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Welcome

The parishioners of St George welcome you to our parish community. If you would like to register with our parish, come by the church office at 202 W. Phillips St from 10am-12noon, M-F, or call 816-633-7475.

Attention:

To ensure proper reservations for all events located at any of the St George facilities and to rent the St George meeting hall **PLEASE** contact Kate Root, 816-263-7598, marykroot@gmail.com or the St George Parish Office, stgeorgeodessa@gmail.com, 816-633-7475.

Bulletin

All items for the St George bulletin should be sent to stgeorgeodessa@gmail.com or call the church office 816-633-7475 by noon on Tues.

Sexual Abuse: The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse: 1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and 2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and 3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the **Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti**, at 816-812-2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact **Victim Advocate Kathleen Chastain** at 816-392-0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

Mass Intentions

Sat Jan 27 5:30pm Parishioners of St George & St Jude
 Sun Jan 28 8:30am Bob Donovan by Mary Donovan
 Sat Feb 3 5:30pm Lucille Matthews by Toni Hellums
 Sun Feb 4 8:30am Teresa Brich by Bill & Susan Schuler
 No Wed or Thu Mass at St George this week.
 St Jude's will Not have Mass on Tues or Fri.

Schedule of Events

Sat	Jan 27	5:30pm	Mass	Church
Sun	Jan 28	8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
		9:45am	PSR	YEC
		11:00am	Confirmation	YEC
		12noon	A & E Meeting	YEC
Wed	Jan 31	9:30am	Adult Continuing Ed	YEC
		6:00pm	Lectionary Study	YEC
		6:30pm	RCIA	YEC
Thu	Feb 1	6:30pm	Choir Practice	Church
Fri	Feb 2	6-7pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
Sat	Feb 3	5:30pm	Mass	Church
		6:40pm	Reconciliation	Church
		6:30pm	Italian Dinner & Bingo	MH
Sun	Feb 4	8:00am	Rosary	Church
		8:30am	Mass	Church
		9:30am	Fellowship	MH
		9:45am	PSR	YEC
		11:00am	Confirmation	YEC

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, January 27, 2017, 5:30pm
 Readers Kate Root, Janet Tirschel
 Servers Any Available
 E. Ministers Cheryl Horne, Audrey Miller, Ashley Boydston
 Ushers John Hotmer, Larry Horne

Sunday, January 28, 2017, 8:30am
 Readers Joyce Watkins, Cory Laboube
 Servers Tatum Shipley
 E. Ministers Mike Stevens, Caitlin Mastin, Toni Hellums
 Ushers Norm Brodeur, Bill Schuler
 Greeters Choir
 Money Counters Bob Carey, Michelle Howard

Saturday, February 3, 2017, 5:30pm
 Readers Larry Lackamp, Larry Horne
 Servers Any Available
 E. Ministers Mathiew Kurtz, Cheryl Horne, Julie Kurtz
 Ushers Jerry Wade, Ken Zey

Sunday, February 4, 2017, 8:30am
 Readers Bonnie White, Caitlin Mastin
 Servers Any Available
 E. Ministers Gerard Schulte, Mike Stevens, Ruth Elgin
 Ushers Bill Schuler, Phil Rucker
 Greeters Altar Society
 Money Counters Jeanne Wade, Tami Shipley

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Office Hours M-F 10 a.m. – 12 noon

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 28, 2018

FOLLOWING JESUS

by Leisa Anslinger

We follow all sorts of people and organizations on social media. Friends. Celebrities. A favorite author, athlete, charity, or business. At times, we may think before following: do we want the additional postings or emails? Typically, following a business or celebrity does not require much of a commitment. We may or may not read every post that comes through on our feed. We might respond, or we may not. Even when we do, our response is often as simple as hitting the "like" button. Following Jesus is a very different sort of thing.

To follow Jesus means to enter into a relationship with him and to exercise good stewardship over that relationship. When Jesus asks us to follow him, we know that doing so is to have an impact in our lives. As with any friendship, if our relationship with Jesus is to grow, we will have to spend time with and pay attention to him. At first, this might mean taking a few moments at the beginning or end of each day for prayer. We may be more attentive during Mass; we may pause in the midst of our day's activities to notice the beauty of creation, the blessing of family and friends, the gift of kindness and patience shared among co-workers. The best of friends also influence each other, for the better. Growing in relationship with Jesus will change us, leading us to think of others as well as ourselves, often putting the needs of others first. We learn to be mindful of those who need to know God's love through our actions, serving them, sharing forgiveness, mercy, compassion and faith. Following Jesus is the work of a lifetime. At every step forward, one is challenged to go further in accepting and loving God's will. Being a disciple is not just something else to do, along side many other things suitable for Christians; it's a total way of life and requires continuing conversion.

