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<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		
21 Sept	Sun	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost, II
	7 am	Susan Crowder
	8:30 am	+ Ravien Dhanda
	10 am	Ben & Jackie Mudd
	11:30 am	Kate Townsend
	1 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
	6 pm	Abel Manier
22 Sept	Mon	St. Thomas of Villanova, III
	7 am	Gil Jora
	12 pm	Fr. Franco
	6 pm	Child with mental illness
23 Sept	Tues	St. Linus, III
	7 am	Angela Mantsch
	12 pm	Silvia Mendez
	6 pm	Bill & Mary Lou Keyworth
24 Sept	Wed	Ember Wednesday, II
	7 am	Fr. Curtis
	12 pm	Margaret Keeler
	6 pm	Jesse & Alicia Ramirez
25 Sept	Thurs	Feria, IV
	7 am	Madeline Kammer
	12 pm	+ Jim Kasak
	6 pm	Mary Robey
26 Sept	Fri	Ember Friday, II
	7 am	Margaret Mudd
	12 pm	Charlie Robey
	6 pm	FSSP
27 Sept	Sat	Ember Saturday, II
	7 am	Amelia & Jordan Ruiz
	8:30 am	Liz & Vincent Durant
	12 pm	Ruth Mudd

PRAYER LIST	
Fr. Evaristus, Chuck Teixeira, Carol Cummings, Ron Mantsch, Daniel Huynh, Avianna Ramirez, Ed Schneider, Paula Belen, Ralph Clark, Michelle DiGiovani, Mark Mitchell, Phil Carey, Judy Bennett, Jasinkas, Debbie Vilar, Dominick Damore, Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Karen Rich, Stephanie Reali-Saavedra, Theresa Reali, Don Varley, Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Barbara Graichen, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Barbara Cogan, Jordan Aranas, JoAnn Mutterties	
<i>Please keep all the sick and homebound of the parish in your daily prayers, as well as the loved ones of fellow parishioners, and our adult catechumens and candidates.</i>	
IN MEMORIAM	
Jim Gallagher, Geoff Pyka, Jim Kasak, Anthony Correa, Helen DiCarlo, Daniel Nguyen, Fr. Salgado, Jazmin Orozco, Peter Luong Van Tran, Anne Marie Ternes, Bob Crocker, Kathleen Scarry, Bill Sneeringer, Marion Nicholas, Vincent DiCarlo, Estelle McKnerney, 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	

PARISH GROUPS	
Choir & Music Classes & Organ Society	Keven Smith
<i>Youth & Adults, Sunday & Thursday.....ksmith_writer@yahoo.com</i>	
Altar Guild & Altar Guild Minor	Mike Solton
<i>Boys 7 – 18, Third Saturday 916-832-2859</i>	
Troops of Saint George (Scouting)	
<i>Boys 6 – 18 CPT@tsgtroop750.org</i>	
Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Amy Rutschow
<i>Girls 14 – 18, First Saturday 916-340-5782</i>	
Rosa Mystica	Hannah Fauci
<i>Girls 9 – 13, First Saturday 323-590-8003</i>	
Little Flowers	Katie Scarry
<i>Girls 5 – 8, First Saturday 530-945-6947</i>	
Youth Group	Liz Hernandez
<i>Ages 14 – 18, Second & Fourth Friday 916-396-4062</i>	
OLSW Co-op	Inocencio Rangel
<i>Ages 14 – 18, Tuesday & Thursday 916-804-6359</i>	
CCM Co-op	Blanca Pimentel
<i>Ages 6 – 14, Thursday blancaerodria@yahoo.com</i>	
Veritas (Young Adult Group)	Kyle Watson
<i>Ages 18 – 39, Third Tuesday veritasnorcal@gmail.com</i>	
Adult Catechism	Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP
<i>Adults, Second & Fourth Thursday frcurtis@fssp.com</i>	
Chesterton Society	Spencer Roundtree
<i>Adults, Second Tuesday sac.chesterton@gmail.com</i>	
Knights Penitent	Alex Townsend
<i>Adult men, regional meetings 415-328-8759</i>	
Ushers	Roger Soto
<i>Adult men, Sundays & Holy Days 209-610-1163</i>	
Security	Federico Serrano
<i>Adult Men, Sundays & Parish Events 916-907-4236</i>	
Altar Linen & Flowers Society	Tomoko McDonough
<i>Adult women, Third Saturday mcdonoughmommy6@gmail</i>	
Church Flowers	Hannah Fauci
<i>Friday or Saturday 323-590-8003</i>	
Church Cleaning	Eli Gonzalez
<i>Wednesday 916-395-7408</i>	
Collection Count Crew	Kelly Manstch
<i>Monday Parish Office 916-451-5114</i>	
Brown Bag Lunch Program	Maureen Olguin
<i>Sunday jmolguin5960@att.net</i>	
The Gabriel Project	Catarina Hinojos
<i>On call 415-286-6228</i>	
Senior's Lunch (55+)	Janice Marston
<i>Third Thursday 916-459-9056</i>	
Coffee & Donuts	Nicole
<i>Sunday mrs99@pm.me</i>	

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS	
Fr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP; Riley Silva (entering OLGs); Sr. MaryAnne Regina, CM; Sr. Kiana Nava, OSB; Rebekah Kasak (entering OSB)	
<i>Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.</i>	

PASTOR'S COLUMN

TWO UPCOMING EVENTS

I want to call attention to two upcoming events that I believe deserve your attention.

