


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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<b>STAYING CONNECTED</b>	<b>THE FSSP</b>	<b>DONATIONS</b>
<p><b>PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</b></p> <p>To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p><b>NEW PARISHIONERS</b></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 <b>Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter</b>.</p> 	<p><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><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>19 Nov</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Resumed 6th Sunday after the Epiphany, II</b>
	7 am	Angelica Aranas
	8:30 am	James & Emily
	10 am	+ Fred Theis
	11:30 am	Deacon Mark & Rosanna Ruiz
	1 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
	6 pm	Karen Rodgers
<b>20 Nov</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>St. Felix of Valois, III</b>
	7 am	Anna Marie Gshwandtner
	12 pm	FSSP
	6 pm	Maddison & Melia Curry
<b>21 Nov</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Presentation of the BVM, III</b>
	7 am	+ Emily Freiling
	12 pm	Raphael Rodriguez
	6 pm	Luz Spencer
<b>22 Nov</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>St. Cecilia, III</b>
	7 am	Eligio Fajardo
	12 pm	+ Irene Rodriguez
	6 pm	+ Jean Merced Wright
<b>23 Nov</b>	<b>Thurs</b>	<b>Ded. of St. Stephen the First Martyr, I</b>
	7 am	FSSP
	8:30 am	Dorota Zalkowska
	12 pm	Lisa Bollinger
<b>24 Nov</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>St. John of the Cross, III</b>
	7 am	Drew Brake
	12 pm	+ Angelito & Sonia DeLaPaz
	6 pm	Pat Baccay
<b>25 Nov</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>St. Catherine of Alexandria, III</b>
	7 am	+ Francisco Canela
	8:30 am	Lubinsky family
	12 pm	+ Amador Sandoval

**PRAYER LIST**

Paula Belen, Vanessa Jimenez, Ralph Clark, Michelle Di Giovanni, Carolina Ferraza, Mark Mitchell, Phil Carey, Judy Bennett, Jasinkas, Debbie Vilar, Dominick Damore, 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 Muttterties

*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**

Paul Graff, Pietro Lopresti, John Hymes, Teodosio Dino, Barbara Chu, Nellie Reyes, 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

**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 Tuesday</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
<b>Senior’s Lunch (55+)</b> .....	<b>Ann Zacharias</b> <i>Third Thursday</i> ..... 916-838-7404

**PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

**Rev. Mr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP;  
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

### THE DIVINE OFFICE

As Advent approaches, I invite anyone considering taking on additional spiritual practices to try praying the Divine Office. The Office is the official prayer of the Church, united to and flowing from the Mass. There are eight canonical "hours" every day:

- Matins *the longest office, usually joined to Lauds*
- Lauds *the dawn office*
- Prime *the "first" hour (i.e. 7 am)*
- Terce *the "third" hour (i.e. 9 am)*
- Sext *the "sixth" hour (i.e. noon)*
- None *the "ninth" hour (i.e. 3 pm)*
- Vespers *the evening office*
- Compline *the night office*

Of these, Lauds and Vespers are the "major" hours; Prime, Terce, Sext, None, and Compline are considered "minor" hours. Priests and religious are generally bound to the daily recitation of all the canonical hours, but the faithful who wish to pray the Divine Office can pray any or all of the hours according to their opportunity and desire. For those just getting started, I might recommend praying *either*: Lauds & Vespers (i.e. the major hours); *or* Prime & Compline.

The greater part of the Divine Office is composed of the Psalms, all of which are prayed over the course of every week. Added to them, at every hour, are certain hymns, canticles, prayers, and readings from the Sacred Scriptures. Given the prominence of the Psalms in the Divine Office, it can be very helpful to read commentaries on them in conjunction with praying them. Christological explanations are the best and most meaningful.

The faithful are welcome to pray the Divine Office from a breviary translated into English, or from the original Latin, according to their ability. There are Latin-English *Diurnales* available, which have all the prayers for the entire year in a single volume, excluding only Matins. There are also several online resources available; the easiest to access is probably [www.divinumofficium.com](http://www.divinumofficium.com), which will give you the entire day's Office, in both Latin and English, on your phone or other electronic device.

### THANKSGIVING

Please take careful note of the adjusted schedule for this Thursday on account of Thanksgiving. Also, it happens to be the anniversary of the dedication of our parish church! In one way or another please make sure to thank God for his gift of the parish to all of us, and be sure to ask him for his continued blessings.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Jan 2-5	FSSP NAP Convocation
Dec 3	Christmas party ticket sales begin
Jan 6	Christmas Party
Jan 7	FHC Registrations Due
Jan 14	FHC Classes Begin
Jan 27	Marriage Workshop (12 pm - 5 pm)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Brown Bag Lunch Project.** Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers and donators! The Knights of Columbus is partnering with the Brown Bag Lunch Program to have a food drive this **Sun, Nov 19**, to help the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament feed the hungry. The following food donations can be brought to the courtyard table during Masses that Sunday, or at any time, to the black box under the table in the vestibule:

We can only use non-perishable, single portion food listed below:

- 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;
- Desserts like cookies, fig bars, pudding cups;
- Cash donations are also welcome.

*Note from Fr. Curtis:* Along with the St. Bernadette Fund & the Gabriel Project, the Brown Bag Lunch program is one of the measures taken by the parish in support of the poor. Please consider supporting it.

**Registrations for First Holy Communion** are now available in the parish office and bookstore. *They will be due on Sun, Jan 7.* Classes will begin on Sun, Jan 14. Fr. McWhirter will be teaching the classes this year.

**Thanksgiving Day Schedule.** Masses will be at 7 am, 8:30 am, and noon. Confessions will begin thirty minutes prior to Masses, as usual. *There will not be a 6 pm Mass or evening confessions.*

**The Rosary for Priests** will be offered after the 8:30 am Mass on Sat, Nov 25. Please join us in praying fifteen decades of the Rosary for the sanctification of priests.

**Fr Schwab** will be away from the parish on vacation from Mon, Nov 20 until Sat, Nov 25.

**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:** Please e-mail [jmjhensons@icloud.com](mailto:jmhensons@icloud.com)!



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