

SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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STAYING CONNECTED	THE FSSP	DONATIONS
<p>PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</p> <p>To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p>NEW PARISHIONERS</p> <p>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</p> <p>Please consider giving to fellow parishioners in need. Donations can be made online or at the Parish Office.</p> <p>ONLINE GIVING</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

26 Feb	Sun	First Sunday of Lent, I 7 am Bryan Castillo & family 8:30 am Kent Williams 10 am Paul Baccay & family 11:30 am + Felimona & Fortunato Cruz 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm + Gerardo Baccay
27 Feb	Mon	Feria, III 7 am Raul & Bernardita Baccay 12 pm Joan Risse 6 pm + James Keenan
28 Feb	Tues	Feria, III 7 am Newell family 12 pm Jose Eliseo 6 pm Norman Labo
1 Mar	Wed	Ember Wednesday, II 7 am + John Risse 12 pm Dr Howard Whitcraft 6 pm Dolly Lewis
2 Mar	Thurs	Feria, III 7 am Johnson family 12 pm Luz Marina Orozco Gaviria 6 pm St Monica Sodality
3 Mar	Fri	Ember Friday, II 7 am + Andy Antreich 12 pm Isabella Fontanilla 6 pm James Locker
4 Mar	Sat	Ember Saturday, II 7 am + Marge DeLaVilla & Leann DeLaVilla 8:30 am + Tina Dinh 12 pm + Victoria Mendoza

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

Choir & Music Classes	Keven Smith <i>Youth & Adults, Sunday & Thursday</i>ksmith_writer@yahoo.com
Altar Guild & Altar Guild Minor	Mike Solton <i>Boys 7 – 18, Third Saturday</i> 916-832-2859
Troops of Saint George (Scouting)	James Campbell <i>Boys 6 – 18</i>Jcampbell@tsgtroop750.org
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> 916-207-0498
Youth Group	Liz Hernandez <i>Ages 14 – 18, Second & Fourth Friday</i> 916-396-4062
OLSW Co-op	Inocencio Rangel <i>Ages 14 – 18, Tuesday & Thursday</i> 916-804-6359
CCM Co-op	Blanca Pimentel <i>Ages 3 – 14, Thursday</i> blancaerodria@yahoo.com
Veritas (Young Adult Group)	AJ Alvarado <i>Ages 18 – 39, Third Thursday</i> veritasnorcal@gmail.com
Adult Catechism	Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP <i>Adults, Second & Fourth Thursday</i> frcurtis@fssp.com
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
Ushers	Roger Soto <i>Adult men, Sundays & Holy Days</i> 209-610-1163
Security	Patrick Clemons <i>Adult Men, Sundays & Parish Events</i> 916-717-0244
Altar Linen & Flowers Society	Tomoko McDonough <i>Adult women, Third Saturday</i> mcdonoughmommy6@gmail
Church Flowers	Greta Munsill <i>Friday or Saturday</i> 916-425-7112
Church Cleaning	Eli Gonzalez <i>Wednesday</i> 916-395-7408
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

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

NEWS FROM BISHOP SOTO

In the vestibule, please find an important missive from our bishop. It provides information regarding the consequences of California AB 218, which was signed into law by Governor Newsom in 2019 and opened a three-year window wherein the statute of limitations for abuse cases was lifted. That three-year window closed at the end of last year (2022), which means our bishop now has enough information to make judgments about the financial future of the diocese. The letter in the vestibule provides a frank evaluation of that and warns that the diocese may be facing insolvency. It also reaffirms the commitment of the diocese to guard against future crimes of this kind and to make reparation for the horrors perpetuated in the past by those who acted under its authority.

I am sure all of you know very clearly where I stand on such acts of abuse and what I consider to be appropriate levels of punishment for those who perpetuate them. I invite you to offer some part of your Lenten penances and prayers in reparation for these crimes and for the sake of the victims.

I do also ask you to read carefully the missive of the bishop, in a calm spirit of trust. I am always struck by the paternal care and warm solicitude that Bishop Soto extends towards myself and to the other priests and to the faithful of this parish. I am reminded of this in every interaction that I have with him. He has always been generous with his time and attention when I have approached him regarding the pastoral needs of our people. What is more, he has shielded us on many occasions over the past few years against threats civil and even, sadly, ecclesiastical. I know that he has strongly advocated for us particularly and for traditional Catholics generally both within and outside the boundaries of his diocese, often at his own initiative and sometimes at personal cost. And so I ask all of you to please keep him in your prayers as he navigates the diocese through very difficult circumstances.

I had intended to bring the Annual Catholic Appeal to your attention this Sunday. I was supposed to have done so last weekend but somehow it wasn't on my calendar. Given the circumstances, I have decided to postpone this a week or two. This is not to play games but to give people time to process this difficult news. When the time comes, I trust that we will still be faithful in supporting the efforts of almsgiving of the diocese. God bless you all.

IMPORTANT DATES

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

First Friday & First Saturday fall this week.

Lenten Soup Meal Fri, Mar 3 at 7:30 pm in the hall.

The Little Flowers, Rosa Mystica, & the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary meet on Sat, Mar 4.

Troops of St. George Fundraiser. Sun, Mar 5. Classroom 1. Following the 7 am & 8:30 am Masses – pastries & coffee; following the 10 am, 11:30 am & 1 pm Masses – hot dogs, chips, & beverages

The Troops of St. George is an apostolate of St. Stephen's for fathers and their sons. Pass on outdoor and practical skills to your sons in a manner that encourages the growth of faith and virtue. To learn more about the Troops you can visit our website at: tsgtroop750.org. Thank for your support!

Parish Mission. Mar 13-17. *A Little Lent: Lent in the Spirituality of St. Therese of Lisieux.* Fr Cassian DiRocco. The same lecture will be delivered after the noon and evening Masses, Mon to Fri. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and a short meditation will follow the evening talks.

St. Thérèse, "The Little Flower", has captured the minds and hearts of Catholics worldwide with her spirituality of "The Little Way". What is it about this "way" that makes it so special, and the saint which gave it to us so beloved? In the season of Lent, how can we live this little way with the Little Flower in such a way that our Lent is meaningful and inspired, drawing us closer to Jesus, the source of Thérèse's life, and the source of ours?

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: theshamrocksociety@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/10C0E4AAFAC2CA7F4C16-Sunday>



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