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January 16, 2022 / Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saint George CATHOLIC CHURCH

REV. DAVID BITTMENN, PASTOR
Rev. Kelechi Alozie, Parochial Vicar

Parishioner, Carole Drake, installed January 6 as the 5th President of St. George Interfaith Council, presents predecessor, Rabbi Helene Ainbinder, a plaque of appreciation for her term of service. Pictured left to right: Pastor Arthur Drehman, Our Savior's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Vice President; Carole Drake; Rabbi Helene; and Tim Martin, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Secretary.

The Council is celebrating its 13th year in the St. George community. Carole will serve as Council President until January 2025.





STEWARDSHIP / CORRESPONSABILIDAD

Gratitude in Action: Our Way of Life / Gratitude en Acción: Nuestra forma de Vida

"I delight to do your will, my God; ..." Psalm 40:9

What IS God's will for me? There are times when it seems so simple, so straightforward. We know what God wants us to do, and what service we can perform in His name. At other times, it is as though we have no clue what our purpose in life is, and how we are being called to serve God and our neighbor. We ask for enlightenment and guidance.

When we first begin, when we strive to know our call to serve God, we identify what our interests are in church, in our local community, in our world, and seek to recognize those God-given gifts and talents bestowed upon us that we can share. Perhaps those gifts are in music, proclamation of the Word, offering the Body of Christ at Mass or to those who are ill and homebound.

We may experience a call to serve the religious education needs of the youth, or adults seeking to know more about God, and perhaps, embrace the Catholic faith.

Ministering to those who suffer loss of loved ones who have experienced either long-term illness or sudden, unexpected death, is very important! Our society is so busy living "life", life that often gets in the way of loving care and concern for others whose life, as they once knew it, has been shattered and turned upside down.

We may wish to serve the poor of our community, either through opportunities in church or in the outlying local community where we meet the homeless and others in need of food, clothing and shelter, and who often appear to have no one else in their life.

Wherever God calls us, we will recognize a need for the talents He has given us. Perhaps what we can do or the need we can provide to another may seem insignificant. However, to one who has none other to lean on or listen to them or truly care about them, we become one of God's many angels. We receive in return so much more!

Whatever gifts we have been given are not to be tucked away for a rainy day or another time in our life. We are called to use them now in response to God's call. We pray the Holy Spirit will open our ears and our hearts to that call and guide us in our response.

"Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy." Saint Augustine



~Carole Drake
Pastoral Assistant and Community Outreach

"Me deleito en hacer tu voluntad, Dios mío;" Salmo 40:9

¿Cuál ES la voluntad de Dios para mí? Hay momentos en que parece tan simple, tan directo. Sabemos lo que Dios quiere que hagamos y qué servicio podemos realizar en su nombre. En otras ocasiones, es como si no tuviéramos idea de cuál es nuestro propósito en la vida y cómo estamos siendo llamados a servir a Dios y a nuestro prójimo. Pedimos iluminación y guía.

Cuando comenzamos, cuando nos esforzamos por conocer nuestro llamado a servir a Dios, identificamos cuáles son nuestros intereses en la iglesia, en nuestra comunidad local, en nuestro mundo, y buscamos reconocer esos dones y talentos que Dios nos ha otorgado para que podamos poder compartir. Quizás esos dones estén en la música, la proclamación de la Palabra, la ofrenda del Cuerpo de Cristo en la Misa o a los que están enfermos y confinados en casa.

Podemos experimentar un llamado para atender las necesidades de educación religiosa de los jóvenes o adultos que buscan saber más acerca de Dios y, tal vez, abrazar la fe católica.

¡Es muy importante ministrar a aquellos que sufren la pérdida de seres queridos que han experimentado una enfermedad a largo plazo o una muerte repentina e inesperada! Nuestra sociedad está tan ocupada viviendo la "vida", una vida que a menudo se interpone en el cuidado amoroso y la preocupación por los demás cuya vida, como alguna vez la conocieron, se ha hecho añicos y se ha puesto patas arriba.

