


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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<b>STAYING CONNECTED</b>	<b>THE FSSP</b>	<b>DONATIONS</b>
<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 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 <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.  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**

<b>4 Dec</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent, I</b>
	7 am	Maria Tran Thi Ly
	8:30 am	William Remole
	10 am	Krisalyn Dao
	11:30 am	Ben Kasak
	1 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
	6 pm	FSSP
<b>5 Dec</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Feria of Advent, III</b>
	7 am	Eva Murinova
	12 pm	Felipa Lopez & Francisco Ortiz
	6 pm	Alex & Kate Townsend
<b>6 Dec</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>St. Nicholas, III</b>
	7 am	Fr Cassian
	12 pm	Arnold Respicio, Jr
	6 pm	+ Rene Iway
<b>7 Dec</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>St. Ambrose, III</b>
	7 am	Patrick Risse
	12 pm	Adriel Dao
	6 pm	Ella Terzo
<b>8 Dec</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Immaculate Conception of the BVM, III</b>
	7 am	Jose & Racquel Magabo
	12 pm	Brandon Williams
	4 pm	<i>Priest's intention</i>
	6 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
<b>9 Dec</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Feria of Advent, III</b>
	7 am	Katarina Murinova
	12 pm	Jason Theis
	6 pm	+ Kathy Neff
<b>10 Dec</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Feria of Advent, III</b>
	<b>6:30 am!!</b>	Walter & Candelaria Hawkins
	8:30 am	Duong family
	12 pm	+ Dennis Huber

**PRAYER LIST**

Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Nancy Tostenson, Victoria Grimm, Karen Rich, Bob Crocker, Stephanie Reali-Saavedra, Theresa Reali, Ana Rosa Phomsopha, Don Varley, Arman Mazidi, Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Barbara Graichen, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, 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**

Derald Goyette, Bonnie Williams, Frank Bowa, Ramon Daley, Eileen Morrison, Richard & Louise Szabo, Cesar Oliva, 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, Gerald Foy, Joseph Murphy, Olapeju Adesanya

**PARISH GROUPS**

<b>Choir &amp; Music Classes</b> .....	<b>Keven Smith</b> <i>Youth &amp; Adults, Sunday &amp; Thursday</i> ....ksmith_writer@yahoo.com
<b>Altar Guild &amp; Altar Guild Minor</b> .....	<b>Mike Solton</b> <i>Boys 7 - 18, Third Saturday</i> ..... 916-832-2859
<b>Troops of Saint George (Scouting)</b> .....	<b>James Campbell</b> <i>Boys 6 - 18</i> .....JCampbell@tsgtroop750.org
<b>Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> .....	<b>Amy Rutschow</b> <i>Girls 14 - 18, First Saturday</i> ..... 916-340-5782
<b>Rosa Mystica</b> .....	<b>Sue McGrath</b> <i>Girls 9 - 13, First Saturday</i> ..... 916-531-3946
<b>Little Flowers</b> .....	<b>Megan Gury</b> <i>Girls 5 - 8, First Saturday</i> ..... 916-207-0498
<b>Youth Group</b> .....	<b>Liz Hernandez</b> <i>Ages 14 - 18, Second &amp; Fourth Friday</i> ..... 916-396-4062
<b>OLSW Co-op</b> .....	<b>Inocencio Rangel</b> <i>Ages 14 - 18, Tuesday &amp; Thursday</i> ..... 916-804-6359
<b>CCM Co-op</b> .....	<b>Blanca Pimentel</b> <i>Ages 3 - 14, Thursday</i> ..... blancaerodria@yahoo.com
<b>Veritas (Young Adult Group)</b> .....	<b>AJ Alvarado</b> <i>Ages 18 - 39, Third Thursday</i> ..... veritasnorcal@gmail.com
<b>Adult Catechism</b> .....	<b>Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP</b> <i>Adults, Second &amp; Fourth Thursday</i> ..... frcurtis@fssp.com
<b>Chesterton Society</b> .....	<b>Spencer Roundtree</b> <i>Adults, Second Tuesday</i> ..... sac.chesterton@gmail.com
<b>Knights of Columbus #16419</b> .....	<b>William Giovannetti</b> <i>Adult men, Third Wednesday</i> ..... 916-531-4730
<b>Ushers</b> .....	<b>Roger Soto</b> <i>Adult men, Sundays &amp; Holy Days</i> ..... 209-610-1163
<b>Security</b> .....	<b>Patrick Clemons</b> <i>Adult Men, Sundays &amp; Parish Events</i> ..... 916-717-0244
<b>Altar Linen &amp; Flowers Society</b> .....	<b>Tomoko McDonough</b> <i>Adult women, Third Saturday</i> ..... mcdonoughmommy6@gmail
<b>Church Flowers</b> .....	<b>Greta Munsill</b> <i>Friday or Saturday</i> ..... 916-425-7112
<b>Church Cleaning</b> .....	<b>Eli Gonzalez</b> <i>Wednesday</i> ..... 916-395-7408
<b>Collection Count Crew</b> .....	<b>Kelly Manstch</b> <i>Monday</i> ..... Parish Office 916-451-5114
<b>Brown Bag Lunch Program</b> .....	<b>Maureen Olguin</b> <i>Sunday</i> ..... jmolguin5960@att.net
<b>The Gabriel Project</b> .....	<b>Catarina Hinojos</b> <i>On call</i> ..... 415-286-6228

