
SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C. CHURCH

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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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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.

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

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 to 5:00 (Closed for Lunch from 1-2) Friday 9:00 to 3:00 Saturday 9:00 to 1:00
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.**



FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 6/23	\$ 2,602.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$11,723.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

On Line Giving for the
Month of May totaled \$ 2,991.21

- MON. JULY 1, 2019**
 Noon John Cloonan & Joseph Cloonan
 BY Loving Family
 Mary Ann, Joe & Amy
- TUE. JULY 2, 2019**
 8:30 For the Intentions of Rose Palmieri
- WED JULY 3, 2019**
 8:30 Sr. Miriam Magalen
 100th Birthday Remembrance (Living)
 BY: Your 1st Grade Students &
 Gertrude
- THURS. JULY 4, 2019**
 8:30 John Verderame
 BY: Mom & Dad
- FRI. JULY 5, 2019**
 8:30 Maria Patti
 BY: LouAnne & Michael
- SAT. JULY 6, 2019**
 8:30 Sheila & Richard Conlon
 5:30 PM Rosemarie & Frank Dellaporte
- SUN JULY 7, 2019**
 8:00 For the People of the Parish
 10:00 John Denaro
 BY: The Delgado Family
 Noon For the Health of Thomas Rignola
 BY: The Bracco Family

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
2019**

PARISH GOAL: \$32,306.00
RAISED: \$41,613.00

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Annual Catholic Appeal In-Pew drive last weekend. Thanks to your generosity and that of those parishioners who made their pledges prior to this weekend. Currently pledged \$41,613.00.

If you have not yet made a pledge, please consider doing so as all donations to the Annual Catholic Appeal over our goal will be returned 100% back to the Parish.

OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMORIALS

Did you notice the new vestments during our Holy Week and Easter services?

Memorials for these vestments are available to dedicate the vestment set which are used during the Easter and Christmas Season as follows:

1 Con-Celebrant Chasuble	\$600.00
1 Dalmatic (For Deacons)	\$1,400.00

If you are interested, kindly call the Rectory and speak with Rose Marie Foglia for more details.

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 | Louis Pepe |
| Michelle Laquercia | Irene Balen |
| Dolly Vergona, | Gloria Heyer |
| Judith DeArmen | John Nigro |
| Judith Miller | Alissa Aquino |
| Diane Barchuk | Addy Wardrope |
| Carol DeMairo | Anthony Gambardella |
| Anthony Tilocca | Anthony Turco |
| Roe Gambardella | Elizabeth Foley |
| Ann Curcuru | Dora Zanzonico |
| Lamar McNabb | Anna Maria Marino |
| Carol Montelbano | Gina Salta |
| Anthony Manfre | Celeste Internicola |
| Emma Huckerby | Louis Janicke |
| Louann Gambardella | Robert Janicke |
| Camille Limardi | Dominick Aiello |
| Erica Concino | Bernadette Janicke |
| Mary Therese Pugliese | Mark Carles |

BOOK CLUB

Please join us on Monday, July 1st @ 7:00 PM in the Parish House for an informal discussion about THE TATTOOIST OF AUSCHWITZ by Heather Morris. We will not be meeting during August, but for those of you who plan ahead, our next meeting will be on September 16th. We will be discussing GILDED HOUR by Sara Donati. All are welcome

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TAKE A LOOK AT THIS...

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Kindly note the following change in the Rectory office hours.

Commencing Monday July 1st, the office will be closed for a lunch break from 1:00-2:00 PM.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

MASS BOOK

As most of you are aware, the mass book for the last six months of 2019 (July through December) opened on June 5th. Masses are still available. You may either call or visit the Rectory for more information.



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Have a Happy and Safe
Fourth of July Holiday.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family,

Today is the Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Our vestments are green signifying growth in the Holy Spirit. The two basic themes of today's Liturgy of the Word are the demands of discipleship and freedom.

