

**Saint George Church - Worcester & Holden**

**June 11, 2017: Holy Trinity Sunday**

40 Brattle Street Worcester, MA 01606  
Parish Office: 508-853-0183  
www.saintgeorgesparish.org

Office Hours:  
Monday & Wednesday 9:00AM to 5:00PM  
Tuesday & Thursday 9:00AM to 4:00PM

Parish Staff:

*It is our privilege to serve you.*

Rev. Edward D. Niccolls Pastor Ext. 12  
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## *St. George Catholic Church*

*For information regarding Pastoral Care of the Sick, Marriage Preparation, Confirmation, and Ministry Involvement, we invite you to call the Parish Office.*

*Baptism Information: Please contact Susan Pacek at 508-856-9960 or email: st.geobaptism@gmail.com*

**Eucharist Celebrated:**  
*Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 AM  
Monday through Friday at 8:00 AM*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
*Saturday 3:00 to 3:30 PM and  
by appointment*

### *Parish Mission Statement*

We, the parish community of St George, celebrate the welcoming presence of Christ in our lives. Together with the universal Church, we are nourished and sustained through the Mystery of the Holy Eucharist, and we are inspired by the proclamation of the Word, guided by the Holy Spirit. We continually seek to grow in a deeper understanding of our faith, to respect the sanctity of human life, and respond to what Jesus asks of us in our time by sharing our gifts and participating in parish activities and outreach to others.

*A Community of Ministries, June 11, 2017*

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*Mass Intentions*

**Saturday, June 10: Vigil**  
 4:00 PM Memorial for Edward & Margaret Cleary by the Cleary family

**Sunday, June 11: The Most Holy Trinity**  
 7:30 AM Memorial for Chuck Sarafinas by Aldona Kibelkstis  
 9:00 AM Memorial for Ernesto Ponce by the Parker family  
 11:00 AM Memorial for Benjamin Smith by Fran & Bob Pike  
*Baccalaureate Mass*

**Monday, June 12:**  
 8:00 AM Memorial for Policiano Menezes by the Ajbani family

**Tuesday, June 13: St. Anthony of Padua**  
 8:00 AM For the Community of St. George

**Wednesday, June 14:**  
 8:00 AM In memory of Florence Jocz

**Thursday, June 15:**  
 8:00 AM In memory of Mitchell Dadah

**Friday, June 16:**  
 8:00 AM In memory of Peg Plante

**Saturday, June 17: Vigil**  
 4:00 PM For the fathers & grandfathers of our parish

**Sunday, June 18: The Body & Blood of Christ**  
 7:30 AM For the fathers & grandfathers of our parish  
 9:00 AM For the fathers & grandfathers of our parish  
 11:00 AM For the fathers & grandfathers of our parish

**Bulletin Deadlines**

<u>Weekend of</u>	<u>Due to parish</u>
June 25	Wednesday, June 14
July 2	Wednesday, June 21
July 9	Wednesday, June 28

Items must be submitted by 5:00 PM on the due date. Email items to [stgeooffice@gmail.com](mailto:stgeooffice@gmail.com), or fax to the Rectory.

**Altar Ministries**

We are thankful to the Altar Servers and Ministers of Holy Communion from TEAM A who will serve at our Masses next weekend.

**Attention Parents of Young Children**

The Church building is open to all. We ask that parents of young children to please accompany them at all times. Thank you.

*Parish Calendar*

**Saturday, June 10:**  
 5:15 PM Spiritual Growth Ministry Confr Rm  
 8:00 PM AA Hall

**Sunday, June 11:**  
 8:00 AM Coffee Shop Hall  
 9:00 AM Children's Liturgy St. George Rm  
 10:00 AM Men's Club Confr Rm  
 6:30 AM Confirmation Registration Hall

**Monday, June 12:**  
 7:00 PM Pieta Hall  
 7:00 PM Youth Music Ministry Choir Loft

**Tuesday, June 13:**  
 10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry Hall  
 7:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting Center

