

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 10:15 AM & 12 NOON

5:00 PM on Saturday

MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:

Mon 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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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.

Baptisms are held the 3rd Sunday of the month

@1:30 PM . Please call the Rectory for arrangements.

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 2:00 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.**

Mass Intentions For The Week



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- MON. MAY 27, 2024**
 8:30 For All Who Serve the Church as Deacons
- TUE. MAY 28, 2024**
 8:30 Juliette Ann Shields
 BY: Louise Passantino
- WED MAY 29, 2024**
 8:30 In Honor of St. Joan & St. Michael & All our military Living & Deceased
 BY: Lorraine Zanzonico
- THURS. MAY 30, 2024**
 8:30 Lee Sgro
 BY: Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren
- FRI. MAY 31, 2024**
 8:30 Maria Van Hoy
 BY: Louis Pepe & Joseph Cerato
- SAT. JUNE 1, 2024**
 8:30 Giuseppina & Antonino DiNieri
 BY: Loving Family
 5:00 Cathy Deserio
 BY: Family
- SUN. JUNE 2, 2024**
 10:15 Mary Higgins
 BY: Rose Marie Foglia
- THIS IS THE ONLY MASS THIS DAY HERE AT SHSS. PROCESSION TO ST. MARY AFTER MASS FOR BENEDICTION FOR THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI.**

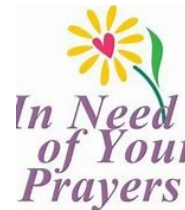
FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sunday Collection 5/19	\$3,367.00
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donation	\$3,172.00
Total Sunday 5/19	\$6,539.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 7,786.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

Please remember in your prayers the members of our Parish who are hospitalized or in nursing home care, most especially: Jonelle Bernardo, Sarina Mukhi, Brad Hatry, Gertrude Zagarella, Michelle Laqueria, Irene Balen, Santina



Garbellotto, John Nigro, Salvatore Salerno, John Primavera, Diane Barchuk, Addy Wardrope, Carol DeMairo, Anthony Gambardella, Anthony Tilocca, Anthony Turco, Elizabeth Foley, Cathy DeMarino, Ann Curcuru, Lemar McNabb, Carol Montelbano, Julia Magno, Anthony Manfre, Celeste Internicola, Emma Hukerby, Kristin Quail, Dominick Aiello, Jr., Mark Carles, Erica Concino, MaryAnn Kinczel, Susan Hannan, Evan Marra, Hector Jimenez, Darren Munio, Sophia Rotunno, Frances Marra, Philip Saraceno, Salvatore Aleo, Michael Ostrowski, Kathy Parasimo, Butch Montevecchi, Louann Gambardella, Jack DiCostanzo, Edna Lamboy, Angelo Sardinha, Pamela Rosenberg

MASS COUNT FOR MAY 18TH & 19TH

5:00 PM	126
8:30 AM	49
10:15 AM	104
NOON	22
TOTAL:	301

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

Thank you to the 89 households who have made a pledge to the 2024 Annual Catholic Appeal from our Parish.

Parish Goal	\$36,274.00
Amount Pledged:	\$46,753.00
Amount Paid:	\$28,431.00

Please remember that all funds over our parish goal are returned 100% back to our parish for our needs. We hope to receive 100% participation from our parish no matter the amount.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community,

Today is Trinity Sunday. While the Easter Season ended with the celebration of Pentecost, today's feast and next week's feast of Corpus Christi are extensions of the Easter Season. It seems somewhat redundant that we have a feast celebrating the Holy Trinity, since every day, every liturgy celebrates God who is Trinity. Yet the feast brings into focus for us the Great Mystery of God. While we believe in one God, we believe in a God who is love. Love presupposes relationship. One loves someone else. Love moves us from ourselves to another. Our God is encountered through relationships. We believe in a God who is in relationship with us. We experience this great mystery of God through three distinct relationships. While the three relationships are divine, the relationships are different yet are united and indivisible, unique and distinct. Thus, God is experienced as creator or Father, Redeemer/Savior/Word of God or Jesus (Son) and Sanctifier/Sustainer/Divine Presence or Holy Spirit. Keep in mind the following: The Father is not the Son, The Son is not the Father, the Holy Spirit is not the Father nor is the Holy Spirit the Father, The Son is not the Holy Spirit nor is the Holy Spirit the Son. However, The Son is in the Father, the Father is in the Son, the Holy Spirit is in the Father and the Son and the Father and Son are in the Holy Spirit. The Father is God, the Son is God and the Holy Spirit is God yet there is One God. Since God is not an idea or a function but three persons, we use personal titles of Father, Son and Holy Spirit to describe these three distinct relationships. We experience these relationships as a community (Church) and individually.

The faith of the Catholic Church is that God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are always in relationship to God as Trinity. This Triune relationship happens simultaneously never separately. For example, when we pray the Lord's Prayer, we are in relationship to the Trinity. The prayer is formed by Christ, the Word of God among us. The inspiration to pray is the Holy Spirit and the prayer is addressed to the Father. When we are reflecting on the sacred text, we are relating to the Trinity. The desire to reflect on the scripture comes from the Holy Spirit. The appropriation of the text to our lives comes from the Holy Spirit. The Scripture text we are reflecting upon may be about Jesus or a psalm or even a text of the Hebrew text. The Word in Old Testament or New Testament is Jesus who leads us to the Father. Notice the prayers at Mass. They are addressed to the Father through the Word who is Jesus and in unity with the Holy Spirit.

God is a Mystery in whose image we are created. We are created in the image of Trinity. We are created in the image of God of relationships. It is only through our relationships that we come to be known, that we come to be known to ourselves and that others experience us. The same is true for God. We know God in and through relationships with him and with others. Each relationship and each person contains mystery. Mystery is experienced rather than understood or explained. God as Trinity defies description, understanding or explanation. God is experienced through the mystery of Love. Love creates. Love gives of itself for the good of the beloved. Love is enduring and inspiring.

We are created in the image of God. When we are in loving, self-giving and service relationships, we most image God. When we are merciful and forgiving of others, we most clearly image God. When we lay down our lives for each other, we are the icon of God. God is experienced in relationships. We who are created in the image of God is also known through our relationships. Praise God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit who dwells in us, with us and through us.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie