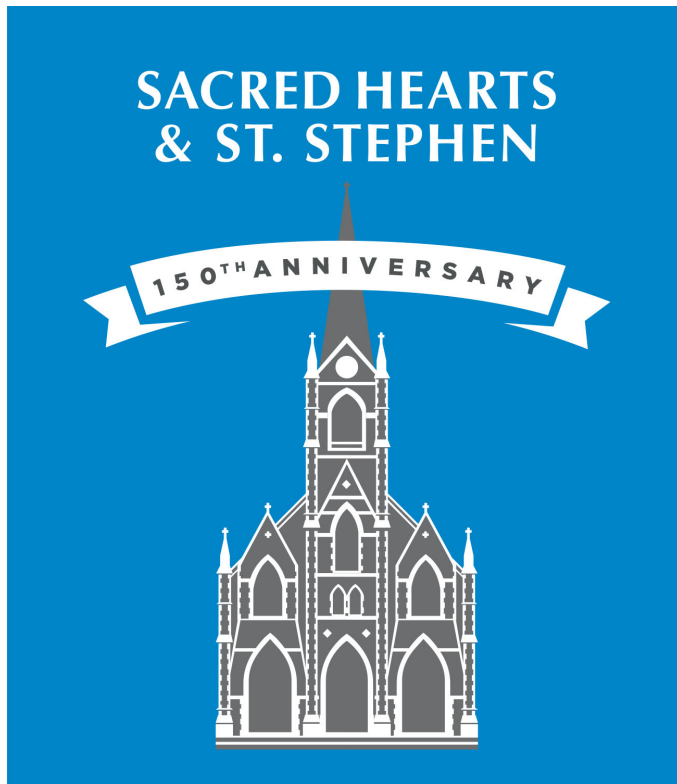


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# **SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C. CHURCH**

**WWW.SacredHearts-StStephen.com**



***St. Stephen's – Founded 1866***  
***Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary***  
***Founded 1882***

## **MASSES ON SUNDAYS:**

8:00 AM 10:00 AM & 11:45 AM  
5:30 PM on Saturday

## **MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:**

Monday 12:00 Noon  
Tuesday thru Friday 8:30 AM Sat. 8:30 AM

## **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturdays 4:45 P.M. as well as By Appointment.

**For Holiday and Special Mass Schedules, please call  
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## **BAPTISMS:**

To prepare for the sacrament of Baptism, parents and godparents should plan to attend the 10:00 AM Mass on the second Sunday of the month followed by a Baptismal preparation meeting. Parents must come to the Parish Office with a copy of the birth certificate one month before your planned Baptism.

## **SICK CALLS:**

Please call and arrange for the sacrament of anointing whenever anyone is seriously ill.

## **MARRIAGES:**

Please call the rectory at least 6 months ahead for an appointment with a Priest.

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**ON LINE & CREDIT CARD GIVING: WWW.PARISH-GIVING.ORG.**

## **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Office closed Sunday

No evening hours at the present time.

**IF YOU WISH TO SEE A PRIEST, PLEASE TELEPHONE FOR AN APPOINTMENT  
PLEASE REMEMBER SACRED HEART & ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.**

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# MASSSES for the WEEK



## DATES TO REMEMBER THIS WEEK

MON. MAY 30, 2016

Noon Frank Berte  
BY: His Daughter Helen

TUE. MAY 31, 2016

8:30 Catherine Deserio  
BY: Her Sister Anna

WED. JUNE 1, 2016

8:30 Sylvia Bello  
BY: Andy Di Manso

THURS. JUNE 2, 2016

8:30 Richard Vallo  
BY: M/M Frank DiRosa  
7:00 PM Kamil's Ordination to the Diaconate  
ALL ARE WELCOME!

