

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

14 Jan	Sun	Second Sunday after the Epiphany, II 7 am Preservation of the FSSP & Latin Mass 8:30 am Ngoc Nguyen 10 am + Jesus Mendoza 11:30 am + James Keenan 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm + Holy Souls
15 Jan	Mon	St. Paul the Hermit, II 7 am + Guise Nayttuynh 12 pm Mario Ruiz 6 pm Joshua Sorenson
16 Jan	Tues	St. Marcellus I, III 7 am Christina Gonzalez 12 pm Bryan Castillo & family 6 pm Mr & Mrs Keevers
17 Jan	Wed	St. Anthony, III 7 am Nancy Butchy 12 pm + Rene Iway 6 pm Laura Joan Abbott
18 Jan	Thurs	St. Prisca, IV 7 am + Rene Iway 12 pm Paul Baccay & family 6 pm + Poor Souls
19 Jan	Fri	St. Canute, IV 7 am Sylvia & Stephanie Cortez 12 pm Tania Mendoza 6 pm Michael Trainor
20 Jan	Sat	Sts. Fabian & Sebastian, III 7 am + Teresa An Pham 8:30 am + Elias Salazar 12 pm Michael W. Whitcraft

PRAYER LIST

Ed Schneider, Paula Belen, Vanessa Jimenez, Ralph Clark, Michelle DiGiovani, Mark Mitchell, Phil Carey, Judy Bennett, Jasinkas, Debbie Vilar, Dominick Damore, Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Nancy Tostenson, Karen Rich, Bob Crocker, Stephanie Reali-Saavedra, Theresa Reali, Don Varley, 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

Alfred Solorio, Fr. James Buckley, 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

DAY OF RECOLLECTION

In the legislative documents that outline the character of the Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter, as well as the rights and obligations of its members, it is prescribed that priestly members of the FSSP take a monthly day of recollection, that is, a day on which the priest steps away entirely from apostolic work and devotes himself to prayer and recollection. This is intended, along with the annual canonical retreat, to be an essential part of the ongoing spiritual formation of the priests of our society.

This requirement for our priests has been neglected in many of our parishes on account of the burdens of parish life, and has regrettably never been observed here at St. Stephen's (at least to my knowledge). The issue was raised at our convocation in the first week of January, and it is clear that our superiors desire that all our houses make real efforts to meet this requirement of our directories.

To that end I have directed the priests of the house to schedule such a day of recollection each month. It will be on a regularly occurring day for each of the priests, with allowances for flexibility on account of parish events or other obligations. The day is not intended as additional vacation, and to that end I have instructed the priests to abstain from all electronic devices in order to guard carefully the spirit of recollection. We will be obtaining a "burner phone" that priests can carry on this day (and also while on canonical retreat), so that the priest can be reached in the case of a true emergency, without having to keep their usual phone on hand and powered on.

I have invited the priests of the house to consider dedicating the spiritual fruits of these days of recollection *pro populo*, that is, for the spiritual benefit of our parishioners. They have readily agreed. I believe this will be of real advantage to our parishioners, that about one day out of every week, there will be a priest devoting himself entirely and exclusively to pray for their interests, while securing for himself also, a real spiritual renewal.

Please keep all of our priests in your prayers.

COMPLINE

Last year we introduced Compline as one of the prayers in common for the priests of the house. In practice, the time for Compline has proven to be a difficulty when trying to balance the demands of parish life, common life (especially meals in common) for the priests, and the need for common prayer. On account of this, we are going to try shifting Compline up on weekdays to just after the evening Mass.

This should have the additional benefit of allowing the faithful to be present at Compline in the evening.

I remind parishioners that singing, especially of the psalmody, is reserved the clergy in the sanctuary. When

the faithful sing from the nave during the Divine Office, several difficulties are introduced: first, because they are so distant from the clergy, it is very difficult to keep pace and rhythm; second, because the clergy have spent many years chanting the psalms together, it is difficult for others to match their cadence in a natural and familiar way; a failure to do so quickly becomes disruptive.

The exception to the above would be the **Marian antiphon** at the end of Compline, which I encourage those present to join in singing. I hope soon to introduce these seasonal Marian antiphons into more general use in the parish; it would be great for everyone to learn them, even by heart.

IMPORTANT DATES

Jan 14	FHC Classes Begin
Jan 27	Marriage Workshop (12 pm - 5 pm)
Feb 10	Pancake Breakfast
Apr 13	Confirmations (3 pm)
Apr 27	Italian Dinner
May 29	Priestly Ordination of then Fr Kasak
Jun 8	First Mass of Fr Kasak at Cathedral (5 pm)
Jun 16-22	Camp Sacred Heart
Jun 22-28	Camp Immaculate Heart
Jul 14-18	Parish Retreat

ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Holy Communion catechism begins today Sun, Jan 14.

Vocations Fundraiser. There will be a cookies and cocoa fundraiser on Sun, Jan 14 following all daytime Masses. The proceeds will go to supporting Rev. Mr. Jacob Kasak and Kiana Nava. The latter has recently been accepted with the Benedictines Mary, Queen of Apostles, to their daughter house in Ava. Cookies and cocoa are \$0.50 each.

Veritas. Young adults are invited to join Veritas for dinner following the 6 pm Mass on Tues, Jan 16. Please meet in the courtyard after the Mass and novena prayers.

The **Senior's Lunch** (55+) meets on Thurs, Jan 18 after the noon Mass.

Altar Guild meets on Sat, Jun 20.

Fr Evaristus will be away this week from Mon, Jan 15 to Fri, Jan 19.

Diaper Drive. On Sun, Jan 21, the Knights of Columbus will be receiving donations of diapers (sizes 1-6) and baby wipes for the benefit of the Gabriel Project. Donations can be dropped off after all Masses, in the courtyard.

Marriage Workshop. On Sat, Jan 27, Fr. Curtis will give a workshop on marriage open to all adult parishioners, starting with noon Mass and continuing in the parish hall until about 5 pm. There is no need to RSVP, and child supervision will be provided in the classroom area. Plan on bringing your own lunch.



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