How will you follow Jesus now and into the future? How will you learn from and invite him to have an impact in your life? How will your stewardship of this relationship impact the way you live?
 INSC-January

Gluten Free Hosts

Gluten free hosts are available for Communion. Please talk to Fr Matthew for information.

Church Cleaning

February 4

Team 1

Thank you to everyone who volunteers to help keep our beautiful worship space clean.

Remember in Prayer

Please keep these individuals in your prayers; Elsie Rees, Wanda Markes, Catherine Royeton, Gene Early, Marjorie Anderson, Beatrice Hanson, Rosemary Barr, Donna Dyer, Gary Uttech.

Sacrificial Offering

Envelope	\$ 1760.00
Plate	\$ 295.00
Maintenance	\$ 25.00
2nd Collection	\$ 379.00
Total	\$ 2459.00

Thank you for your contributions.

Mini-Retreat for Married Couples

There will be a mini-retreat for married couples on Saturday, February 10 from 1-5pm, in the meeting hall. RSVP the parish office, 816-633-7475, by February 7, if you can attend.

Ash Wednesday Services

February 14
 St Jude 5pm
 St George 7pm

Fellowship Next Sunday

There will be fellowship in the meeting hall next Sunday, February 4, after the 8:30am Mass. Coffee, juice and donuts will be served.

Prime Timers

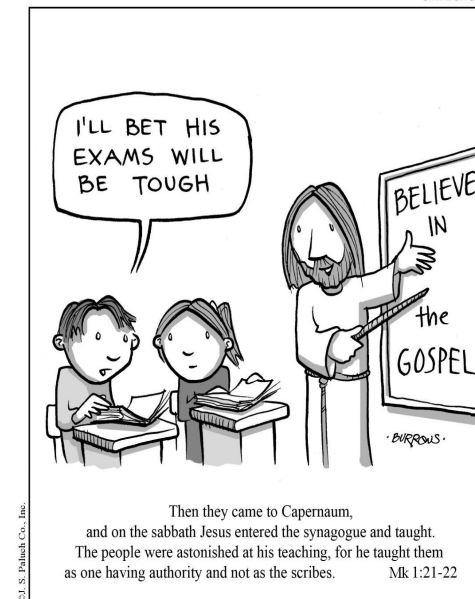
Prime Timers will meet on Thursday, February 8 at noon, in the meeting hall. Please bring a covered dish. You are also asked to bring some non-perishable food items and/or cleaning supplies for the Odessa Service Center.

Bunco

Come join your fellow parishioners for an evening of Bunco on Wednesday, February 7, 6:30pm in the meeting hall. Bring a snack to share, \$5.00 and your beverage of choice.

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



Then they came to Capernaum, and on the sabbath Jesus entered the synagogue and taught. The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. Mk 1:21-22

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 28, 2018

In today's Gospel we hear proclaimed the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. He teaches. He heals. And all are amazed. By their baptism, Christian stewards realize they are called to do the same in their lives. They are called to be the light of Christ each day. As we bring closure to the beginning of this new year, now is a good time to ask the Lord to fill our hearts with courage and faith, so that we too may publicly minister in his name; that we may be liberated from our insecurities and fear so that we can share the Gospel authoritatively and work to heal at least one wounded relationship in the coming months ahead.

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Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Ps 86:1-6;
Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40
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Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 119:9-14; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23;
Mk 1:29-39

Bring Your Palms Back

We are collecting the palms you received last Palm Sunday for the next two weekends. January 27 & 28 and February 3 & 4. These palms will be burnt and the ashes used for Ash Wednesday. Please put your palms in the vase in the gathering area.

Free Throw Contest for Youth on Monday

Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a free throw contest this Monday, January 29, beginning at 5:30pm. The event is for all boys and girls ages 9 to 14 and will be held at the Odessa Middle School gym.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday, February 2, from 6-7pm, in the church.

Arts & Environment Meeting

There will be an Arts & Environment meeting on Sunday, January 28, at noon in the YEC.

Would you like to sponsor a Sunday Morning Fellowship?

Sponsors are needed for Sunday morning fellowship for March and November. To volunteer, email Kate Root, marykroot@gmail.com.

2017 Contribution Statements

The 2017 contribution statements are on the table in the gathering area. Please pick up your copy. If you did not receive a statement and would like one, contact Kate Root, marykroot@gmail.com.