Es posible que deseamos servir a los pobres de nuestra comunidad, ya sea a través de oportunidades en la iglesia o en la comunidad local periférica donde nos encontramos con personas sin hogar y otras personas que necesitan comida, ropa y refugio, y que a menudo parecen no tener a nadie más en su vida.

Dondequiera que Dios nos llame, reconoceremos la necesidad de los talentos que nos ha dado. Tal vez lo que podemos hacer o la necesidad que podemos proporcionar a otro puede parecer insignificante. Sin embargo, para aquellos que no tienen a nadie en quien apoyarse o escucharlos o realmente preocuparse por ellos, nos convertimos en uno de los muchos ángeles de Dios. ¡Recibimos a cambio mucho más!

Cualesquiera que sean los regalos que se nos hayan dado, no debemos guardarlos para un día lluvioso u otro momento de nuestra vida. Estamos llamados a usarlos ahora en respuesta al llamado de Dios. Oramos para que el Espíritu Santo abra nuestros oídos y nuestros corazones a ese llamado y nos guíe en nuestra respuesta.

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Some Catholics new to Utah experience a few surprises. Churches on every corner aren't Catholic and Catholic schools are few and far between. The resources in our diocese aren't the resources other dioceses have. Several years ago someone new to the state was startled to know that parishes planning building expansions had to raise 60% of the expansion cost themselves before borrowing the rest from the diocese. The diocese is not sitting on a pot of money even if expansion of a parish is vital.

Sometimes being the minority is annoying and from time to time annoyance becomes resentment against the majority, in this case the LDS. Such resentment is normally short-lived. Like any other group, the LDS community includes people who are pushy and people who are helpful. Adjustments are made and peace is restored. Something similar happens in theology. Years and years ago the lines between one denomination and another were vigilantly defended. Proclaiming truth was taken seriously and this translated into a suspicion about those on the other side. Yet the more truth was pursued, the more other facts came to light. Most of the books in the Bible are shared amongst the various Christian denominations. The Law and the Prophets of the Old Testament are sacred to Jews. Moral codes overlap, not completely but they do overlap. Christ himself reached out to those on the other side, tax collectors and public sinners, and shared meals with them. Christ came to call all people, not just those of one ethnic group or one religious group. Even as he did this, the Lord maintained Truth and even gave his life for it. Secular society's solution that everyone should be free to devise their own truth is not in the Scriptures.

So the Catholic Church - different from other religious denominations because it alone holds the fullness of revelation - continues to proclaim the Truth but with less suspicion. It works with other religions in areas of agreement. It tries to respect people even as it disagrees with them. The Vatican's International Theological Commission wrote a document about the sense of the faithful (*sensus fidei*), a way of knowing the Faith, and the commission noted: "a certain type of *sensus fidei* can exist in 'the baptised who are honoured by the name of Christian, but who do not however profess the Catholic faith in its entirety'. The Catholic Church therefore needs to be attentive to what the Spirit may be saying to her by means of believers in the churches and ecclesial communities not fully in communion with her (#56)."

This weekend's second reading echoes this admission that some things are held in common. "Brothers and sisters: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord.... But one and the same Spirit produces all of these...." Use the gifts of the Spirit to know the truth of the Spirit.

Algunos católicos nuevos en Utah experimentan algunas sorpresas. Las iglesias en cada esquina no son católicas y las escuelas católicas son pocas y están muy alejadas entre sí. Los recursos de nuestra diócesis no son los recursos que tienen otras diócesis. Hace varios años, alguien nuevo en el estado se sorprendió al saber que las parroquias que planeaban expansiones de edificios tenían que recaudar el 60% del costo de la expansión antes de pedir dinero prestado de la diócesis. La diócesis no tiene dinero extra aunque la expansión de una parroquia sea vital.

