

February 22, 2026 - First Sunday of Lent

St. George Catholic Parish

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday Evening: 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Confession: Saturday 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. or by appointment at a mutually convenient time.

Parish Ministries

Baptismal Catechesis: Deacon Mike Pentony 208-773-4715

Marriage Preparation: Deacon Mike Pentony 425-531-0341

Couples wishing to be married must contact the parish within 6 months of their proposed wedding date. No firm wedding date should be set prior to meeting with the Pastor or Deacon.

Convert Formation (OCIA): 208-773-4715

Knights of Columbus: Jim Beck 208-699-7319

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Prayer Chain: Marilyn Hunt 208-773-1074

Bible Study: Joan Neary 703-380-9806

Soaring Spirits Widow/Widowers Group:

Colleen Provost 208-691-2486 & Jeannette Fay 208-699-0099

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Holy Family Catholic School: Sue Styren, Principal
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OUTREACH

St. George's Mission of Charity: 208-773-8599

Pregnancy Support Center: 208-449-8512

Friendship Kitchen: Closed during construction.

The temptations of Jesus



Parish Council Chairperson: Debbie Ellis 509-991-2816

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Next Week's Readings: March 1, 2026

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a (25A)

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Matthew 4:1-11

Afterwards he was hungry. (Matthew 4:2)

Of course Jesus was hungry! Who wouldn't be, after forty days of fasting? Surely his stomach ached and his head throbbed. It's true that he is the Son of God who needs nothing. But he was also a real human being with real needs. And so this Divine Son . . . got hungry.

Matthew wants to make sure we understand this truth. Jesus decided to become a man and face trials in a human body like our own. In his hunger, he confronted the temptation to provide for himself instead of trusting God—a test our first parents had failed. *Is God truly good? Will he provide for me?*



In Eden, the serpent had asked, “Did God really tell you not to eat from any of the trees?” (Genesis 3:1). Now, Jesus heard a similar enticement: “If you are the Son of God, command that these stones become loaves of bread” (Matthew 4:3). *It seemed logical: Would God really want you to be famished? Isn't there a better way to bring in the kingdom?*

But Jesus held fast to the word of God: “It is written: ‘One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God’ ” (Matthew 4:4). He was recalling the Exodus, when God provided manna for his hungry people so that they could learn to rely on him. In the wilderness, Jesus defeated the devil by trusting his Father and aligning himself with his will. At the same time, he showed us how to battle our own temptations.

We all face testing. Our Lenten fasting is difficult, our best-laid plans go awry, someone we love falls ill. In our “wilderness,” we are tempted to doubt the goodness of God's plan. In our “hunger,” we wonder if he will provide. But Jesus promises that we will not be tested beyond our ability (1 Corinthians 10:13). And he is with us to give us strength.

Cling to the Lord today—he knows what it is to be hungry.

“Lord, help me to trust in your ways and resist temptation.”

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O CIA ~ First, Second, & Third Commandments

Sessions are on Wednesdays - 6:30 p.m. at St. George Parish Hall.



**February 21st -
February 27th**

**MASST
INTENTIONS**

- 2/21 **Saturday:** People of the Parish
- 2/22 **Sunday: 8:30 -** Tom Neary †
10:30 - For Paul Krieg
- 2/24 **Tuesday:** For Martha Leonard
- 2/25 **Wednesday:** Kevin Soukup †
- 2/26 **Thursday:** For Joyce Buck
- 2/27 **Friday:** For Juanita Kelley



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Watch: Foretold

Learn: Saint Peter

Listen: St. Polycarp/Catholic Saints

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2nd Collection - Building Fund:			\$ 808.49
February	8	Income:	\$ 5,423.63
2nd Collection - Building Fund:			\$ 886.33
February	15	Income:	\$ 5,020.50
2nd Collection - Building Fund:			\$ 1,065.39
February	22	Income:	\$ 00.00
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Please send time with our Lord in Adoration on Sundays, 5-6pm; Tuesdays, 6:45-7:30pm; and First Fridays, 10am-10pm.



A Wonderful Gift to Our Future:

We are entering the home stretch of construction! To ensure our new Hall and Adoration Chapel are ready for our Grand Opening, we invite you to cross the finish line.

Memorial Wall: It would be deeply meaningful to have your family's memory tile part of the Narthex wall from day one. **Place your order today** by picking up a form at the back of the church or visiting our Online Giving portal.

* **Skilled Craftsmanship:** We are seeking professional **tile setters, masons, and bricklayers** to help lay the foundation of our primary gathering areas.

* **Community Finishing Crews:** Not a pro? We need you, too! Sign up for our **Cleanup Crew, Landscaping Group, or Furniture Restoration Team.**

* **Office Moving Day:** Volunteers are needed to relocate our office furniture and equipment.. A soft date has been set for the third Saturday of March.

How to Join: Visit the tables at the back of the church to fill out a **Volunteer Interest Form** or hand yours directly to **Bob Ellis.**

Let's make this a place to gather and grow together!



Please explore the wonderful Catholic books, CD's, and videos downstairs in the parish hall. The library committee has downsized the library and are offering these items for free but will gratefully accept any small donations to the library fund.

The books remaining in the library itself are being reserved for their relocation to the bookshelves next to the fireplace, in the new parish hall.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday: Coffee and donuts after Mass today. Join us for Adoration every Sunday from 5-6pm.

Monday: Parish Office open 9am-3pm. 9:30am The Project Bible Study meets in the parish hall. 6-8pm Confirmation Class at St. George Hall. Topic: "Do I have what it takes?" (Virtue)

Tuesday: Parish Office open 9am-3pm. Adoration following the 6pm Mass until 7:30pm.

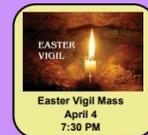
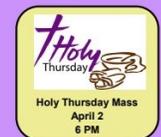
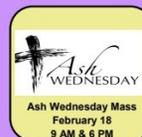
Wednesday: Parish Office open 9am-3pm. 6:30 pm OCIA Class in the parish hall. 6:30pm First Communion class in the cafeteria.

Thursday: Parish Office 9am-3pm. 10am - noon Mission of Charity Office open.

Friday: Parish Office open 8am-noon. 6pm Stations of the Cross to be lead by the St. George Soaring Spirits Widow/Widower Ministry.

Save this flyer in today's bulletin with all of the important dates for the Lenten & Easter season.

St. George Catholic Church LENTEN & EASTER SEASONS Lent Begins February 18th



Please join us!

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Coming this April 19th to St. George: Soup Competition and Silent Auction!

We're looking for new item donations for silent auction baskets and volunteers to assist with the planning and implementation of this fun event.

Please call Janet Matney (425-765-7495) to see how you can help make this community event a success.

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