**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.*

## IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 10	Rorate Mass (6:30 am)
Dec 11	Brown Bag Lunch – Food Drive
Dec 25	Masses at 12 am, 7, 8:30, 10, 11:30 am, & 1 pm
Jan 1	First Holy Communion registrations due
Jan 7	Christmas Party
Jan 8	First Holy Communion classes begin
Apr 29	Italian Dinner
Mar 13-17	Parish Mission – Fr Cassian
May 6, 13	First Holy Communion
May 9	Confirmations at 6 pm
May 20	Marian Procession
July 30	Summer retreat (until Aug 3)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Advent Tree.** Consider taking an envelope from the Advent tree in the vestibule and returning a donation to the St. Bernadette Fund, which helps parishioner families in need.

**Offertory envelopes** for 2023 are available in the room between the office and bookstore.

**Registrations for First Holy Communion.** Registrations are available for children who will turn seven before May of next year. Forms can be obtained from the parish bookstore or office; they are due by **Sun, Jan 1**. Please provide a baptismal certificate with registration.

**Second Collection** for the Building Fund.

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception.** *Holy Day of Obligation.* On Thurs, Dec 8, we will have Masses at 7 am, noon, 4 pm, and 6 pm (sung).

**Adult Catechism** will meet on Thurs, Dec 8 at 7:30 pm.

**Youth Group** will meet on Friday, Dec 9 at 7 pm.

**Rorate Mass.** This Sat, Dec 10, please consider attending 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.**

**Fr Braun** will be away from Mon, Dec 5 to Mon, Dec 12.

**Brown Bag Lunch Project.** Thank you to all of our volunteers who supply the cathedral hundreds of meals per month, helping feed over 100 people every day.

On **Sun, Dec 11**, the youth of St Stephens will be holding an **Advent food drive** to help stock up our shelves. Food donations can be brought to the courtyard table during Masses on Dec 11. Donations on other days can be placed in the black box under the bulletin counter in the vestibule. We can only use **non-perishable, single portion** food:

- Tuna, chicken, salmon pouches, other easy-to-open, single portion meats
- Fruit cups, like peaches or apple sauce
- Crackers, chips bagged in single portions

- Healthy snacks like breakfast bars, soft granola bars, peanut butter/cheese crackers
- Deserts like cookies, fig bars, individually wrapped in single portions or pudding cups
- Cash donations also welcome (*on Dec 11 or at the bookstore or office*)

**Funeral Mass** for Derald Goyette will be Tues, Dec 13 at 10 am. Burial will follow in Lodi.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe.** Join us after the 6 pm sung Mass on Mon, Dec 12, in the parish hall for food, singing, and a documentary on the miraculous tilma image!

**Christmas Party.** Mark your calendars for **Sat, Jan 7, 2023 at 5:00pm!** This fun-filled family event brings our parish family together to celebrate Christmastide. After a Chinese food buffet, many of our parishioners will be performing for us in a talent show. In past years, we have delighted in everything from musical and theatrical acts to stand-up comedy!

**Tickets:** Suggested donation is \$10 per person or \$25 per family. Available after all Sunday Masses, starting on **Dec 4**.

**Auditions:** Do you have a musical or unique talent that you would like to perform at this event? Auditions are now open through December (or until all time slots are filled) and usually close quickly! Contact information is below.

**Volunteers:** Last, but most importantly, we need many volunteers. I know many of you are generous with your time and energy, and we appreciate all that you do for our parish. There are many opportunities and positions that still need to be filled. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**Contact:** Yesenia Rangel at YeseniaLovesLife@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at 916-682-9600.

**Volunteer Form:** <https://forms.gle/PucVcdMCZdcqsRaBA>



**Summer Retreat - 2023.** "*The Transcendent Joy of the Mass of the Ages.*" Silent retreat; Father Jacob Hsieh, O.Praem., July 30 - Aug 3. \$750 / person. Private room & bath, all meals included. Christ the King Retreat Center. Register: 916-407-7930, or inquire at St. Stephen's office or bookstore.

**FSSP Italy Pilgrimage.** Oct 16 - 23, 2023. Chaplain: Fr Akers, FSSP. Rome, Assisi, Florence, Arezzo, Padua, & Venice. For details, contact Brandon Blackford at 916-223-9766, or go to: <https://www.syversentouring.com/italy-fssp>.

**Sunday Coffee.** Join us every in classroom 1 following the 7:00, 8:30 and 10:00 am Masses for fresh coffee & the opportunity to build community with fellow parishioners.



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