

St. Stephen Catholic Church, Portland, Oregon
Sunday, November 29th, 2020

This week's schedule:

Saturday, Nov 28th: Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday (4th Class)

- 7:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 8:00 am: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 9 am: Low Latin Mass
- 10-11 am: Confessions
- 4 pm: **Low Latin Mass (BVM on Saturday)**
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 6 pm: English Mass (**Ordinary Form–1st Sunday of Advent**)

Sunday, Nov 29th: 1st Sunday of Advent (1st Class)

- 7:30 am Low Latin Mass**
- 9:00 am Low Latin Mass (No Confessions)**
- 10:30 am Sung Latin Mass**
- 4:00 pm Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary and Litany of the Saints**
- 5:00 pm Sung Latin Vespers**
- 6:00 pm Low Latin Mass**

Monday, Nov 30th: St. Andrew, Apostle (2nd Class)

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

Tuesday, Dec 1st: Feria in Advent (3rd Class)

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

Wednesday, Dec 2nd: St. Vivian, Virgin and Martyr (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

Thursday, Dec 3rd: St. Francis Xavier (3rd Class)

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

Friday, Dec 4th: St. Peter Chrysologus (3rd Class)

- 8:15 am: Sung Latin Lauds
- 11 am: Confessions
- 12 Noon: Low Latin Mass
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 5:30 pm: Betrothal Ceremony

Saturday, Dec 5th: Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday (4th Class)

- 7:00 am: Rorate Mass of the BVM in Advent (Sung Latin Mass)
- 8:30 am Sung Latin Lauds
- 9:00 - 11:00 am: Confessions
- 5 pm: Sung Latin Vespers
- 6 pm: English Mass (**Ordinary Form–2nd Sunday of Advent**)

Sunday, Dec 6th: 2nd Sunday of Advent (1st 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**

A LETTER FROM BR. ERIC FARIS, POSTULANT

Dear Saint Stephens family,

Greetings in the Name of Christ! I wanted to thank you all for your support over these past years. My time at Saint Stephens prepared me for my vocation in ways I never even thought possible. As some of you know, I have discerned a call to enter religious life and I have joined the Canons Regular of the Immaculate Conception, in Santa Paula, California. The liturgical life I experienced at Saint Stephens under both Father Boyle and Father Andersen helped prepare me to be the primary liturgist and sacristan in this community. I have also been blessed to be able to take the liturgical customs learned at Saint Stephens to the parishes that my new community serves in Santa Paula. This has been a blessing for me and for the faithful. Saint Stephens is a very special place and it continues to have a hand in rebuilding the Church through sending out both parishioners and vocations to various places where they are needed most. May God bless you all in this time of Advent as we remember Christ's first coming and prepare our hearts for His return.

AVE MARIA.

~Brother, Eric D. Faris, postulant

ANNUAL SEMINARIAN APPEAL

St. Stephen's has given three seminarians to the Archdiocese of Portland in the last two years, and two other seminarians to other dioceses, plus two young ladies to religious life since 2017. Though we are a small parish with limited financial resources, the Lord has blessed us with an abundance of vocations in these past few years. Let us consider what we can give back to the Lord, especially to assist in the expense of educating these men to become priests. It costs the Archdiocese of Portland up to \$50,000 annually for education and formation of each seminarian. Would you consider a gift of \$250 or \$500 to contribute towards the education of just one man? or triple that for the three men from St Stephen's currently studying for the Archdiocese of Portland? Please consider what you can render back to the Lord for all He has given to you. Envelopes are in the pews.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS AND RELIGIOUS

Br. Eric Faris, Coulter McIntyre, Erik Morris, Zach Munoz, Neal Smith, Sr. Lisa Hezmalhalch, Sr. Abigail Theresa Irigoyen

PARISH STAFF

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

- Sunday 11/29: + Fr. Cyril (John) Marthaller
+ James Tyndale-Biscoe
People of the Parish
+ Judy Rose Mooney
- Monday 11/30: + Victor Vaganov
- Tuesday 12/1: + Sergei Divatkin
- Wed 12/2: Collette Koenig
Priestly Fraternity of St. Joseph
- Thursday 12/3: Fr. Sam Conedera, S.J.
+ Janice Dorr
- Friday 12/4: + William Patrick Shaffer
- Saturday 12/5: Intentions of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
+ Mr and Mrs. Michael Huling
- Sunday 12/6: Baby Delaney Claire and parents
People of the Parish
Vocations to the Religious Life

