


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

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| 3 July | Sun | Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, II 7 am + Richard Hernandez 8:30 am + Joseph Alessandri 10 am Doan family 11:30 am Samuel Roundtree 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm Arlene Ledoux |
| 4 July | Mon | Feria, IV 7 am + Theresa Zammit 9 am + Butchy family 7 pm Maria Catarina Hoa Doan |
| 5 July | Tues | St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria, III 7 am + Rene Iway 12 pm + Michael Echaniz 6 pm Antonio & Aurora Banabar |
| 6 July | Wed | Feria, IV 7 am Arlene Ledoux 12 pm + Agnes Zammit 6 pm Nguyen family |
| 7 July | Thurs | Ss. Cyril and Methodius, III 7 am Alex Mercado 12 pm Brendan & Tomoko McDonough 6 pm St Monica Sodality |
| 8 July | Fri | St. Elizabeth of Portugal, III 7 am + Veronica Rozario 12 pm + Anthony Doan & Maria Nguyen 6 pm Bonnie & Kent Williams |
| 9 July | Sat | Saturday of Our Lady, IV 7 am + Butchy family 8:30 am + Ray & Gert Schaefer 12 pm Scott family |

PRAYER LIST

Karen Rich, Bob Crocker, Stephanie Reali-Saavedra, Theresa Reali, Richard Szabo, Ana Rosa Phomsopha, Don Varley, Arman Mazidi, Bonnie Williams, Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Stephanie Saavedra, Barbara Graichen, Johan Newaz, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, 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, as well as our adult catechumens and candidates.

IN MEMORIAM

Joseph Damore, Ken Taylor, Joseph Menezes, Edgardo Mercado, Barbara Jeong, Jean Haun, Rene Iway, Richard Seifert, 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

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| 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 & Thursday</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 | Inocencio Rangel <i>Ages 14 – 18</i> | 916-804-6359 |
| 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 #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 | Catarina Hinojos <i>On call</i> | 415-286-6228 |
| 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

SS CYRIL & METHODIUS

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Because their father was an officer in a part of Greece inhabited by many Slavs, these two Greek brothers ultimately became missionaries, teachers, and patrons of the Slavic peoples. After a brilliant course of studies, Cyril (called Constantine until he became a monk shortly before his death) refused the governorship of a district such as his brother had accepted among the Slavic-speaking population. Cyril withdrew to a monastery where his brother Methodius had become a monk after some years in a governmental post.

A decisive change in their lives occurred when the Duke of Moravia asked the Eastern Emperor Michael for political independence from German rule and ecclesiastical autonomy (having their own clergy and liturgy). Cyril and Methodius undertook the missionary task.

Cyril's first work was to invent an alphabet, still used in some Eastern liturgies. His followers probably formed the Cyrillic alphabet. Together they translated the Gospels, the psalter, Paul's letters and the liturgical books into Slavonic, and composed a Slavonic liturgy, highly irregular then. That and their free use of the vernacular in preaching led to opposition from the German clergy. The bishop refused to consecrate Slavic bishops and priests, and Cyril was forced to appeal to Rome. On the visit to Rome, he and Methodius had the joy of seeing their new liturgy approved by Pope Adrian II. Cyril, long an invalid, died in Rome 50 days after taking the monastic habit.

Methodius continued mission work for 16 more years. He was papal legate for all the Slavic peoples, consecrated a bishop and then given an ancient see (now in the Czech Republic). When much of their former territory was removed from their jurisdiction, the Bavarian bishops retaliated with a violent storm of accusation against Methodius. As a result, Emperor Louis the German exiled Methodius for three years. Pope John VIII secured his release.

Because the Frankish clergy, still smarting, continued their accusations, Methodius had to go to Rome to defend himself against charges of heresy and uphold his use of the Slavonic liturgy. He was again vindicated. Legend has it that in a feverish period of activity, Methodius translated the whole Bible into Slavonic in eight months. He died on Tuesday of Holy Week, surrounded by his disciples, in his cathedral church.

IMPORTANT DATES

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| July 4 | Changed Mass schedule (7 am; 9 am; 7 pm) |
| Aug 6 | Pig Roast |
| Aug 8-10 | Chant Camp |
| Aug 11 | Adult Catechism begins (7pm, parish hall) |

Oct 22 Chesterton Event

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note on your calendars!! This Monday, July 4, we will have a reduced Mass schedule: 7 am & 9 am. Confessions will be available thirty minutes before both the 7 am & 9 am Masses only. **UPDATE:** I will say a Mass at 7 pm for families attending the fireworks (*see below*) -

Fireworks. All parishioners are welcome to view the fireworks from St. Stephen's on July 4. It's crazy but people shoot them off in every direction. Bring a quilt and picnic food for your family. Sunset is at 8:34 pm.

Sancta Maria Classical Academy (SMCA) will have an informational meeting on Fri, July 8 in classroom 3, after the noon Mass (so around 1 pm). The meeting will be relevant to parishioners who homeschool; all parishioners are welcome to attend. For more details, please contact Gloria Santana at gloriaprolife@gmail.com.

Pig Roast – Schedule. **Aug 6: 3 pm** - Mass; **5 pm** - Dinner; **7 pm** - Square Dancing; **9 pm** - Final Clean-up. The pig roast celebrates the finding of the relics of St Stephen (our patronal feast). Please mark your calendars and plan on attending! To volunteer, please contact Gloria and Fernando Santana 916-832-2811.

Pig Roast – “Yard” Sale. Starting July 1, please bring new, next to new, antique, valuable, nice items that you no longer want and someone else can appreciate for the sale in the classroom 2 (*no clothes except new, no large furniture or other hard to move items please*). We are looking for great prizes among these treasures for a raffle. Thank you! For questions, call Mary and Mike Schaefer at 916-850-5555.

Camps Sacred & Immaculate Hearts, lost & found: If your child is missing something, lost and found items have been placed on the pew outside the parish office.

A Man for All Seasons. St. Stephen's will be renting out an entire theater! Please come join us (details below):

Who: Open to all parishioners

What: *A Man for All Seasons*

When: Thurs, July 21st, 7:30 PM-9:30 PM

Where: The Tower Theater - 2508 Land Park Dr Sacramento, CA 95818

How: Email veritasnorcal@gmail.com to purchase tickets in advance or buy at the door day of (pending seat availability). \$10/individual or \$25/family.

Why: Profit will go towards the new picnic tables

The **Chesterton Academy of Sacramento**, a joyfully Catholic classical high school, is currently accepting applications for grades 9-12 for the 2022-2023 academic year. For more information or to apply, go to:

www.sacramentochesterton.org



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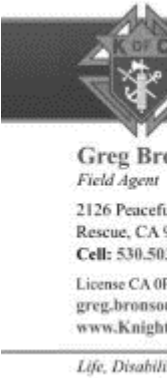


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