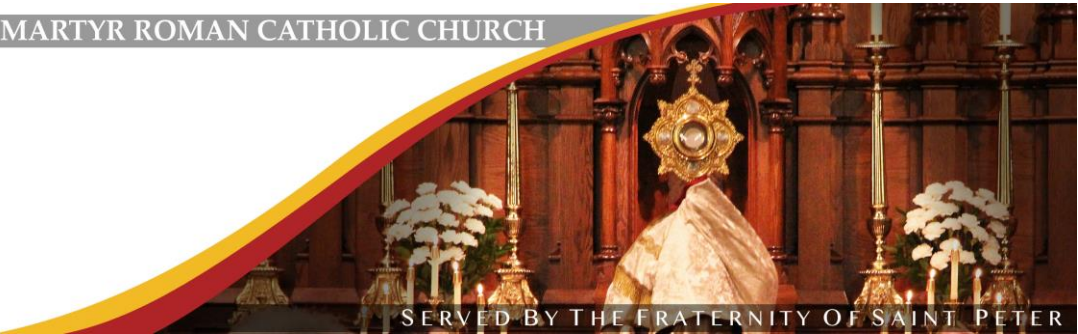



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<p style="text-align: center;">PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</p> <p>To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEW PARISHIONERS</p> <p>Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or Bookstore.</p>	<p>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 style="text-align: center;">Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping. Please pick them up in the Parish Office or Bookstore.</p>		

LITURGICAL CALENDAR



30 September 2018

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sun. 30 Sept.	19th Sunday After Pentecost, II
8:00 am	Greco-Warrick Family
10:30 am	Pro Populo
1:30 pm	†Claire S. Hadano
6:00 pm	Mr. & Mrs. Sergio Reali & Family
Mon. 1 Oct.	Feria, IV
7:00 am	†Kenneth Morris Lien
12:15 pm	Souls in Purgatory
Tu. 2 Oct.	Holy Guardian Angels, III
7:00 am	FSSP
6:30 pm	†David Toste
Wed. 3 Oct.	St. Theresa of the Infant Jesus, Vir., III
7:00 am	Father Mario
12:15 pm	†Masao Hadano
Th. 4 Oct.	St. Francis of Assisi, Deacon & Conf., III
7:00 am	Ms. Olivia Hall & Family
6:30 pm	St. Monica Sodality
Fri. 5 Oct.	Feria, IV
7:00 am	†Warren Douglas Smerud
12:15 pm	Pope Francis
6:30 pm	Bielle Dycok
Sat. 6 Oct.	St. Bruno, Confessor, III
7:00 am	Souls in Purgatory
9:00 am	Rev. Fr. Colin Wen

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Barbara Graichen, Sue McGrath, Sandy Sneary, John Newaz, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Fr. Goodwin, Margaret Northan, Jean Haun, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, Ramon and Robert Daley, Liz Nicolini, William (Pat) Cummings, Lorraine Peterson, John Testa, Mitzi Vandenburg, Richard Cummings, Gretchen Medel, Dario Gonzalez, Rick Rabenau, "Holly" Hollingsworth, Michael Cuellar, Mike De Santis, Ken Taylor, Michelle di Giovanni, Barbara Jeong, Carol Cummings, Joan Rutschow

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

FROM THE PASTOR

THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

The angels are wondrous beings, pure spirits, standing between man and God in the hierarchy of being. Of course there remains an infinite gulf between the intelligence and power of angels relative to God, but in both respects they are far more like unto God than man and, indeed, any other creature. In the Sacred Scriptures, the angels appear infrequently, but always dramatically. The common response of men confronted suddenly by the appearance of an angel is to fall down trembling in fright and awe.

In the Exodus narrative, Almighty God sends a single angel (the “destroyer” or “angel of death”) in order to wipe out the firstborn male of every living creature in the nation (cf. Ex 11-13). Again, in 2 Kings, we again see a single angel dispatched in order to eliminate an enormous army arrayed against Jerusalem. “For I will defend this city to save it, for my own sake and for the sake of my servant David.’ And that night the angel of the LORD went forth, and slew a hundred and eighty-five thousand in the camp of the Assyrians; and when men arose early in the morning, behold, these were all dead bodies” (2 Kg 19:34-35). It is commonly supposed that the devil, even lacking supernatural grace and relying only on what he has from nature alone, could annihilate all life on earth in a single instant – if only it were permitted to him.

St. Thomas Aquinas, the angelic doctor, teaches that the intellect of the angels, even the lowest of them, is far greater than even the most intelligent of men. In fact, the angels think and understand in a way completely different in kind from men. Our minds start as a blank slate, and slowly over time, abstract from our experiences of particulars to universal ideas. The angels, on the other hand, have such universal ideas as an integral part of their nature, from the very first instant of their creation. They then arrive at a knowledge of particulars through a connaturality to God’s creative activity. In other words, whereas we arrive at universals through particulars, angels arrive at particulars through universals. This puts the angels in a completely different class, intellectually speaking.

It should be a wonder to us that one of these creatures, greater than any king in dignity and power, is assigned to watch over us at every moment of every day, from the instant of our conception until our death. What a shame that we so infrequently acknowledge the presence of this august person, or express some token of gratitude to him! This Tuesday, October 2, is the Feast of the Guardian Angels. I would encourage everyone to attend Mass that day if possible, or at least set some little time apart to give honor and thanks to your guardian and friend. God bless!

SUMMER DRESS CODE

Please recall that everyone is expected to dress with modesty and in a way befitting the house of God. Our choice of clothing is an expression of our worship; it may also affect the ability of others to worship. Dress should conceal rather than reveal. There is a sign in the vestibule that gives more details regarding proper dress. It is further expected that modesty in dress be maintained on the church grounds at all times. **We do request that the correction of visitors in this matter be left to the priests.**

IMPORTANT DATES

Oct. 6 & 13	Hunter Education Course
Oct. 7	Knights of Columbus Enrollment
Oct. 18	30 th Anniversary of FSSP
Oct. 18	Fr. Savoie Scripture Class / Veritas Event
Oct. 31	All Hallow’s Eve Party
Nov. 10	Women’s Day of Recollection

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Pilgrim Virgin Statue** is available to visit your home. Please sign up in the bookstore.

Second Collection. Today there will be a collection taken up for the priests’ retirement fund. Since St. Stephen’s is not staffed by diocesan priests, we were sent checks from this collection that was taken up last year. We forwarded them on to headquarters to go towards the retirement fund for FSSP priests.

Confirmation. Classes 12:30 pm in classrooms 2 and 3.

Knights of Columbus will be doing enrollment on Oct. 7.

Fundraiser for Bus to March for Life. Also on Oct. 7, the Knights of Columbus will be selling meals in the Parish Hall to begin raising money for this year’s bus to the March for Life event in San Francisco.

Fr. Savoie Scripture Class / Veritas Event. On Oct. 18, at 7:30 pm, Fr. Savoie will start up his adult catechism class again. This first class will be paired with the Veritas Young Adult group, in the hopes to give them a chance to experience the Latin Mass and perhaps join Father’s class. Since we anticipate a much larger crowd, the class will meet in the Parish Hall.

All Hallow’s Eve Party. We will need help with our game booths, setting up for the party and cleaning up afterwards. **Please contact Judy Kasak (c. 916-955-0377; judikasak@gmail.com) if you would like to help!** When the feast-day draws nearer, we will have envelopes available for contributions, to offset the cost of the party.

5:00 - 5:30 : Litany of Saints

5:30 - 6:00 : Parade of Saints

6:00 - 8:00 : Food & Games

8:00 - 8:30 : Campfire Stories; Rosary

8:30 - 9:00 : Clean-up



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