First let us look at the theme of discipleship. Discipleship is a demanding lifestyle. It means placing one's master first above all other relationships. In the first reading from the first Book of Kings: 19-16, 19-21, we see the demands of discipleship. When Elijah calls Elisha to be his successor, Elisha must leave all that is familiar to him and follow the call. In the Gospel, we see a similar demand. Three people approach Jesus with the intention of being his disciples. In each case Jesus refuses their intentions. In doing so, Jesus outlines his demands of discipleship. For Jesus the disciple must be ready not to have security. The relationship to Jesus must hold first place in the life of the disciple even taking precedence over family obligations and relationships. St. Benedict told his monks: "Prefer nothing to Jesus." Discipleship means learning from Jesus, imitating Jesus and conforming one's mind and heart to Jesus. This is a tall order. Jesus is very honest about his expectations.

While all of us are called to discipleship, most of us have religion, some of us have faith and fewer of us really answer the call to discipleship. Religion and faith go together. Religion answers the questions, how do we live the faith? Faith is the relationship we have with God in the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, sacred text and the community. Discipleship is not limited to the professional Christian. Everyone is called to a deeper conversion to the faith. Not every priest is a disciple of Christ, not every bishop is a disciple of Christ and not every pope or sister or layperson is a disciple of Christ. They may be faithful people, good people, but the disciple is sensitive to the deep movements of the Holy Spirit working in him or her. This sensitivity to the Holy Spirit moves the want to be disciples to seek to be converted by the grace of God to the mind and heart of Jesus. All are called, few will answer.

Discipleship is lived among people in one's community or family. The faithful disciple can affect change for the better in the lives of people through his/her example. The Disciple need not preach or even speak about the faith. The values and the norms of the way the disciple lives his or her life speaks volumes to others. The way the disciple deals with difficult situations such as disappointments, anger, hurt and injustice, etc. illustrates the gospel values which are the foundation of the life of the disciple. We have seen among spouses how the faithfulness and fervor can positively affect the other who might not have been a deep believer. Friendships have been changed for the better simply by the good example of one or the other.

The second reading from Paul's letter to the Galatians gives us some insight into the life discipleship can change our worlds. Disciples are called to live in the Holy Spirit. They are free living people. Paul speaks to us about life in the flesh and life in the Spirit. Life in the flesh is described in Galatians 5:19:21. We read: "Now the works of the flesh are immorality, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, selfishness, dissension, envy, drunkenness and carousing." The want to be disciple however seeks to life in the Spirit. Life in the Spirit is characterized by love, generosity and self control. If we can strive to live these values with each other, we would be free and the world would be a better place. While most of us live somewhere between life in the flesh and life in the Spirit, those desiring to answer the call of discipleship strive to live their lives in the Spirit and when they fall, they seek reconciliation.

Discipleship is a lifelong journey of constant conversion, constant reflection and constant striving to learn from Christ, to imitate Christ and to convert one's mind and heart to Christ. This can only happen with the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie



We need your assistance!

One of the best ways to help our faith community grow through hospitality.

We are seeking donations of napkins, small plates, coffee cups and coffee supplies in order to help our hospitality ministers.

If you are interested in providing some of these items, please see Anthony, Edwin or John Mark at the entrance of the church.

I am the Church, You are the Church, We are the Church, Together!



PURCHASES FROM AMAZON

Did you know that by using AmazonSmile.com when making purchases, our Parish can earn money? It's a simple process. Log in to AmazonSmile.com, select your purchases, and when checking out, choose Sacred Hearts and St. Stephen Church as the charity you wish to support and Amazon takes care of the rest. Our checking account will be credited each time you do this. It's a fast and easy way to help support this great parish and all you have to do is click a button!

We thank you in advance for your attention and support!



ANNUAL MEMORIAL CANDLES

Annual Memorial Candles are available at the Rectory. These candles remain lit for one year and may be memorialized in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving for blessings received, or in remembrance of a milestone birthday event. The cost is \$100 (\$110.00 initially to cover the cost of the personalized plaque) per year. The plaque may bear the inscription of your choosing (the more you add, the smaller the letters will appear on the plaque). If you are interested and wish to receive additional information, please call the Rectory during business hours and speak with Rose Marie Foglia. We will be happy to assist you.

INFORMATION SHEET

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