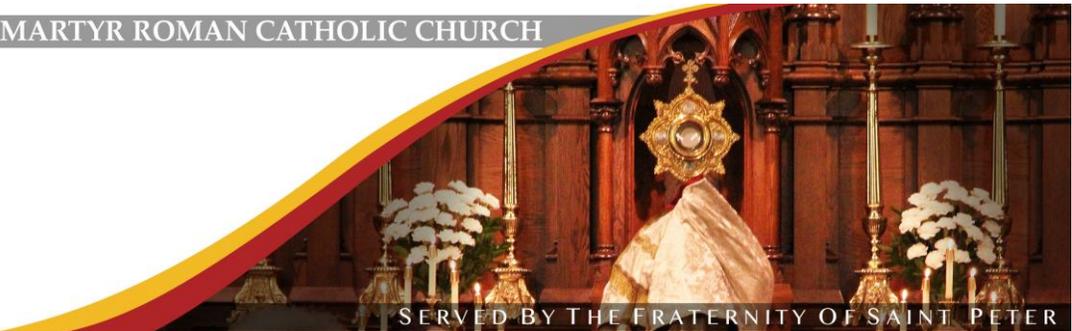


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<p><b>STAYING CONNECTED</b></p> <p><b>PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</b>  To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p><b>NEW PARISHIONERS</b>  Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or Bookstore.</p>	<p><b>THE FSSP</b></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><b>DONATIONS</b></p> <p><b>ST. BERNADETTE FUND</b>  Please consider giving to fellow parishioners in need. Donations can be made online or at the Parish Office.</p> <p><b>ONLINE GIVING</b>  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>19 Feb</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Quinquagesima Sunday, II</b> 7 am Fr Joshua Curtis 8:30 am Sebastian Rangel 10 am Kelly Mantsch 11:30 am + Mercedes Baccay 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm + Richard & Louise Szabo
<b>20 Feb</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b> 7 am + Ed Risse 12 pm Jason Theis 6 pm Jaydee Dominic Magabo
<b>21 Feb</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Feria, IV</b> 7 am Anne Marie Reslock 12 pm + Richard & Louise Szabo 6 pm FSSP
<b>22 Feb</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday, I</b> 7 am + Lawrence Risse 12 pm Dee McDonough 6 pm Christopher Magabo
<b>23 Feb</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Chair of St Peter, I</b> 7 am Mary Lou Harbison 12 pm Bob & Nellie Strawn 6 pm Racquel Magabo
<b>24 Feb</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>St. Matthias, II</b> 7 am Alvin & Karen De La Paz 12 pm James & Cora Challes 6 pm + Gerald Risse
<b>25 Feb</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Feria, III</b> 7 am + Cecilio Garcia 8:30 am Barbara Risse 12 pm Monica McDonough

**PRAYER LIST**

Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Nancy Tostenson, Victoria Grimm, Karen Rich, Bob Crocker, Stephanie Reali-Saavedra, Theresa Reali, 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**

Albert Treskon, Violet Corr, Mary Hayes, 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 CumminRick Perez, Gerald Foy, Joseph Murphy, Olapeju Adesanya, Kathy Nino

**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
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<b>Adult Catechism</b> .....	<b>Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP</b> <i>Adults, Second &amp; Fourth Thursday</i> ..... frcurtis@fssp.com
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<b>Knights of Columbus #16419</b> .....	<b>William Giovannetti</b> <i>Adult men, Third Wednesday</i> ..... 916-531-4730
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<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. Maryanne Regina, CM**

*Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.*

**PASTOR'S COLUMN**

**LENTEN REGULATIONS**

1. **Abstinence.** All persons, 14 years and older, are obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.

2. **Fasting.** Everyone from ages 18 to 59 is obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Voluntary fasting on other weekdays of Lent, especially on Wednesdays and Fridays, is highly recommended. Fasting is generally understood to mean that one full meal may be eaten. Two other small meals (collations) may be eaten, but together they should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted.

