Saint George Church On-the-Green

June 8, 2025 Pentecost Sunday

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Parish Office: 203-453-2788 Fax: 203-453-1707

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Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 9:00AM to 4:00 PM Friday 9:00AM - 1:00PM Closed Saturdays and Sundays

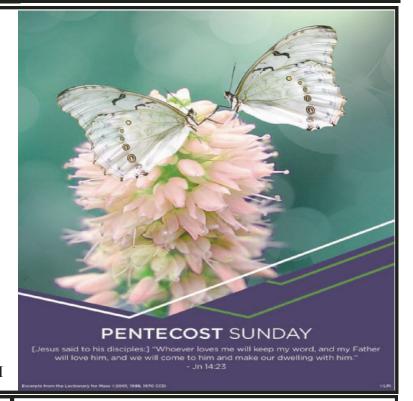
Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:30, 10:30 AM

Daily Mass:

Weekdays at 8:30 AM (except Thursday) First Saturday of each month at 8:30 AM

Confessions: Saturday 3:15 - 4:00 PM 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month 5:45 - 6:45 PM



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Saint George Mission Statement

As unique disciples of Jesus, we seek to know, to teach and to reflect Christ by welcoming and serving others through our Catholic faith.

<u>Pre-Baptism Preparation:</u> To schedule a baptism, please contact Sr. Kathleen by email with your telephone number and address information to

srkathleen@stgeorgeguilford.org. She will contact you once it is received.

Bulletin Notices: Should be submitted no later than Sunday by Noon in order to be included in the next weekend's edition. Notices should be dropped off or sent to the Parish Office in the Fr. Sullivan Center; or email communications@stgeorgeguilford.org

<u>Homebound/Hospitalized:</u> If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, or hospitalized and would like a visit, please call the Parish Office.

Marriage: For engaged couples or couples wishing to have their civil unions blessed, please contact the office 9 months before the anticipated ceremony date.

<u>Prayer Line:</u> To request prayers or to receive the list via email, please contact Dede Collins at 203-453-2306 or dorotheacollins@yahoo.com



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Masses are livestreamed daily at 8:30am and Sunday at 10:30am

SATURDAY, 06/07/2025 - St. Norbert 8:30AM **Parishioners of St. George**

4:30 PM Robert Sullivan

Stephanie Erb

Helen & Bob Keiser

10:30 AM Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

MONDAY, 06/09/2025 - The Blessed Virgin Mary 8:30 AM Al Shanley

5:45 PM **Eucharistic Adoration & Confession**

TUESDAY, 06/10/2025 8:30 AM Michael Stiso, Jr.

The Duggan Family

WEDNESDAY, 06/11/2025 - St. Barnabas 8:30 AM Parishioners of St. George

THURSDAY, 06/12/2025 8:30 AM **No Mass**

FRIDAY, 06/13/2025 - St. Anthony of Padua 8:30 AM Joanne Sabia

Sister

SATURDAY, 06/14/2025 4:30 PM Angelo Sordilli

Daughter Joann & Family

SUNDAY, 06/15/2025 - The Most Holy Trinity 8:30 AM Gloria & Fred Carson

Charlene & Russ

10:30 AM Martin R. Carbone, Sr.

Food Pantry Needs

Small Jars of Peanut Butter & Jelly, Italian Salad Dressing, Small Bottles of Oil, Cereal, Canned Soup, Canned Tuna

The Food Pantry volunteers and our Food Pantry families extends its deepest gratitude for your constant generosity.

Banns of Marriage

Please pray for this couple as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage

I - Nicole Kaminski & Daniel Mitchell

The Daily Rosary is recited immediately after the 8:30 AM Mass.

The Divine Mercy Chaplet is recited every Tuesday immediately after the 8:30 AM Mass.

Our Lady of Fatima Rosary is recited in the Church every Wednesday at 7:15 PM.

First Saturday Devotion meets on the First Saturday of the month after the 8:30 AM Mass.

