

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 31, 2026 Andrew Pietanza BY: A Friend
TUE. 8:30	Sept. 1, 2026 Carmine & Raffaella Graziani BY: Daughter Teresa
WED 8:30	Sept. 2, 2026 Josephine & Enrico Mauro BY: Grandson Salvatore Masotto
THURS. 8:30	Sept. 3, 2026 Anthony Mondella BY: Mom
FRI. 8:30	Sept. 4, 2026 Michael Decomanolis
SAT 8:30	Sept. 5, 2026 Luigi Ungaro BY: Loving Wife
5:00 PM	Yudelko Da La Rosa Cruz BY: The Delgado Family
SUN 8:30	Sept. 6, 2026 Caterina Scarimbolo BY: Anna
10:15	Francesca Forte Virginia Marchasani Onofrio Gaudio

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.



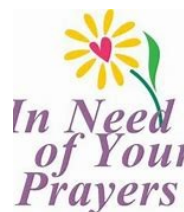
FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Sun here 8/23	\$2,050.00*Envelopes
On Line Donation	\$3,154.00
Total Sunday	\$5,204.00
Annual Weekly Expenses	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$9,121.00

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: Sarina Mukhi, Brad Hatry, Michelle Laquercia, Irene Balen,, Salvatore Salerno, John Primavera, Diane Barchuk, Addy Wardrope, 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 Montevecchi, Louann Gambardella, Edna Lamboy , Angelo Sardinha, Pamela Rosenberg, , Charlotte Ackerman, Jami Domanoski & unborn infant, Joan Sawaya, Mary Martir, Marcella Gatti Beverly DiCovello, Michael DiMeglio, Christopher Iacono, Jackie Leone, Vito DiMeglio Catherine Dellaporte Vicky Saraceno, Rose Salzone Zangrillo, Patrick O'Leary, Leandro Villanueva, Roberto Estacio, Anna Marie MistrettsaPaunetto Janice Shaffer

MASS COUNT

8/25 & 8/23

5:00	46
8:30	55
10:15	141

Total: 242

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2026

PARISH GOAL	\$43,891.00
PLEDGED	\$41,846.00
PAID	\$31,544.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONTINUED SUPPRORT AND
GENEROSIITY!**



Dear Parish Family,

The major symbol of our faith is the Cross. The Cross is made when a horizontal beam and a vertical beam meet causing a conflict. Crosses come into our lives. Sometimes these crosses are the direct result of striving to do what is just and right. In the first reading Jeremiah the prophet is praying pouring out his heart to God whom he blames for all his heartaches. Jeremiah was called to be a prophet. Prophets do not tell the future. Prophets speak the truth to power structures. Prophets ask questions and often challenge the status quo. Prophets seek to help people return to faithfulness and truth. Jeremiah did as God wanted.

In the Gospel today Jesus tells the apostles that he will suffer and die in Jerusalem. Peter who in last Sunday's gospel confesses Jesus as Christ or the Messiah, will not hear such talk. Just the mention of the word cross is enough to send Peter and the disciples running in the opposite direction. Remember Peter and the disciples knew exactly what the cross meant. They saw crucifixion in their lifetime. For us the symbol of the cross has become too easy to observe. It has been sterilized. The reality is too much to even imagine. The cross in the ancient Roman world was a sign of suffering, humiliation and defeat.

"I have done all the right things and I am still suffering"

I cannot tell you how often I have heard the above quote. If you were doing the right things and did not meet with opposition, I would be concerned. To be a disciple of Christ means seeking to live to speak the truth when all others are reacting too emotionally. Disciples seek to face the deep seated truth about oneself rather than judging the motives of others. Discipleship means asking oneself as well as others questions which lead to truth. Discipleship means recognizing God given human dignity out of love for all humanity. Humanity reflects God. When others are speaking about white supremacy the disciple of Christ must speak about God given dignity of each person regardless of race, color, creed and orientation. When others are seeking to exercise superiority over others who they deem of less quality, the disciple speaks prophetically by addressing truth to power. In each of these cases those love enough to speak out for truth will face opposition. This is just as Jesus has said. Let us rejoice.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie



Please join us Tuesday 9/1/26 @ 7:00 PM in the Parish House for an informal discussion about

This Book Made Me Think of You by Libby Page.

All are welcome.

We hope to see you there.