



Church of St. George

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT • MARCH 8, 2026



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Jesus said to her,
“I am he, the one
speaking with you.”
- Jn 4:24-26

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Parish Mission Statement

We express and embrace the Divine Will in caring for each other, liturgy, Eucharistic Adoration, ministries, stewardship, outreach, social gatherings and prayer.

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 9am-8pm
Tuesdays, 4pm-5pm, 6pm-7pm

Masses

Tues 5:30pm; Wed & Thurs 8:30am; 1st and 4th Fri at 8:30am
Sat 4pm; Sun 9:15am

Reconciliation: Saturdays 3:00pm-3:30pm and by appointment

Office Hours Tues, Wed, Thurs from 9am-3:00pm

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CEIL SUNDEAN CELEBRATES 99th BIRTHDAY!

The parish celebrated Ceil Sundean's birthday at hospitality last weekend. Ceil turned 99 on March 2nd!

Pictured Clockwise: Ceil and Shannon Banks who organized the celebration; Ceil enjoying the party; Ceil's favorite: chocolate cake; Ceil with Bobbi Vaughan and Theresa Beck; Ceil, St. George's oldest parishioner, with Maverick Zappa, one of St. George's youngest parishioners and son of Wittne and Scott Zappa.



Archdiocesan Men's Conference
Saturday, March 21, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Hastings

This retreat for men in the archdiocese will begin with Mass at 8 a.m. with Archbishop Bernard Hebda and Bishop Kevin Kenney. The conference and holy hour will feature speaker Doug Barry, founder and director of the Catholic ministry RADIX. Find more information and registration at archspm.org/events/archdiocesan-mens-conference.

Holy Relationships Conference
Saturday, March 28, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
University of St. Thomas
Iverson Center for Faith, St. Paul

This conference presents the theological foundations and practical tools needed to build strong, faithful relationships that bring stability, hope, and meaning to our lives and to the world around us. No matter your current relationship status, you will leave equipped with formation, clarity, and resources to confidently pursue vibrant, holy relationships that stand firm amid the chaos. Find more information, speakers and registration at: roccaseccaproject.org/holyrelationships-conference.

Archbishop John Ireland Lecture
with Bishop Andrew Cozzens
Do Not Be Afraid to Be Saints:
The Pastoral Vision of
St. John Paul II
Tuesday, April 14, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
The Saint Paul Seminary, St. Paul



At the Spring 2026 Archbishop John Ireland Lecture at The Saint Paul Seminary, Bishop Andrew Cozzens of Crookston will reflect on Saint John Paul II's pastoral vision. He will explore how proclaiming Divine Mercy reveals the dignity of human life and brings healing to a wounded world. Even amid brokenness, preaching mercy must also invite people to embrace Jesus' promise of fullness of life and answer the call to holiness by becoming saints today now. Find more information at saintpaulseminary.org/event/irelandlecture-bishopcozzens.

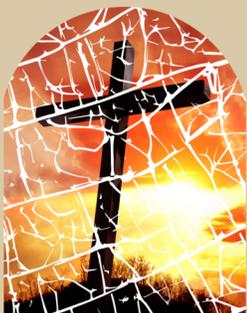
Lenten Days of Prayer
Discovering the Meaning of Lent:
Signs and Symbols
Wednesdays, March 11 and 18, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Franciscan Retreats and Spirituality Center
Prior Lake

Give yourself the gift of some reflective prayer time during this holy Lenten season. Participants need only bring any reading material that they would like to have with them. Lunch will be provided by the Retreat Center. There will be input by the presenter, a guided prayer experience, and ample free time for personal prayer and reflection. There will be an opportunity for Confession, as well as Stations of the Cross and the Liturgy of the Day. Find more information and registration at franciscanretreats.net/lenten-days-of-prayer-franciscan-retreats.

"My whole strength lies in prayer and sacrifice; these are my invincible arms; they can move hearts far better than words, I know it by experience."

—[Saint Therese of Lisieux](#)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



Stations of the Cross
take place on Fridays
at 7:00 pm, except for
Good Friday:

Friday, March 13
(Bilingual)
Wed, March 20
(Spanish)
Friday, March 27



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
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ST. GEORGE WOMEN'S COUNCIL
For more information, call
Marie Suchy at 612-599-9661.



For information about the Knights of Columbus, please contact **Steve Cox at 612-308-1253**. Meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 7pm in the community center.

Knights of Columbus Mission Statement:
We believe in human dignity and support causes that respect life from conception to reunion Christ.

Next Meeting: Thurs, April 9th at 7:00pm

**Knight of Columbus
Lenten Fish & Shrimp Dinner
March 27th, 5-7pm**

Join the Knights of Columbus for their delicious Lenten fish and shrimp dinner including French fries, baked potatoes, coleslaw and desserts. Beer and wine available for purchase. \$15 for adults; \$5 for children's portion.

Followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm

**LENTEN SOUP AND SANDWICH
FRIDAYS**

Join the Knights featuring Steve and Robb for soup and sandwich dinners, featuring homemade sourdough crackers and bread! Every Friday from 5-7pm during Lent except for the Fish Dinner Fridays. Followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
St. Patrick's Day Celebration Dinner
Saturday, March 14th at 5:00pm**

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a delicious meal prepared by the Knights! The menu includes corned beef, glazed carrots, roasted potatoes, oven-baked bread, and a side salad. Beer and wine are available to purchase.

Next Meeting: Thurs, April 2nd at 10:00am

**WOMEN'S COUNCIL MORNING PRAYER,
MEETING, AND BRUNCH
Thursday, April 2**

**9:30am: Holy Thursday Morning Prayer
with Fr Shane**

**10:00am Women's Council Meeting, including
voting to elect officers**

**Followed by a special Women's Council brunch,
including an egg bake.**

Contact Marie Suchy at 612-599-9661 if you would like to bring any brunch items, including pastries, beverages, etc.

FAITH FORMATION SAFETY LESSONS

As part of the faith formation curriculum at St. George, the Archdiocese requires parishes to teach safety awareness lessons each year. These important lessons are part of the guidelines established by the Office for the Protection of Children and Youth (OPCY) of the Archdiocese to teach age appropriate safety concepts. Over the next two months, each grade level will engage in a video and/or discussion that is developmentally appropriate for their age to highlight important concepts regarding personal and/or online safety. Some of these topics include identifying a trusted adult, telling a trusted adult when they feel uncomfortable or scared, and learning rules to keep them safe online.

Most of the curriculum for the safety awareness lessons is taken from NetSmartz, a program of the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, and has been approved by the Archdiocese. For more information, go to:

<http://www.netsmartz.org/Parents>

For some of these lessons, we may be sending out some materials for you to preview or some follow up materials in case you wish to use this as an opportunity to have a conversation with your children regarding these important concepts.

If you have any questions regarding the safety lessons, contact either Faith Formation Director Abby Wooley, awooley@stgeorgelonglake.org or Sara Dore at sdore@stgeorgelonglake.org or 952-473-1247.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
 NEW FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026
 FINANCIAL UPDATE Weekly Goal \$5,350

YEARLY CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Contribution statements for 2025 were mailed out in January.

If you have any questions regarding your statement or did not receive a statement, please email Paula Luna at pluna@stgeorgelonglake.org or call her at 952-228-5879.

Offering for 02/22 Week 34	\$5,893.00
YTD WEEKLY GOAL	YTD WEEKLY COLLECTION
	Year to Date Actual Offering
\$181,900.00	\$178,248.50
Monthly BIM Goal	January BIM Offering
\$2,000	\$1,080.00

Catholic Services Appeal 2026

PARISH GOAL: \$17,311.00

The Catholic Services Appeal is our Archdiocese's yearly fundraising campaign that responds to the needs of our local communities and its people.

Your gift to the Catholic Services Appeal supports our parishes, schools, and dozens of Catholic ministries like Catholic Schools and faith formation, hospital ministry and care for those in crisis, college campus ministry, room and board for seminarians, respect life, support for the imprisoned, and so much more.

You probably have received a mailing already – you may mail your check directly to the CSA.

There are additional pamphlet/envelopes in the pews. You may also donate online at:

<https://www.archspm.org/catholic-services-appeal/donate/>

HOSPITALITY SIGN UP

Donut pick up is now at Kwik Trip in Maple Plain.

Please sign up on the sheet at Hospitality!

March 8: Maria Ochoa Estrada & Confirmation

March 15: Doug and Jane Oyen

March 22: Pete Meyer

March 29: OPEN Please sign up

April 5: No coffee and donuts for Easter!

Help us welcome visitors and encourage social interaction and fellowship by hosting hospitality!

CHILDREN'S COLLECTION

During the Sunday 9:15am Mass, the parish takes up a weekly children's collection before our regular collection. Children are encouraged to come forward to place money in a basket that Father Shane will be holding in front of church.

This is a great way to allow children to feel a part of their parish and to understand the importance of giving.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Southwest Options for Women

February 21-March 8

Save your change and save a life! Did you bring your baby bottle back today?