**Wednesday, June 14:**  
 6:30 PM Daughters of Isabella Hall

**Thursday, June 15:**  
 6:30 PM Family Prayer Church

**Friday, June 16:**  
 10:00 AM Faith Sharing Group Center

**Saturday, June 17:**  
 8:00 PM AA Hall

**Sunday, June 18:**  
 8:00 AM Coffee Shop Hall  
 9:00 AM Children's Liturgy St. George Rm  
 9:00 AM Toddler Liturgy Confr Rm

**Scripture for the week of June 11, 2017**

<b>11 SUN</b>	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18
<b>12 Mon</b>	2 Cor 1:1-7/Mt 5:1-12
<b>13 Tue</b>	2 Cor 1:18-22/Mt 5:13-16
<b>14 Wed</b>	2 Cor 3:4-11/Mt 5:17-19
<b>15 Thu</b>	2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Mt 5:20-26
<b>16 Fri</b>	2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 5:27-32
<b>17 Sat</b>	2 Cor 5:14-21/Mt 5:33-37
<b>18 SUN</b>	Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58



*This Week...*

Pray that all who are struggling to overcome addictions, whether to alcohol, drugs, pornography or gambling, may find healing, forgiveness and the strength to break free.

**Public Square Patriotic Rosary in Webster**

All are welcome to join us on **Saturday, July 1 at 10:30 a.m.** to recite the Rosary at The Square, Webster Town Hall, 350 Main St. Webster. Join the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish in prayer. Our Nation, our First Amendment rights, our Religious Freedom and our Faith remain under attack.



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### Weekend of June 4, 2017

Total Weekly Ordinary: \$5,758.50

### Monthly Totals for May

Repairs: \$328.00

Air Conditioning Fund: \$1146.00

Fuel: \$135.00

Thank you for your support!



Thus far, our parish family has raised **\$96,646.00** from **269** donors toward our parish goal of \$100,000. Many have not had the opportunity to make their gift. We encourage you to make a gift today. Pledge envelopes are available in each pew.

### Help Complete the Trinity Dome in "America's Catholic Church"

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is in the process of completing the mosaic on the interior "Trinity Dome" of the Basilica. You can see an artist's rendering of a portion of the immense dome that is the pinnacle of a church that has taken one hundred years to complete. You can be part of making this inspirational shrine "America's Catholic Church" as previous generations have done. Join with Catholics in the Diocese of Worcester in supporting the completion of the mosaic on the Trinity Dome. Visit [worcesterdiocese.org](http://worcesterdiocese.org) and make a SECURE ONLINE GIFT today or send your check payable to the Diocese of Worcester with "TRINITY DOME" noted on the check to Diocese of Worcester, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609. Thank you for considering how you can be a part of our Diocesan response to this National Appeal.



### Coffee Shop Captain

June 18, 2017

John Lewfzyk: 508-856-9567

All men and women are invited to join the St. George Coffee Shop Teams to serve once every 9 weeks. Please contact Jim Sanford at 508-852-0293 for more information.



*From Your Pastor*

I am happy to announce to you that Fr. Henry Ramirez, who was recently ordained and celebrated his Mass of Thanksgiving with us, has been assigned by Bishop McManus as associate pastor of St. John, Guardian of Our Lady Parish in Clinton, effective on July 17th.

It is also with great pleasure that I announce to you that Fr. Patrick Ssekoyole, who has been in residence here for the past year, has been appointed by Bishop McManus to be the next pastor of Holy Cross Parish in East Templeton along with its mission of St. Martin's in Otter River. His assignment will become effective on July 1st.

We wish both Fr. Henry and Fr. Patrick well and extend to them our congratulations. May God bless them and the people of the parishes to which they have been assigned as both priests begin their new pastoral ministry.

