


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>STAYING CONNECTED</b></p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>THE FSSP</b></p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>DONATIONS</b></p>  |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</b></p> <p>To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NEW PARISHIONERS</b></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 <b>Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter</b>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ST. BERNADETTE FUND</b></p> <p>Please consider giving to fellow parishioners in need. Donations can be made online or at the Parish Office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ONLINE GIVING</b></p> <p>Available at the parish website.<br/>         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**

**10 October 2021**

*Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <b>Sun 10 Oct</b>   | <b>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost, II</b>     |
| 7 am                | + Ianacio Costales                              |
| 8:30 am             | + Jenne Delig                                   |
| 10 am               | Sally Leatherby & family                        |
| 11:30 am            | Damian Hawkins                                  |
| 1 pm                | <i>Pro populo</i>                               |
| 6pm                 | + Enrique Limon                                 |
| <b>Mon 11 Oct</b>   | <b>Maternity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, II</b> |
| 7 am                | Stephanie & Josh                                |
| 12 pm               | + Anna Young                                    |
| 6 pm                | + Sandy Holbrook                                |
| <b>Tues 12 Oct</b>  | <b>Feria, IV</b>                                |
| 7 am                | + Frank Gonsales                                |
| 12 pm               | Amador Sandoval                                 |
| 6 pm                | + Helen Stockdale                               |
| <b>Wed 13 Oct</b>   | <b>St. Edward the Confessor, III</b>            |
| 7 am                | Melia Curry                                     |
| 12 pm               | + Melinda Miller                                |
| 6 pm                | Maewyn Vincent                                  |
| <b>Thurs 14 Oct</b> | <b>St. Callistus I, III</b>                     |
| 7 am                | + Souls in Purgatory                            |
| 12 pm               | Confraternity of Saint Peter                    |
| 6 pm                | Greg & Maggie Walsh                             |
| <b>Fri 15 Oct</b>   | <b>St. Teresa of Avila, III</b>                 |
| 7 am                | Renee Burns                                     |
| 12 pm               | Goday – De La Paz family                        |
| 6 pm                | + Mel Alpas                                     |
| <b>Sat 16 Oct</b>   | <b>St. Hedwig, III</b>                          |
| 7 am                | + Francisco Soto                                |
| 8:30 am             | Amador Sandoval                                 |
| 12 pm               | + Jeff Long                                     |

**PRAYER LIST**

Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Stephanie Saavedra, Barbara Jeong, Barbara Graichen, Johan Newaz, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Jean Haun, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, Eileen Morrison, Derald Goyette, Jordan Aranas, JoAnn Mutterties

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

**IN MEMORIAM**

Jeff Long, David Tostenson, Eleanor Roberts, Robert Rose, Sharon Graves, Eda Granby, 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

**PARISH GROUPS**

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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

**Mr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP; Br. Raphael Joseph Maria, COSJ;  
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

NB The bathroom code has been changed.

ST TERESA OF AVILA

St Teresa lived from 1515 to 1582 and was the foundress of the Discalced Carmelites, a significant reform of the Carmelite Order. She is well known for her works *The Interior Castle* and *The Way of Perfection*, as well as her autobiography. Her feast day is on October 15.

"Let nothing perturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change. Patience achieves everything."

"May today there be peace within. May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not forget the infinite possibilities that are born of faith. May you use those gifts that you have received, and pass on the love that has been given to you. May you be content knowing you are a child of God."

"Truth suffers, but never dies."

"In this distress, — for then I had never had a single vision, — these Thy words alone were enough to remove it, and give me perfect peace: *'Be not afraid, my daughter: it is I; and I will not abandon thee. Fear not.'*"

"Accustom yourself continually to make many acts of love, for they enkindle and melt the soul."

"Mental prayer in my opinion is nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with Him who we know loves us. The important thing is not to think much but to love much and so do that which best stirs you to love. Love is not great delight but desire to please God in everything."