Please note that, traditionally, those who reasonably could not fast on the appointed days, especially the sick, those engaged in heavy labor for their wages, and pregnant women, were always excused from fasting.

*We highly encourage the observance of the traditional discipline of Lent, which would mean daily fasting and abstinence from meat from Ash Wednesday until after None (3 pm) on the Vigil of Easter.*

**SCHEDULE FOR LENT**

1. **Ash Wednesday.** Masses at 7 am, noon, and 6 pm (Solemn). Ashes will be available at each of the Masses.
2. **Sung or Solemn Masses for Feasts.**
  - i. Mar 17, St. Patrick, Sung Mass at 6 pm.
  - ii. Mar 20, St. Joseph, Sung Mass at 6 pm.
  - iii. Mar 25, Annunciation, Sung Mass at noon.
3. **Stations of the Cross.** Every Friday during Lent, after the noon and 6 pm Masses.
4. **Lenten Soup Meals.** Fridays during Lent, after the Stations of the Cross following the 6 pm Mass. **Contact:** Mike McVean (916-747-3021).
5. **Holy Week.** April 2 - 8.
  - i. **Palm Sunday.** Normal schedule. Procession at 1 pm.
  - ii. **Monday to Wednesday.** Normal schedule.
  - iii. **Holy Thursday.** Tenebrae at 8 am. Confessions at 11:30 am. Mass at 6 pm.
  - iv. **Good Friday.** Tenebrae at 8 am. Confessions at 11:30 am. Stations of the Cross at noon. Mass of the Presanctified at 1 pm. A collection for the Holy Land is taken during the Mass.
  - v. **Holy Saturday.** No Tenebrae (preparation rites for adult converts will be taking place in the morning). Vigil Mass at 4 pm.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Feb 22	Ash Wednesday
Mar 13-17	Parish Mission – Fr. Cassian
Mar 25	Rev. Mr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP – Diaconate
Apr 29	Italian Dinner

May 6, 13	First Holy Communion
May 9	Confirmations, 6 pm
May 13	Sr. Maryanne Regina – First Profession
May 20	Marian Procession
Jun 11-17	Camp Sacred Heart
Jun 17-23	Camp Immaculate Heart
July 30	Summer Retreat (until Aug 3)
Oct 14	Chesterton Event

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Baby Bottle Drive.** This Sun, Feb 19, the Rosa Mystica Society will be distributing baby bottles in the courtyard for the purpose of collecting alms throughout the Lenten season (coins, paper money, and checks) for the Sacramento Life Center. Bottles are collected on Mar 26.

**Ash Wednesday.** Masses at 7 am, noon, & 6 pm. Ashes will be available at each Mass.

The **Feast of the Chair of St. Peter** is transferred this year to the following day, which means it will fall on Thurs, Feb 23. Members of the Confraternity may receive a plenary indulgence on that day, according to the normal conditions.

**Adult Catechism** meets Thurs, Feb 23 at 7 pm.

**Youth Group** meets Fri, Feb 24 at 7 pm.

**Lenten Soup Meal** Fri, Feb 24 at 7:30 pm in the hall.

The **Rosary for Priests** will be offered on Sat, Feb 25 after the 8:30 am Mass. Join in praying fifteen decades for priests.

**Sancta Maria Classical Academy** (grades PK-12), a hybrid homeschooling co-op in Granite Bay, will be having a Visitors' Day on Mon, Feb 20, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. Please RSVP to sanctamariaclassicalacademy@gmail.com if you can join us or if you'd like more information.

**Icon Painting Class.** Rachel Pineda, who is an accomplished professional artist, will be offering an icon painting class taking the Theotokos, Virgin of Humility as the subject. The cost, which will include all materials, will be \$400. Classes will be held May 1 - 5, 9 am - 3 pm. Accepting between four and eight women students, for details please e-mail Rachel: theshamrockociety@gmail.com.

**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.

**Sunday Coffee.** Join us 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.

**Volunteers** needed for Sunday Coffee. Please see the link for more information (or e-mail jmjhensons@icloud.com):

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AAAFAC2CA7F4C16-Sunday>



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