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<p><b>STAYING CONNECTED</b></p> <p><b>PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</b>                      To receive the bulletin and important                      announcements online, call the Parish                      Office to register.</p> <p><b>NEW PARISHIONERS</b>                      Registration forms are available in the                      Parish Office or Bookstore.</p>	<p><b>THE FSSP</b></p> <p>St. Stephen the First Martyr                      is a personal parish of the Diocese of                      Sacramento. It is served by priests of  <b>the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.</b></p> 	<p><b>DONATIONS</b></p> <p><b>ST. BERNADETTE FUND</b>                      Please consider giving to those in need.                      Donations can be made online or in the                      Parish Office.</p> <p><b>ONLINE GIVING</b>                      Available at the parish website.                      www.sacfssp.com</p>

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

LITURGICAL CALENDAR



27 January 2019  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

<b>Sun. 27 Jan.</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Epiphany, II</b>
8:00 am	†Jackie Raffaelle
10:30 am	Pro Populo
1:30 pm	†Kathryn Bueling
6:00 pm	†Lucy Dipierro
<b>Mon. 28 Jan.</b>	<b>St. Peter Nolasco, Confessor, III</b>
7:00 am	†Dr. Gerald Foy
12:15 pm	Gregory McCluskey
<b>Tu. 29 Jan.</b>	<b>St. Francis de Sales, Bp., Conf., &amp; Dr., III</b>
7:00 am	†Mr. & Mrs. Manfred
6:30 pm	Elizabeth Nicolini
<b>Wed. 30 Jan.</b>	<b>St. Martina, Virgin &amp; Martyr, III</b>
7:00 am	†Loretta Bayly
12:15 pm	Renee Ribal
<b>Th. 31 Jan.</b>	<b>St. John Bosco, Confessor, III</b>
7:00 am	FSSP Priests
6:30 pm	†Rose Marie Klinkhammer
<b>Fri. 1 Feb.</b>	<b>St. Ignatius, Bishop &amp; Martyr, III</b>
7:00 am	Evan Olwell
12:15 pm	†Lois Gengenbach
6:30 pm	Tom Reese
<b>Sat. 2 Feb.</b>	<b>Purification of the BVM, II</b>
7:00 am	Private Intention
9:00 am	Alexandria Florez

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

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

### To Know Christ Jesus

*Frank Sheed*

(Excerpt from the Foreword)

The creeds, concerned only to give us a kind of blueprint of our redemption, go straight from his birth to his Passion and death—“... born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate”, says the Apostles’ Creed; “... made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate”, says the Nicene. That summarizes the position for a great many—a blaze of light about his birth, another about his death, but dimness in between. An occasional miracle stands out, a few parables, but there is no shape to the knowledge, no depth or connection. We seem curiously incurious about the life of One who is the life of our life....

Not to know these things means that we have not followed Jesus through the years of his teaching. If we would know him as he is, the infancy and the Passion are not enough. The infancy is not enough, since one baby looks much like another. The Passion is luminous, but with a special light. For by then he had yielded himself up as a victim, and we feel him different. For full knowledge we need to see him in the public ministry as well, for only then do we see him simply being himself—walking the roads of Palestine, meeting with his friends, answering his enemies....

[I]t is the Christ of the earthly life who is now at the right hand of the Father—that Christ, now risen, in whom we live. And, in any event, our salvation is not all that matters in religion, or even what matters most. That was the mistake of the old type of Bible Christian: he was saved, the rest was mere theology. His fellow Bible Christians might believe that God was three Persons or one only, that Christ was God and man or man only—these were secondary, the sole primary being to accept Christ as one’s personal Savior. It made the self unhealthy central, unchristianly central. “This is eternal life: to know thee, the one true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent” (Jn 17:3).

To know Christ Jesus: if we do not know him as he lived among us, acted and reacted and suffered among us, we risk not knowing him at all. For we cannot see him at the right hand of the Father as we can see him in Palestine. And we shall end either in constructing our own Christ, image of our own needs or dreams, or in having no Christ but a shadow and a name. Either way the light he might shed is not shed for us—light upon himself, light upon God.

For the kind of ignoring I have in mind cuts off a vast shaft of light into the being of God. The truth “Christ is God” is a statement not only about Christ but about God.

Without it, we could still know of God, certainly, but in his own nature only—infinite, omnipotent, creating from nothing, sustaining creation in being. It would be a remote kind of knowledge, for of none of these ways of being or doing have we any personal experience. In Christ Jesus we can see God in our nature, experiencing the things we have experienced, coping with situations we have to cope with. Thereby we know God as the most devout pagan cannot know him.

The first step is to return to the Gospels to learn what the Holy Spirit has willed us to know of the coming of God the Son into our race, the infancy and boyhood, the ministry, the suffering and death, the Resurrection and Ascension into heaven. There will be words and acts in which we cannot see meaning, but the evangelists did not write them idly, nor the Holy Spirit idly inspire them to do so. We must read intently, growing in knowledge of his words and acts, building our intimacy with himself.

*I highly recommend this book! (Fr. Curtis)*

## IMPORTANT DATES

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 Parish Bookstore or Office.

The missionaries for the **St. Francis Xavier Mission Trip** to Peru are doing several fundraisers: this **Sun., Jan. 27**, they will be selling See’s Candies after the 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 1:30 pm Masses, as well as taking pre-orders for meals for the following week; on **Sun., Feb. 3** they will be selling meals in the Parish Hall (*breakfast burritos and coffee cake after the 8:00 am; hot dogs and chili after the 10:30 am & 1:30 pm*). We have six applicants for the mission trip this year; St. Stephen’s is the largest contingent from any FSSP parish. Proceeds from the fundraisers will be split evenly amongst the missionaries.

**First Friday & Saturday** fall this week.

**7 Steps to Becoming Financially Free.** Catholic Small Group Study. Achieve balance between your faith and finances. Orientation Session Jan. 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](mailto:greg.bronson@kofc.org)

The **Youth Group** is planning an ice skating outing on Sat., Feb. 9.

**Fr. Latimer** will be away until Feb. 2.



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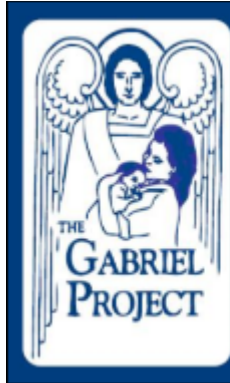
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