

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN THE PARISH

Areas currently in need of volunteers:

- Preparing the Church for Sunday: Saturdays (after the 9AM Mass (approx 10 am until 12:30 pm).
- Cleaning the Sanctuary
- Altar Linens
- Laundering (Cassocks and Surplices)
- Porters (previously referred to as Ushers)
- Parking lot duty
- Gardening
- Bulletin (desktop publishing)
- Music/Choir program (*contact Nicolai Bajanov to audition*)
- Kitchen (organize and oversee)
- Handyman projects

Below are additional volunteer opportunities:

- Altar Boy (boys may begin after 1st Communion)
- Catechist for CCD
- Youth program volunteer
- Men's Holy League Coordinator
- Ladies Holy Heart Coordinator
- Office volunteer
- Parish festival volunteer
- General volunteer

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Joseph Salazar jsalazar@archdpdx.org and he will forward your information to the designated volunteer leader of that area.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPE

If you have been using offertory envelopes, the 2021 offertory envelopes are here and ready for pick-up in the Church narthex with your name and address. 2021 will be the last year we will use the offertory envelope. For 2022, we will provide a general envelope for offertory and will be placed in the pews or in the church narthex. If you would like to have or use offertory envelopes for the 2021 year and do not have one yet, please call Sr. Anne-Therese or email the parish office at sainstephenpdx@gmail.com / 503-234-5019. Thank you.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have a change of home address or phone number, please call or email the parish at sainstephenpdx@gmail.com / 503-234-5019, so your contact information may be updated in our parish system.

St. Stephen Catholic Church, Portland, Oregon **Sunday January 17th, 2020**

This week's schedule:

Saturday, Jan 16th: St. Marcellus I, Pope and Martyr (3rd class)

- 8:00 am; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9:00 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:00 - 11:00 am: Confessions
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers (***1st Vespers– 2nd Sunday After Epiphany***)
- 6 pm: English Mass (***Ordinary Form–2nd Sunday Ordinary Time***)

Sunday, Jan 17th: The 2nd Sunday After Epiphany (2nd Class)

- 8:00 am Low Latin Mass
- 9:00 am Confessions
- 10:30 am Sung Latin Mass
- 5:00 pm Sung Latin Vespers
- 6:00 pm Low Latin Mass

Monday, Jan 18th: Votive Mass of the Chair of St. Peter (4th Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 9 am: Low Latin Mass

Tuesday, Jan 19th: St. Canute, King and Martyr (4th Class)

- 12 Noon: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers

Wednesday, Jan 20th: Sts. Fabian, Pope, and Sebastian, Martyrs (3rd Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 12 Noon: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30 - 6:30 pm: Confessions
- 6:45 pm Low Latin Mass
- **7:30 pm Men's Holy League Adoration**

Thursday, Jan 21st: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr (3rd Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 5:00 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30 - 6:30 pm: Confessions
- 6:45 pm: Low Latin Mass

Friday, Jan 22nd: Votive Mass for Peace (USA–2nd Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 11 am: Confessions
- 12 pm: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers

Saturday, Jan 23rd: St. Raymond of Peñafort (3rd class)

- 8:00 am; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9:00 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10:00 - 11:00 am: Confessions
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers (***1st Vespers–3rd Sunday After Epiphany***)
- 6 pm: English Mass (***Ordinary Form–3rd Sunday Ordinary Time***)

Sunday, Jan 24th: 3rd Sunday After Epiphany (2nd Class)

- 8:00 am Low Latin Mass
- 9:00 am Confessions
- 10:30 am Sung Latin Mass
- 5:00 pm Sung Latin Vespers
- 6:00 pm Low Latin Mass

PARISH STAFF

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

- Sunday 1/17: + Teresa Ann “Cheza” Bernabe
People of the Parish
Souls in Purgatory
- Monday 1/18: Natalie Lindsey
- Tuesday 1/19: Kiernan Dante McTaggart-Ivezic
- Wed 1/20: Benjamin Jay
Erik Morris
- Thurs 1/21: Peter Eschright
- Friday 1/22: + Joseph Niehuser Sr.
- Saturday 1/23: Souls in Purgatory
Stanley James Andersen
- Sunday 1/24: Devondra Roise-Poston
People of the Parish
Stan Troutman

