

SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



SACRAMENTS	PARISH INFORMATION	DEVOTIONS
<p>MASS SCHEDULE</p> <p>Sun 7 am, 8:30 am, 10 am, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm (<i>Sung</i>), 6 pm</p> <p>Mon - Fri 7 am, 12 pm, 6 pm</p> <p>Sat 7 am, 8:30 am, 12 pm</p> <p>Holy Day Check bulletin.</p> <p>CONFESSIONS</p> <p>We have confessions every weekday, starting one half hour before the beginning of Mass. There are also limited times on Sunday for confessions.</p> <p>Sun 6:30 am & 5:30 pm</p> <p>Mon - Fri 6:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:30 pm</p> <p>Sat 6:30 am, 8 am, 11:30 am</p> <p>BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS</p> <p>Contact the Parish Office. Baptisms should be within the first two weeks after birth; marriages generally require six months of preparation.</p> <p>SICK CALLS</p> <p>Call the Parish Office to schedule a home visit for the Sacraments.</p> <p><i>If someone is dying</i>, outside of office hours, dial 916-455-5114, then press 1. You will be transferred immediately to the priest-on-call.</p>	<p>PARISH OFFICE</p> <p>Email stephenproto@yahoo.com</p> <p>Website firstmartyr.com</p> <p>Phone 916-455-5114</p> <p>Address 5461 44th Street Sacramento, CA 95820</p> <p>Bookstore 916-223-3112</p> <p>PRIESTS</p> <p>Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP <i>Pastor</i> frcurtis@fssp.com</p> <p>Fr. David Franco, FSSP <i>Par. Vicar</i> fr.franco.sacramento@proton.me</p> <p>Fr. Evan Schwab, FSSP <i>Par. Vicar</i> father.schwab@gmail.com</p> <p>Fr. Evaristus Eshiwou <i>In Residence</i></p> <p>STAFF</p> <p>Tish Gallagher <i>Parish Secretary</i> stephenproto@yahoo.com</p> <p>Keven Smith <i>Choirmaster</i> ksmith_writer@yahoo.com</p> <p>Kelly Mantsch <i>Parish Bookkeeper</i> ststephenbusinessoffice@gmail.com</p> <p>Stella Zapata <i>Custodian & Office Asst.</i></p> <p>Beth Afsari <i>Bookstore Asst.</i></p> <p>Kate Townsend <i>Bookstore Asst.</i></p> <p>Ana Warner <i>Bookstore Asst.</i></p> <p>Barb Cristi <i>Bookstore Asst.</i></p> <p>Francis Dugyon <i>Sacristan</i></p>	<p>THE DIVINE OFFICE</p> <p>Tu - Fr 8:50 am, <i>Terce</i> 11:20 am, <i>Sext</i> 5 pm, <i>Vespers</i></p> <p>Sat 11:20 am, <i>Sext</i> 5 pm, <i>Vespers & Compline</i></p> <p>EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION</p> <p>Thurs 1 pm - 6 pm</p> <p>THE HOLY ROSARY</p> <p>Sun 6:30 am & 7 pm</p> <p>Last Sat After the 8:30 am (<i>15 decades</i>)</p> <p>OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP</p> <p>Tues After the 6 pm</p> <p>PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH</p> <p>Wed After all Masses</p> <p>PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS</p> <p>Sun After the 1 pm</p> <p>Thurs After all Masses</p> <p>SAINT MONICA SODALITY</p> <p>1st Th After the 6 pm Mass</p> <p>THE SACRED HEART</p> <p>1st Fri After all Masses</p> <p>FATIMA PROCESSION The 13th of the month, May to Oct.</p>
<p>THE FSSP</p>		<p>DONATIONS</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>WEBSITE firstmartyr.com</p> <p><i>FAQ, bulletins, news, events, sermons, becoming Catholic, and much more.</i></p> <p>PARISH SIGNAL GROUPS <i>Visit the bookstore for information.</i></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 Available at the parish website. firstmartyr.com</p>

Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping, unless you are giving online. Please pick them up in the Parish Office.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

1 Feb	Sun	Septuagesima Sunday, II 7 am Andres Orozco 8:30 am + Panfilo Feliciano Conde 10 am + Teresa Gutierrez 11:30 am Fr. John Berg, FSSP 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm Benjamin Milos
2 Feb	Mon	Purification of the BVM, II 7 am Paul Burke 12 pm + Holy Souls 6 pm + Richard Seifert
3 Feb	Tues	St. Blaise, IV 7 am Nancy Butchy 12 pm Thanksgiving 6 pm + Holy Souls
4 Feb	Wed	St. Andrew Corsini, III 7 am + Louise & Richard Szabo 12 pm + Jim Gallagher 6 pm + Holy Souls
5 Feb	Thurs	St. Agatha, III 7 am Gordana Lopar 12 pm + Billy June 6 pm St. Monica Sodality
6 Feb	Fri	St. Titus, III 7 am Aranas family 12 pm Barbara Ryan 6 pm Alex & Kate Townsend
7 Feb	Sat	St. Romuald, III 7 am + Jim Gallagher 8:30 am + Arnulfo Ybarra 12 pm + Paul Riley

PRAYER LIST

Julius Cozzatti, Judy Schuchmann, Michael & Kathleen DeSantis, Yesenia Rangel, Ana Rosa Phomsopha, Mother Regina, Donna Hopkins, Inez Mora, Chuck Teixeira, Carol Cummings, Ron Mantsch, Daniel Huynh, Avianna Ramirez, Ed Schneider, Paula Belen, Ralph Clark, Michelle DiGiovani, Mark Mitchell, Phil Carey, 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

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.

