



St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday— 5 p.m. Vigil

**Sunday— 8:30 a.m. and
11:00 a.m.**

Weekday Masses

Mon—Sat* 9:00 a.m.

(Rosary after Mass)

***Thurs 9 a.m. Communion Service**

Reconciliation

**Every Saturday after the
9:00 a.m. Mass or
by appointment.**

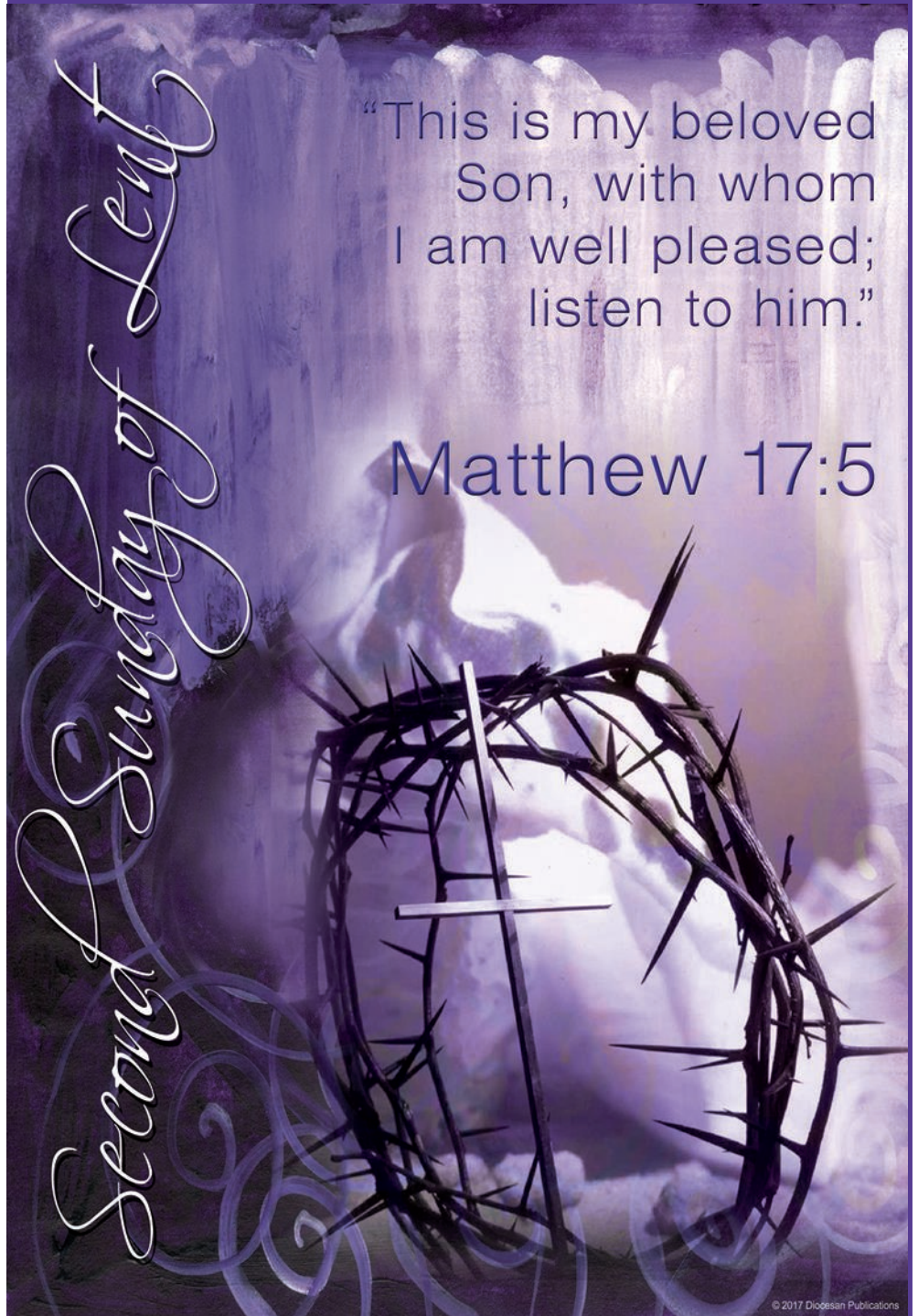
Office Hours:

**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.)**

SUNDAY MARCH 12, 2017



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, March 12, 2017
 8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish (L)
 11:00 a.m. Douglas Harrow ✠

Monday, March 13, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Manuel Martinez ✠

Tuesday, March 14, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Vicki Ferris (L)

Wednesday, March 15, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Protection of the Unborn (L)

Thursday, March 16, 2017
 9:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

Friday, March 17, 2017 St. Patrick's Day 
 9:00 a.m. Fr. Paddy Donaghey ✠
5:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 18, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Joe and Malinda Gleason (L)
 5:00 p.m. Lucila Fente ✠

Sunday, March 19, 2017
 8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish (L)
 11:00 a.m. Janet Spera ✠

Readings for the Week of March 12, 2017

Sunday Second Sunday of Lent
 Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Monday
 Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday
 Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday
 Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday
 Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday Saint Patrick, Bishop
 Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday Third Sunday of Lent
 Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8;
 Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

MARCH PRAYER INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS



SUPPORT FOR PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS.

