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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

Sun 5 Dec	Second Sunday of Advent, I
7 am	+ Cecil Dyer
8:30 am	+ Paulina Pierro
10 am	Mary Lehman
11:30 am	Barbara Ryan
1 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
6pm	+ Cynthia Stefani
Mon 6 Dec	St. Nicholas, III
7 am	Fr Cassian
12 pm	Casey DeSantis
6 pm	Sonny Respicio
Tues 7 Dec	St. Ambrose, III
7 am	+ Tom Berry
12 pm	+ Consuelo Ramirez
6 pm	Michael & Kelly
Wed 8 Dec	Immaculate Conception of the BVM, I
7 am	Racquel & Jose Magabo
12 pm	+ Mary Carvalho
6 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
Thurs 9 Dec	Feria of Advent, III
7 am	Elizabeth Pierini
12 pm	Arianna Bedolla
6 pm	+ Kathleen Neff
Fri 10 Dec	Feria of Advent, III
7 am	+ Gloria Phllips
12 pm	+ John Dunlap
6 pm	FSSP
Sat 11 Dec	St. Damasus I, III
<u>6:30 am!!!</u>	Ben Roundtree & family
8:30 am	Paul Baccay & family
12 pm	Pat Feldman

PRAYER LIST

Fiona Silverio, Bonnie Williams, 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

John Dunlap, 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

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
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
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>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

"You alone and your Mother are more beautiful than any others, for there is no blemish in you nor any stains upon your Mother. Who of my children can compare in beauty to these?" – St. Ephrem in *Nisibene Hymns*, 361 AD

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 8	Holy Day of Obligation
Dec 10	Funeral: John Dunlap (12:00 pm)
Dec 11	Rorate Mass (6:30 am)
Dec 19	Registrations for FHC due
Jan 2	Hand Missal instruction (2:30 pm)
Jan 9	First Holy Communion classes begin
Mar 20	Confirmations (Bp. Soto) at 3 pm
April 23	Italian Dinner

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Collection for the Building Fund.

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

The **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**, which falls on Wed, Dec 8, is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. We will have the normal Mass schedule (7 am, noon, 6 pm). The 6 pm Mass will be sung.

Adult Catechism meets on Thurs, Dec 9, at 7:00 pm.

The **funeral Mass for John Dunlap** will be held on Fri, Dec 10, at noon.

The **Youth Group** meets on Fri, Dec 10, at 7:00 pm.

This Sat, Dec 11, please consider attending the **Rorate Mass**, a Sung Mass in honor of Our Lady, offered by candlelight with only very little assistance from the electric lights. About fifty to a hundred candles are lit on the altar. **The Mass begins a half hour early, at 6:30 am, before sunrise.**

The **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**, which usually falls on Dec 12, is a first class feast on account of her patronage of the diocese. Since Dec 12 falls on a Sunday this year, the *feast will be transferred to Mon, Dec 13*. There will be a sung Mass on Mon, Dec 13 at 6 pm.

However! In honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, we will have a **procession** after the confirmation class around the property of St. Stephen's, around 4 pm, on Sun, Dec 12. Hymn sheets will be provided for those who want to sing as we process.

Offertory envelopes for 2022 will be available starting Sun, Dec 12, in the vestibule. If you don't see a box with your name on it, and would like envelopes, please inquire at the Parish Bookstore.

Confirmation Classes. In anticipation of many families being away, please take note that classes will not be held on Sun., Dec. 19 and Sun., Dec. 26.

Christmas Eve. There will be Masses held at 7:00 am and 12:00 pm. The usual Friday 6:00 pm Mass is cancelled. At 9:30 pm, Christmas Matins will be sung by the priests and choir. All are encouraged to attend; Latin-English booklets will be available.

Christmas. Masses at 12:00 am midnight (Solemn), 7 am, 8:30 am, 10 am, 11:30 am, and 1 pm (Solemn). No evening Mass. Confessions at 6:30 am only.

St. Stephen the First Martyr. Dec. 26. The Guild medal ceremony will be at the 1 pm Mass.

Octave Day of Christmas. Jan 1. Since it falls on a Saturday, the obligation is dispensed. Masses at 7 am, 8:30 am, and 12 pm (Sung).

Parish Christmas Party. Mark your calendars, as we will be gathering for our annual parish Christmas Party on Sat, Jan 1, 2022, from 5 pm until 9 pm!

Event. This fun-filled event brings our parish family together to celebrate Christmastide with dinner and fellowship, and followed by a talent show where some of our talented parishioners will be performing for us! In past years, we have delighted in everything from musical and theatrical acts to stand-up comedy! It is always a memorable evening and one that you do not want to miss!

Tickets: Suggested Donation is \$10 or \$25 per family. Tickets will be available in the vestibule on Sundays after all Masses, starting Sun, Dec 5.

Auditions: Do you have a musical or unique talent that you would like to share with us and perform at this event? Auditions are now open through December (or until all time slots are filled) and usually close quickly, so schedule an audition soon to participate in our talent show!

Volunteers: Last, but most importantly, we need many volunteers to make this event a memorable one for our parish family. I know many of you who are generous with your time and energy, and we appreciate all that you do for our beloved parish. There are many opportunities and positions that still need to be filled. Thank you in advance for your generosity! You can sign up to help using this online volunteer form:

<https://forms.gle/7Z8T8yjTrwxWamqQ7>

Contact: For any questions or to schedule an audition, contact Yesenia Rangel at YeseniaLovesLife@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at 916-682-9600.

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

Fr. Braun will be away from the parish on vacation from Mon, Dec 6, until Mon, Dec 20.



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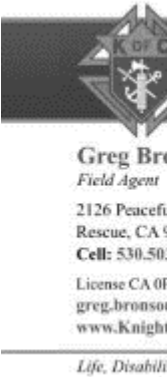


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