
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
5:00 PM on Saturday

MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:

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

Adoration: Monday @ 11:00 AM

First Friday each month @ 7:15 AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 3:45– 4:30 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.GIVECENTRAL.ORG/SHSS

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.

MASSSES for the WEEK

MON. March 2, 2020
Noon Danny Calcaterra
BY: Louann & Michael Manus
1:00 PM Faith Scripture Sharing-Parish House
7:00 PM Faith Scripture Sharing Parish House

TUE. MARCH 3, 2020
8:30 Carmine Graziani
BY: Daughter Theresa
1:00 PM Faith Scripture Sharing Parish House
7:00 PM Faith Scripture Sharing Parish House

WED MARCH 4, 2020
8:30 Lia & Joseph Cerato
BY: Cerato & Andrzzi Families

THURS. MARCH 5, 2020
8:30 Fr. Vincent Termine

FRI. MARCH 6, 2020
8:30 Larry Scotto
BY: Family
7:00 PM Stations of The Cross

SAT. MARCH 7, 2020
8:30 Louis Pernice
BY: Dominick Intartaglia
4:00 PM Faith Scripture Sharing Parish House
5:00 Paul Sellitto
BY: Paula Mazze & Clara Stella

SUN MARCH 8, 2020
8:00 Anna Massie
10:00 Angie Amato
BY: Husband Sal & Family
Noon Anna Maria Marino
BY: Lina La Capria

40 DAYS OF CANS FOR 40 DAYS OF LENT

Dear Brothers, Sisters and Friends:
 As we approach Lent 2020, please reflect on this: *Follow me, I will show you the way.....*
 Once again, the Bishop Thomas V. Daily council #1700 Knights of Columbus is coordinating a food drive for Lent. The canned food that will be collected will be donated to the **St. John's Bread & Life Program** food pantry. Donations of canned food will be collected at SHSS (125 Summit St.) beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through every weekend during Lent. Donation boxes will be placed in the rear of the church. **Please help us help others.** *Follow me I will show you the way.*

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 2/23	\$ 3,016.00*
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$ 1,285.00
Total Sunday 2/23	\$ 4,301.00
Annual Weekly Expenses **	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 10,024.00
**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks	

BOOK CLUB

Please join us on Monday, March 2nd @7:00 PM in the Parish House for an informal discussion about WATCHING YOU by Lisa Jewell. For those of you who plan ahead, our next meeting will be on April 6th. We will be discussing SARAH'S KEY by Tatiana de Rosnay. All are welcome.



The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of

March 1st have been donated

In Loving Memory of

PAUL SELLITTO

(Birthday Remembrance Dec'd)

BY: Angela, Cristina, Gina & Valerie



Bread & Wine for the week of

March 1st has been donated

In Loving Memory of

PAUL SELLITTO

(Birthday Remembrance Dec'd)

BY: Valerie, Tommy & Joseph

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:

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	Louis D'Angelo
Carol Montelbano	Gina Salta
Anthony Manfre	Celeste Internicola
Emma Huckerby	Louis Janicke
Louann Gambardella	Robert Janicke
Dominick Aiello, Jr.	Mark Carles
Erica Concino	Bernadette Janicke
Mary Therese Pugliese	

TAX LETTERS

Contribution tax letters for the fiscal year ended 12/31/2019 have been mailed to all parishioners and should have been received by now. We wish to take this opportunity to once again thank you for your generosity to our parish. It is through your faithful support that we are able to continue to build our Parish Family and the services provided to all of you. At this time, we also ask that you consider signing up for on line giving. It is simple and user friendly. Check it out at www.GiveCentral.Org.SHSS. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Rectory or e-mail info@saredhearts-ststephen.

LENT

FEBRUARY 26-APRIL 4

Recitation of the
Stations of the Cross
Every Friday @ 7:00 PM

**Children's Re-enactment of
The Passion of Jesus**
Friday April 3 @ 7:00 PM

**Contemporary Adoration &
Reflection Service**
With John Heyer II
Music by Alverlis
Friday, March 27 @ 7:00 PM
Fellowship to Follow

SCRIPTURE/FAITH SHARING

(In Parish House
108 Carroll St.)