"We always find that those who walked closest to Christ were those who had to bear the greatest trials."

"Let us live in such a way as not to be afraid to die."

"If you seek to carry no other crosses but those whose reason you understand, perfection is not for you."

"Never do anything which you could not do in the sight of all."

"As to the aridity you are suffering from, it seems to me our Lord is treating you like someone He considers strong: He wants to test you and see if you love Him as much at times of aridity as when He sends you consolations. I think this is a very great favor for God to show you."

"He who has God finds he is lacking nothing."

IMPORTANT DATES

|        |                                    |
|--------|------------------------------------|
| Oct 13 | Fatima Procession                  |
| Oct 17 | Registrations for FHC begin        |
| Oct 30 | Chesterton Event                   |
| Nov 13 | Women's Day of Recollection        |
| Dec 19 | Registrations for FHC due          |
| Jan 9  | First Holy Communion classes begin |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Requiescat in pace.** Please pray for the repose of our long time parishioner, **Jeff Long**, who passed away on Thurs, Oct 7 (the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary). Jeff was instrumental in bringing many converts into the faith. **His funeral will be held on Sat, Oct 16, at noon.** A Rosary will precede the Mass; the burial will be held the following Mon, Oct 18 at 10 am, at St. Mary's Cemetery. Please keep the family in your prayers, as well.

There will be a **Second Collection** on Sun, Oct 10, for the Mission Cooperative Appeal. Usually this collection is accompanied by a guest preacher from the missions, but this year that aspect of it was cancelled.

The **Chesterton Society** meets Tues, Oct 12, at 7 pm.

The **Fatima Procession** will be held after the 6 pm Mass on Wed, Oct 13. This is the final procession of the year.

**Adult Catechism** is Thurs, Oct 14, at 7 pm, in the parish hall.

The **Altar Guild** meets Sat, Oct 16, after the 8:30 am Mass.

Registrations for classes for **First Holy Communion** will begin next Sun, Oct 17. Forms will be due Sun, Dec 19. Classes will begin Sun, Jan 9 at 2:30 pm.

**Chesterton Event.** On Sat, Oct 30 from 5:00-9:00 pm at St. Stephen's parish hall, there will be a wine and cheese social hour followed by live presentations on two of G. K. Chesterton's epic poems. Dale Ahlquist will talk on "The Ballad of the White Horse" (King Alfred's battle against the invading Danes, and Our Lady's strong help). Christopher Check, president of Catholic Answers, will give an historical account of the battle of Lepanto and will recite Chesterton's "Lepanto". This Oct 7 marks the 450th anniversary of the battle of Lepanto. *Ticket sales will begin Sun, Oct 10 after all Masses.*

I am tentatively planning to have a party for the children on **All Hallows Eve** from 7 - 9 pm (Sun, Oct 31). I will need help to organize it.

The **Women's Day of Recollection** will be held on Sat, Nov 13. Please register in the bookstore or parish office so that we can account for meals. **Registrations will be due on Sun, Nov 7.** Schedule:

|                 |                                     |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>8:30 am</b>  | Mass                                |
| <b>9:30 am</b>  | Brunch & Coffee (Parish Hall)       |
| <b>10:00 am</b> | First Conference                    |
| <b>11:00 am</b> | Stations of the Cross & Confessions |
| <b>12:00 pm</b> | Lunch (Parish Hall)                 |
| <b>1:00 pm</b>  | Second Conference                   |
| <b>2:00 pm</b>  | Holy Hour                           |
| <b>3:00 pm</b>  | Blessing & Dismissal                |

**We're looking for more ushers!** Men, if interested or if you have questions, please contact Roger Soto at 209-610-1163.



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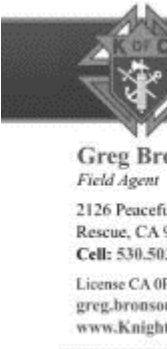


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