SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION



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PARISH OFFICE	MASS SCHEDULE	<b>EXPOSITION &amp; BENEDICTION</b>	
Emailstephenproto@yahoo.comWebsitewww.sacfssp.comPhone916-455-5114Fax916-455-1018	Sunday       8:00 am, 10:30 am (High), 1:30 pm & 6:00 pm         Monday       7:00 am & 12:15 pm         Tuesday       7:00 am & 6:30 pm	Thursday3:00 pm - 6:15 pmFirst FridayAfter the 12:15 pmFridayAfter the 6:30 pmSaturday7:45 am - 8:45 am	
Address5461 44th StreetSacramento, CA 95820	<b>Wednesday</b> 7:00 am & 12:15 pm	THE HOLY ROSARY	
Bookstore 916-223-3112	Thursday         7:00 am & 6:30 pm           Friday         7:00 am, 12:15 & 6:30 pm	Sunday 7:30 am, 10:00 am, 2:30 pm, 5:30 pm	
PRIESTS Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP Pastor frcurtis@fssp.com	Saturday7:00 am & 9:00 amHoly DayCheck bulletin.	Weekdays After the 12:15 pm OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP	
Fr. Dominic Savoie, FSSP Par. Vicar frsavoie@fssp.com	CONFESSIONS	Tuesday After the 6:30 pm	
Fr. Graham Latimer, FSSP Par. Vicar frlatimer@fssp.com	<b>Everyday</b> Thirty minutes prior to all Masses.	SAINT MONICA SODALITY	
mauner@issp.com	<b>Saturday</b> 8:30 am - 10:00 am	First Thursday After the 6:30 pm	
STAFFTish GallagherParish Secretary stephenproto@yahoo.comKeven SmithChoirmaster ksmith_writer@yahoo.comKelly MantschParish Bookkeeper ststephenbusinessoffice@gmail.comBarbara CristiParish Assistant Junior SolorioJunior SolorioMaintenance SacristanEdward WedinskyMaintenance Sacristan	BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS Contact the Parish Office. SICK CALLS Call the Parish Office to schedule a home visit for the Sacraments. If someone is dying, outside of office hours, dial 916-455-5114, then press 1. You will be transferred immediately to the priest-on-call.	FATIMA PROCESSION The 13 <sup>th</sup> of every month from May to October. See bulletin announcements for times. MEN'S HOLY LEAGUE Third Wednesday 7:00 pm Holy Hour, lecture & food	
STAYING CONNECTED           PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER	THE FSSP	ST. BERNADETTE FUND	
To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register. NEW PARISHIONERS	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.	Please consider giving to those in need. Donations can be made online or in the Parish Office. ONLINE GIVING	
Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or Bookstore.		Available at the parish website. www.sacfssp.com	

Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping. Please pick them up in the Parish Office or Bookstore.

	LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
		Altar Guild Boys 10 - 18, T Choir & Musi Youth & Adult Sodality of th Girls 14 - 18, F Rosa Mystica Girls 9 - 13, Fin
	20 January 2019	Little Flowers
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany	Girls 5 - 8, Firs
Sun. 20 Jan.	<b>2</b> <sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany, <i>II</i>	<b>Bible Study</b> Adults, Thursd
8:00 am 10:30 am	†Dr. Gerald Foy Pro Populo	<b>OLSW Co-op</b> <i>Ages 14 - 18, T</i>
1:30 pm 6:00 pm	†Clara Harling Adelaide White	<b>CCM Co-op</b> Ages 3 - 14, Fri
<b>Mon. 21 Jan.</b> 7:00 am	<b>St. Agnes</b> , Virgin & Martyr, III Anne Marie Reslock	Youth Group Ages 14 - 18, S
12:15 pm	Zenaida & Julius Cozzatti	Chesterton So
Tu. 22 Jan.	Votive Mass for Peace, <i>II</i>	Adults, Second
7:00 am 6:30 pm	Alena Evans †Evelyn Ereso	Knights of Co Adult men, Thi
Wed. 23 Jan.	St. Raymond of Peñafort, Confessor, III	Holy League . Adult men, Thi
7:00 am 12:15 pm	†Dr. Gerald Foy †Gert Schaefer	<b>Altar Linen &amp;</b> Adult women,
<b>Th. 24 Jan.</b> 7:00 am	<b>St. Timothy</b> , <i>Bishop &amp; Martyr, III</i> Michael Schiele, Jr.	<b>Church Flowe</b> Friday
6:30 pm	Sean Sullivan	Church Clean
Fri. 25 Jan.	Conversion of St. Paul, III	Thursday
7:00 am 12:15 pm	†Deanna Goehring †Lac Truong	Ushers Sunday
6:30 pm	†Pete McDonough	Coffee & Don
Sat. 26 Jan.	St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr, III	Sunday
7:00 am 9:00 am	FSSP Priests Carol Mendonca	<b>Collection Co</b> <i>Monday</i>
		<b>Brown Bag Lu</b> Sunday

