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<p>STAYING CONNECTED</p>	<p>THE FSSP</p>	<p>DONATIONS</p>
<p>PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p>NEW PARISHIONERS 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>ST. BERNADETTE FUND Please consider giving to fellow parishioners in need. Donations can be made online or at the Parish Office.</p> <p>ONLINE GIVING Available at the parish website. www.sacfssp.com</p>
<p>Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping, unless you are giving online. Please pick them up in the Parish Office.</p>		

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

4 July 2021

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Sun 4 July	Sixth Sunday after Pentecost, II
7 am	Cecilia Dugyon
8:30 am	+ Rogelio Mendoza
10 am	+ Emmett Clark
11:30 am	Andy & Karla Jimenez
1 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
6pm	Mario & Samantha Jimenez
Mon 5 July	St. Anthony Mary Zaccariah, III
7 am	Betty Perkins
12 pm	Gullermo Nevarez
6 pm	David Bation
Tues 6 July	Feria, IV
7 am	In thanksgiving to Jesus & Mary
12 pm	Holy Souls
6 pm	+ Eugenia Valdez
Wed 7 July	Ss. Cyril & Methodius, III
7 am	Darryl Gallagher
12 pm	Evelyn Quiroz
6 pm	Abraham Nevarez
Thurs 8 July	St. Elizabeth of Portugal, III
7 am	+ Kell Khattar
12 pm	Katherine Quiroz
6 pm	+ Linda White
Fri 9 July	Feria, III
7 am	+ Joel & Zarina Zaragosa
12 pm	+ Edward Lubinsky
6 pm	Giovanni Quiroz
Sat 10 July	7 Holy Brothers and Ss. Rufina & Secunda, III
7 am	+ Marie Anne Cammarota
8:30 am	Jose Nevarez
12 pm	+ Anthony Cammarota

PRAYER LIST

Barbara Jeong, Barbara Graichen, Johan Newaz, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Jean Haun, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, Eileen Morrison, Derald Goyette, Theresa Reali, Jordan Aranas, JoAnn Mutterties

Please keep all of the sick and homebound of the parish in your daily prayers.

IN MEMORIAM

Gloria Garcia, Raymond Villalpando, Rogelio Mendoza, Linda White, William Cummings, Rick Perez, Louise Szabo, Gerald Foy, Joseph Murphy, Olapeju Adesanya, Alice O'Kane, Willard Coillot, Audrey Kasak, Gordon Alder, Mary Ann St. Cloud, Adolph Turci, Al Haedinger, Tommie Chavez, Steven Korner

PARISH GROUPS

Altar Guild & Altar Guild Minor	Mike Solton
<i>Boys 7 - 18, Third Saturday</i>	916-832-2859
Choir & Music Classes	Keven Smith
<i>Youth & Adults, Sunday & Wednesday</i>	ksmith_writer@yahoo.com
Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary	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	Megan Gury
<i>Girls 5 - 8, First Saturday</i>	916-584-6018
Adult Catechism	Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP
<i>Adults, Second & Fourth Thursday</i>	frcurtis@fssp.com
OLSW Co-op	Keetje Terzo
<i>Ages 14 - 18</i>	916-878-6433
CCM Co-op	Keetje Terzo
<i>Ages 3 - 14</i>	916-878-6433
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	William Giovannetti
<i>Adult men, Third Wednesday</i>	916-531-4730
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	Roger Soto
<i>Sunday</i>	209-610-1163
Coffee & Donuts	Durke & Mary Pilegaard
<i>Sunday</i>	marypilegaard@gmail.com
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
The Gabriel Project	Karen Presta
<i>On call</i>	530-820-3919
Security	Patrick Clemons
<i>Sundays & Parish Events</i>	916-717-0244
Veritas Young Adult Group	Taylor Bur
<i>Ages 18-39</i>	651-357-2080

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

**Mr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP; Br. Patrick Callahan (COS);
Sr. Rose Brennan (CM)**

Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

THAT BEAUTIFUL VEIL

The custom of women veiling in the Church is a two thousand year tradition going all the way back to the apostolic era (cf. 1 Corinthians 11:2-16). Tragically, the custom has been all but lost in the modern era. As late as 1969, the Vatican still insisted on the veiling of women in the Church; but when the 1983 Code of Canon Law was promulgated, the canon requiring the veil was discovered to have been removed. While acknowledging that the veil is no longer required by ecclesiastical law, I would still very much encourage its use by women in the parish.

