


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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<p>STAYING CONNECTED</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>THE FSSP</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>DONATIONS</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>

Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping, unless you are giving online. Please pick them up in the Parish Office.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Sun 26 Dec	Sunday within the Octave of Christmas, II
7 am	+ Jose Solorio
8:30 am	+ Dr. Renato De Los Santos
10 am	+ Holy Souls
11:30 am	Benjamin Kasak
1 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
6pm	+ Philip Klaus
Mon 27 Dec	St. John the Evangelist, II
7 am	Aria Jaynes
12 pm	+ Julia Havinf
6 pm	+ Holy Souls
Tues 28 Dec	Holy Innocents, II
7 am	+ Bruce Wagner
12 pm	+ Fiona Silverio
6 pm	+ Holy Souls
Wed 29 Dec	5th Day in the Octave of Christmas, II
7 am	+ Shirley La Commare
12 pm	+ Dr. Renato De Los Santos
6 pm	+ Sue Stephen
Thurs 30 Dec	6th Day in the Octave of Christmas, II
7 am	Thomas Philips
12 pm	Indre McCluskey
6 pm	+ Jose Ramon Mejia
Fri 31 Dec	7th Day in the Octave of Christmas, II
7 am	+ Holy Souls
12 pm	+ Angela Mendoza
6 pm	+ Fiona Silverio
Sat 1 Jan	Octave Day of the Nativity of Our Lord, I
7 am	Rogelio Mendoza
8:30 am	+ Fr Martin Brusato
12:00 pm	Stella Zapata

PRAYER LIST

Arman Mazidi, 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

Fiona Silverio, 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

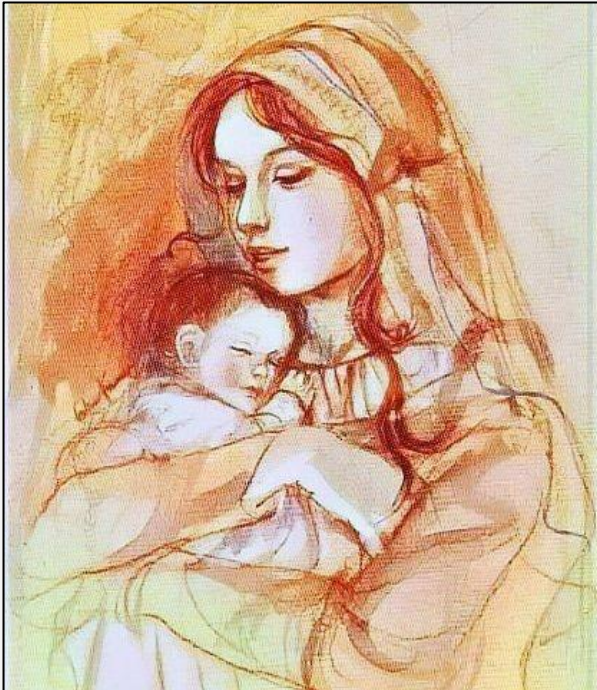
Altar Guild & Altar Guild Minor	Mike Solton
<i>Boys 7 - 18, Third Saturday</i>	916-832-2859
Choir & Music Classes	Keven Smith
<i>Youth & Adults, Sunday & Wednesday</i>	ksmith_writer@yahoo.com
Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Amy Rutschow
<i>Girls 14 - 18, First Saturday</i>	916-340-5782
Rosa Mystica	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
MERRY CHRISTMAS!!



On behalf of all of the priests and staff of St. Stephen the First Martyr, I wish a blessed Christmastide to all our parishioners. The priests also wish to express their gratitude for all of the many cards and gifts. And finally, I would like to thank all of the many volunteers that make not only Christmas but all of the year possible here at the parish. We would be hard pressed to continue without you!

What a crazy year! Almost enough to look back fondly on 2020! It's absolutely crazy to me that it is almost 2022. May God look with favor on us, on our families, on our community, and on our nation and world in the year to come. But whatever 2022 brings, the priests are ready to face it together with you, our parishioners. God bless you!

IMPORTANT DATES

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

Offertory envelopes for 2022 are available in the room between the office and bookstore.

The bookstore is now taking orders for **candles** to be blessed on the Feast of the Purification, on Feb 2. Order early to ensure that they will arrive on time. Beeswax and other devotional candles are available. All orders must be in by Wed, Jan 5.

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

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

SPECIAL REQUEST FROM FR CURTIS: On Sun, Dec 26, please plan on attending a Mass other than the 1 pm High Mass, if you do not have a son involved with the altar guild. Otherwise we expect this Mass to be extremely overcrowded.

We will be hosting **Mr. Jeremy Chua, FSSP**, a seminarian who stayed with us for quite some time in 2020, for his Christmas vacation. He will be around for several weeks.

Octave Day of Christmas. Sat, 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 Sun, Dec 26.

This is the last Sunday to buy tickets!!!

Auditions: *Thank you to all who have auditioned for the talent show! Auditions are now closed, as we have filled all of the available time slots.*

Volunteers: We are still in need of volunteers to help make this event a memorable one for our parish family. Many of you 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.

Hand Missal instruction. New parishioner and old, feel free to join Fr. Braun in the parish hall on **Sun, Jan 2, at 2:30 pm** (after the High Mass), for an introduction to the use of the hand missal to follow along with Mass. The talk will probably run about thirty minutes.

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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