today, we are reminded that division can be part of following his call and identifying with him. What would these early Christians have been if they had shied away from the conflict and sacrifice their faith required?

-Sean Reynolds and Joel Schom
 Prepare the Word (@2007) - www.PrepareTheWord.com

PROPHETS & PROPHECY

Biblical prophets and prophecy have long been misunderstood. Many people think of them as fortune-tellers, or those who foretold the future.

Prophets and prophecy in the scriptures were more the voice of reason in the midst of upheaval and uncertainty of life. The prophets were those who *remembered*. They remembered the covenant that Yahweh made with their people, and they remembered the promises God made to them through the covenant. The prophets were the ones who would *remind* the people of the covenant when kings made decisions contrary to the spirit of God's covenant, or when the people forgot the wondrous promises that God made through the covenant.

In reminding the leaders and people of the covenant, the prophets would point to the future and to things that would come, *if* they continue in their current ways of living or governing outside the covenant. The futures they saw were the results of present decisions and actions. These futures were what would happen *if* the people would not remember the covenant.

Because the message of the prophet was, in fact, criticism of the people and the leaders, it was often met with adversity and opposition.

The work of the prophet, as we know, is dangerous work. For the words of the prophet call us to examine our own lives and ask ourselves: will we remember the covenant and change, or will we, instead, denounce the prophet and ignore his vision?

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ANNUAL MISSION APPEAL

Since its official recognition by the Church in 1836, the Society of Mary (Marist Fathers and Brothers) has committed itself to the missions in the south western Pacific. Since that time, the Marists have expanded into areas in Africa, Asia and South America. Today there are nearly 300 priests and brothers working in "bush stations", teaching in schools and seminaries, ministering in training institutions, providing direct service to the poor, oppressed and marginalized, and contributing to the development of people for a better society and a strong local Church. Contributions to the Marists will help them in their mission of witness to the Gospel, service to the needy and helping the local Church to build a strong base for its promising future. Thank you for whatever you can do to help them in their life-long commitment and work. Please welcome Fr. John Harhager, S.M. Fr. Will preach at all our Masses this weekend.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:**August 26, 2007****Ordinary Time: Twenty-First Sunday****Isaiah 66:18-21**

All nations and peoples are eligible to gather as the true people of God.

Psalm 117:1, 2

Praise is our constant response, because kindness is God's steadfast gift to us.

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Our eyes must be fixed on Jesus as we run the race that lies ahead,

Luke 13:22-30

Who's in and who's out in the reign of God may be a surprising roll call.

FUNERAL MASS

John Leinauer, a long time member of St. George Parish, died on Thursday, August 16, 2007. He was buried on Tuesday, August 14 at a 9:30 am funeral Mass. Please remember the soul of John and his family in your prayers.

A former St. George teacher, **Mrs. Odessa Lawson**, who taught first grade at our school for 20 years from 1958 to 1978, died on August 9. May God bless her for all she did for our children. May she rest in peace.

BAPTISMS

Jason Lee Eatherton, the son of Robert and Michele Eatherton and **Ryann Margaret Thuston**, daughter of Andy and Julie Thuston were baptized last Sunday, August 12. Remember Jason and Ryann and their parents in your prayers. Fr. Robertson administered the Sacrament.

ANNUAL 50 PLUS CLUB SUNDAY BREAKFAST

On September 30th you are all invited to attend the 9 am Mass and then come to the cafeteria for a delicious breakfast. Our guest speaker this year is our very own pastor, Fr. Robertson. Cost is \$6 each NO tickets are issued. You DO need to call and make your reservation by calling one of the committee members: John Coleman 351.9713: Don Harbaugh 631.1717: Mary Ann Schuette 832.8558 or Rosemary Schelbrink 481.3940. Place your cash or check made out to St. George 50 Plus Club in an envelope marked "50 Plus Breakfast" and drop it in the Sunday collection basket or in the Rectory mail box. As seating is limited make your reservations early. Cut off date for reservations is September 23rd. On your deposit money indicate the names you are paying for.

ST. GEORGE 50 PLUS CLUB TRIPS:

August 21st will be the trip to Anheuser Busch and lunch (on your own) at Crown Candy. We carpool on the lot at 9:45 am. Tour starts at 10:20. We will meet the tour at 14th & Lynch. Should be a fun day.

Also, on August 30th our trip to the Casino Queen. Carpool on lot at 9:15 am and go to the Metro Station at Shrewsbury. You can return when ever you want. Enjoy your lunch on the boat, gamble a little and enjoy. Anyone can join us in the fun.

Food Pantry News

The food pantry will be closed on Saturday, September 15 for the AFFTON DAYS celebration. We encourage all pantry participants to attend AFFTON DAYS to show our appreciation and gratitude to the Affton community, and St. George in particular, for the wonderful support that we receive.

The fourth weekend collection for the benefit of the food pantry will take place on August 25-26. Our most pressing need continues to be your prayers.