A particularly feminine and spousal symbol, the veil has its origin in the culture of the Old Testament Jews and other ancient peoples. It was the wedding ring of their time, indicating a wife's loving union with her husband. We see this in Genesis 24, wherein Rebekah first sees from afar her espoused husband: *And Isaac went out to meditate in the field in the evening; and he lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, there were camels coming. And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she alighted from the camel, and said to the servant, "Who is the man yonder, walking in the field to meet us?" The servant said, "It is my master." So she took her veil and covered herself.*

As Catholics we know that marriage is a sacramental sign of the union between Christ and His Mystical Bride, the Church. *"This is a great mystery,"* writes St. Paul, *"and I mean in reference to Christ and the Church"* (Ephesians 5). The veil, as a sign of matrimony, is a feminine mark of the union between Christ and the soul, between Christ and the Church. This was put very well in an anonymous sermon found online: *"It's a very great mystery. Like Our Lady, every Catholic woman, as a woman, is a living icon of the Church. So when she veils herself here, in the presence of Our Lord, it's a visible reminder for all of the spousal relationship - the bridal relationship - between the Church and Christ."*

In addition to the spousal significance attached to the veil, it also indicates something sacred and set apart. True religion has always had the practice of veiling what is holy. In the Old Covenant, notable examples include the tabernacle of the ark and the radiant face of Moses. In the New, the consecrated Hosts are veiled in their ciboria, the tabernacle is veiled under silk, the altar is veiled under linen, the chalice is veiled until the moment of Consecration, the priest is veiled under his chasuble. Often the Missal, the sedilia, and the altar rail are veiled. In more ancient times, a great curtain was drawn before the sanctuary from the Sanctus until the Communion, veiling the Holy Sacrifice; this veil still exists in Eastern practice, in the great iconostasis. In addition to all of these, the Church has the custom of veiling women, an acknowledgment of the female

body as the locus of new life, the first home of souls precious to God, for whom he became incarnate and shed his blood.

Finally, the veil is a protection of many virtues. *"If a woman nourish her hair,"* St. Paul writes, *"it is a glory to her"* (1 Corinthians 11:15). The veil is the voluntary covering of feminine beauty, an act of humility and reverence in the presence of the beauty of God. Like the strict rubrics which bind the priest, and the subdued ceremonials of the clergy in the sanctuary, the veil helps draw the attention of all away from anything that might distract us from the great mystery renewed on our altar.

Too often in recent times the veil has been placed in only a negative context. You have to veil, they argue, because men are pigs. Or – you have to veil, they tell you, because an older woman may scream at you in the vestibule. I will leave you with this, instead, from a little book by Elizabeth Black and Emily Sparks, writing about that beautiful veil:

[Christ] calls her to become one with Him: to come under His side and become flesh of His flesh and bone of His bone. This occurs during reception of Eucharist. The covering of the head with a veil symbolizes the reality of woman sheltered in the side of her Source and becoming one with Him. She becomes covered and hidden in her Divine Spouse.

God bless you.

ADULT CATECHISM

Please consider inviting a non-Catholic friend or family member to the adult catechism classes, which will begin on August 12, and continue on second and fourth Thursday evenings (7 pm - 8:30 pm) until Easter. Inquiries may be directed to frcurtis@fssp.com. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office and Bookstore.

IMPORTANT DATES

July 13	(Tues) Fatima Procession after the 6 pm Mass
Sept 11	Day of Recollection for Confirmandi
Sept 14	Confirmations
Sept 25	Italian Dinner
Oct 30	Chesterton Event
Nov 13	Women's Day of Recollection

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Brian Myers, FSSP leaves the parish on July 6. We are very grateful to him for the service he provided to the parish over the last month. Please keep him in your prayers as he continues his priestly formation.

The **6 pm Mass on Friday (July 9)** will be a Nuptial Mass. Please be prepared to allow guests the use of the pews.

Choir. We're looking for more members for the choir, particularly men! Those interested please contact Keven Smith at ksmith_writer@yahoo.com. Prior experience is not required.



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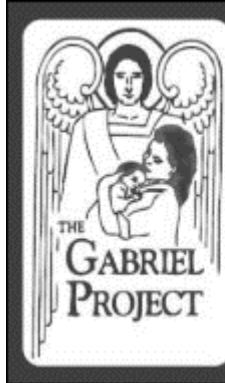
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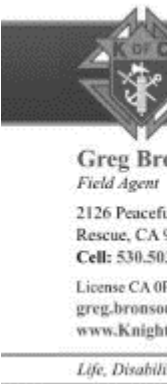


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