The baby bottle campaign for SouthWest Options for Women is ending. Please turn your bottle in today or bring it to the parish office this week. If you'd like more information regarding SouthWest Options for Women, please contact Marie Ziesmer at SWOW: 952-938-4496.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who recently died: Louise Hewins, Enma Yolanda Ochoa Tenezaca (mother of Gabriela Céleri), Sister Lillian Kroll (sister of Clem Kroll), Dick Stevens (uncle of Joe Stevens), Patty Stevens (cousin of Joe Stevens), Paula Kasowski (daughter of Jim Maas), Mary Murley

Those who are sick, hospitalized, injured, or recuperating: Oliver Strand (grandson of Jeff Strand), Peter Beck (husband of Theresa Beck), Fr Shane's mother, Samantha Voigt (granddaughter of Theresa Beck), Pat Janos, Jane Hall, Allen Schwinghammer (brother of Karen Speeter)

Those who are homebound or in assisted living homes

Those who are serving our country: Sid Brown, Whitney Eisinger, Justin Eisinger, Dylan Jones, Chris Pearson, Ben Persian

All those currently in treatment for their respective addictions and those who need to face their addictions.

MASSES & MASS INTENTIONS

Sat, March 7, 4:00pm: †Marion Hayes
Sunday, March 8, 9:15am: †Enma Yolanda Ochoa Tenezaca
Sunday, March 8, 5:00pm in Spanish: The People of the Parish
Tuesday, March 10, 5:30pm: For healing of A Wong
Wed March 11, 8:30am: †Msgr Anthony Kleinschmidt
Thurs, March 12, 8:30am: Spec Int: FC
Friday, March 13, 8:30am: NO MASS
Sat, March 14, 4:00pm: †Roger and Dorothy Johnson
Sunday, March 15, 9:15am: The People of the Parish
Sunday, March 15, 5:00pm in Spanish: TBD

PARISH ACTIVITY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 8
10:15am Youth Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, March 11
9:00am-10:30am Divine Will group
6:15am-7:15am PreK-1 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
6:15pm-7:45pm Grades 2-9+ Faith Formation & C
6:45pm-8:15pm Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, March 12
7:00pm AA Meeting
Friday, March 13
5:00-7:00pm K of C Soup & Sandwich Dinner
7:00pm Bilingual Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 14
5:00pm KC Knights of Columbus St. Patrick's Day Dinner
Sunday, March 15
9:15am Youth Mass

Readings for Sunday, March 8, 2026

First Reading: "Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." (Ex 17:6)

Psalms: If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading: And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. (Rom 5:5)

Gospel: "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." (Jn 4:13-14)

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Readings for the Week of Sunday, March 8, 2026

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 42:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Observances for the week of March 8, 2026

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

Monday: St. Frances of Rome, Religious

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 14 at 4pm: Weekend Mass

Rosary: Jeff Strand Lector: Jeff Strand

Greeters: Mary Shearer, Mary Lindbloom EM: Bill and

Jean Kottemann, Meghan Flannery, Jeff Strand

Altar Server/Sacristan: Mike Dombeck

Sunday, March 15 at 9:15am: Weekend Mass

Lector: Youth (Back up: Amy McEvoy)

Greeters: Youth EM: Kristin Erickson, Todd and Marie

Ziesmer, Beth Juusola, Amy McEvoy, Deirdre Wannarka

Altar Servers: Penny Juusola

Sacristan: Beth Juusola

Please contact Sara Dore at sdore@stgeorgelonglake.org to volunteer or if you have questions.



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Parish Secretary and Safe Environment Coordinator
Sara Dore, 952-473-1247 X101, info@stgeorgelonglake.org

Director of Music

This position is currently vacant.

Faith Formation Director, Abby Wooley
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Confirmation Coordinator, Maria Ochoa Estrada

Office Assistant, Rowanne Dombeck,
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Custodial & Maintenance Staff

Matilde Narvaez, Leonardo Santiago, Robert Smith

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Corn Days Director

Andy Pfeifer, corndayslonglake@gmail.com

Cemetery

401 Willow Drive • Long Lake

Deacon Joe Kittok (763) 221-6658

John Hughes (612) 804-2449

Paul Bennett (952) 200-7399

For inquiries regarding plot information and availability or to schedule a burial, contact Sara Dore at 952-473-1247 X101 or info@stgeorgelonglake.org.

Ministries

Eucharistic Adoration Coordinator

Jean Kottemann, 763-458-1591

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Steve Cox, 612-308-1253

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Marie Suchy, 612-599-9661

Parish Council

Chair Dick Speeter, 952- 475-1244

Secretary Frank Fraser

Trustee Daren Grothaus, 612-839-1162

Trustee William Kottemann, 612-802-4397
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Other Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Marie Suchy Shannon Banks

Molly Yates Danielle Miskowic

Joe Smith Andy Pfeifer

Join Our Parish

To register for the parish, contact the parish office at 952-473-1247 X101 or info@stgeorgelonglake.org or pick up a registration packet at the Welcome Center at the back of church.

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