## 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

<b>Altar Guild</b> Boys 10 - 18, Third Saturday	Mike Solton 916-832-2859
<b>Choir &amp; Music Classes</b> Youth & Adults, Sun. & Wed.	
<b>Sodality of the BVM</b> <i>Girls 14 - 18, First Saturday</i>	Amy Rutschow 916-340-5782
<b>Rosa Mystica</b> Girls 9 - 13, First Saturday	Sue McGrath 916-531-3946
<b>Little Flowers</b> Girls 5 - 8, First Saturday	Katie Scarry 530-945-6947
<b>Bible Study</b> Adults, Thursday	Fr. Dominic Savoie, FSSP frsavoie@fssp.com
<b>OLSW Co-op</b> Ages 14 - 18, Tuesday & Thursday	Keetje Terzo
<b>CCM Co-op</b> <i>Ages 3 - 14, Friday</i>	
Youth Group Ages 14 - 18, Second & Fourth Frida	
Chesterton Society	0
Knights of Columbus, Council # Adult men, Third Wednesday	-
Holy League Adult men, Third Wednesday	
Altar Linen & Flowers Society Adult women, Third Saturday	Tomoko McDonough
Church Flowers	
Church Cleaning Thursday	
Ushers Sunday	Patrick Risse patrickgeraldrisse@gmail.com
<b>Coffee &amp; Donuts</b>	
Collection Count Crew Monday	
Brown Bag Lunch Program	
<b>St. Vincent de Paul Society</b> First & Third Sunday	
Security Parish Events	

#### IN MEMORIAM

Barbara Lyons, Norman Sayles, Penny Hummell, Charles Bardin, Shawn Williams, Marcial Cristi, Louise Szabo, Gerald Foy, Mieczysław Jasinski, Joseph Murphy, Olapeju Adesanya, Alice O'Kane, Willard Coillot

#### FROM THE PASTOR

#### **Abortion Statistics**

Current United States Data

- Total number of abortions in the U.S. 1973-2013: 56.5 million+
- 219 abortions per 1,000 live births (according to the Centers for Disease Control) [*That's a staggering* 21.9%, or more than one in five pregnancies. And that does not even begin to bring into account the number of chemical abortions that occur each year. See below.]
- Abortions per year: 1.058 million
- Abortions per day: 2,899
- Abortions per hour: 120
- 1 abortion every 30 seconds

These statistics include only surgical and medical abortions. Because many contraceptive measures are abortifacients (drugs that induce or cause abortions), it is important not to overlook the number of children killed by chemical abortions. Since 1965, an average of 11 million women has used abortifacient methods of birth control in the United States at any given time. Using formulas based on the way the birth control pill works, pharmacy experts project that about 14 million chemical abortions occur in the United States each year, providing a projected total of well in excess of 610 million chemical abortions between 1965 and 2009. [Projecting this figure out to 2018 brings the total to 736 million; adding the number of surgical abortions gives us a final figure of nearly 800 million human souls.]

- Taken from the American Life League (www.all.com).

#### Abortion Worldwide

Statisticians place the annual worldwide number of abortions at 56 million! Summing up that number going back to 1973 would place the worldwide figure of *surgical* abortions since that year at... 2.52 billion. And again, that does not even begin to factor in chemical abortions.

#### Some Pertinent Passages from the Scriptures

And the Lord said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground. – *Genesis* 4:10

"They built the high places of Ba'al in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to offer up their sons and daughters to Molech, **though I did not command them, nor did it enter into my mind, that they should do this abomination**, to cause Judah to sin." – *Jeremiah* 32:35

If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small. Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. If you say, "Behold, we did not know this," does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who keeps watch over your soul know it, and will he not requite man according to his work? – *Proverbs* 24:10-12

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Jan. 26	Walk for Life - San Francisco
Mar. 16	Confirmations
May 4	First Holy Communion
June 16-22	Camp Sacred Heart
July 21-25	Parish Retreat
	ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Donor Acknowledgment Letters (i.e. tax letters)** are available in the vestibule this Sun., Jan. 20. After this date, they will continue to be available by request in the Parish Bookstore or Office.

**St. Zelie's Ministry for Mothers of Loss** meets this Mon., Jan. 21, at 7:00 pm in Classroom 2.

**This Tues**., the fifty-sixth anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, Jan. 22, is a **Day of Reparation** for the Church in the United States. It would be fitting to abstain from meat and to fast on that day, though this is not in any way binding under pain of sin.

Just a reminder that the **Youth Group** does <u>not</u> meet his Fri., Jan. 25. *Members of the Youth Group are very much encouraged to attend the Walk for Life with Fr. Curtis on Jan.* 26. They can attend the 7:00 am Mass that Saturday, and then car pool to the event. For details, contact Liz Hernandez.

**Walk for Life.** Sat., Jan. 26. Details for the event are available at the website www.walkforlifewc.com. We will have a bus going to and from San Francisco; tickets will be available for purchase after Masses this Sun., Jan. 13. Suggested donation for tickets is between \$10 and \$15. The bus will leave the parish around 8:30 am on the day of the Walk for Life. *There are still 24 bus tickets available*.

**Walk for Life Meeting Spot!** We've had some trouble all finding each other in prior years. Let's try to meet at the intersection of **Grove Street and Polk Street** (the southwest corner of the Civic Plaza, where the rally is held) this year. The Walk itself is supposed to begin at 1:30 pm, so let's try to assemble there no later than **1:15 pm**.

**7 Steps to Becoming Financially Free.** Catholic Small Group Study. Achieve balance between your faith and finances. Orientation Session January 5 @ 7:30 pm. First of six weekly sessions begin Feb 12 @ 7:30 pm. Meetings will be held in Classroom 2. More info:

530-503-7473 or greg.bronson@kofc.org

Fr. Savoie will return this Fri. Jan. 25.

Fr. Latimer will be away from Jan. 25 - Feb. 2.



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