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

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## **SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN**

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

### **MASSES ON SUNDAYS:**

8:00 AM 10:00 AM & 12 NOON  
5:30 PM on Saturday

### **MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:**

Monday 12:00 Noon  
Tues. through Sat. 8:30 AM

### **CONFESSIONS:**

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

**For Holiday and Special Mass Schedules, please call the Rectory and press extension number 4 for specific details.**

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LAURA RAMIREZ-GALEAS

*Youth Minister*

ANDREW DI MANSO

*Sacristan*

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*Parish Trustees and Advisors*

### **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.

### **WELCOME:**

Adults who are interested in learning more about or joining the Catholic Faith please call the rectory. Adults who have not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and/or Confirmation) please call the rectory.

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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



## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection for 1/7	\$ 2,855.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$ 14,325.00
Difference:	-\$11,470.00

\*\* Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

## UPS AND DOWNS

We are grateful to our General Contractor Matthew who has completed 95% of the construction of our elevator project. The Choir loft portion has been completed for some weeks now and all of the plastic protection has been removed. The last element at this level to be installed is the new glass wall which opens to the atrium above the main church entrance. At the church main entrance, new terrazzo has been poured and polished, the walls have been plastered and are being painted. We have also installed a sink and counter for our Sunday coffee station in the newly opened space. New outside doors are being installed at the Hicks Street entrance and the new terrazzo floor here is being polished. Thanks to Lou Sergi, we have a new security glass wall separating Cabrini Hall from the entrance space of the Lower Church. We now also have a new ADA compliant restroom in Cabrini Hall and storage closets for all of our event supplies, a closet for Religious Education and the Knights of Columbus. Additionally, a sink was installed in the original concession stand with the hope that one day we will have enough money to install a functioning kitchen. Over the next few weeks, the electricians will be installing the reclaimed light fixtures from St. Edward's Church throughout the entry spaces. While our construction has made great progress, our elevator mechanics have not. We are still waiting on additional NYC Buildings Department certifications so that the elevator company can begin installing the elevator inside the new elevator shaft which has been constructed. During these last days of the year, please consider making an extra payment to your Generations of Faith pledge which will give you the largest charitable giving tax deduction possible for 2017 and also help us pay the expense of the project to date. We sincerely thank all who are keeping their pledges current, however, if you are behind in your payments, we ask you to consider catching up with your pledge so that we can complete the project for our parish as had been planned with your pledge in mind.

- MON. JANUARY 15, 2017**  
 Noon Lucia & Angelo Borrometi  
 BY: Carmela DiRosa
- TUE. JANUARY 16, 2017**  
 8:30 Mary Ortato  
 Anniversary Blessings (Deceased)  
 BY: Son Joseph
- WED JANUARY 17, 2017**  
 8:30 Carmine Graziani  
 BY: Daughter Teresa
- THURS. JANUARY 18, 2017**  
 8:30 Joseph & Josephine Patti  
 BY: Andy DiManso
- FRI. JANUARY 19, 2017**  
 8:30 Marie Agnese &  
 John Agnese  
 BY: Loving Family
- SAT. JANUARY 20, 2017**  
 8:30 Alfred Pipitone  
 BY: Mom & Dad  
 5:30 PM Richard Pyle  
 BY: SHSS Lector Family
- SUN JANUARY 21, 2017**  
 8:00 Sue Kelly  
 BY: Frank Guglielmo  
 10:00 Angelo Vergona  
 BY: Loving Family  
 12:00 Anna & Francesco Pietanza &  
 Iva Palazzo  
 BY: Mary Ann & Cathy Pietanza

# 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             |
| Brad Hatry         | Matthew Ruggiero        |
| Michelle Laquercia | Irene Balen             |
| Dolly Vergona,     | Gloria Heyer            |
| Angelo Vergona     | Richie Boyle-Moriale    |
| Judith Miller      | Alissa Aquino           |
| Michele Morea      | Palma Caminiti          |
| Carol DeMairo      | Anthony Gambardella     |
| Rachel Valenti     | Anthony Caruvana        |
| Salvatore Gianino  | Judith Latalladi        |
| Rosemary Love      | Lisa Van                |
| Eileen Giannotta   | Dominick Aiello, Jr.    |
| Roe Gambardella    | Elizabeth Foley         |
| Kathleen Gunderson | Paul Girard             |
| Ann Curcuru        | Dora Zanzonico          |
| Angelina Campasano | Andrew Favorito         |
| Lamar McNabb       | Anna Maria Marino       |
| Carol Montelbano   | Rev. Michael A. Carrano |
| John Scotto        | Addy Wardrope           |

## Thank You

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### COAT DRIVE RESULTS

Thank you and well done! Over 116 coats and several bags of hats, scarves, sweaters and gloves to help fill a critical need for New York Cares and the 76th Precinct were donated by parishioners of Sacred Hearts and St. Stephen on the weekend of January 7th. Special thanks to John Mark DePalma and Michael Eng for this great idea and their efforts to make it happen.

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Altar Servers

Congratulations to

Walker Gigliotti, Mark Gonzalez and Maria Teresa Heyer who completed their training as Altar Servers and were installed on the Feast of the Epiphany at the 10:00 AM Mass. If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server and assisting with Mass, please e-mail Family@sacredhearts-ststephen.com.