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

Envelopes/Cash: \$3,698.00		+/- budget
Online: \$615.00		
Total WTD: \$4,313.00	Budget: \$4,800	- \$487.00
Total MTD: \$27,008.96	Budget: \$19,200	+ \$7,808.96
Maintenance/Restoration: \$220.00	MTD: \$1260.00	

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

5th Annual **HOLY LEAGUE**
Catholic Men's Conference
GO TO ST. JOSEPH
our model to true
Christian Masculinity
150th anniversary year of St. Joseph
as Universal Patron of the Church
Streaming Live on
Saturday, December 5th, 2020
8am to 5pm
The 2020 Conference is
exclusively offered as a
virtual live stream event
Register at holyleague-northwest.org
SPEAKERS
Fr. Donald Calloway Bear Woznick Fr. Stephen Kenyon Fr. Eric Anderson
Inspiring live streamed talks that will motivate
husbands, fathers, and sons to be the
Godly men they are called to be.

CCD CLASSES POSTPONED UNTIL THE NEW YEAR

Our Mass attendance numbers will be limited for at least four weeks in Multnomah county, so we will not be able to fit our CCD families into the Sunday morning Masses. As a result, beginning next Sunday, November 22nd, our CCD classes will be taking a break that will extend through Thanksgiving and Christmas. After the new year we hope to resume classes and try to accommodate our CCD families into Masses once again.

FROM THE DESK OF FR ERIC ANDERSEN

Several years ago, I compiled the following. Each year, I like to review this as I enter into Advent.

Time and eternity, light and darkness in the liturgical day and the liturgical year

A. The Liturgical Day:

- **Matins:** One rises while it is still dark. Can be compared to the pre-natal stage of life.
- **Lauds:** At dawn, the rising sun in the East. As one newly born into the light, one looks daily to the "*Oriens ex alto*" in the *Benedictus*.
- **Prime:** The Roman Martyrology is read to inspire everyone to spend their youthful vigor and set out to do the work of God.
- **Terce (9 am):** First break in the day. Thank God for youth and strength.
- **Sext (12 Noon):** The sun has reached its full height. So has man reached his full strength. The hour of the Crucifixion.
- **None (3 pm):** The sun begins its gradual descent. Man in his middle age. Man prays for perseverance, looking towards the evening of life and meditating on the Last Things.
- **Vespers:** The evening star. The lighting of the lamps. Finishing the day and beginning the night. A spirit of atonement in the hymns, an examination of conscience.
- **Compline:** The completion of the day. We are reminded of the great night of death. And the night watch begins anew.

B. The Seasons of the Liturgical Year

Advent: "may be likened to Lauds. . . to the longing for the coming of the Day and to the first dawn of His coming" (Connelly 49)

Christmas: likened to Prime, to the actual coming of the day (cf. 49).

Septuagesima; In the beginning: the creation of the world, and the fall of Adam. The day is new but already one of penance and mourning.

Lent: "a prolonged vigil in which the Christian, by prayer and penance, is more alert than usual in imitation of our Lord" (cf. Connelly 72).

Passiontide/Triduum: Our Lord was crucified at Sext; died at None.

Easter: The feast of light, especially in the Easter Vigil. The Paschal candle is a sign of the light of Christ, the dawn of Resurrection which has dawned.

Pentecost: Terce is the hour of the descent of the Holy Ghost. Pentecost propels the Church forward through the year until the time of Advent.

Time After Pentecost: The Day gradually draws to a close as the evening approaches in November with All Souls Day (Dies Irae) & St. Martin's Lent. Anticipation of the Four Last Things.

SUBSCRIBE TO THE PARISH YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Saint Stephen Catholic Church PDX. [https://](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCenluv9m_Zo_8lvGRz_72A)

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SIGN UP TO ATTEND MASS (online or call parish office)
<https://www.saintstephenpdx.com/covid-19-update>

CHECK OUT OUR PARISH WEBSITE
<https://www.saintstephenpdx.com>

Mother & Child Education Center (MCEC) offers hope, support, education and guidance to families during their parenting journey to help build a community of competent, confident parents. Established in Portland in 1971, MCEC offers a judgment-free space for anyone who is parenting including expectant women, single fathers, and families facing challenges such as lack of housing, poverty, fleeing domestic violence, refugee or immigration status, DHS involvement, substance abuse, or trauma.