*Fr. Niccolls*



### Vacation Bible Camp Save the Date July 10-14 9:00 AM-12:00

Registration for Vacation Bible Camp is underway. Forms went home to all students enrolled in our Religious Ed. Program, but we also will leave copies downstairs in the hall and outside of the Religious Ed. office. The camp runs July 10-14 from 9:00-12:00. This year's theme is "Tracking Mary: Mysteries and Messages" and focuses on our Blessed Mother's apparitions in Lourdes, Fatima, Mexico, Knock and England. Please join us!

Email [carpediem77722@yahoo.com](mailto:carpediem77722@yahoo.com) with any questions.

*A Christian Steward receives God's gifts gratefully, cherishes and tends them in a responsible and accountable manner, shares them in justice and love with all, and returns them with increase to the Lord.*

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### Religious Education

"Growing Together in Faith"

Sarah Kelly, Administrator - 508-852-1784  
Email : [sarah.Kelly@saintgeorgesparish.org](mailto:sarah.Kelly@saintgeorgesparish.org)

### Registration for next year has begun!

#### Emails

Information for religious education is posted here in the bulletin, on our parish website [www.saintgeorgesparish.org/religious-education](http://www.saintgeorgesparish.org/religious-education) and through email. Please let Sarah Kelly know at [sarah.kelly@saintgeorgesparish.org](mailto:sarah.kelly@saintgeorgesparish.org) if you are not receiving emails. Thank you!

### Confirmation

Mandatory Confirmation Meeting is June 11, 2017 from 6:30-7:30 in the church hall for all confirmation candidates and their parents. Please bring completed forms from the registration packet, sign up for summer service experience, and hear about the program. We look forward to meeting all of you!

### Confirmation Service Experience

Sign-up this Sunday 6:30 PM



Confirmation Service experiences are a brief introduction to community service that the candidate may choose to repeat as a young adult member of our parish community. This year these experiences will mainly take place at the Interfaith Hospitality Network Shelter on June St, the Vacation Bible Camp here at St. George Parish and the Mustard Seed Soup kitchen on Piedmont Street. Please pray for us as we serve.

### This Weekend's Stewardship Thought

The Gospel today is sometimes called "the Gospel in miniature" because it so concisely sums up the Gospel message. In even more condensed form, "God loved...God gave..." is the paradigm for stewardship - we give because we love.

### Men's Club Meeting

The monthly Men's Club meeting will be held *this* Sunday, June 11, in the Conference Room after the 9:00 AM Mass. Men's Club members and parish staff are welcome to attend. The coffee is on us!!!



### Baptism Preparation

The next Baptism Preparation session is:  
July 23 and July 30, 2017  
Families attend both sessions  
Godparents and children are always welcome

This Sacrament welcomes everyone. For registration and information about selection of Godparents, please contact Susan Pacek at 508-856-9960 or Email: [st.geobaptism@gmail.com](mailto:st.geobaptism@gmail.com). Baptisms are usually held monthly following the preparation sessions and completion of paperwork.

### Eucharist and Prayers for the Sick

Please: Call to let us know if a family member or neighbor is hospitalized, homebound or ill. We can arrange to visit and bring Eucharist. Remember that due to HIPAA regulations, unless you allow the hospital or health care institution to release information and list St. George's as your religious affiliation, we are not told that you are a patient. We call the area hospitals each week to see if any of our parishioners are hospitalized. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

### Scholarships 2017

To: Sara Akillian

In memory of the Cote & Breen Families  
from Pat & Joe Cote  
from St. George's Men's Club  
from St. George Youth Ministry

To: James Moughan

In memory of St. John Paul II  
from Pat & Joe Cote - 100<sup>th</sup> Scholarship Given  
from the St. George Men's Club  
from St. George Youth Ministry

To: Connor Flynn

In memory of St. Teresa of Kolkata  
from Pat & Joe Cote  
from St. Vincent de Paul  
from St. George Parish





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### Trinity Sunday

On a beautiful Saturday in May, I sat at a table in the park, reading term papers and enjoying the sights and sounds of spring. My favorite sound is that of little children laughing and squealing as mom and dad play games with them, or throw a ball or sit and eat a picnic lunch. It's the perfect image of family. Love is in the air, infusing the mind and spirit with a sense of peace and joy. There is something about a toddler's laugh that makes you smile with hope and happiness.