## TECHNOLOGY FOR SENIORS

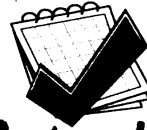
Do you want to learn how to deal with technology? You have a problem on how to use a computer or a cell phone? Do you want to be more independent with technology? Come join us for a workshop on this technology on, January 16th and January 30th at 4:30 PM in Rectory Hall. Bring your laptop/cell phone with you.



## SENIORS

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Mark your



Calendar

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### FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS LONG TIME HOME OWNERS

Is someone in your family thinking about investing in a new home? Are you curious about how owning a home impacts investment choices? Learn the answers to questions about buying a home in New York City and surrounding areas. Find out about refinancing and home equity loans. Join us on Sunday, January 28th for this informative workshop with guest speakers from Investors Bank. Workshop will be held right after the 10:00 AM Mass, between 11:15 Am and 12:15 PM in Transfiguration Chapel. Enter through the Blessed Mother Altar.

# From the Pastor

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**Dear Parish Family:**

Themes of discipleship and conversion are highlighted in the Liturgy of the Word for this Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. In the first reading from 1Samuel 3:3-19, we meet Samuel who is a child. Samuel hears the voice of God calling him. Samuel is unaware that the voice he is hearing is the voice of God. He confides his experience to Eli, the Temple Priest who tells Samuel to be open to the voice of God and to the invitation that God may have for him. In the second reading Paul in 1Corinthians 6:13:30 informs the Corinthians that their moral behavior must reflect their belief in Christ Jesus. In the Gospel taken from John 1:5-42, Jesus asks Andrew and his friend for what are they looking. Jesus then invites Andrew and his friend to stay with him for the day. After his time with Jesus, Andrew is changed and excited. Andrew, wanting to share his enthusiasm for Christ, presents his brother Simon to Jesus.

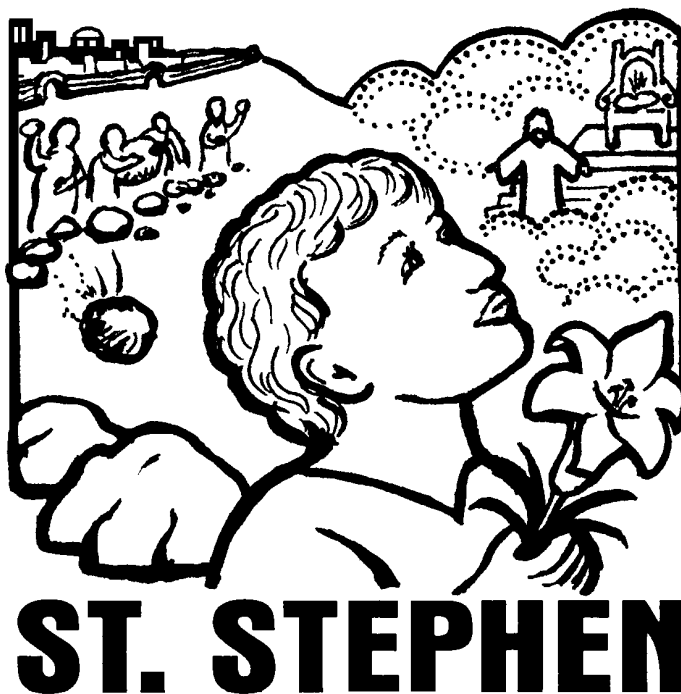
Being a disciple of Jesus means knowing the Lord in one's heart. It is more than just knowing about the Lord. It is more than knowing the teachings of the Lord. It is more than praying. It is an immersion into the person of Jesus. Jesus is not a law giver. Jesus is the way of life. It is not the truth about Jesus. It is Jesus who is the truth. The disciple gives of him or herself to the imitation of Jesus in all things. The apostles were with Jesus day and night every day. They learned from him, they imitated his thinking and his attitudes. For us, we must come to know the Lord through the scriptures especially the Gospel, through the sacraments, especially the Eucharist and through the shared experience of the community, the teachings and direction of the Church found in the writings of the Saints, the tradition of the church and its teachings.

Knowing Jesus means acting like Jesus in all matters. How we handle conflict, how we raise our children, how we care for our aging parents, how we give voice to those who have no voice.

How we forgive or how we hold on to anger, how we accept or reject people, how we respect or disrespect the human dignity of another, how we fairly deal with business clients and how we live our professional lives, how we build good relationships based on love, mercy, respect and justice, how we live our sexual lives all reflects our relationship with the Lord and bears witness to whether we know the Lord or whether we simply know about the Lord.

Some questions for us to consider: Do I really want to be a disciple of Christ? Would I prefer to simply be a person who knows about Jesus? Do we allow the Gospel to challenge us? Has our lives changed for the better because of the Gospel? Is coming to Mass more about what the Lord can do for me rather than what I can offer to the Lord?

**Msgr. Guy A. Massie**



**SUNDAY,  
JANUARY 14TH  
@ 10:00 AM**

**WE CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN,  
OUR PATRON SAINT.  
THE VERY REVEREND PETTEI, VICAR FOR QUEENS  
WILL BE OUR MAIN CELEBRANT.**

**JOIN US AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH FOR  
LIGHT BREAKFAST IN  
ST. STEPHEN'S HONOR**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**INFORMATION SHEET**

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