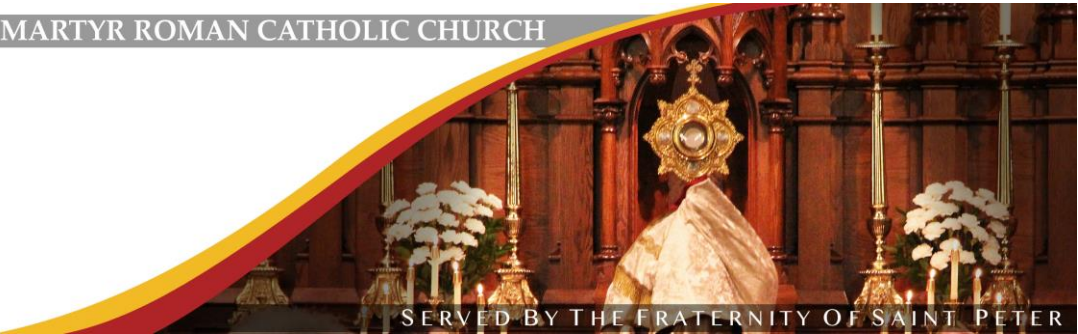



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STAYING CONNECTED	THE FSSP	DONATIONS
<p style="text-align: center;">PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</p> <p>To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEW PARISHIONERS</p> <p>Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or Bookstore.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">St. Stephen the First Martyr is a personal parish of the Diocese of Sacramento. It is served by priests of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ST. BERNADETTE FUND</p> <p>Please consider giving to those in need. Donations can be made online or in the Parish Office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ONLINE GIVING</p> <p>Available at the parish website. www.sacfssp.com</p>
<p>Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping. Please pick them up in the Parish Office or Bookstore.</p>		

LITURGICAL CALENDAR



23 December 2018
4th Sunday of Advent

Sun. 23 Dec.	4th Sunday of Advent, I
8:00 am	Amy Rutschow
10:30 am	Pro Populo
1:30 pm	Rose Wedinsky
6:00 pm	Father Lyons
Mon. 24 Dec.	Vigil of Christmas, I
7:00 am	†Masao Hadano
12:15 pm	Luis Fernando Santana
Tu. 25 Dec.	The Nativity of Our Lord, I
12:00 am	Pro Populo
8:00 am	FSSP
10:30 am	Pro Populo
1:30 pm	†Mike Hays
Wed. 26 Dec.	St. Stephen, Deacon & Protomartyr, II
7:00 am	†Louise Szabo
12:15 pm	†Claire S. Hadano
6:30 pm	FSSP
Th. 27 Dec.	St. John the Evangelist, Apostle, II
7:00 am	Richard Szabo
6:30 pm	Tony Castro Sr.
Fri. 28 Dec.	Holy Innocents, Martyrs, II
7:00 am	FSSP
12:15 pm	†Louise Szabo
6:30 pm	†Dr. Foy
Sat. 29 Dec.	5th Day in the Octave of Christmas, II
6:00 am	†Dr. Foy
9:00 am	†Louise Szabo

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Barbara Graichen, Sandy Sneary, Johan Newaz, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Fr. Goodwin, Margaret Northan, Jean Haun, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, Ramon & Robert Daley, Liz Nicolini, William Cummings, Lorraine Peterson, John Testa, Mitzi Vandenburg, Richard Cummings, Gretchen Medel, Dario Gonzalez, Rick Rabenau, Holly Hollingsworth, Michael Cuellar, Ken Taylor, Michelle di Giovanni, Barbara Jeong, Carol Cummings, Joan Rutschow, Patricia Quinn, Gordon Adler, Rogelio Mendoza

PARISH GROUPS

Altar Guild	Mike Solton
<i>Boys 10 - 18, Third Saturday</i>	916-832-2859
Choir & Music Classes	Keven Smith
<i>Youth & Adults, Sun. & Wed.</i>	ksmith_writer@yahoo.com
Sodality of the BVM	Amy Rutschow
<i>Girls 14 - 18, First Saturday</i>	916-340-5782
Rosa Mystica	Sue McGrath
<i>Girls 9 - 13, First Saturday</i>	916-531-3946
Little Flowers	Katie Scarry
<i>Girls 5 - 8, First Saturday</i>	530-945-6947
Bible Study	Fr. Dominic Savoie, FSSP
<i>Adults, Thursday</i>	frsavoie@fssp.com
OLSW Co-op	Keetje Terzo
<i>Ages 14 - 18, Tuesday & Thursday</i>	kterzo@hotmail.com
CCM Co-op	Krista Williams
<i>Ages 3 - 14, Friday</i>	916-955-6437
Youth Group	Liz Hernandez
<i>Ages 14 - 18, Second & Fourth Friday</i>	916-396-4062
Chesterton Society	Spencer Roundtree
<i>Adults, Second Tuesday</i>	sac.chesterton@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus, Council #16419	Mike McVean
<i>Adult men, Third Wednesday</i>	916-747-3021
Holy League	Mike Rund
<i>Adult men, Third Wednesday</i>	916-218-0096
Altar Linen & Flowers Society	Tomoko McDonough
<i>Adult women, Third Saturday</i>	mcdonoughmommy6@gmail
Church Flowers	Greta Munsill
<i>Friday</i>	916-425-7112
Church Cleaning	Eli Gonzalez
<i>Thursday</i>	916-395-7408
Ushers	Patrick Risse
<i>Sunday</i>	patrickgeraldrisse@gmail.com
Coffee & Donuts	Liz Hernandez
<i>Sunday</i>	916-396-4062
Collection Count Crew	Kelly Manstch
<i>Monday</i>	Parish Office 916-451-5114
Brown Bag Lunch Program	Maureen Olguin
<i>Sunday</i>	jmolguin5960@att.net
St. Vincent de Paul Society	William Giovannetti
<i>First & Third Sunday</i>	916-531-4730
Security	Patrick Clemons
<i>Parish Events</i>	916-717-0244