FRI. JUNE 3, 2016

8:30 Catherine & Carmelo Graci  
BY: Marie Caria

SAT. JUNE 4, 2016

8:30 JoAnn Mc Donnell  
Good Friend  
BY: Frank Adinolfi  
5:30 PM Luigi & Giovanna Barrera  
BY: Loving Family

SUN JUNE 5, 2016

8:00 AM Maryellen Adinolfi  
BY: Husband, Frank  
10:00 AM Vincenza & Vincent Pepe  
BY: Son Louis  
Jarek's First Mass  
ALL ARE WELCOME!  
11:45 AM Henry Stella  
BY: Olga Tuccillo

Kindly note that due to Fr. Jarek's first Mass, the 11:45 AM Mass will begin at 12:15 PM.

Monday

**MEMORIAL DAY, OFFICE CLOSED**  
May 30th Mass at Noon

Tuesday

May 31st Mass at 8:30 AM  
May 31st Rosarians Praying the Rosary  
@ 7:30 PM Rectory Hall  
May 31st Sr. Ave Clark OP, Church  
"The Heart of Jesus and Mary's love  
is the blessing of Mercy."

Wednesday

June 1st Mass at 8:30 AM  
June 1st Youth Choir Rehearsal  
@ 5:00 PM  
June 1st Children's Choir Rehearsal  
@ 5:45 PM  
June 1st Adult Choir Rehearsal  
@ 6:45 PM  
June 1st AA Meeting @ 7:00 PM  
Rectory Hall  
June 1st Sr. Diane Olmstead MSC-MC  
"Reflections on the Year of Mercy  
and the Feast of Sacred Heart of Jesus &  
Immaculate Heart of Mary" @ 7:00 PM Church

Thursday

June 2nd Mass at 8:30 AM  
**June 2nd Kamil's Ordination to Diaconate**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME**  
Refreshments in Cabrini Hall afterwards

Friday

**FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART**  
June 3rd Mass at 8:30 AM  
June 3rd AA Meeting  
@ 6:30 PM Rectory Hall  
June 3rd Procession to Cabrini Park @ 6:45 PM  
June 3rd Mass of the Most Sacred Heart  
of Jesus at Cabrini Park

Saturday

**THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY**  
June 4th Mass at 8:30 AM followed by  
Hospitality  
June 4th Jarek's Ordination to the Priesthood  
at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral (By Invitation Only  
due to limited space) @ 11:00 AM  
June 4th Confessions at 4:45 PM  
June 4th Mass at 5:30 PM  
June 4th AA Meeting @ 6:00 PM Rectory Hall

Sunday

June 5th Mass at 8:00 AM  
**June 5th Mass @ 10:00 AM Fr. Jarek's**  
**First Mass ALL ARE WELCOME**  
Refreshments in Cabrini Hall afterwards  
June 5th Mass at 11:45 AM\*  
Due to Fr. Jarek's first Mass, the 11:45 Mass will  
begin at 12:15 PM

# Sick Relatives & Friends

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish and community who are ill, hospitalized or in nursing home care, most especially:

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| Jonelle Bernardo,    | Mario Austi         |
| Raj Sandu,           | Matthew Ruggiero    |
| Michelle Laqueria    | Irene Balen         |
| Dolly Vergona,       | Gladys Zodda        |
| Angelo Vergona       | Valerie Pace        |
| Maria Carmen Morial  | John Nigro          |
| Judith Miller        | Alissa Aquino       |
| Michele Morea        | Palma Caminiti      |
| Carol DeMairo        | Anthony Gambardella |
| Denise Deacomanolis  | Rachel Valenti      |
| Salvatore Gianino    | Judith Latalladi    |
| Rosemary Love        | Lisa VanTassel      |
| Lucy D'Ambrosi Nolan | Eileen Giannotta    |
| Richie Boyle         | Kathleen Gunderson  |
- Rosa Maria Santos



Altar Bread & Wine for the week of May 29, 2016 has been donated

In Loving Memory of **MICHAEL DIACOMANOLIS**

Requested by:  
**Francesca Reca & Rose Marie Foglia**

## THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN THE FRONT OF OUR CHURCH

As part of the final process for the front of our Church, after the pavers and the sidewalk work, are the following items:

- Improved and more efficient architecturally approved and cost effective lighting
- Restoration of the two marble statues which will include scraping of all loose and peeling paint from the statues and bases, the repair of any broken areas on the statues, prepare statues for painting and applying two coats of paint

All of the work done in the front of the Church has thus far been paid from the successful paver project. While we still have some funds remaining from this project, there is a shortfall to cover the cost of the above-mentioned work. If anyone wishes to obtain more information on how you can assist with this, kindly call the Rectory and speak with Msgr. Massie.

## CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH

*This year Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen is marking the 150th Anniversary of the establishment of St. Stephen Parish. In 1866, Fr. Dorris celebrated the first mass in St. Stephen's Catholic Church. His foresight established a parish that continues to be strong today. A parish that remains "home" to those living near and far.*

*We invite you to come home and join us as we reflect on the past 150 years of our faith community so that we may together prepare our parish family for the next 150 years. Below is a list of the events scheduled for this anniversary year. Please save the dates. Whether you can attend one, two or all of the events, we look forward to celebrating with you!*

### Parish Schools Reunion

Saturday, June 11 2016

4:30 School Tours, 5:30 PM Mass &  
6:30 PM Reunion Dinner in Cabrini Hall  
\$50.00 Per Person

For tickets e-mail Reunion @ Sacred Hearts-St. Stephen.com or you may purchase tickets after all Masses or at the Rectory during business hours.

### Plaque Dedication to Immigrants

Sunday, June 12, 2016

Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Church  
5:00 PM Mass and Dedication

### Couples Married @ Sacred Hearts & St. Stephen Blessing and BBQ

Sacred Hearts St. Stephen Church  
Saturday June 26, 2016  
11:45 Mass

### 150th Anniversary Gala

Sunday November 13, 2016

El Caribe Country Club  
4:00 PM Cocktails-5:00 PM Dinner  
\$135.00 Per Person

For tickets e-mail 150@SacredHearts-St. Stephen.com

### 150th Anniversary Mass

Sunday December 18th 2016

Sacred Hearts-St. Stephen Church  
10:00 AM with Bishop Di Marzio

# From the Pastor



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The Church and Eucharist cannot be separated.  
“I am the Church, You are the Church, We are the Church together!”

Dear Parish Community:

Today we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi or the Feast of the Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus. The readings invite us back to Holy Thursday when we celebrate the institution of the sacrament of the Eucharist. Due to the proximity of Good Friday and our meditation and contemplation of the Death of the Lord, the Liturgy lacked the time to reflect on the mystery of this great sacrament.

The Eucharist (Blessed Sacrament) is the center of Catholic life. It is the heartbeat and pulse of parish life. We both celebrate this sacrament and adore the divine and mysterious presence of the Lord in this sacrament. We believe that the Blessed Sacrament is the Body and Blood of the Lord. We believe that the Lord is really present in this sacrament. We believe that when received or adored, we are encountering the Risen Lord. For us the Eucharist is not a symbol or sign or just a memorial. The Eucharist is Jesus. The celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) is the making present to us sacramentally, the Passion Death and Resurrection of the Lord. The Eucharist or the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in our Tabernacle, which is located beneath the altar crucifix. The Blessed Sacrament is also reserved in the Chapel of the Transfiguration located behind the statue of Mary to the left of the main altar. The Eucharist is reserved for the purpose of prayer and for the sick to whom the Eucharist is brought.

Encountering the Lord Jesus in this great sacrament is a special time for our spiritual life in Christ. After receiving the Lord in the Eucharist, one should spend time in silent prayer with the Lord. The time after communion is a time of silent conversation with the Lord. This is not a time for private conversation with our neighbor or even for visiting the statues of the saints. This is your time with Christ. As we receive the Eucharist, we are also to remember that we receive the Eucharist as a member of the Body of Christ. We are in communion with Christ and all who are receiving Eucharist in this church and throughout the Christian world. In the Eucharist, the Lord Jesus says “Do this in memory of me.” We who receive the Eucharist, are called to live in memory of Christ in all we do and say.

