



St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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SUNDAY MAY 9, 2021

Pastor

Rev. Brian Lorei

Permanent Deacons

Dcn. Evelio Garcia-Carreras

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Dcn. Rich Kren

Sunday Masses

Saturday — 5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday — 8:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Mon—Sat* 9:00 a.m.
(Rosary after Mass)

*Thursday 9 a.m. Communion Service

Confessions

Saturdays
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
or by appointment.

Office Hours

Monday through Thursday
9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday
9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

(Closed daily for lunch
from 1-2 p.m.)

God took the fragrance
of a flower...
The majesty of a tree...
The gentleness of
morning dew...
The calm of a quiet sea...
The beauty
of the twilight hour...
The soul
of a starry night...
The laughter of a
rippling brook...
The grace of a bird
in flight...
Then God fashioned
from these things
A creation like no other,
And when his
masterpiece was through
He called it simply -
Mother.

—Herbert Farnham

In Honor of Our Mothers



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of God of St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church, united in One Lord, One Faith and One Baptism celebrate and are nourished and sustained by Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and in His Holy Word. Brought together by Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we fulfill His command to go into the whole world and proclaim the good news of salvation by sharing our faith through Prayer, Evangelization, and Acts of Charity.

Mass Intentions For The Week

Sunday	May 9, 2021
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish (L)
11:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Novena
Monday	May 10, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service Mother's Day Novena—Fr. Brian's Private Mass
Tuesday	May 11, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Novena
Wednesday	May 12, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Novena
Thursday	May 13, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service Mother's Day Novena—Fr. Brian's Private Mass
Friday	May 14, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service Mother's Day Novena—Fr. Brian's Private Mass
Saturday	May 15, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Mother's Day Novena
5:00 p.m.	Leo Theriault ✠
Sunday	May 16, 2021
8:30 a.m.	Mother's Day Novena
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish (L)



"We remember with gratitude and affection all of our dear mothers: those who live with us physically but also those who live with us spiritually. The Lord bless them all, and may the Mother of God, to whom this month is dedicated, watch over them all. Mary attest that the mercy of the Son of God knows no bounds and extends to everyone, without exception." - Pope Francis

NOVENA OF MASSES FOR

Mother's Day

Envelopes are available in the Narthex, or mail your Mother's Day envelope to the Parish. To contribute online, select **Novena Masses** and indicate the names in the **Special Instructions** box.



There will be a Children's Rosary prayed at St. Stephen the Martyr on Friday May 14, at 4:30pm.

We hope you will be able to join the children. *All are welcome to come and pray the Rosary with us.*



*The altar flowers
this weekend were donated by*



Gary and Joanne Jira
in loving memory of their
mothers, Helen Jira and
Beatrice Frantisak

Janice Harrington, for all
the mothers in the
Harrington and Ingram
Family.

Pregnancy Aid Clinic PATH Golf Tournament

Brookfield Country Club
100 Willow Run Road, Roswell

Monday May 10, 2021

www.pregnancyaidclinic.com/golf21



Scramble Format
8:30 am Golfer Check-In
10:00 am Shotgun Start

GIVE FAMILIES A SHOT, REGISTER NOW!

We Grieve With You. New human life is fragile; one in four pregnancies end in miscarriage, still birth or infant loss. The grief experienced by mothers, fathers and families that comes from this type of loss is many times unseen and unappreciated by their brothers and sisters in Christ.

If you have experienced such a loss, please know that the prayers of the Saint Stephen the Martyr family are with you.

In your loss, there is help through the **All Embrace Ministry of Atlanta** which surrounds families who have experienced pregnancy or infant loss with support in their times of need. www.allembrace.com



Married Couples:

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers! Allow Jesus to be Lord of your marriage relationship. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is Jul 30-Aug 1. You can get more information or apply online at wwme.org or by calling **678-242-WWME**



"The greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion ... because it is war against the child."

Mother Teresa of Calcutta

TITHES & OFFERINGS

FREELY YOU HAVE RECEIVED. FREELY GIVE.

Unable To Give Your Offertory In Person? Consider Using Our On-line Giving Portal

www.ststephenthemartyr.info/giving/online-giving

OR, You can mail your offertory gift to:

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Weekend of May 2, 2021		2nd:Property Maintenance	
Offertory	\$ 9,817.00	Offertory	\$ 7,450.00
On Line	\$ 6,336.00	On Line	\$ 2,140.00
Total	\$ 16,153.00	Total	\$ 9,590.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Current and Upcoming Second Collections

May 9, 2021	Mother's Day Novena
May 16, 2021	Catholic Communications
May 23, 2021	No Second Collection
May 30, 2021	Outreach
June 6, 2021	Property Maintenance & Enhancements

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

If you, or someone you know, are in need of emergency assistance, please contact the SVdP Help Line at 770-381-7488, ext. 251. If you can assist a couple of hours a month, please leave a message on the help line and you will be contacted.



You can mail your contribution to the church or do online giving using the **Miscellaneous** option and putting SVdP SSTM in the **Special Instruction**.

RETRouvaille

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

MATRIMONY: A CALLING TO FORGIVE!

"MERCY IS THE FORCE THAT REAWAKENS US TO NEW LIFE AND INSTILLS IN US THE COURAGE TO LOOK TO THE FUTURE WITH HOPE."

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. It offers hope that it is not too late, for a different and better marriage. It helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. For more information about our VIRTUAL Retrouvaille Weekend program, June 10-13, 2021, contact: Andy and Lilly @ 770.912.4743 or visit our website: **HelpOurMarriage.org**

On May 22, prior to the celebration of the Vigil of Pentecost, the general dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass will expire in the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

While the general dispensation will lift, there will be some exceptions.

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| 1. You are ill or you have a health condition that would significantly compromised you if were to contract a communicable illness. Please use the dispensation and do not attend Mass. | might be asymptomatic of a contagious illness. |
| 2. You are experiencing flu-like symptoms. | 4. You care for the sick, homebound, or infirm. |
| 3. You have been exposed to someone who has tested positive or you think you | 5. You are pregnant. |
| | 6. You are 65 years of age or older |
| | 7. You cannot attend Mass through no fault of your own |
| | 8. You have significant fear or anxiety of becoming ill by being at Mass. |

Persons legitimately dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass are still to observe the Lord's Day by participating in a broadcast of the Sunday Mass or by spending time in prayer and meditating on Scripture, either individually or as a family. *We cannot live without the Eucharist, and the Church is not fully alive without its congregation.*

We cannot wait to welcome you back this Pentecost.

Baptism CLASSES

Parish families who wish to have a child baptized should be registered in the parish before taking the class. Both parents must attend the Baptism class which is usually held the second Sunday of each month at noon in *Our Lady of Fatima* room. Please make arrangements for a babysitter as we do not provide babysitting services.

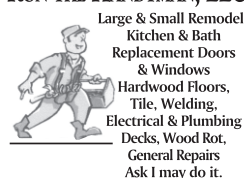
Please pre-register for the class with the Parish Office at 770-381-7488 during normal business hours or email secretary@sstmcc.org (to ensure that the class will be held on a particular date).

Parents will need to select God-parents for their children who are active, practicing Catholics.

Baptisms are scheduled only AFTER you have taken the class. Parents must be active, practicing members of St. Stephen the Martyr for at least three months before scheduling a baptism.

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