MCEC provides prenatal & parenting classes, supplies such as diapers, clothing and food, and access to additional resources through community partners. We strive to empower clients to gain healthy parenting habits, to understand safe sleeping for infants; and to achieve personal goals such as self-sufficiency, a healthy environment for children, and a voice for advocating for themselves and their children.

DONATIONS: Our donation needs change frequently and we may not be able to accept all donations. Donations by appointment. Please call (503)-249-5801 during business hours (M-Th 10-5, Fri 10-3) to schedule an appointment for donation

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. STEPHEN'S

RITE OF BETROTHAL

Friday, Dec. 4th. 5:30 pm. Levi Barros and Isabella Johnson

RORATE MASSES OF THE BVM IN ADVENT

Rorate Masses are celebrated on Saturdays in Advent, early in the morning when it is still dark. The church is lit only by candlelight.

- Saturday Dec 5th 7 am Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday
- Saturday Dec 12th 7 am Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

FAST/ABSTINENCE DAYS IN ADVENT *(not obligatory)*

12/16 Ember Wednesday Fasting & Partial Abstinence
12/18 Ember Friday Fasting and Full Abstinence
12/19 Ember Saturday Fasting and Partial Abstinence
12/24 Christmas Eve Fasting and Full Abstinence

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION *(dispensed this year)*

12/8 Tuesday. Immaculate Conception of the BVM
12/25 Friday. The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
1/1 Friday. Octave Day of Christmas (Circumcision of the Lord)

"O ANTIPHONS" DECEMBER 17TH – 23RD

The "Greater Days of Advent". Each of these nights at 5 pm at Sung Vespers, the Magnificat Antiphon is a famous "O Antiphon". These antiphons inspired the hymn, O Come, O Come Emmanuel.

CHRISTMAS NOVENA TO THE CHRIST CHILD

December 16th - 24th. Take a copy of the Advent Family Devotions home to pray this novena. Daily video reflections will be filmed for our parish YouTube channel. **Saint Stephen Catholic Church PDX.**
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCenluv9m__Zo_8lvGRz_72A

THE FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN, PROTOMARTYR

Saturday, Dec 26th. 9 am Sung Latin Mass

BLESSING OF WINE ON THE FEAST OF ST. JOHN, APOSTLE

Bring a bottle of wine on Sunday, December 27th to be blessed in honor of the feast of St. John the Apostle.

NEW YEAR'S EVE VESPERS & PLENARY INDULGENCE

Thursday, Dec 31st. 5 pm Vespers with the singing of the Te Deum for a plenary indulgence.

MASS READINGS (Extraordinary Form)

Sunday: Rom. 13:11-14; Luke 21:25-33

Monday: Rom. 10:10-18; Matt. 4:18-22

Tuesday: Rom. 13:11-14; Luke 21:25-33

Wednesday: Ecclus (Sirach) 51:13-17; Matt. 13:44-52

Thursday: Rom. 10:10-18; Mark 16:15-18

Friday: 2 Tim. 4:1-8; Matt. 5:13-19

Saturday: Isa. 7:10-15; Luke 1:26-38

Sunday: Rom. 15:4-13; Matt. 11:2-10

LESSONS AT MATINS (Extraordinary Form) *find online at*

<http://divinumofficium.com> or as an app (Breviarium meum)

Sunday: Isaias 1:1-9; Homily of St. Gregory on Luke 21:25-33

Monday: Rom. 10:4-21; Eulogy of St. Andrew; Homily of St. Gregory on Matt. 4:18-22

Tuesday: Isa. 2:1-9

Wednesday: Isa. 3:1-11; Eulogy of St. Bibiana (Vivian)

Thursday: Isa. 4:1-3; 5:1-7; Eulogy of St. Francis Xavier

Friday: Isa. 6:1-10; Eulogy of St. Peter Chrysologus

Saturday: Isa. 7:1-6, 10-15; St. Ambrose from the Book of Offices.

Sunday: Isaias 11:1-10; Homily of St. Gregory on Matt. 11:2-10

INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Those interested in becoming Catholic or taking the steps to learn more about the Catholic Faith can contact Joseph Salazar to get started. jsalazar@archdpdx.org

SAINT BARBARA'S BRANCHES

December 4th is the Feast of St. Barbara. Cut branches from your early blossoming trees/bushes (i.e., quince, flowering plum) and put them in vases inside to bloom during the Christmas season. These are called "St. Barbara's Branches"