OFFERTORY COLLECTION *(this week and month to date)*

Envelopes/Cash: \$7,277.58 +/- budget

Online: \$935.00

Total WTD: \$8,212.58 Budget: \$4,800 + \$3,412.58

Total MTD: \$17,985.35 Budget: \$9,600 + \$8,385.35

Maintenance/Restoration: \$100.00 MTD: \$760.00

Music/Liturgy/Sacristy Fund: \$75.00

Online giving: <https://www.saintstephenpdx.com/special-events>

MASS READINGS (Extraordinary Form)

Sunday: Rom. 12:6-16; John 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Pet. 1:1-7; Matt. 16:13-19

Tuesday: Wis. 10:10-14; Matt. 10:34-42

Wednesday: Heb. 11:33-39; Luke 6:17-23

Thursday: Eccclus. 51:1-8, 12; Matt. 25:1-13

Friday: 2 Macc. 1:1-5; John 20:19-23

Saturday: Eccclus. 31:8-11; Luke 12:35-40

Sunday: Rom. 12:16-21; Matt. 8:1-13

LESSONS AT MATINS (Extraordinary Form) *find online at*
<http://divinumofficium.com> or as an app (Breviarium meum)

Sunday: 2 Cor. 1:1-11; Homily of St. Augustine on John 2:1-11

Monday: 2 Cor. 3:1-14

Tuesday: 2 Cor. 5:1-4, 6-15

Wednesday: 2 Cor. 7:1-10; Eulogy of Sts. Fabian and Sebastian

Thursday: Eccclus. 51:1-17; St. Ambrose on Virgins

Friday: 2 Cor. 12:1-11; Eulogy of Sts. Vincent and Anastasius

Saturday: 2 Cor. 13:1-13; Eulogy of St. Raymund

Sunday: Gal. 1:1-14; Homily of St. Jerome on Matt. 8:1-13

SIGN UP TO ATTEND MASS (online or call parish office)

<https://www.saintstephenpdx.com/covid-19-update>

SUBSCRIBE TO THE PARISH YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Saint Stephen Catholic Church PDX. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCenluv9m_Zo_8lvGRz_72A

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. STEPHEN'S

CHURCH UNITY OCTAVE JANUARY 18-25

This octave was established Pope Benedict XV in 1916 as the "Chair of Unity Octave" beginning on the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter on January 18th and ending on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul on January 25th. The pope established this octave of prayer "that Christians who have unfortunately withdrawn from the Catholic Faith should at length be recalled to it as to a forsaken Mother." Indulgences are available for those who participate. A full set of prayers and daily intentions, as published by Pope Pius XII in 1956 for the Octave can be found at http://www.cantius.org/go/liturgy_devotions/devotional_life/church_unity_octave/. Copies will be available in the church.

MEN'S HOLY LEAGUE PDX – JANUARY 20TH

Gentlemen, join us for Holy League Men's Night on Wednesday Jan 20th at St. Stephen's. Vespers at 5 pm. Confessions 5:30. Rosary 6:15. Low Latin Mass at 6:45. Adoration and Sermon 7:30 pm.

LADIES HOLY HEART MINI RETREAT – JANUARY 27TH

Ladies, join us for a Holy Heart Mini-Retreat on Wednesday Jan 27th at St. Stephen's. Vespers at 5 pm. Confessions 5:30. Low Latin Mass at 6:45. Adoration and Sermon 7:30 pm.

NOVENA FOR CANDLEMAS JANUARY 24TH – FEB 1ST

Be watching for daily video reflections on the parish YouTube channel. Copies of the prayers will be available in the church.

SEPTUAGESIMA SEASON JANUARY 31ST – FEBRUARY 16TH

Septuagesima is a series of 3 Sundays prior to Ash-Wednesday during which the liturgical color shifts to violet; the Alleluia is suppressed until Easter; and the *Gloria* and *Te Deum* are both limited to feasts. It is pre-Lenten and meant to help prepare for Lent by stages. While ordinarily, the parish observes two liturgical calendars for the sake of celebrating both the Traditional Latin Mass and the modern English Mass; during these three Sundays, as we have done in past years, we will celebrate all Masses during Septuagesima in Latin according to the 1962 Missal.

PHILOSOPHY NIGHT – 7 PM. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

Fr. Eric Andersen will lead a discussion on Josef Pieper's book, *The Concept of Sin*, published by St. Augustine's Press www.staugustine.net. Ages High School and up. No reading ahead is necessary. 7:00 - 8:30 pm in Carmody Hall.