Friends of Birthright Run/Walk

Help raise funds for Birthright mothers by participating in the sixth annual 5K Run/Walk hosted by the Friends of Birthright Scholarship Committee. This is an event for the whole family, with a 5K Race, a 1 Mile Fun Walk, and a 1/4 Mile Youth Run with FREDBIRD for children 12 and under! The festivities take place Saturday, August 25, at the Upper Muny Parking Lot in Forest Park. Registration begins at 7:30 am, the 5K Run and 1 Mile Fun Walk at 8:30 am, and the 1/4 Mile Youth Run with Fredbird at 9:15 am. Entry fees are \$40 per family or \$15 per individual in advance and \$45 per family or \$20 per individual on the day of the race. Organizers welcome in-kind and monetary donations. For more information or to register, please visit www.friendsofbirthright.org or call Susanne at 314.968.6836.

Schedule of Events

MONDAY, August 20, 2007

Legion of Mary - 6:30 pm, Rectory
Finance Mtg. - 7 pm, Rectory
Weekly Silent Auction Basket
Assembly - 7 pm, cafeteria

TUESDAY, August 21, 2007

Bible Study - 8:30 am, Rectory

THURSDAY, August 23, 2007

Scripture Studies - 8 p.m., Upper Room

FRIDAY, August 24, 2007

Church Cleaning - after 8 am Mass

AFFTON DAY'S AND HOW YOU CAN HELP! FULL PARISH PARTICIPATION IS THE KEY!

Prepare your own auction basket with detailed list of items in basket and value.

Read back of parish calendar for items needed and place in blue box.

Donate scrip certificates or money for silent auction.

Need BOTTLES for our "Bottle Booth" Donation box in breeze way.

Need SPORTS items for our "Putt Putt" booth.

Help during Affton Day's in booths or in the Silent Auction room.

Help prepare baskets in the cafeteria on Monday nights at 7 PM.

Help set up auction on Friday, September 14th.

Help during the auction closing Saturday, Sept 15th beginning at 7 PM.

Help with set up and tear down of tents the night before and the evening of Affton Day's.

Come and spend your time and money at Affton Day's and at the Silent Auction!

Please call any of our chairs to see what you can do to help St. George! Teresa Arb 544.3623, Diane Barbeau 544.0492, Paul Govreau 544.4636, Debbie Holley 638.7987, Debi Pollard 703.3324, Tom Pollard 712.3323, Margaret Wegman 638.1457, Janice Willey

You trust your spouse "in sickness and in health, for richer and for poorer." Trust them with your daily thoughts and feelings too. Share a **Marriage Encounter Weekend**. And enrich your relationship. Call Marla and Dennis at 314.469.7317 or go to www.stl-wwme.org to register for an upcoming Weekend.

To enrich your spiritual journey, listen to **Catholic radio, AM 1080 WRYT**. For a program schedule call 314.752.7000.

CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD

"PLEASE VISIT ME, WE HAVE MUCH TO TALK ABOUT"
JESUS

I'm present in the Adoration Chapel — 24/7

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTION: Call the priest house to schedule the instruction class and baptism date.

EXPECTANT PARENT'S BLESSING: Call Fr. Robertson to arrange the special blessing.

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Call Fr. Robertson six (6) months before your desired wedding date.

NEW PARISHIONERS, we warmly welcome you to our parish family. To register, call the rectory or sign the welcome book after weekend Masses and we will send a packet of material explaining what our parish offers you.

Parish Facilities:

Parish Calendar: All groups must schedule use of any parish facility by signing the parish calendar at the rectory or calling Deacon Glenn from 8 am til 1:30 pm. "First come" rule. If there is a conflict of dates, check other facilities or the two groups resolve the matter.

Safety: Please turn out all lights, check restrooms and lock the doors. Report anything out of the ordinary immediately.

Keys: Obtain keys to parish facilities between 8 am and 3:30 pm. If this cannot be done, contact the rectory to make special arrangements. Please return keys promptly.

Bill Bartelme, Dorothy Baumhoer, Gary Biskup, Allen Brillhart, Iris Burke, Laura Camp, Katie Campbell, Dottie Coleman, Burdie Crowe, Julie Devlin, Lilia Doerr, Catherine Furi, Katherine Galbavi, Betty Garamella, Mary Gingrich, Larry Griffin, Catherine Havey, Arlene Hollenbaugh, Rose Hook, Maria Hutcheson, Catherine Kleinecke, Rose Knapstein, Rose Kraus, Louise Lampbrecht, Mary Ann Lato, Laverne Leinauer, Janet Lydon, Rose Macher, Philip Martini, Anne McGowan, Vincent Mundwiler, Jennifer Murphy, Walter Murphy, Geraldine Naucke, Emma O'Brien, Clara O'Hanlan, Eugene Otting, Lawrence Puffer, Martin Rosemann, Ken Schindler, Pauline Schrader, Steve Shanks, Russell Smith, Cindy Stevens, Terri Suchara, Pauline Thompson, Bertha Traum, Mary Ann Williams, Sandra Zanti.



Pray for the Sick

MILITARY BULLETIN BOARD - Please pray for those on our prayer board. Pray for peace.

Contributions for 08/12/07

Envelopes: \$5844.00

Loose Offerings: \$511.55

Maintenance: \$741.00

Envelopes used for General Fund: 203