Angels and perhaps theologians can best explain the mystery of the Trinity, but we all experience the power of God. In every breath, we acknowledge the creative power of the Father; in every good deed, we see the redeeming glory of the Son; in every prayer, we are inspired by the sanctifying Spirit. Faith is an intimate relationship with God and He gives us all that we need to become His people, His ministers, and His church.

The Church describes the family as a domestic church. In it, we learn the ways of God, the story of salvation, and the virtues of faith, hope and love. We do not learn our lessons from a book, but from each other; not just from words, but from deeds; not just from explanations, but from example. Like a spring day, faith can infuse us with love and hope so that we grow together, strong and faithful.

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### Free Donut Tickets for Children's Liturgy

The Men's Club will be offering "Free Donut Tickets" to all participants to the "Children's Liturgy" during the 9:00 AM Mass *this* Sunday. The children will be given the tickets while at the Liturgy to be redeemed after Mass. Best Wishes to our young Catholics.

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Don't spend your energies on things that generate worry, anxiety and anguish. Only one thing is necessary: Lift up your spirit, and love God.

... St. Padre Pio

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### Fortnight for Freedom

SAVE THE DATE! The sixth annual Fortnight for Freedom will take place in dioceses nationwide from June 21, the vigil of the feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, through July 4, Independence Day. All are invited to join Bishop Robert J. McManus for a special Mass for the Protection of Religious Freedom at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 22 at St. Paul's Cathedral, 19 Chatham St., Worcester. The Mass will be followed by a light reception in the Cenacle with a presentation on this year's theme, Freedom for Mission, by Bishop McManus. We look forward to all our parishes being represented on June 22! For more information contact the Respect Life Office at 508-929-4311 or visit [www.fortnight4freedom.org](http://www.fortnight4freedom.org). All are welcome to attend!

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### Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for June

During the month of June Pope Francis has asked that national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

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### Parish Calendar Attention Ministry Leaders

The new parish calendar becomes effective September 1st. All ministry schedules should be submitted no later than June 15. Even if your group's schedule has not changed we need your information so that the calendar is as accurate as possible. You will be notified if your request for meeting space is unavailable.

Please email schedules to Joan Koppenal at [stgeooffice@gmail.com](mailto:stgeooffice@gmail.com) or mail to the Parish Office.

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### Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration



The Adorers of the Perpetual Adoration Chapel wish to thank Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament for these favors:

1. Thank you Jesus for my daughter's pregnancy.
  2. Thank you Lord for our health.
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*Why not dedicate the first hour of your families' work week to God?*

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*A Community of Ministries*



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

**PARISH OUTREACH**

Annie Doyle - 508-853-0183  
Ext.11

Office hours Mon-Tue-Wed 9-5  
annie@saintgeorgesparish.org

**THE FAMILY CONNECTION**

**Our Annual Parish Service Week  
at IHN Family Shelter on June St. is  
June 25 till July 2**

Needs will be posted at each church exit. Please join in supporting this essential ministry.

**Urban Missionaries need help  
to "Fill A Truck" here on June 17 & 18**

The Urban Missionaries of Our Lady of Hope are a local Catholic ministry who assist "the least, the last and the left out" in our diocese. Refugees, immigrants and the poor in our city are among those who are helped. The missionaries will be parking a truck in our parking lot on Father's Day weekend.



**They are in need of** clothing, linens, dishes, shoes, and curtains. Redeemable cans and bottles are also welcome.

**They do not accept** electronics, furniture, computers or bicycles.

**Shoe Drive successfully completed!**

Thank you to all who donated to our recent Shoe Drive to Help Shelter Families, we collected several hundred pairs! Many thanks to Casey Brenner who sorted and prepared the shoes for delivery!