Padre Pio Prayer Group meets in the Ruiz Center First Saturday of the month after the 8:30 AM Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration
2nd & 4th Mondays from
5:45 to 6:45 PM

Readings Week

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17/ Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1: 12-14/ Jn 19: 25-34

Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22/

Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: Acts 11:21b-26,

13:1-3/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: 2 Cor 3:15—4:1,3-6/

Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/ Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21/

Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/ Rom 5:1-5/

Jn 16:12-15



April Parish Support
Offertory – \$68,507
(includes on-line giving of \$21,731)

Matthew 25 – \$9,113 (includes on-line giving of \$2,989)

Upcoming Second Collections

June 7/8 Catholic Communications

Campaign

June 28/29 Peter's Pence

July 5/6 Matthew 25

From the Pastor's Desk...

Dear Parishioners.

As the old expression goes: "if you don't like the weather; wait 15 minutes". In most cases it is a day, but the gist is that weather extremes can happen rather quickly. It certainly has been the case, here, as of late. We've gone from some beautiful Spring weather conditions to some Summer like weather in just a day. After a seemingly long Winter that was frequently windy, the conditions seem to be conducive to getting the convertible out more frequently. When the weather conditions aren't too conducive to be driving around with the top down on the car, I tend to forget about even using the convertible. I've gotten in "trouble" a few times because of this; what happened is that I didn't take the car out for a while and when I went to start the car the battery had drained out; a jump start would get it going and then I would drive around for about forty-five minutes to an hour to charge the battery. I've been pretty good about taking the car out this winter, but writing this article has me focused on getting the car out for an extended drive; but it must be good convertible weather; I don't find it much fun to take the convertible out in the rain. I have to say, the one aspect of this car that I don't like is that when the top is up, there is a terrible blind spot that makes it very difficult to pull out into some traffic; I guess that it is a small price to pay for the pleasure of driving a convertible.

As you recall, there were eight people received into the faith at Easter Vigil this year. While they were going through their classes to learn about the Catholic faith and discern if the Lord was indeed calling them to be one with us as Catholics, two young girls were attending classes the learn about the faith and prepare them to be received into the Church through the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Eucharist. Now they are ready to receive these first two Sacraments of Initiation. These girls will be welcomed into the Church next Sunday during the 10:30am Mass. We're not having them Baptized after Mass and come back another time for First Holy Communion because in situations like this, the proper way for them to receive these two Sacraments is that it is done during Mass. In the Fall, they will begin religious education classes, at their age level, and will be Confirmed with their classmates. I hope that we will get a good turn-out next Sunday at the 10:30am Mass to witness and welcome these girls into the faith.



Come and journey with us.

The process by which adults come into full communion with the Catholic Church is known as "OCIA", which is short for the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. If you feel God calling you to this conversion of heart, please join us on this journey to a closer relationship with God and His Church. We will be offering a Q & A session on Sunday June 29th, after the 10:30 Mass in the Parish Hall. For more information, or

if you have a friend or family member who might benefit, please contact:

Deacon Yatcko @ dcn.yatcko@aohct.org or Donna Yatcko @ dmyatckocdw@aol.com



Catholic

It is fundamental that when you give to any charitable organization, you are confident the funds are used wisely. Be assured that your gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports the Catholic ministries and programs as indicated in the 2025 Appeal literature, which can be found at https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

Catholic Communication Campaign This Weekend

There will be a second collection this weekend for the Catholic Communication Campaign. Through websites, social networks, television, radio, and print, the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) helps the Church spread the Gospel message through the media locally and nationally. Half of all donations to the CCC collected in your diocese stay in your diocese to support your local communications needs, such as radio and television programming (TV Mass & WJM Radio) and diocesan publications.

Low Gluten Hosts

As a reminder, if you need to receive a Low Gluten Host during Communion, please go to the first station on the South Side of the church (Children's Room Side) and let them know when you reach the front by either pointing or informing the person distributing that you need the low gluten. If you are not prepared to receive communion, you can still come forward for a blessing by crossing your arms over your chest when you reach the front.

White Elephant Tag Sale



The White Elephant Tag Sale opening is rapidly approaching. Please begin to save items for our sale which will be during the Knights of Columbus St. George Carnival August 5 to August 9. We will let you know the dates to drop off items an where to bring them in future bulletins.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING IN ANY ITEMS UNITIL THEN— WE HAVE NO PLACE TO STORE THEM.