CHILDSWORK DEPARTING ST. STEPHEN'S SCHOOL

Childswork will be moving effective August 1st, at which time the Parish will be doing some required modifications and repairs to the property.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE: JAN 21-29, 2021



One way to live out the message of Christmas and follow Our Lady's example is to join 9 Days for Life taking place Thursday, January 21 – Friday, January 29. 9 Days for Life Novena is for the annual Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on January 22. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. 9 Days for Life Participants can receive the novena by subscribing to daily emails or text messages.

Join today at 9daysforlife.com!

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UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION SCHEDULE

2nd week monthly: Maintenance and Restoration Fund

4th week monthly: Sacred Music Fund

The parish finance council has approved the taking up of two second collections each month on the 2nd and the 4th weeks. The maintenance fund is in need of replenishment after many necessary projects this past year. We are also in need of supporting the expenses of a music program at the parish. Since the Sacred Liturgy is the primary focus of our parish life, we want to be able to consistently offer the best to the LORD. Please consider supporting the music program here at the parish.

Church Unity Octave

“In every age it has been the concern of the Roman Pontiffs, Our predecessors, and likewise it concerns Us greatly, that Christians who have, unfortunately, withdrawn from the Catholic Religion should at length be recalled to us as a forsaken Mother. For in the Unity of the Faith the foremost characteristic of the truth of the Church shines forth, and it is thus that the Apostle Paul exhorts the Ephesians to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, by proclaiming that there is One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism (Ephes. 4:5). With a glad mind, therefore, We have heard that prayers have been proposed to be recited from the Feast of the Chair of the Blessed Peter at Rome to the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, in order that this aim of Unity might be obtained from the Lord. We mercifully grant and bestow in the Lord a Plenary Indulgence and remission of their sins to each and all the faithful of Christ who from the eighteenth day of the month of January, the Festival of the Chair of Blessed Peter of Rome, until the twenty-fifth day of the same month, on which the Conversion of St. Paul is commemorated, shall recite once a day the prayers appointed.” –Pope Benedict XV

The Chair of Unity Octave begins on January 18, the former Feast of St. Peter’s Chair in Rome and concludes on January 25, Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul.

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| January 18 | The union of all Christians in the one true faith and in the Church |
| January 19 | The return of separated Eastern Christians to communion with the Holy See |
| January 20 | The reconciliation of Anglicans with the Holy See |
| January 21 | The reconciliation of European Protestants with the Holy See |
| January 22 | That American Christians become one in union with the Chair of Peter |
| January 23 | The restoration of lapsed Catholics to the sacramental life of the Church |
| January 24 | That the Jewish people come into their inheritance in Jesus Christ |
| January 25 | The missionary extension of Christ’s kingdom throughout the world |

You may pick up a packet of the daily prayers in the church or print out from the event page on our website.

FROM THE DESK OF FR ERIC ANDERSEN

There is a lot of anger in the world these days. It is not unjustified. The question is: What does one do with his anger? It has struck me lately that we are being challenged to grow in altogether new ways in the spiritual life. Since the fall of Adam, evil and injustice have proliferated in the world, but are kept in check by the Divine Providence; and man's participation: historically by means of the offering of true and acceptable worship to GOD; and in the Christian era, by the offering of the Holy Mass in its legitimate variations East and West; the prayer lives and sacramental lives of the faithful; and good works done out of love of GOD and neighbor. The lives of these innumerable faithful have formed societies and governments to be of service to their families and to the common good of the people.

Sin is devastating to this equilibrium and from time to time throughout history, the scales of justice have become heavy with the sins of mankind and the disregard for GOD's natural laws applicable to all humanity, and the divine and eternal law applicable to the faithful. It seems that we are in a time when the evil and injustice have been unveiled for all to see. The devil who normally remains hidden is right out in the open. He is not bothering to hide.

We can take a cue from the prophets of the Old Testament. The time of the kings in both Judah and Israel was laden with infidelity and scandal for generations upon generations. While there were occasional periods of holiness under good kings, or mostly good kings, the majority of the time, idolatry and worship of others gods was tolerated or even promoted. It would have been very discouraging for a faithful Jew to live during those times. It can be very discouraging for a faithful Catholic to be living in these times.

Whereas in the past we at least perceived that we dwelt in a peaceful and lawful land; these days, people are frustrated and angry and it seems like there is no answer. We must listen to GOD; We must speak His word. His Word is Jesus Christ and He has already spoken. Nothing new need be revealed. This is a time to read and meditate upon the Holy Scriptures, to pray and to stay close to the LORD. Be at peace. Trust in GOD. Get right with GOD. Get to Confession. Reconcile with GOD and your loved ones and let His peace fill your soul.