


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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

3 Dec	Sun	First Sunday of Advent, I 7 am + Joao Jose Machado 8:30 am Fr Larry Machado 10 am + Klaus Barber 11:30 am + Curtis Riegel, Jr 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm Miranda Perez
4 Dec	Mon	St. Peter Chrysologus, III 7 am + George Taylor 12 pm Jennifer Natividad 6 pm Beverly Hoeven
5 Dec	Tues	Feria, III 7 am Our Lady's intentions 12 pm Henry Joe Lambert 6 pm Nicco Solorio
6 Dec	Wed	St. Nicholas, III 7 am Fr Cassian 12 pm Arnold Respicio Jr 6 pm + Holy Souls
7 Dec	Thurs	St. Ambrose, III 7 am Our Lady's intentions 8:30 am + Donna Jacques 12 pm St Monica Sodality
8 Dec	Fri	Immaculate Conception of the BVM, I 7 am + Holy Souls 8:30 am + Kathy Neff 12 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm + Edward Atwood
9 Dec	Sat	St. Bibiana, III 6:30 am Our Lady's intentions 8:30 am + James Jackson 12 pm Betty Hatwig

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 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

Rudy Nagel, 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

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 Tuesday</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
Senior's Lunch (55+)	Ann Zacharias <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

ADVENT TREE

This Sunday inaugurates the Advent season. As per our usual custom, we have set a tree out in the vestibule with envelopes for the St. Bernadette Fund, which is a parish account reserved for the needs of parishioners in financial difficulties. Our economy is broken and this is putting great financial burdens especially on families and on the elderly who are on fixed incomes. Please consider donating to the St. Bernadette Fund if you can.

ST AUGUSTINE WRITING ON OUR LADY

“Now with the exception of the holy Virgin Mary in regard to whom, out of respect for the Lord, I do not propose to have a single question raised on the subject of sin — after all, **how do we know what greater degree of grace for a complete victory over sin was conferred on her who merited to conceive and bring forth Him who all admit was without sin** — to repeat then: with the exception of this Virgin, if we could bring together into one place all those holy men and women, while they lived here, and ask them whether they were without sin, what are we to suppose that they would have replied?”

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Thank you to all our parish’s many benefactors. Offertory envelopes for the upcoming year will be available starting mid-December. Kindly alert our office if:

- You donate exclusively through online giving and are no longer in need of donation envelopes.
You do not have donation envelopes, but would like them.

Contact: stephenproto@yahoo.com

A friendly reminder: Writing the donation amount on the outside of the envelope can really help our counters!

IMPORTANT DATES

Table with 2 columns: Date and Event. Includes dates from Dec 3 to Jul 14-18 with corresponding events like Christmas party, Immaculate Conception, Rorate Mass, FSSP NAP Convocation, Christmas Party, FHC Registrations Due, FHC Classes Begin, Marriage Workshop, Confirmations, Camp Sacred Heart, Camp Immaculate Heart, and Parish Retreat.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Second Collection for the Building Fund.

Adult Catechism on Thurs, Dec 7, at 7 pm.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is Fri, Dec 8. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times will be: 7 am, 8:30 am, 12 pm (Solemn), and 6 pm.

The Rorate Mass will be this Sat, Dec 9, at 6:30 am.

This beautiful Mass is scheduled at our parish for every second Saturday of December; it is a candlelit Mass in honor of Our Lady, taking its name from the first words of the Introit, from Isaiah 45:8 – “Rorate caeli desuper et nubes pluant justum: Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just.”

There is a long history of the Rorate Mass going back at least as far as the early Middle Ages. At times and in certain regions it was said every day in the week before Christmas, or even for nine days as a novena in expectation of the Messiah, and commemorating the nine months of Our Lady’s pregnancy. It draws most of its propers from the Ember Wednesday Mass of Advent, but also from the Fourth Sunday of Advent as well as the Feast of the Annunciation. At times has been called the Missa Aurea (the Golden Mass; on account of many promises that were attached to it) or the Missa Angelica (the Angelic Mass; on account of the Archangel Gabriel announcing the Incarnation at the Gospel of the Mass).

Christmas Party. Mark your calendars for Sat, Jan 6, 2023 at 5:00pm! This fun-filled family event brings our parish family together to celebrate Christmastide. After a Chinese food buffet, many of the youth 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 3.

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.

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!



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