Contact Dawn Redding at (203) 988-0737 or Laurie Chapman at (203) 843-7738 with any questions.

Appalachia Mission Trip 2025

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We are so excited to be embarking on the 42nd Appalachia Trip, in partnership with St. John Bosco, and to have so many new participants from St. George this year!

We are always so grateful for your incredible support! If you are able, please consider...

- Attending Our Annual Car Wash! Saturday, June 7th in the St. George Parking lot, starting at 8am. Come by to get your car washed and support this service trip.
- Sharing a Vehicle! Each year, we use borrowed vehicles to travel to and from Booneville, and we are always in need of 7-8 passenger vehicles. If this is something you would consider, please reach out to us so we can share more about how we care for our vehicles, our liability and safety policies, and how we can support you while we're away (loaner vehicles are available!).
- Making a Donation! More than 90% of the funds we raise are infused directly into the economy in Booneville, KY as we purchase construction materials and other supplies. The remaining 10% pays for our gas and donations to the generous churches that host us while we're traveling. If you would like to support us financially, please visit our fundraising site on BetterWorld https://appalachiatrip.betterworld.org/ or reach out to us directly.

Learn More

Curious about our construction service trip? Check out our website - https://sites.google.com/site/stgeorgeappalachiatrip

Contact Us

If you have any questions, please contact Katharine Conroy at katharine.h.conroy@gmail.com or 860-510-3283 anytime.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



MHM Spiritual Support Group Meetings: Feeling Anxious? Stressed? Depressed? Isolated? Lonely?

Consider joining the MHM Spiritual Support Group, a safe and confidential environment where people who live with mental illness can meet and share their experiences, their concerns and their faith. Through support, prayer and reflections members can grow spiritually closer in their relationship with our loving God. All discussions are private, held in confidence and are not shared or discussed outside of the group. It is not group therapy and behavioral health professionals are not involved.

The group meets on Sundays from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM at St. George Church on the Green in Guilford, 33 Whitfield Street in the large meeting room in the Father Sullivan Center.

Our next meeting dates are June 15 and June 22. For more information please contact Deacon Adam Michaele at (203) 530-4466 or Rose Michaele at (203) 815-3716.

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Full payment payable to St. George Church due by August 10, 2025.



Assistance for Those Seeking Jobs Zoom Meetings

The Guilford Job Network, a volunteer non-denominational group that supports job-seekers via expert guest speakers and job search counseling, generally meets twice monthly via live web-cast meetings using Zoom. All job-seekers are welcome.

For info and Zoom meeting link call 203-457-0121 or email RussAllen2@aol.com

The meetings will be on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. The next meeting dates are June 11 & 25. Meetings run from 7:00-8:30 PM.



Baptism Quilt Ministry Wednesday, June 11

10 am-12 pm in the Parish Center

Even if you don't sew, you are welcome to participate in this ministry – there are lots of jobs to do.

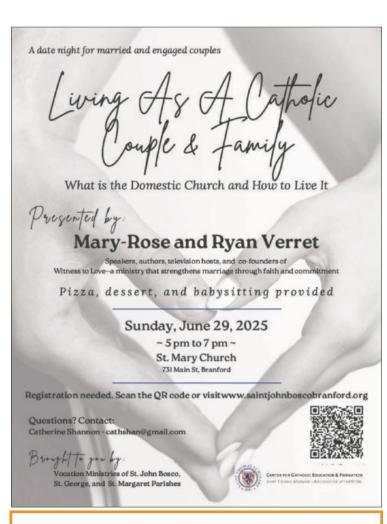
Please join us!

Contact Barb Richard with any questions at barbrichard111@gmail.com or 203-457-0290

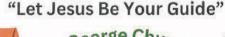
The Grieving Friends

The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 12 at 6pm in the Ruiz Center.

We all experience personal loss at some time. We are a community of people that help each other in sharing the experience of mourning. You can not change the past, but, together, we can shape our future with the help of friends. Friends - are a way you can refocus and forge a better future. For questions or for more information, contact the church office at 203-453-2788.