**Food Pantry Needs continue**

Peanut Butter and Tuna are a special need

**Scholarships Available to  
St. George Graduates to - be**



Please join us for a Mass of celebration for graduating Seniors on June 11 at the 11:00 AM Mass.

**Welcome to all family & friends  
who are worshipping here with us today.**

*Cooperation or competition?* Our need to be competitive confronts us with interesting questions.

Is it always necessary to have the last word in an argument? Can we sometimes admit that another person may have a valid point of view, even when it contradicts our own? Can we help others accomplish their goals?

Do we look at our family members as obstacles to overcome, or do we appreciate them simply for who they are?



**Diocesan Daily Mass on TV**

Daily Mass is LIVE each weekday morning on Charter TV3 (Ch193), delay Broadcast on Shrewsbury TV28 at 4:30 pm and Clinton Cable TV8 at 4:30 pm.

If you have been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church, please believe in the possibility for hope and help and healing. We encourage you to come forward and speak out. The victim service coordinator for the Diocese of Worcester is Judith Audette. A report can be made by phone to (508) 929-4363.

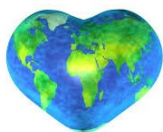
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*Our Parish Vision: To **welcome** all, build **connections** to Christ and one another, and **live our faith** as true disciples of Jesus.*

***Faith Into Action Ministry***

The Flower Sale for the Homeless 2017 was a great success!



Thanks to all of you and many others in our parish, a check for \$1,066.00 was sent to Central Massachusetts Housing Alliance last week. This donation was marked for first and last months rent to help a homeless family in need of an apartment. You continue to honor Matt Ryan and to serve the homeless through your generosity and kindness!



“Not everyone can do everything but all of us can do something”

Matt Ryan

**Faith Into Action Ministry continues to work to Prevent Family Homelessness every weekend! Please join us!**

Please visit the home page of our parish website to see the inspiring story of our parishioner Matt Ryan who began the “Hope for Housing “ project! So far, \$264,000.00 has been raised!

We invite you to begin today to join this effort. Use “Hope for Housing Cards” to buy your weekly groceries or prescriptions at CVS. Give a Dunkin Donut or Panera Bread Gift Card as a birthday gift to a friend.

You receive the full face value of the card in the amount you choose. The stores - CVS, Panera Bread, Dunkin Donuts and local grocery stores - donate up to 5% of that amount to “Hope For Housing” to assist the most vulnerable; children with families in crisis.

See Sue or Dave Genereux after Mass or contact them at 508-829-5776 or emailWaysideATQ@aol.com for more information. They are happy to explain more about how “Hope for Housing Cards” help families on the brink of homelessness.



***Spiritual Growth Ministry***

**A Prayer to the Holy Trinity**

Glory be to the Father,  
Who by His almighty power and love created me,  
making me in the image and likeness of God.  
Glory be to the Son,  
Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell  
and opened for me the gates of heaven.  
Glory be to the Holy Spirit,  
Who has sanctified me  
by the graces I receive daily from His abundant gifts.  
Glory be to the Three Persons of the Holy Trinity,  
now and forever. Amen.

**Update: Trip to the Trappist Monastery  
Spencer**

This past Sunday evening, Pentecost Sunday, 15 parishioners and Fr. Niccolls attended Vespers and Benediction at the Trappist Monastery. Thanks to the graciousness of the monks, we were able to sit in the enclosed area of the Monastery. This time of prayer was a most fitting way to celebrate the Solemn Feast of Pentecost. Following Evening Prayer, we enjoyed a meal together at a local restaurant.

All of us expressed gratitude for the opportunity to pray with the Trappist Monks and to celebrate the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our own lives and in the life of our Parish Community.

**REMINDER**

**This Saturday evening, June 10<sup>th</sup>, the Spiritual Growth Ministry Team will meet in the Parish Center at 5:30 PM.**

***Pietà***

Is an ongoing support group for bereaved parents. Anyone who has experienced the death of a child is welcome to attend. The next meeting will be on June 12 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room.

Please join us.