A veces ser minoría es una molestia y de vez en cuando la molestia se convierte en resentimiento contra la mayoría, en este caso los mormones. El resentimiento es normalmente de corta duración. Al igual que cualquier otro grupo, la comunidad mormona incluye personas que son agresivas y personas que son agradables. La comprensión crece y la paz se restaura. Algo similar sucede en la teología. Hace años y años se defendieron vigilantemente las líneas entre una denominación y otra. Proclamar la verdad era una obligación solemne y esto significó que los del otro lado eran sospechosos. Sin embargo, cuanta más verdad se consideró, más otros hechos salieron a la luz. La mayoría de los libros de la Biblia son compartidos entre las diversas denominaciones cristianas. La Ley y los Profetas del Antiguo Testamento son sagrados para los judíos. Los códigos morales no se superponen completamente, pero sí se superponen. Cristo mismo se acercó a los del otro lado, recaudadores de impuestos y pecadores públicos, y compartió comidas con ellos. Cristo vino a llamar a todas las personas, no sólo a las de un grupo étnico o un grupo religioso. Al hacer esto, el Señor mantuvo la Verdad y dio su vida por ella. La solución de la sociedad secular de que todos deben ser libres de idear su propia verdad no está en las Escrituras.

La Iglesia Católica, diferente de otras denominaciones religiosas porque es la única que tiene la plenitud de la revelación, continúa proclamando la Verdad, pero con menos sospecha sobre el otro lado. Trabaja con otros grupos religiosos en áreas de acuerdo. Trata de respetar a la gente aunque no esté de acuerdo con ella. La Comisión Teológica Internacional del Vaticano escribió un documento sobre el sentido de los fieles (*sensus fidei*), una forma de conocer la fe, y la comisión señaló: "algún tipo de sentido de la fe puede existir en 'los bautizados que llevan el nombre de cristianos sin profesar la fe todavía completamente'. Por lo tanto, la Iglesia Católica debe estar atenta a lo que el Espíritu puede decir a través de los creyentes en las iglesias y comunidades eclesiales que no están plenamente en comunión con ella (#56)".

La segunda lectura de este fin de semana se hace eco de esta admisión de que algunas cosas se tienen en común. "Hermanos: Hay diversidad de dones, pero un mismo Espíritu; hay diversidades de servicios, pero un mismo Señor.... En cada uno se manifiesta el Espíritu para el bien común". Usa los dones del Espíritu para conocer la verdad del Espíritu.

LITURGIES AND MINISTRIES

Please visit our website for more announcements or email us at sgcc.bulletin@gmail.com for questions or submissions.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 01/15

- 5:00 pm † Alfred Jankus
 † Coach Ray Odette by Family
 † Ken Odette by Family
 † Maxyne Mason
 Catherine Ann Saldaña by
 by Mother & Dad
 7:00 pm † Eduardo Daniel Amaral
 † Jaqueleen Shuker

Sunday, 01/16

- 9:00 am † Marni Pahl
 † Deacon Willie Folkes
 Ulrich Brunhart
 11:00 am † Hugo Chaves
 The Bondad Family
 † Carmel L. Quattro
 Loretta Duncan
 1:00 pm † Leticia Segovia by Familia Segovia
 † Jose Cabral

Monday, 01/17

8:00 am No Mass

Tuesday, 01/18

8:00 am No Mass

Wednesday, 01/19

- 8:00 am Felipa & Ben
 Andre Sicard, Seminarian
 † Deacon Willie Folkes

Thursday, 01/20

- 8:00 am "A Special Intention"
 Tristan Dillon, Transitional Deacon

Friday, 01/21

- 8:00 am † Robert Kowalski by Karen K.
 † Patricia Dixon by Maggie & Jim



*Our Lady of Grace
 Candle
 burns this week
 in memory of*

Leroy Weldon

January 2022

Saturday Mass @ 5:00 pm	Jan. 22
Lector	Tim Kockler
Host	Edna Escobosa-Lloyd
Kuzy Hall Host	Kevin Kyger
Kuzy Hall Host	Shelly Reynolds
Sunday Mass @ 9:00 am	Jan. 23
Lector	Kimberly Jones
Host	Carole Drake
Kuzy Hall Host	Rod Bergeron
Kuzy Hall Host	Art Hurtado
Sunday Mass @ 11:00 am	Jan. 23
Lector	Brenda Martinez
Host	Monica Moreno
Kuzy Hall Host	Sharon Hillberry
Kuzy Hall Host	Dennis Montoya

Thank you for the wonderful cards and gifts you sent this Christmas.