Monday July 7-Friday July 11, 2025 9:00am-1:00pm

Children who have completed 1st grade thru completed 4th grade Cost: \$100.00/child

Includes: daily lunch, speakers, crafts, Friday Pizza party & of course the Famous Ice Cream Truck after closing prayer on Friday

Space is limited to 50 children

Registration: Stgeorgeguilford.org

For more information please call or email:
Elizabeth Herbst
203-453-2788 ext. 203
eherbst@stgeorgeguilford.org



Anyone interested in volunteering for the Carnival should contact Joe Nelly at 203-605-0565 or **joenelly@comcast.net**

August 5 - 9, 2025



Parent and Children Summer Meet Ups!

Come meet with other parents and children from our parish for conversation and playtime immediately after the 8:30 Mass on the lawn behind the parish hall. The Conlon family will welcome you! Coffee, juice boxes and refreshments will be served.

Sunday, June 22 Sunday, July 20 Sunday, August 24

ESCA NEWS

Attached is a photo of ESCA student Liam (Gr. 8) who created this remarkably lifelike portrait of Sr. Annette D'Antonio, MPF, as a heartfelt remembrance. We profoundly miss Sr. Annette. Her beautiful voice and dedication to students as Principal of St. Mary School and Assistant Principal at East Shoreline Catholic academy are deeply missed. The unveiling of her portrait at the May Crowning, one of her cherished events among many religious activities she enthusiastically organized with students, was a poignant tribute.





Carnival Raffle

This year's Carnival raffle will be three \$1,000 cash prize winners

Tickets will be \$5 each.

We are looking for parishioners to help sell raffle tickets this year as well. You can either pick them up at the Father Sullivan Center or contact Chris Dill (203-530-1774/cdill10@comcast.net) or Joe Nelly (203-605-0565/joenelly@comcast.net).

St George Knights of Columbus #3928

Carnival Raffle

3 Prizes to be Awarded

1st Prize: \$1,000 2nd Prize: \$1,000 3rd Prize: \$1,000 DRAWING TO BE HELD SATURDAY AUGUST 9, 2025 9:00PM

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Red Cross Blood Drive

Blood donations make a real difference in the lives of others. Every pint of blood saves up to three lives. If you are able, please consider giving soon. Upcoming Blood Drives in Guilford:

East Creek Landing (390 S. Union St.) June 4, 19, 26: 8:30 am – 6:00 pm June 11: 9 am – 2 pm

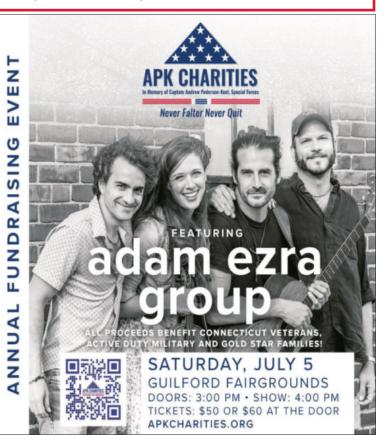
Please sign up through the Red Cross Website at www.redcrossblood.org or call1-800-RED-CROS (1-800-733-2767)



Film Study "Man For All Seasons" Wednesday, June 18 from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm

Academy Award winning film "Man For All Seasons" depicts the conflict between St. Thomas More and King Henry VIII. When the King could not get a Papal annulment for his legitimate marriage, his next move was to separate from the Catholic Church and declare himself the head of the Church of England. This brought him into conflict with his Chancellor, Thomas More, a stanch Catholic. The film dramatizes the conflict and the high stakes that Tomas faces to remain true to his conscience. Jim Pepitone is the discussion leader. A free will donation will be welcomed. To register email or call Sr. Patricia Cigrand @ email: cigrandpatricia@gmail.com or 203-606-4830.

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

We invite you to reflect on these questions based on the Sunday morning scripture readings this week.

First Reading:

The disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit and able to speak in multiple tongues so that all the people could understand them. When do you feel the Holy Spirit present in your life?

