

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

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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BAPTISMS:

To prepare for the sacrament of Baptism, parents and godparents should plan to attend the 10:15 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

Office closed Saturday & 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

Web: shssparish.com

Mass Intentions For The Week

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MON. 8:30	August 3, 2026 Carmine & Raffaella Graziani BY: Daughter Teres
TUE. 8:30	August 4, 2026 Theresa Steinbrecher BY: RoseMary Polito & Family
WED 8:30	August 5, 2026 Frances, Salvatore & Michael Bracco BY: Loving Family
THURS. 8:30	August 6, 2026 Pasquale & Rose Masotto BY: Son Salvatore Masotto
FRI. 8:30	August 7, 2026 Ralph Mondella BY: Mom
SAT 8:30	August 8, 2026 Anthony Scotto BY: Wife Maureen
5:00 PM	Mary Ortato BY: Son Joseph Ortato
SUN 8:30 10:15	August 9, 2026 People of The Parish Rev. Simon Joseph Frank DAmico, Jr. Paul Pensabene Birthday Remembrance

OCIA THE ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION



If you feel called to become Catholic and you are 16 years old or older, please contact Msgr. Massie at the Rectory. Become part of our OCIA which will begin the end of August and with the celebration of Baptism and the Sacraments at Easter on Marh 28 2027. The OCIA meets every Sunday after the 10:15 Mass in the Rectory. If you are above 16 years old and have been baptized but you did not receive Eucharist or Confirmation and you want to receive these sacraments, join our OCIA. Contact Msgr. Massie at the rectory.

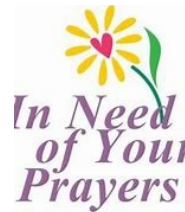
FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sun here 726	\$1,805.00
*Envelopes	
On Line Donation	\$2,403.00
Total Sunday	\$4,208.00
Annual Weekly Expenses	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$10,117.00

otal 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, Michelle Laquercia, Irene Balen,, Salvatore Salerno, John Primavera, Diane Barchuk, Addy Wardrobe, Anthony Gambardella,



Anthony Turco, Elizabeth Foley, Ann Curcuru, Lemar McNabb, Carol Montelbano, Julia Magno, Anthony Manfre, Emma Hukerby, Kristin Quail, Mark Carles, Erica Concino, MaryAnn Kinczel, Susan Hannan, , Hector Jimenez, Darren Munio, Sophia Rotunno, Frances Marra, Philip Saraceno, Salvatore

Aleo, Michael Ostrowski, Kathy Parasimo, Butch Montecvecchi, Louann Gambardella, Edna Lamboy , Angelo Sardinha, Pamela Rosenberg, Morgan Spurlock, Charlotte Ackerman, Jami Domanoski & unborn infant, Joan Sawaya, Mary Martir, Marcella Gatti Beverly DiCovello, Michael DiMeglio, Christopher Iacono, Jackie Leone, Vito DiMeglio Catherine Dellaportte Vicky Saraceno, Rose Salzone Zangrillo, Patrick O'Leary,,Leandro Villanueva, Roberto Estacio, Anna Marie MistrettsaPaunetto Janice Shaffer

MASS COUT

7/25 & 7/26

5:00 38

8:30 65

10:15 111

Total: 214

Live Stream 1152

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2026

PARISH GOAL	\$43,891.00
PLEDGED	\$41,646.00
PAID	\$29,102.00

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CONTINUED SUPPRORT AND
GENEROSITY!**

From the Pastor D

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Dear Parish Family,

Today is the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings present us with the generosity God has towards us. In the first reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah we read the invitation of God to all who are thirsty to come to the water. Water is a symbol of life. Water in the sacred text is also a sign of the life of God. Water spoken in a desert climate is seen as a precious commodity. In the second reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans Paul addresses God's love for us as shown in Christ Jesus. Do you believe that God loves you and wills the best for you? Do you believe that God wills your salvation and your eternal life? The Gospel speaks about the multiplication of Loaves and fish again illustrating God's love and generosity towards us.

I shall like to address the second reading today. In this reading Paul states that nothing will separate us from the love of Christ. I have some questions. Do you believe that God loves you? Do you believe God loves you because you have done everything right? Do you believe that you must earn God's love? How many believe that because many things have gone wrong in your life that God is punishing you? How many believe that God wills our good not our destruction? Paul addresses persecuted Christians and all suffering Christians. Notice how Paul breaks up his writing: His first list is of things which impact our personal existence. The second list tells us that even unseen forces in the cosmos cannot separate us from the love of Christ.

So, does Christ love us only when we are good? Do our sins stop the love of Christ for us? Do we need to convince God to love us? When we truly realize the love that God has for us then we will improve our behavior because we do not want to offend the Lord. When we truly realize the love that Christ has for us we will be impelled to live the life that brings about the Kingdom of God where we are. Suffering, disappointment, sickness, difficulties which we may be enduring is not signs that God's love is wanting. So, what is your greatest worry? Not even that worry or that sin can separate you from Christ. However what is the difference between love and approval? God loves us and God loves you. God may not approve of some of our actions, however God's love is everlasting. Parents love us but parents do not approve our behavior. Do you believe God wills our good? Remember, sometimes we do not accept what is for our good. In fact, sometimes we reject it. So where have we rejected the good? God is most generous. He gives his very self even when we say no.

Msg. Guy A. Massie