
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:

8:30 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.

Rectory: 108 Carroll Street

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REV. MSGR. GUY A. MASSIE

Pastor

REV. CLETUS FORSON

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Administrator/Business Manager

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Parish Organist

JENNIFER WU

Choir Director

EVELYN TROESTER DEGRAF

Choir Director Emerita

ANDREW DI MANSO

Sacristan

MICHAEL J. ENG

DONALD J. GLOCKNER, JR.

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.

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. JANUARY 11, 2021
 8:30 Anthony Massie

TUE. JANUARY 12, 2021
 8:30 Rev. Simon Joseph &
 Rev. Michael Carrano
 BY: Carolyn & John

WED JANUARY 13, 2021
 8:30 Raimondo Peano
 BY: Cerato, Andruzzi & Pepe Families

THURS. JANUARY 14, 2021
 8:30 Louis Valentino, Sr.

FRI. JANUARY 15, 2021
 8:30 Health of Family
 BY: Illiano Family

SAT. JANUARY 16, 2021
 8:30 Mary Ortato
 BY: Son, Joseph Ortato
 5:00 PM Giuseppe & Giuseppina Borrrometi
 BY: Maria Di Rosa

SUN JANUARY 17, 2021
 8:30 For The People of the Parish
 10:00 Feast of St. Stephen
 Noon Patricia & Lawrence Homrig
 BY: Brigitte Renaud

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 1/3	\$ 1,463.00*
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$ 2,378.00
Total Sunday 1/3	\$ 3,841.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 10,484.00

**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.

CRIME PREVENTION FOR SENIORS

Basic Safety Tips

- ◇ While walking, try to do so in groups and in well lit areas. Try to stay on main streets with other pedestrians around you.
- ◇ When walking, if someone attempts to snatch your pocketbook, let go of it. It can be replaced.
- ◇ When you are driven home, ask the driver to wait until you are safely inside your residence.
- ◇ If someone bumps into you while shopping or walking in a crowd, be aware that this action might be related to a pickpocket.
- ◇ Have your keys in hand as you approach your home. This will allow you to unlock the door without delay.
- ◇ Always carry identification and have a list of your medication with doctor's contact information with you at all times. Also carry a list of medications and food that you are allergic to.

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 |



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**Bread & Wine for the
week of
January 10, 2021
has been donated**

**In Loving Memory of
GIOVANNI GIORDANELLA**

**Requested by:
The Conti Family**

HAPPY HEALTHY NEW YEAR 2021

2020 has been a challenge to our mental, physical and spiritual health. I personally miss seeing everyone and chatting with you about various things including your health! To keep our connection and to spread awareness, we are embarking on a monthly health focus.

As we begin the New Year 2021, our first health focus is to self-evaluate how we feel mentally, physically and spiritually and to take actions, big or small!

Mentally:

◇ Take 5 minutes (or more) and just “Be still...”sit, breath and pray.

◇ Feel anxious? Stop, free your hands and take a deep breath. Repeat!

◇ Listen to music, sing and dance!

◇ Check in with a friend, reach out for help and get a mental check-up!

◇ **Hotline: call 1-888-692-9355 Text: Well to #65173**

Physically:

◇ Go for a walk around your home, on your stoop or around the block

◇ Stand up, sit down, stretch your arms and legs, DANCE!

◇ Go to bed when you are tired and take a nap!

◇ Check in with your healthcare provider and get a physical check up!

Spiritually:

◇ Pray, read the bible, join us for the daily and weekly Rosary

◇ Receive the Eucharist

◇ Watch SHSS morning prayer, daily mass any time of the day and night

◇ Come to Mass (when you can) or just come and sit and “Be still...”

◇ Check in with God and your SHSS parish family for a spiritual check-up!

Let us all practice smart choices by:

Wearing a mask, washing our hands, Be 6ft safe.

**Be well, Stay Safe, Spread Kindness and
God Bless one and all!**

**Peace,
Sondra**

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community,

Today we celebrate the Baptism of Jesus. This celebration is another Epiphany. It is another showing of Christ to the world. Last week it was Mary who showed Jesus to the world represented by the Magi. Today the Father and the Holy Spirit reveals Jesus to the world. Today's celebration closes the Christmas Season and points us to the public ministry of Jesus. Tomorrow the liturgy returns to Ordinary time. During Ordinary Time we will continue to reflect on the unfolding of the mystery of the Incarnation until the Lenten season which will show us a deeper aspect of the Incarnation.

