

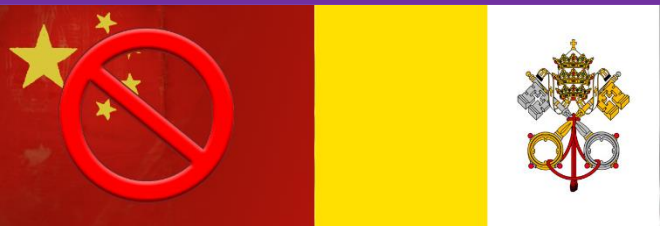


SAINT PAUL CATHOLIC CENTER

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Sunday, March 12, 2023
THIRD SUNDAY of LENT



China's new 'Smart Religion' app requires faithful to register to attend worship services

ChinaAid, a U.S.-based Christian charity, reported March 6 that the religious department of the provincial government of Henan is rolling out a system whereby all believers must make online reservations before they can attend services in churches, mosques, or Buddhist temples.

The reservations are to be made through an app called "Smart Religion" developed by the Ethnic and Religious Affairs Commission of Henan Province. According to ChinaAid, applicants must fill in personal information, including their name, phone number, government ID number, permanent residence, occupation, and date of birth before they can make a reservation. Those who are allowed into a place of worship must also have their temperature taken — suggesting the app may be related in some way to COVID-19 restrictions — and show a reservation code.

Henan, located in the east-central part of the country, has one of the largest Christian populations in China — as much as 6% — according to a 2012 government survey. The communist government of China is officially secular, and the same survey suggested that just 13% of the 98 million population of Henan belongs to an organized religion.

The Chinese government technically recognizes Catholicism as one of five religions in the country, but there exists an underground Catholic Church, which is persecuted and loyal to Rome. Government-approved Catholic churches, on the other hand, have comparatively more freedom of worship but face other challenges, including pressure from the government to censor parts of Catholic teaching, while including Chinese nationalism and love for the party in preaching.

We welcome you to join our congregation of Saint Paul! Registration forms are available at the back of the church, near the entrance or contact Rae Crozier for more information.

LECTORS SCHEDULE

Sat, March 11	Steve Visel
Sun, March 12	Charlotte Green
Sat, March 18	Suzie Bledsoe
Sun, March 19	Sylvia Borowiak

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Sat, March 11	Deacon Dan
Sun, March 12	Patty Simmerman
Sat, March 18	Rae Crozier
Sun, March 19	Lynn Spencer

Prayer Requests

Let us pray for our Armed Forces and their families

Bob Carter	John Hanson
Charlie Barr	Mark Borowiak
Debbie Price	Richard McAfee
Jim Scarth	Robyn Schaefer
Kyle Hanson	Suzie Bledsoe

CONTACT A PRIEST

Saint George Catholic Church

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- Reverend David Bittmenn, Pastor
- Reverend Tristan Dillon
- Deacon Dan Weber

BIBLE STUDY: Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

ROSARY: Mondays at 2:00 p.m.

COMMUNION SERVICE: Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m.

MASS: Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

THE CHOSEN: Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

ADORATION: Wednesday, April 12th at 9:30 a.m.

STATIONS of the CROSS: Fridays, at 6:00 p.m.

VIGIL MASS: Saturdays at 6:00 p.m.

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PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONE

RECONCILIATION

At Saint Paul

Sunday, March 12th

and

Sunday, March 19th

Time to be announced



Diocesan Development Drive (DDD)

Your gifts also help form the future priests of Utah and many other ministries, Catholic programs and services such as: Hospital, Marriage and Family Life, Persons with Disabilities, and Prison Detention ministries. Also, services such as, Diaconate Formation, Government Liaison, Liturgical Training, and Seminarian Training. Lest to mention, Archives of the Catholic Church in Utah, Financial Services, Marriage Tribunal and several more.

You can give your check to Rae Crozier, mail in your donation or donate online at: www.dioslc.org/ddd

PLEASE SUPPORT THE DDD



WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING

Thursday, March 30th
at 6:30 p.m.
at
Saint Paul



Knights of Columbus SPAGHETTI DINNER!

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Italian Spaghetti

Night/Dinner on March 18 at 6:00 p.m. at Kuzy Hall adjacent to St George Church.

\$15 per person. Beer and wine will be available for a donation. Please see Mark Borowiak for tickets and more information.



We are continuing to collect food donations for the Hurricane Food Bank and the Springdale Elementary School.

SNACKS and COFFEE
Will Not Be Served After Mass
During Lent

Happy Birthday!

Airyn Malone – March 14th

Joy Goy – March 18th

THE NEXT PRO-LIFE BILL LIKELY TO COME BEFORE THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTAIVES

H.R. 7, The No Tax Payer Funding Bill for Abortion Act, which would ban the use of taxpayer funding for abortion across the federal government.

- Right now, pro-life taxpayer protections must be passed each year in piecemeal style and do not always cover all spending, The most famous of these provisions, the Hyde Amendment, cover the Department of Health and Human Services and has saved more than 2 million lives since its inception in 1976.
- H.R.7 would make all these limits permanent and ensure they encompass all federal spending.

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A LITTLE SUNDAY HUMOR! Provided by: Steve



★ My mother used to always say, "The older you get, the better you get, unless you're a banana."