My family is 650 miles away and your thoughtfulness made the holidays much less lonesome for me.

I will be praying for all of you. – Father Dare



Stephen Ministry
Christ caring for People through People
Walking with Others during Troubled Times
Saint George Catholic Church



STEPHEN LEADERS: Father David Bittmenn – Pastor, Carole Drake, Herrold Egger, Diane Gutierrez

To ask about a Stephen Minister for yourself or someone you know, please feel free to speak with one of these Leaders or call the parish office (435) 673-2604 and ask for Father Dave or Carole.

STEPHEN MINISTERS: Bonnie Arndt, Ghislaine Brassine, Janice Crum, Marie Dorish, Mary Hogan, Brenda Martinez, Inge Matteucci, Teresa Mendez, Deacon Carlos Mendez, Nadia Neumeier, Joan Opheikens, Sharon Paetzke, Mary Ann Smith.

These Ministers can help you during a difficult time in your life. Please know they are trained, supportive and everything is confidential.

Information

Church Office

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Closed from 12 noon-1:00 pm

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Pastor Rev. David Bittmenn
Parochial Vicar..... Rev. Kelechi Alozie
Retired..... Rev. Glenn Dare

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Bookkeeper Kelli Callister
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Mariana Lawrentz ... 720-227-8319 or 435-673-2604
(mlawrentz@sgcatholics.com)

Newman Catholic Club

Veronica Gonzales: veronica.gonzales@dmail.dixie.edu

Online Giving Link please visit our website

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Gift Shop (Sharon Rawlins).....688-1948

Parish Council parishcouncil@sgcatholics.com

Safe Environment...Carole Drake, Local DSE
435-673-2604 or cdrake@sgcatholics.com

Baptism Preparation

English: Call the Parish Office to register
Spanish: 1st & 2nd Sat., 2:00 pm (Scanlan)

Baptism

English: 4th Saturday at 9:00 am

Spanish: 3rd Saturday at 9:00 am

Marriage Preparation

English: Contact the Parish Office

Spanish: Contact a Deacon

Deacons

Rigoberto Aguirre.....628-9107

Rogaciano Tellez.....652-9219

Jesse Robles (jrobles@sgcatholics.com)...909-953-0240

Anointing of the Sick

First Friday during 8:00 am Mass

Call Parish Office for home/hospital anointing

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends

Saturday....5:00 pm; (7:00 pm Spanish)
Sunday9:00 am, 11:00 am; (1:00 pm Spanish)

Weekdays

Monday - Friday 8:00 am; (7:00 pm Spanish)
First Saturday..... 8:00 am

Holy Day of Obligation Masses

8:00 am, 6:00 pm; (8:00 pm Spanish)

Confession

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Church or by appointment

Mission Churches Mass Schedule

Saint Paul's - Hurricane (171 S. Main)

Sunday Mass—12:30 pm

San Pablo Mission - Beryl Junction (721 S. Highway 18)

Sunday Mass—4:00 pm

Saint Christopher's - Kanab (39 West 200 South)

Daily Mass - 8:00 am, Saturday - 5:00 pm, Sundays - 9:00 am

Zion Park - Springdale (Canyon Community Center, 126 Lion Blvd.)

