


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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STAYING CONNECTED	THE FSSP	DONATIONS
<p style="text-align: center;">PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</p> <p>To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEW PARISHIONERS</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 Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">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 style="text-align: center;">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

2 Apr	Sun	Palm Sunday, I 7 am + Jeodoro DelaPaz 8:30 am Adriana & Hirbin Ceballos 10 am FSSP 11:30 am + Albert Treskon 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm + Agnes Zammit
3 Apr	Mon	Monday in Holy Week, I 7 am Holy Souls 12 pm Marie-Larry LaMonica 6 pm + Jennie Mary Kitter
4 Apr	Tues	Tuesday in Holy Week, I 7 am Michelle LaMonica 12 pm Lantrip family 6 pm Conversion of Messer family
5 Apr	Wed	Wednesday in Holy Week, I 7 am Nancy Butchy 12 pm Holy Souls 6 pm Confraternity of Saint Peter
6 Apr	Thurs	Holy Thursday, I 6 pm Priests of St. Stephen's
7 Apr	Fri	Good Friday, I 1 pm <i>Mass of the Pre-Sanctified, no Mass intention</i>
8 Apr	Sat	Holy Saturday, I 4 pm Adult candidates & catechumens

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

**Rev. 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

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 2 - 8

Palm Sunday. Normal schedule. Procession Mass at 1 pm.

Palm Sunday recognizes Our Lord's kingship particularly in his Sacred Passion, during the recital of which the faithful hold aloft the blessed palms. The palms enjoy one of the longest sacramental blessings of any blessed item and are one of the few sacred items blessed in the context of the Mass itself. The faithful carry them home and place them with devotion behind the crucifix – a perpetual reminder that Our Lord "reigns from the wood". For those attending earlier Masses on Palm Sunday, palms will be available throughout the rest of Holy Week.

Monday to Wednesday. Normal schedule.

The Passions according to St. Mark & St. Luke are recited during Mass on Tuesday & Wednesday, respectively.

Holy Thursday. Tenebrae at 8 am. Confessions at 11:30 am. Mass at 6 pm. All night vigil of the Blessed Sacrament begins after Mass.

Holy Thursday commemorates the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the Priesthood, as well as Our Lord's agony in the garden. The faithful are invited after Mass to "spend one hour" with him. The altar of repose will be available all night and into the Mass of the Pre-Sanctified on Friday. Men from the security team will keep watch over the property overnight in order to maintain a safe environment for those coming to visit Our Lord.

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.

Good Friday commemorates the Passion & Death of Our Lord. Holy Communion is not received on this day as the faithful enter into the mystery of the loss of Our Lord at his death.

Holy Saturday. No Tenebrae (preparation rites for adult converts will be taking place in the morning). Vigil Mass at 4 pm.

On Holy Saturday we keep vigil at the tomb of Our Lord, with the same sentiments of sorrow and hope embraced by Our Lady as she awaited the Resurrection.

CONFESSIONS DURING HOLY WEEK

Please make every effort to make your early in the week! Confessions will be very limited during the Triduum.

SEATING DURING HOLY WEEK

I remind everyone not to reserve seats during the Triduum ceremonies. It is one thing to have a family member take some of the younger children outside beforehand, but quite another to leave whole pews reserved by nothing more than

clothing and hand missals, which is very demoralizing to just about everyone else.

NEW FENCE ON 28th AVE COMPLETED

We are very grateful to DK Iron for their work and especially for shifting their schedule around to expedite the project for us. They also did the gate on the rectory fence and the new fence around the parish hall HVAC equipment.

IMPORTANT DATES

Apr 29	Italian Dinner
May 6, 13	First Holy Communion, at noon Mass
May 9	Confirmations, 6 pm
May 13	Sr. Maryanne Regina – First Profession
May 20	Marian Proc. (www.MarianProcession.com)
May 26	Graduation Mass & Potluck, 6 pm
Jun 11-17	Camp Sacred Heart
Jun 17-23	Camp Immaculate Heart
July 30	Summer Retreat (until Aug 3)
Oct 14	Chesterton Event

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Collection for the Building Fund.

Parishioners are invited to donate **calla lilies, calla lily leaves, Easter lilies** and **any other flowers** for the Altar of Repose. Please bring them to the parish hall the afternoon of Wed, Apr 5.

Good Friday collection in favor of the Holy Land.

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: theshamrockssociety@gmail.com.

Graduation Mass. On Fri, May 26, there will be a 6 pm Mass offered for graduating high school seniors, followed by a potluck. This will take the place of Youth Group on that day. Those that wish to participate could please reach out to Inocencio Rangel at clanrangel@hotmail.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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