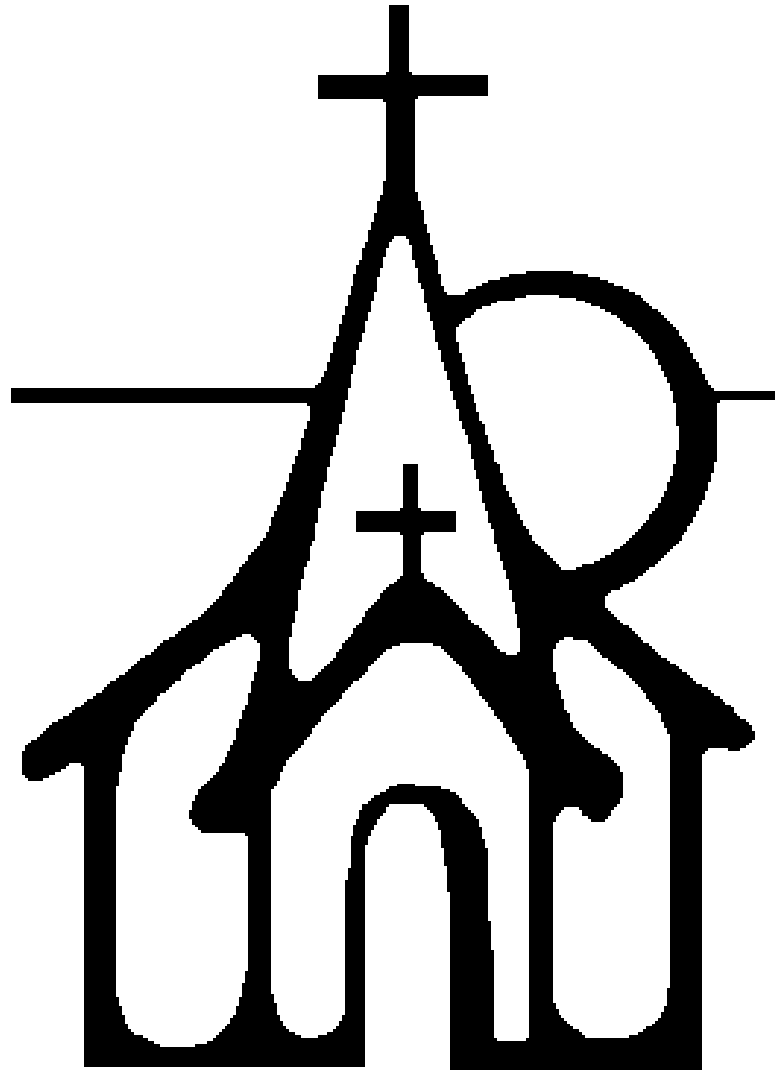
John the Baptist is an important figure in the sacred text. It is John the Baptist who as the last prophet most immediately prepares the people to meet Christ. John preached a baptism of repentance. The baptism John administered was based on the Jewish mikvah bath. This baptism was a sign that the person repented of his/her sins and intended to live a sinless life. The baptism that you received is the baptism Jesus gave us. Our baptism is a baptism in the Holy Spirit. Our baptism joins us to the Body of Christ, the Church and makes us sharers in the redemptive death and Resurrection of Christ Jesus. John's baptism was a preparation for the baptism which Jesus would give us? John himself said that he baptized with water. Jesus would baptize us with the Holy Spirit.

If John's baptism was a baptism of repentance, why would Jesus who was sinless allow himself to be baptized by John? The answer to this question is to be found in the great mystery of the Incarnation. In the Incarnation, God comes to dwell with us in our human condition. Jesus who is God among us dwells with us in our human weaknesses and struggles. Notice that during his ministry, Jesus is found not with those who see themselves as perfect or good, but rather he is found among those who are considered sinners, outcast, the not so perfect and struggling humanity. Thus we find Jesus lining up with those who have decided to change their lives while admitting the struggle to be more faithful.

The ministry of Jesus will be devoted to proclaiming the Kingdom of God. This kingdom will be known by reconciliation, peace and harmony. There will be reconciliation among all peoples. Peace will be a reality. Harmony will exist throughout all of nature. To accomplish his goals, Jesus will forgive repented sinners, heal broken bodies and restore nature.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

**I AM THE CHURCH, YOU ARE THE CHURCH
WE ARE THE CHURCH TOGETHER!**



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**BY WORKING TOGETHER WITH OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE, WE HAVE BUILT A
SPIRIT OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY AT
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THANK YOU TO EVERYONE!