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# **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:**

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

**MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:**

Monday 8:30 AM  
Tues. through Sat. 8:30 AM

**Adoration:** 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.

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**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.**

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# MASSSES for the WEEK



- MON. NOVEMBER 23, 2020**  
 8:30 Salvatore & Theresa Tilocca & Camille Tilocca Limardi  
 BY: The Troiano Family
- TUE. NOVEMBER 24, 2020**  
 8:30 Carol Jacob  
 BY: Marlene Olivieri
- WED NOVEMBER 25, 2020**  
 8:30 Lee & Joseph Sgro  
 BY: Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren
- THURS. NOVEMBER 26, 2020**  
 8:30 In gratitude for our family's blessings  
 BY: Valerie, Tommy & Joseph
- FRI. NOVEMBER 27, 2020**  
 8:30 Jean & Joseph Bivona  
 BY: Fran & Destiny Bivona
- SAT. NOVEMBER 28, 2020**  
 8:30 Prayers for God's Protection for Yvette Claire Jeane & Family  
 BY: Her Mother Marie Buny  
 5:00 PM Andrew Di Costanzo  
 BY: M/M Vinny Scotto
- SUN NOVEMBER 29, 2020**  
 8:00 Prayers for a Good Spouse & Happy Marriage for Yvette Clarie Jeane  
 BY: Her Mother Marie Buny  
 10:00 Joseph Finochiaro  
 BY: His Children, Karen & Joseph  
 Noon Michael Bombolino  
 BY: Mom & Dad

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 11/15	\$ 1,668.00*
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$ 2,270.00
Total Sunday 11/15	\$ 5,726.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 10,387.00

\*\*Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

## Financial Stewardship

For those who are financially able to continue to support the parish during this time, we encourage you to sign up for e-giving so that we may be able to continue the ministry of the church during this critical time.

## Parish Religious Education & Catholic Schools

Regular parish CCD classes held on Sundays and Wednesdays are postponed for the time being. Likewise, all activities related to our children's faith-formation program such as the Sunday 7th grade seminar, Stations of the Cross practices, Confirmation mentoring sessions, and Child Lures training are also postponed for the time being.

The health of all the faithful of the parish is of utmost concern, so let us continue to pray to the Lord who is a healer to protect us and bring about quickly an end to this present crisis through the intercession of His Mother Mary under the title of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

# 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,     | Helena Rolla        |
| 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         | Kristin Quail       |
| Louann Gambardella    | Robert Janicke      |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr.  | Mark Carles         |
| Erica Concino         | Bernadette Janicke  |
| Mary Therese Pugliese | Evan Marra          |
| Hector Jimenez        | Darren Munio        |

## REACH OUT

**During this difficult time, please take a moment to check on your neighbor, the elderly and the shut in to see how they are doing. Perhaps they may need an item from the grocery store, or someone to pick up their prescriptions, anything we are able to do for them would be appreciated. Sometimes all they need is conversation and that simply requires a phone call. These are unprecedented times and we are all in this together. Take some of the free time you may have to sit in prayer for all the world.**

## CHANGE IN MASS TIME

**KINDLY NOTE THAT BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT, NOVEMBER 27TH, THE 8:00 AM MASS ON SUNDAY WILL NOW BE CELEBRATED AT 8:30 AM. THIS WILL CONTINUE INTO THE NEW YEAR AS WELL.**



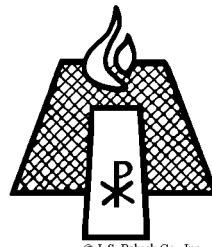
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Bread & Wine for the week of November 22nd has been donated

In Memory of

**CAMILLE RANIERE**

**BY: Michael & Lou Anne Manus**



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The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of November 22nd have been donated

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**JUSTICE**

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# From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community,

Today the Liturgy celebrates the Feast of Christ the King. This feast opens the last week of the 2020 Liturgical Year. Next week, the first Sunday of Advent will begin the Liturgical year 2021. Today's readings focus on the Kingship of Christ. We began the liturgical year 2020 by proclaiming the birth of the newborn King. During Holy Week we shouted out Hosanna to our King. On Good Friday we proclaimed the Kingship of Christ Crucified. Today we again give our loyalty to our King who is Christ the Lord.

The Gospel today seems to be the center of the Liturgy of the Word. We read in Ephesians: 2:4 that God is rich in mercy. Mercy is love in brokenness. Mercy comes from the Latin word "misericordia" which means to suffer in one's heart over the pain of another. In today's Gospel those who are rewarded with eternal life are those whose hearts suffered for another and who in mercy sought in some way to relieve that suffering. Notice that Jesus identified with those in need of mercy. Jesus counts what was done for the suffering as being done to him. Notice also that those who were merciful did not calculate their merciful acts, in fact, they are moved to act in mercy from their hearts. We are told in the Gospel of John 14:24 that those who love Jesus will do as Jesus has done. Jesus is merciful and those who follow him must be merciful. This Gospel for today tells us that the requirement for eternal life is to be merciful.

Having read this Matthew 25, we have learned that to be merciful is to be most like God. If Christ is your king, then Mercy must be your life. If Christ is your king, then power is found in the service of mercy. If Christ is your king, then your heart must be conformed to his heart. His heart is mercy. The Eucharist we celebrate, the prayers we pray, the faith we profess, the doctrine we proclaim and the Gospel we preach lead us to be people of mercy for God is merciful. If this is not happening then we need to reexamine our love for Christ.

Our faith is centered in Christ Jesus. Our faith is founded on the Crucified and Risen Christ who is the beginning and the end. Christ is the one who has the words of everlasting life. Christ is our peace, our hope and our life. Today's feast reminds all the baptized that our lives are centered in a personal and ecclesiastical loving relationship with Christ. This means that our relationship with Christ is in the context of the Church, the sacraments, especially the Eucharist and the scripture. All of us are invited to model our lives on Christ. Saint Claire of Assisi in her letter to Agnes of Prague gives us good advice. She says: "Reflect upon Christ, Consider Christ, Contemplate Christ and Imitate Christ. These four steps lead us into a deep prayer and reflection. Christ must be the center of our hearts. We are called to faith and to love the Lord. The Christian must be so in love with the Lord that he/she longs to give of him/herself to actualize the dream of Christ for the world: the Kingdom of God.

Live Jesus in your thoughts, words and deeds. Live Jesus in all that you are and all that you do. Live Christ in all that you suffer. Live Jesus so that our world and the many different worlds of home and work in which we dwell may reflect his divine presences through us.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

**JOIN US FOR MASS EACH WEEKDAY  
@ 8:30 AM AND ON  
SUNDAY  
@ 10:00 AM BY TUNING IN TO  
THE SHSS WEBSITE  
WWW.SHSS.COM  
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**KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THE PARISH THROUGH  
LIVE STREAM!**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR  
PARISH THROUGH YOUR GENEROUS DONATIONS  
TO GIVE CENTRAL, MONTHLY ENVELOPES AND  
YOUR MAIL IN CONTRIBUTIONS.  
THESE CONTRIBUTIONS AND DONATIONS  
ASSIST THE PARISH IN  
PROVIDING THE LIVE STREAMED  
MASSES AND EVENTS AS WELL AS TO  
UPGRADE OUR EQUIPMENT FOR THE BEST POSSIBLE  
VIEWING FOR YOU!**

**THANK YOU!**

**INFORMATION SHEET**

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