SCAP...Sundays at 8:00 am

Palm Sunday through December 1st

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“Sopla en mí, Espíritu Santo, para que todos mis pensamientos sean santos. Muévete en mí, Espíritu Santo, para que también mi obra sea santa. Atrae mi corazón, Espíritu Santo, para que ame sólo lo santo. Fortaléceme, Espíritu Santo, para que pueda defender todo lo que es santo. Protégeme, Espíritu Santo, para que siempre sea santo”. San Agustín



~Carole Drake
Asistente Pastoral y Alcance Comunitario

**Martin
Luther
King Jr.
Day** ©LPI



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday - Friday
9 am - 3 pm

Bulletin submissions for January 30th due on January 19th

ANNOUNCEMENTS and REPORTS

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Washington Fields Building Fund

This weekend's second collection is for the construction of a new Catholic Church at 2500 South Washington Fields Road.

Thank you for your support of this project to benefit our Catholic community.

Fondo de Construcción de Washington Fields

a segunda colecta del esta fin de semana es para la construcción de una nueva iglesia católica en 2500 South Washington Fields Road. Gracias por su apoyo a este proyecto en beneficio de nuestra comunidad católica.

Monday Church Tours

Call Sharon Paetzke at 435-656-4618 to schedule. This tour is an informative activity for parishioners and their guests.

PARISH REGISTRATION and INFORMATION UPDATE CONTINUES

Please remember to pick up a Parish Registration and Information Update form, complete it and return to the parish office if you are new to the parish, have moved or any other family and/or contact information has changed. Forms are located in the vestibule or at the front doors of the church. The completed form may be delivered to the parish office, or placed in the envelope provided and mailed or dropped in the collection basket.

Our records are being updated to better serve our parish family, and also provide updated demographics to the Diocese of Salt Lake City.



Knights of Columbus Food Collection This weekend

We always need canned meats, cereal, canned fruit, spaghetti and pasta noodles, cooking oil, and mayonnaise.



By Lee Haslam

Next weekend's 2nd collection benefits the Diocesan Development Drive (DDD)

If you have DDD envelopes, you may use them for this collection. You may also contribute to DDD through our Parish online giving.



We need men to volunteer for the workshop. We also need help on our intake table and Stockers. Please join us for a few hours each week

Stop into the Thrift Store or call 435-673-1029 and speak with Joan.

Weekly Collection Report

Collection (01/09).....\$ 18,512

Capital Improvement Project (December)

Building Fund Saint George..... \$ 13,791
Building Fund Washington Fields..... \$ 12,533

Diocesan Development Drive - DDD (Dec.)

Online Giving, Checks, Cash 12/30..... \$ 12,809
Diocesan Quota.....\$110,600
Diocesan Payment thru 12/09.... \$ 68,704
DIOCESAN QUOTA DUE..... \$ 41,896

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are one community nourished and transformed by the Eucharist.

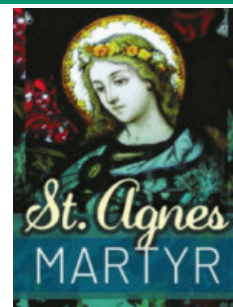
As the body of Christ, we are led by the Holy Spirit to know, love and serve God and one another.

Somos una comunidad alimentada y transformada por la Eucaristía.

Como cuerpo de Cristo, somos guiados por el Espíritu Santo para conocer, amar y servir a Dios y unos a otros.

Scripture Readings for the Week of January 16th

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21



ANNOUNCEMENTS and EVENTS

LOOKING AHEAD

January 17 Office Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

January 17 & 18 Church Closed to Replace Doors

**January 24 Everyday God 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
Kuzy Hall 2nd Floor**

Kuzy Hall Schedule - January 16 - 22

Sunday 01/16

6:00 - 9:00 pm Interfaith Choir Practice *Hall*

Monday 01/17

9:00 - 11:00 am Music Practice *Rm # 2*
 4:30 - 6:30 pm Altar Servers *Rm # 2*
 5:00-9:00 pm Stephen Ministry Training/Host Church *Hall*
 7:00 - 8:00 pm V Encuentro *Rm #3*