The Church is the Body of Christ. The people united to Christ through baptism are drawn together through the sharing in the Eucharist to form One Body, the Church. We are called to live in memory of Christ in all we do, say, live and think. It is the Church which celebrates the Eucharist. It is the Eucharist that creates the Church. The Church and the Eucharist cannot be separated. The Church is Jesus present in the world through us. Today as we make our procession with the Eucharist through our streets, we are professing our faith in the Sacrament of the Eucharist, as well as our belief that we too are the Body of Christ, the Church.

If the reason for our Parish is Christ Jesus, then the Eucharist is the center of our worship, prayer and adoration. Every Saturday afternoon from 4-5 PM and on Sunday morning from 8:45 -9:45 AM, we have adoration. Do we truly realize how great this sacrament is? Do we truly realize who this sacrament is?

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

**OPENING OF THE MASS BOOK**  
**FOR THE LAST SIX MONTHS OF 2016**  
**JULY THROUGH DECEMBER**

The Mass Book for the last six months of 2016, July through December, will open on Saturday, June 18th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the Rectory Hall. Everyone is asked to kindly abide by and respect the process. **Numbers given outside WILL NOT be honored!!** You will be assigned a number as you enter the Rectory Hall. You must come in person, unfortunately telephone requests cannot be taken. If you are obtaining intentions for others, these masses will be included as part of your allowance.

As you know, there are only 52 Saturdays and Sundays a year and the request for Saturday/Sunday Masses exceeds the number of Saturday/Sunday masses. Every individual may request **ONE** Saturday/Sunday Mass and two weekday masses at the opening of the Mass book. After the book has been opened **ONE WEEK**, if one wishes to come to the Rectory to request additional intentions, they are most welcome to do so. This means: suppose Mr. and Mrs. X come to request mass intentions. Mr. X may request three intentions **ONE** of which can be on a Saturday/Sunday and two of which will be on weekdays. Mrs. X can do the same. She too can have three mass intentions. **ONE** for Saturday/Sunday and two for weekdays. Thus the couple can have a total of six mass intentions at the opening of the book. It is hoped that all of us will exercise charity and compassion for others who, like oneself, may wish to request mass intentions for loved ones. It would be uncharitable for a family to circumvent our policy by staging five or six people requesting a mass on Saturday/Sunday for the same intention, thus excluding others.

While we all have days and times which we may want, that day and time may not be available, thus we will need to have alternate days and times. Let us remember that the focus of our Mass intentions is for the one for whom we are praying, not for the one requesting the mass. It helps when we are able to get the time and day we wish, but this may not happen. What matters is that our loved one is remembered at the mass. Therefore, we need to be charitable and considerate of others whose intentions are as important as our own. We must also remember that none of us is entitled to a time and day. All requests will be answered to the best of our ability. Masses being too early or too late or not on the day we requested is not a reason for not requesting a mass. Let us remember the focus of our request.

Keeping in mind the focus of our request, we call your attention to the following:

- The requestors name (the one making the intention for the Mass) need not be printed in our bulletin or announced from the pulpit. When the mass intention is booked, we will take the requestor's name for our records, but this name need not be printed in our bulletin or announced from the pulpit. This is an option you can partake of however, it is not necessary. Remember, the focus is on the person or intention of the Mass, not the requesting party.
- Oftentimes we wish to remember the occasion of a birthday, anniversary, years since passing, etc. as well as a nickname for the person the mass intention is for. This information is not needed and should not be part of the Mass intention therefore only the baptismal name of the person for whom the mass intention is requested is needed. We need not know your personal reasons for this mass request so we need not have to say for his/her anniversary or for his/her birthday. Just the mass intention, not your personal reasons for your mass request.

What does it mean to request a mass be offered for our loved ones or in thanksgiving for a particular intention? Requesting a mass means that the community pray in a particular way for someone or an intention at the community mass. The church prays for all the dead and all the living at every mass, every day in every Church throughout the world. When you make a mass intention, you are asking the local community to pray in a particular way for someone who is prayed for everyday universally. The mass belongs to everyone. The mass is our universal prayer. The celebration of the Eucharist makes the Passion, Death and Resurrection present to us sacramentally every day. Our faith tells us that this sacrifice is of benefit to the living as well as to the dead.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

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