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.



Knights of Columbus
Lenten Fish Fry every Friday
from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.

Volunteers are needed from our Parish to assist with cooking, serving, providing cup cakes or cookies, any way you may wish to be involved, you are welcome.

Please contact us at

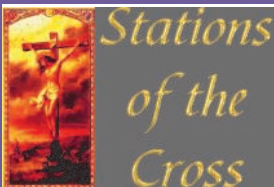
kccouncil14122sstm@yahoo.com

All Are Welcome

WIN A FREE DINNER
Winning Ticket Number for a free
Lenten Fish Fry Dinner

Week 1	5284117	Week 2
Week 3		Week 4
Week 5		Week 6

Save your tickets week to week and check to see if you are a lucky winner!

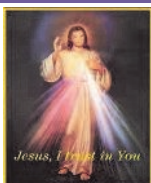


Every Friday
during Lent
March 3-April 7
5:00pm & 7:30pm



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

Join us the first Saturday of each month following the 9:00am Mass



DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Every Friday at 3:00pm
 also the 2nd Sunday of each month after the 8:30am Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet.
 All are welcome.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

at St. Stephen's every Tuesday
 from 9:30am to 7:00pm
 Evening Prayer at 4:30pm
 and Benediction at 6:45pm

Bulletin Announcements and Room Reservations:
 Please submit in writing to secretary@sstmcc.org



During the season of Lent, we are all called to embrace penances and to perform works of charity that reflect our desire for conversion of heart. Let us all pray fervently for those Catechumens and Candidates who will celebrate the Easter Sacraments with us this year. May this Lent lead us all to a deeper union in Christ with one another.

MARCH 12, 2017



Offerings

On-line giving is available through our website
www.ststephenthemartyr.info



March 4 & 5, 2017

Offertory \$12,179.05
Online \$ 3,369.50
\$15,548.55

Second Collection

Debt Reduction \$8,398.00
Online \$2,720.00
\$11,118.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.
Our weekly budgeted expenses are \$13,583.00

Future Second Collections

March 12, Black and Indian Missions

March 19, SVdP will be collecting after all the Masses

March 19, Catholic Relief Services

March 26, Easter Flowers



Normally on Fridays during Lent, we are obligated to abstain from all meat.



However, this year as St. Patrick's day falls on a Friday in Lent, Archbishop Gregory has granted a special **Dispensation** from the Discipline of Abstinence on March 17, 2017.

Enjoy your Corned Beef and Cabbage.



Next Sunday, March 19, is our monthly Pancake Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall, hosted by the K of C, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Come and enjoy pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, grits, juice and coffee for \$6 a plate or \$15 for a family of four (includes all children under 18).

All are welcome.



DO YOU NEED A VACATION??

How About A Get-Away Weekend? Give yourself and your spouse time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities. Want something more lasting than a weekend vacation in Bermuda or the Mountains? Enjoy a chance to talk and listen to that special person who loves you!

Make time to enrich your relationship by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next available Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are scheduled for April 21-23 and June 9-11 at the Atlanta Marriott Peachtree Corners. You can get more information or apply online at GATN-wwme.org or by calling **678-242-WWME**.

AREA LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES 2017

St. Marguerite	Wed. March 15	7:00pm
St. Lawrence	Mon. March 20	6:00pm
Holy Cross	Tues. March 21	7:00pm
Mary Our Queen	Mon. March 27	7:00pm
St. Oliver	Thurs. March 30	7:00pm
St. Patrick	Tues. April 4	7:00pm

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Looking for something special to do this Lent? Please consider signing up to pray for an hour in front of the Lawrenceville Planned Parenthood on one or more Saturdays this Lent. Saturdays are abortion days there, so prayer is greatly needed. We have found out that some women have changed their minds about having an abortion when they saw people peacefully praying in front of the abortion facility. Your presence and prayers could save an innocent life! For more information contact Brenda Stoll at

bjstoll@earthlink.net



Gifts of IRAs to the parish endowment fund to lower income:

The IRA Charitable Rollover is permanent. If you are 70 1/2 or older, you can make a gift directly from your IRA account to help support the work of your church's endowment fund and benefit from lowering your income and taxes. Please contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation for more information: jgreco@cfnga.org or 404-497-9440.

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 for a couple of hours a month, please come to one of our meetings held the Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. Our next meeting will be Tuesday March 14, 2017 in the Our Lady of Fatima room. We will be collecting donations after all the Masses on March 18 & 19.

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 12:00 noon in Our Lady of Fatima room. Please make arrangements for a babysitter as we do not provide babysitting services. Please contact the Parish Office at 770-381-7488 to register for the class. Parents will need to select Godparents for their child who are active, practicing Catholics.

Baptisms are scheduled 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 for their child.

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