Mondays @ 1:00 PM & 7:00 PM
With Msgr. Guy Massie

Tuesdays @ 1-2:30 PM
& 7-8:30 PM
With Nancy Arkin
(except 3/10)

Saturdays @ 4:00 PM
With Edwin Rivera
(except 3/28)

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community:

“We adore you O Christ and we Bless you
because by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world”

The First Sunday in Lent invites us to focus on our personal relationship with God. This personal relationship needs to be lived out in the context of the Eucharist, the sacred text, tradition and in the community of the church. While our relationship with Christ is personal, it is not solitary. We are always to see ourselves in relationship with community. Each Sunday the first reading, taken from the Hebrew Scriptures, will speak to us about the covenant relationship we have with God. A covenant is a relationship. For us, this is more than a contract, it means both sides are invited to give all it takes to be faithful to the relationship. At Mass we hear about the New Covenant. Ultimately, the New Covenant is Jesus. In Jesus, in his life, suffering and death, we see graphically what faithfulness to the relationship between God and humanity means.

The Covenant we have with God is Jesus. In Jesus humanity and divinity meet. Each of us enters into this relationship with God through Christ in the Sacrament of Baptism. Each of us keeps this Baptismal relationship alive in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. The guideposts of our covenant relationship with God are stated in our baptismal promises. During Lent we are invited to re-examine these promises so that we may better renew them at Easter, correct our shortcomings in fulfilling them and recommit ourselves to Christ and his mission. To assist us in our Lenten Self examination, I invite you to look at, read and study these promises: Do you reject sin (everything contrary to the Gospel) so as to live in the freedom of children of God? Do you reject the glamour of evil and refuse to be mastered by sin? Do you reject Satan, the father of sin and prince of darkness? Do you believe in God the Father almighty, the Creator of Heaven and Earth? Do you believe in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified, died and was buried and rose from the dead and is now seated at the right hand of the Father? Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the dead and life ever lasting?

The following are some questions to consider while reflecting on these promises: In our world today, what does it mean to reject evil and sin? What is evil? How does one reject it? How does one recognize sin in one's life? What does it mean to believe in God? What does it mean to believe in Jesus? How does one believe? What is required? What does the Communion of saints mean? What do we mean by the resurrection of the body? What do we mean by the holy catholic church? Each Sunday we will try to address these questions. Recognize them in the selected Sunday Scripture.

I wish you a blessed and spiritually uplifting Lenten Season.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

Fast from hurting words and say kind words

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude

Fast from anger and be filled with patience

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope

Fast from worries and have trust in God

Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity

Fast from pressures and be prayerful

Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others

Fast from grudges and be reconciled

Fast from words and be silent so you can listen

LENTEN THOUGHTS:

Lent is a time to reflect, to repent, to reconcile, to renew and to experience resurrection. Lent is a journey from where we are in our life in the Spirit to where God is leading us. As on any journey, we need to be prepared. We must be open to God's Grace. The goal of Lent is Resurrection. While the Cross is central to Lent, we must always focus on the Resurrection. It is through the victory of the Risen Christ and the Gifts of The Holy Spirit that we have the courage and strength to seek change in our lives. We begin Lent by asking the Lord to accomplish in us his work for his glory, our good and the welfare of the church.

The guide for our Lenten journey is our Baptismal Promises. The way is through Prayer, fasting and works of charity (almsgiving). Through the sacrament of Baptism, we are all called to holiness. Through prayer, fasting and acts of charity, we move from conversation with the Lord to self denial and to compassion for others. The Baptismal Promises we are asked to consider for the next six weeks are:

- Do you reject sin?
- Do you reject the glamour of evil?
- Do you reject Satan, the prince of darkness and father of lies?
- Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was Crucified, died and was buried and rose on the third day, ascended into heaven, sits at the right hand of the Father and will come to judge the living and the dead?
- Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come?

By reflecting on our Baptismal Promises, we can come to realize how we have sinned, the compromises we have made and the rationalizations we may have made to avoid facing the truth about ourselves. By freely affirming the faith, we have the opportunity to make the faith in Christ Jesus our own by seeking to live in witness to Christ Jesus.

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