Second Reading:

Paul assures us that as believers, the Spirit of God dwells in us. How ought the indwelling of the Spirit positively impact our day-to-day living?

Gospel:

The resurrected Jesus sent out the disciples to forgive (or retain) sins. What has been your experience of the sacrament of Reconciliation? ©LPi

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Why Use Incense?

Question:

Why do we use incense at Mass?

Answer:

The use of incense in religious ceremonies and worship is a practice that predates Christianity, and which is also found in many other religious traditions today.

Incense, which is made from resin infused with aromatic spices and oils, is one of those fundamentally human symbols that incorporates more than one of our senses, helping us to reflect on realities that transcend the everyday details of our lives.

The use of incense in the Church's liturgy — in the Mass, as well as in devotions to the Eucharist and the Liturgy of the Hours — is inspired by the use of incense in the Jewish tradition. In the writings of the Old Testament, we hear about incense being used in the worship of the temple, and Psalm 141 asks, "Let my prayer be incense before you; my uplifted hands an evening offering" (vs. 2). The image here is that, as the incense gently rises to heaven, our prayers also rise to God as something sweet and pleasant.

Another ancient use of incense that has also become part of our Catholic tradition is the idea that when we incense something, it's because it is something special or sacred. This is why the Book of the Gospel is incensed during the Liturgy of the Word and the bread, wine, priest celebrant, and congregation are incensed at the presentation of the gifts. To this, we can also add the incensing of the Blessed Sacrament during eucharistic adoration and benediction, and the body of the deceased at the end of the Mass of the Resurrection (the Funeral Mass). ©LPi

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: What year marked the first time that Catholics in the United States were allowed to receive the Eucharist in their hands?

Answer: 1977. ©LPi

This Week in the Parish

Sunday, June 8

11:30 AM - Pastoral Council - Hall

Monday, June 9

9:00 AM - Daily Rosary

5:45 PM - Eucharistic Adoration & Confession - Church

Tuesday, June 10

9:00 AM - Daily Rosary

9:30 AM - Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:45 AM - Bible Study: Mary - Sullivan Center

1:30 PM - New Day Bereavement Group - Sullivan Ctr.

4:00 PM - Prayer Group - Ruiz Center

7:00 PM - Spanish Prayer Group - Ruiz Center

Wednesday, June 11

9:00 AM - Daily Rosary

9:45 AM - Bible Study: Bible Timeline - Lattanzi Room 10:00 AM - Baptismal Quilt Ministry - Sullivan Center

7:00 PM - Guilford Job Network via ZOOM

7:15 PM - Our Lady of Fatima Rosary - Church

Thursday, June 12

6:00 PM - Grieving Friends - Ruiz Center

6:30 PM - Adult Choir Rehearsal - Church

7:30 PM - Appalachia Meeting - Sullivan Center

Friday, June 13

9:00 AM - Daily Rosary

Saturday, June 14

3:15 PM - Confessions

5:30 PM - Men's Group Pasta Dinner - Hall

Sunday, June 15

2:00 PM - MHM Spiritual Support - Sullivan Center

LIVE THE LITURGY -INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"Whoever loves me will keep my word," Jesus tells his disciples, "and my Father...will come to him and make our dwelling with him." We know what's at stake. We know what we have to do. So when the Father comes, will He make His dwelling with us? ©LPi

PRAYER FOR PENTECOST

Holy Spirit of God —

Disturb this room with your presence today, filling us, empowering us, emboldening us.

Descend upon us with your gifts, your inspiration, and your promptings.

Lead us to where we should go, stirring within us the movement of God.

Amen. ©LPi

Offering of the Gifts During Mass

If you have a Mass Intention listed in the bulletin, or you would like to carry up the gifts during the Mass you are attending, please see the usher located in the Front of the Church and let them know of your interest.

Are you new to St. George Church?



If you have been joining us or have recently moved into the area, please register with us so that we can better serve you. You can register by using the QR Codes found in the pews, going directly on line to our website at https://stgeorgeguilford.org/register/, by calling the parish office (203-453-2788) or stopping by and our parish staff will help you with the registration process.



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