IN MEMORIAM

George Lane, William Eckerman, Msgr. Edward Kavanaugh, Roy Nelson, Lamberto Pangilinan, Lucille Duarte, Fr. Francis Lawlor, Barbara Lyons, Norman Sayles, Penny Hummell, Charles Bardin, Shawn Williams, Marcial Cristi, Louise Szabo, Gerald Foy, Mieczysław Jasinski, Joseph Murphy

FROM THE PASTOR

O Antiphons

These beautiful Vespers antiphons are sung the week leading up to the Vigil of Christmas. The musical theme is common to all seven, and also the Vespers antiphon of the Ascension, binding together the *exitus* and the *redditus* of the Second Divine Person. They are popularized in the hymn "O come, O come Emmanuel."

December 17: O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth of the Most High, reaching from one end to the other, mightily and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence.

December 18: O Adonai, and leader of the House of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush and gave him the law on Sinai: Come and redeem us with outstretched arm.

December 19: O Root of Jesse, standing as a sign among the nations; before whom kings will shut their mouths, to whom the nations will make their prayer: Come and deliver us, and delay no longer.

December 20: O Key of David and sceptre of the House of Israel; who open and no one can shut; who shut and no one can open: Come and lead those in chains from prison, those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

December 21: O Morning Star, splendour of light eternal and sun of righteousness: Come and enlighten those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

December 22: O King of the nations, and their desire, the cornerstone making both one: Come and save man, whom you fashioned from clay.

December 23: O Emmanuel, our king and our lawgiver, the hope of the nations and their Saviour: Come and save us, O Lord our God.

New Curtains!

Our new handmade curtains have arrived and been installed. Please feel free to approach the Communion rail after Mass to have a better look at them. The pattern was chosen in dark reds with cobalt accents to complement the red of the sanctuary and the blue of the statues and stained-glass windows in the Church. We hope you like them!

Christmas!

The priests wish everyone a very holy and joy-filled Christmas! Please see details for the various Masses and receptions during the Christmas season under the Announcements. I call your attention particularly to Christmas Matins, which we are doing for the first time this year. They will begin at 9:30 pm on Christmas Eve. God bless you!

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 24	Christmas Matins
Dec. 25	Christmas
Jan. 1	Holy Day of Obligation, Octave of Christmas
Jan. 5	Epiphany blessing; Christmas Party
Jan. 6	First Communion Registration Due
Jan. 13	First Communion Classes Begin
Jan. 26	Walk for Life - San Francisco
Mar. 16	Confirmations
May 4	First Holy Communion

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Communion. Registration forms are due Jan. 6!

Christmas Giving Tree. In the vestibule, please consider taking an envelope and donating to the St. Bernadette Fund, which assists parishioners in need.

Offertory Envelopes. Available in the vestibule.

Christmas Flowers. Please join us at 10:00 a.m. on Dec. 24 in the kitchen to help prepare the flowers for the altar. There will be lots of roses to de-thorn, vases to wash and arrangements to prepare. We also need help decorating the windows in the Church. We need evergreen pine boughs (no cedar, please) to use in decorating the Church. The branches you cut off the bottom of your Christmas tree so it would fit in the stand work well too. You can stack the evergreen boughs in a corner of the courtyard. Thank you!

Christmas Eve. There will be a 7:00 am and 12:15 pm Mass, as usual. At 9:30 pm, Christmas Matins will be sung by the priests and choir. Latin-English booklets will be available.

Christmas Mass Schedule. 12:00 am midnight (Solemn), 8:00 am, 10:30 am (Solemn), and 1:30 pm. After the Midnight Mass, there will be a gathering in the parish hall. Snacks and beverages will be available. Contact Ella Strandhagen (islandcoastie@gmail.com) if you would like to bring something or help clean up.

St. Stephen the First Martyr. Dec. 26. There will be a 6:30 pm Solemn Mass with the Guild medal ceremony. There will be a reception following the Mass. Contact Judy Kasak (judikasak@gmail.com) if you can bring Christmas desserts, such as cookies.

Octave Day of Christmas. Jan. 1. Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at 8:00 am, 10:30am (Sung), and 1:30 pm.

Epiphany Water Blessing. 10:00 am on Jan. 5.

Christmas Party. Tickets for the upcoming parish Christmas Party for Sat., Jan. 5, will be available in the vestibule after Masses. To volunteer to help with the party, please contact **Yesenia Rangel** at 916-982-9600 or by e-mail at YeseniaLovesLife@gmail.com. The party will begin at 5:00 pm!



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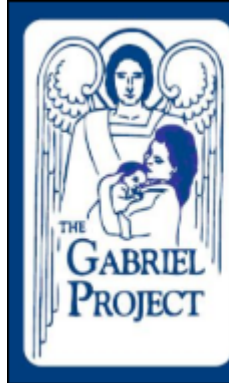
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