Tuesday 01/18

10:00 - 11:00 am Grief Support Group *Rm # 3*
 6:00 - 8:30 pm Stephen Ministry Annulment Seminar *Hall*
 6:00 - 7:00 pm Cub Scouts *Rm # 4*
 6:30 - 7:30 pm Choir Practice *Rm # 2*
 8:00 - 9:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way II *Rm # 2*

Wednesday 01/19

6:00 - 8:00 pm Holy Spirit Prayer Group *Rm # 3*
 7:00 - 8:30 pm CERS *Rm # 1*
 7:00 - 9:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way *Rm # 2*

Thursday 01/20

5:00 - 8:0 pm Sponsors Meeting Confirmation *Hall*
 6:30 - 10:00 pm Knights of Columbus 4th degree *Rm # 1*
 7:00 - 10:00 pm Misioneros de Jesus y Maria *Rm # 2*
 7:00 - 9:00 pm Deacon Tellez Marriage Prep *Rm # 3*

Saturday 01/22

9:30 am - 1:00 pm Altar Servers *Rm # 3*
 7:00 - 9:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way *Rm # 3*
 7:00 - 9:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way II *Rm # 2*

METAL DOORS IN THE CHURCH TO BE REPLACED THIS WEEK

Patience pays off. After a two month delay, the exterior metal doors on the north and west sides of the church are ready to be replaced. This will take place next Monday and next Tuesday, January 17 and 18. For this reason, daily Masses will not be celebrated on these two days and holy hour will not be celebrated on Tuesday the 18th .

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the building fund. Your generosity made this project possible.

To all Heads of St. George Ministries
and Programs,

**“WE ARE YOUR FAMILY
AWAY FROM HOME”**

Please reserve the weekend of the 26th and 27th of February for this special event which will be displayed in Kuzy Hall after each of the Masses on that Saturday and Sunday. We will have everyone who's involved with an organization in our church to have a display of banners and/or explanation of what they are representing in our church.

If you any questions, please call: Suzanne DeMaio
435-862-9150 or email at: suzydemai@gmail.com

**RSVP BY FEBRUARY 2, 2022 TO RESERVE A
SPOT IN KUZY HALL.**
(2/2/22)

A todos los dirigentes de Ministerios y
Programas de St. George,

“SOMOS TU FAMILIA FUERA DE CASA”

Reserve el fin de semana del 26 y 27 de febrero para este evento especial que se exhibirá en Kuzy Hall después de cada una de las Misas de ese sábado y domingo. Tendremos a todos los que están involucrados con una organización en nuestra iglesia para tener una exhibición de pancartas y/o una explicación de lo que representan en nuestra iglesia.

Si tiene alguna pregunta, llame a: Suzanne DeMaio al
435-862-9150 o envíe un correo electrónico a:
suzydemai@gmail.com

**RSVP ANTES DEL 2 DE FEBRERO DE 2022,
PARA RESERVAR UN LUGAR EN KUZY HALL.**
(2/2/22)

Scanlan Conference Room Schedule January 17 - 22

Monday 01/17

7:30 - 10:30 am Counters
7:00 - 8:30 pm RCIA

Tuesday 01/18

10:00 - 11:00 am Staff Meeting

Wednesday 01/19

7:00 - 9:00 pm Spanish Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Meeting

Thursday 01/20

6:00 - 8:00 pm Adult English Bible Study with Fr. Dave

Saturday 01/22

2:00 - 4:15 pm A Taste of Carmel:
Carmelite Spirituality



What? and When?

A lector formation workshop will take place Saturday morning, January 29, from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. This workshop is a training experience designed to teach the spirituality and the vocal skills essential for proclaiming the Word of God at Mass. This opportunity is for those who would like to respond to a call and desire to serve God as a lector.

Who?

It is for those who have never been certified as lectors. It is also for those who have had experience as a lector in other parishes and would like to continue their ministry and be certified in this parish. All candidates should have received all Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist, and also be in full communion with the Catholic Church.

Where?

We will gather in the Scanlan Building in the 2nd floor Conference Room.

How?

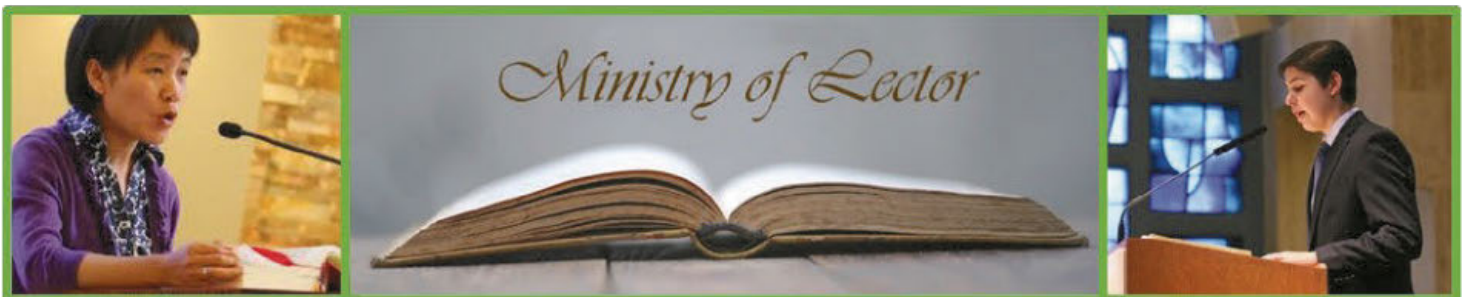
To participate, call/text or email Ruth Ann Pilney at 530.295.7792 or rapilney79@centurylink.net between now and January 25th.

Please consider becoming a lector. Our parish welcomes people willing to serve in this ministry.

A Lector lends his or her voice to God, becoming His instrument for proclaiming Sacred Scripture to those assembled for the celebration of Mass and other liturgical services when God's word is shared.

¹ Isaiah 50:4

² Ministry of the Word on parish website: <https://www.saintgeorgecatholics.com/lector>





EQUALITY BEGINS IN THE WOMB 2022 NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE THEME

Please join Pro-Life Saint George Catholic Church, Pro-Life South, local churches, the Diocese of Salt Lake City, Pro-Life North, the National March for Life, and other States who will be marching and making a difference for life. Last year was our first Pro-Life Rally as we joined Pro-Life South local churches participate in Pro-Life Car Parade.

This is a critical year for Pro-Life and for our country as the Supreme Court and Thomas E. Dobbs deliberate several Pro-Life cases. You have been diligent with your prayers and helped us succeed thus far; we thank you.

The question is can you test your faith? *GOD NEEDS YOU NOW MORE THAN EVER, AND HE NEEDS YOU TO BE SEEN. The State of Utah needs you to be seen. St George needs you to be seen. Jesus answers this question in Matthew 25:35-40. From the Catechism: "As followers of Jesus, we have a choice: respond to unsettling realities in fear and withdraw or follow Him in responding to the greatest needs of our day with love and hope."*

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches: "Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion... You shall not kill the embryo by abortion and shall not cause the newborn to perish... The inalienable right to life of every innocent human individual is a constitutive element of a civil society and its legislation." 2271 & 2273

Now is the time to publicly test your faith. Stand up and be the Catholic that God is calling each one of us to be. Our time is short; let your voice and car be seen.



**MARCH FOR LIFE
JANUARY 22, 2022
WHERE: 200 W. TABERNACLE
TIME: 10:30 AM
CAR PARADE: 12:00 PM
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THE 2023 BISHOPS SYNOD AND OUR PARISH, PART THREE (More on the details of listening sessions and why a synod on synodality)

In 2023 bishops representing clusters of areas within the Church will meet to discuss the topic of synodality. This is an umbrella term for the themes of Church unity, participation within the Church, and evangelizing both within the Church and outside of the Church. In themselves unity, participation, and evangelization are broad concepts, and so to help narrow the focus a bit the Vatican has released 11 categories of questions to guide parish listening groups. Results of the listening groups will then be reported to the diocese and forwarded to Rome. These listening groups are the main way in which we participate in the synod.