IN MEMORIAM

Josephine Cuellar, Judy Roberts, 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

PARISH SOCIETIES

Choir & Music Classes & Organ Society	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)	
<i>Boys 6 – 18</i>	CPT@tsgtroop750.org
Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Amy Rutschow <i>Girls 14 – 18, First Saturday</i> 916-340-5782
Rosa Mystica	Hannah Fauci <i>Girls 9 – 13, First Saturday</i> 323-590-8003
Little Flowers	Katie Scarry <i>Girls 5 – 8, First Saturday</i> 530-945-6947
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 6 – 14, Thursday</i> blancaerodria@yahoo.com
Veritas (Young Adult Group)	Kyle Watson <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 Penitent	Alex Townsend <i>Adult men, regional meetings</i> 415-328-8759
Ushers	Roger Soto <i>Adult men, Sundays & Holy Days</i> 209-610-1163
Security	Federico Serrano <i>Adult Men, Sundays & Parish Events</i> 916-907-4001
Altar Linen & Flowers Society	Tomoko McDonough <i>Adult women, Third Saturday</i> mcdonoughmommy6@gmail
Church Flowers	Hannah Fauci <i>Friday or Saturday</i> 323-590-8003
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+)	Janice Marston <i>Third Thursday</i> 916-459-9056
Coffee & Donuts	Nicole <i>Sunday</i> mrs99@pm.me

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Fr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP; Sr. MaryAnne Regina, CM; Sr. Maria Dolorosa, FLM; Sr. Leonie, OSB; Sr. Rebekah Kasak (OSB)

Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

CHANGE TO LENTEN MISSION

Fr. Daniel Heenan, FSSP, the pastor of our parish in Guadalajara, has agreed to come to give our parish Lenten mission this year. The dates and length of the mission have been adjusted to fit his schedule: Monday, March 16 to Wednesday, March 18. There will be two conferences every day – one in Spanish after the noon Mass, another in English after the evening Mass. More details will be forthcoming as we get closer to the mission.

SEPTUAGESIMA

Lent is coming!

Septuagesima is a time of preparation for Lent. During it, we should prayerfully consider the prayer, penance, and almsgiving that we should like to maintain throughout the Lenten season, and we should likewise make firm resolutions to observe them faithfully. I remind all that, outside the laws of the Church (given below in #1 and #2), penances during Lent are not binding under pain of sin.

The next two and a half weeks before Ash Wednesday also serve as a time of gradually working towards the rigors of Lent. For example, if one were to resolve to take on the more traditional fasting of Lent, it is wise to slowly work towards that in this preparatory period: cutting out snacking, reducing meal sizes, and using any meats or other delicacies in the home to take them “off the playing field,” so to speak.

The Law of the Church for Lent

- 1. Abstinence. All persons, 14 years and older, are obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.
2. Fasting. Everyone from ages 18 to 59 is obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting is generally understood to mean that one full meal may be eaten. Two other small meals (collations) may be eaten, but together they should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted.

The more traditional fast

Please note that, traditionally, those who reasonably could not fast on the appointed days, especially the sick, those engaged in heavy labor for their wages, and pregnant women, were always excused from fasting. The faithful should also take care to moderate fasting in the event of any health considerations that arise from it.

We highly encourage the observance of the traditional discipline of Lent, which would mean daily fasting and abstinence from meat from Ash Wednesday until after None (3 pm) on the Vigil of Easter. Fasting, but not abstinence from meat, would traditionally be relaxed on Sundays.

Consider giving up social media for Lent!

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES

On Monday, February 2, we begin our annual Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes, which is constituted of one decade of the Holy Rosary, followed by the Memorare prayer. This prayer will be offered after all Masses during the Novena period, and we encourage the faithful to join in the prayer at home. The intention is the patronage and protection of Our Lady over the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.

IMPORTANT DATES

Table with 2 columns: Date and Event. Includes dates from Jan 5 to Jul 11 and events like Fr. Evaristus away, Consecration of FSSP, Lenten Mission, Confirmations, May Crowning, Italian Dinner, First Holy Communion, Camp Sacred Heart, Camp Immaculate Heart, and Father/Daughter Dance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday

Second Collection for the Building Fund.

Fr. Evaristus will be away from the parish until this Sunday evening.

This Week

Fr. Franco will be away from the parish Feb 2 - 17.

Work begins this week on replacing the swinging pedestrian gate on 28th Avenue with a sliding gate.

Candlemas will take place on Mon, Feb 2 at 6 pm.

St. Blaise Blessing of Throats on Tues, Feb 3 after Masses.

Adult Catechism meets on Thurs, Feb 5 at 7 pm.

Youth Group meets on Fri, Feb 6 at 7 pm.

First Friday & First Saturday fall this week. A sung Mass will be offered at noon on Fri, Feb 6.

The Little Flowers, Rosa Mystica, and Sodality of the BVM meet on Sat, Feb 7.

Looking Ahead

Ash Wednesday is on Wed, Feb 18. Masses will be at 7, 8:30 am, noon, & 6 pm (sung).

Dominican Sisters. Vocational Evening. Fri, Mar 13, 4:30 - 7:45 pm. Convent at Presentation of the BVM parish. RSVP by Mar 7 at sacramento@sistersofmary.org.



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