The first is this upcoming Saturday: we are hosting Glen Faulkner, the Diocesan security consultant, to give a workshop on parish security. The workshop will run from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Mr. Faulkner will discuss security principles in general, as well as the particular circumstances at St. Stephen's. He has extensive experience with our parish, having met with Fr. Curtis for many, many hours over the last four years, either overseeing security practices at the parish or assisting with concrete scenarios as they have arisen.

I am very grateful to Mr. Faulkner, but even more grateful to the men that keep a watchful eye on the parish on Sundays and at our major parish events. These men give their time on a regular basis (usually, assisting at one Mass and staying for another) and have in principle assented to place themselves in harm's way on behalf of their fellow parishioners. Their service has a *tangible* effect on Sundays, where their presence has secured a peaceful environment for families to give fitting worship to God and to spend time with one another.

They are stretched pretty thin, however. Earlier this year I wrote a lengthy article about service to the parish. The security and usher teams would be a place that I would most highly encourage the men of the parish to serve. Please consider it.



Photo from the Chesterton Event of 2024

The other upcoming item is the Chesterton Event. This year, we are being joined by Dale Ahlquist and Joseph Pearce. Dale is the greatest living authority on G. K. Chesterton; he was employed by EWTN for a show dedicated to him, he has written extensively on his works, and he is the founder of the rapidly spreading Chesterton Academies. Joseph Pearce is a well-known Catholic author. They will be speaking on the principle of Distributism, which was G. K. Chesterton's answer to the usurious, unbridled, crony capitalism that has (during his time and since) turned our economy on its head.

The Chesterton Event is a very pleasant evening: wine and charcuterie are served at the back of the parish hall, there

are two (usually outstanding) lectures given by the speakers, and a short auction. It would make a great "date" night for couples, and we are planning on having a few young ladies supervise children on the classroom side of things, in order to make that possible for families.

These sort of parish events have become all the more dear to me as the schedule and demands of the parish have made it increasingly difficult or even impossible to visit the homes of the faithful. I am grateful for the opportunity to spend time with you at them. I hope to see you there – God bless.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 28	Knights Penitent Provisional Initiation
Oct 11	Chesterton Event
Oct 13	Sr. Kiana: Investiture
Oct 25	Pancake Breakfast
Jan 3	Christmas Party
May 9	Italian Dinner
Jun 14-20	2026, Camp Sacred Heart
Jun 20-26	2026, Camp Immaculate Heart

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday

Chesterton Event. Ticket sales begin this Sunday in the courtyard after all Masses except the 6 pm, and run for 3 weeks only. The Sat, Oct 11 wine and cheese event features Dale Ahlquist and Joseph Pearce, on the topic of *Distributism* – that is, building a local economy with fellow Catholics.

This Week

Fr. Schwab will be away this week on canonical retreat.

Adult Catechism meets on Thurs, Sept 25, at 7 pm. The topic will be *Sin* and the *Incarnation & Redemption*.

Youth Group meets on Fri, Sept 26 at 7 pm. There will be a question & answer session for the youth.

Security meeting. Join the security team and ushers for a security workshop given by Glen Faulkner, the Diocesan security consultant, who has twenty-one years of experience as a lieutenant with Sacramento Police Department. In addition to the presentation by Mr. Faulkner, the meeting will also be an opportunity to sign on to these teams. Fr. Curtis will be in attendance and refreshments will be served. Sat, Sept 27 from 9:30 to 11:30 am.

Looking Ahead

K-12 students are invited to **An Encounter with St. Therese**, on Mon, Oct 27, at the Carmel of the Holy Family & St. Therese, at 6981 Teresian Way, Georgetown, CA 95634. **RSVP is required!** Please submit your RSVP as soon as possible to: st.therese.rsvp@gmail.com. The event will include a presentation, a slideshow, an opportunity to meet Carmelite friars, and veneration of the relics of St. Therese.



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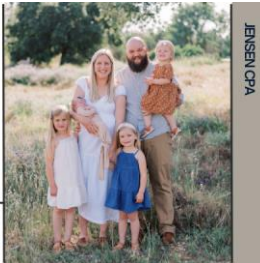
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