Last week's article talked about the spirit of participation in these listening sessions and the working details of these sessions. The role of a meeting facilitator was mentioned last week, and along with the facilitator a note-taker will

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be present. One or both of these people will greet participants when they arrive and invite them to fill out an anonymous demographic information card. The role of the note-taker is to record the main ideas, points, and sentiments of listening session participants. This record is not a summary of the majority position but rather includes all the responses to the topic questions offered in the listening session. Note-takers will respect the wishes of those wishing to remain anonymous. After the listening session, note-takers will submit the demographic information cards and complete an online submission form using the main ideas, points, and sentiments raised during the session. All of this information goes to the diocese. An image of the demographic information card accompanies this paragraph.

The number of listening sessions varies from place to place and the plan is to have these sessions in both English and Spanish. Listening sessions may be on Zoom, it's possible to include information from family and friends in listening sessions, and people may send me responses to specific questions covered in listening sessions. Ideally the same participants will continue for all the listening sessions held in a particular language, but these does not preclude people coming for some and not all the sessions. The pastor normally attends listening sessions.

Some parishioners have wondered why synodality is the topic of the upcoming synod. After all, there are more pressing issues to discuss. I've heard everything from women priests to establishing procedures to deny pro-abortion politicians Holy Communion. As important as these issues may be, the importance of unity in the Church and evangelization cannot be overlooked particularly in times when factions are on the rise in society and in the Church itself. Each faction prefers to socialize within itself while mistrust of other factions grows. Part of evangelization is overcoming indifference and the barriers it feeds. Part of synodality is overcoming indifference and the barriers it feeds within the Church so as to live out the unity and communion of the Body of Christ. The new evangelization overlaps with synodality. The tools used in the listening sessions, those of dialogue and respect in search of truth, are also tools of both evangelization and synodality. How can we evangelize if we dislike the discomfort of dealing with people with other opinions? How can we be a unified Church if we dislike the discomfort of dealing with the pieties of others? There's more to evangelizing than insisting that I am right and so the person listening to me had better really listen to me. There's more to forming the Body of Christ in the Church than insisting that my sense of the Church is the only sense of the Church and so the person listening to me had better follow my example. Is listening to others an admission that they are right and that they have more truth than I do? Wouldn't it be easier just to let everyone believe what they want to believe? It takes practice in dialogue to discover that maintaining truth is not at odds with listening to people with different opinions. Jesus witnessed to the truth and listened when he ate with sinners and when he helped his disciples grow in the Faith. In many ways the tools of synodality and evangelization are central to resolving some of the other important issues in the Church.



Next weekend's article about the 2023 synod of bishops will take up some of the doubts and concerns about listening sessions.

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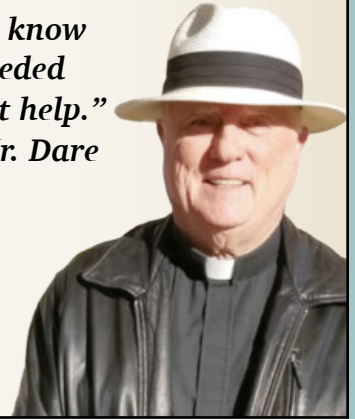


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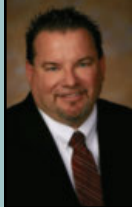
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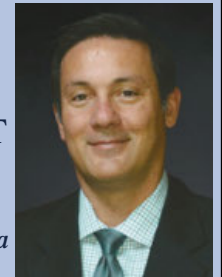
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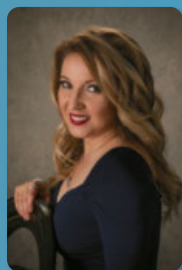
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