



# St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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## Pastor

Rev. Brian Lorei

## Permanent Deacons

Dcn. Evelio Garcia-Carreras

Dcn. Rick Kaszycki

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

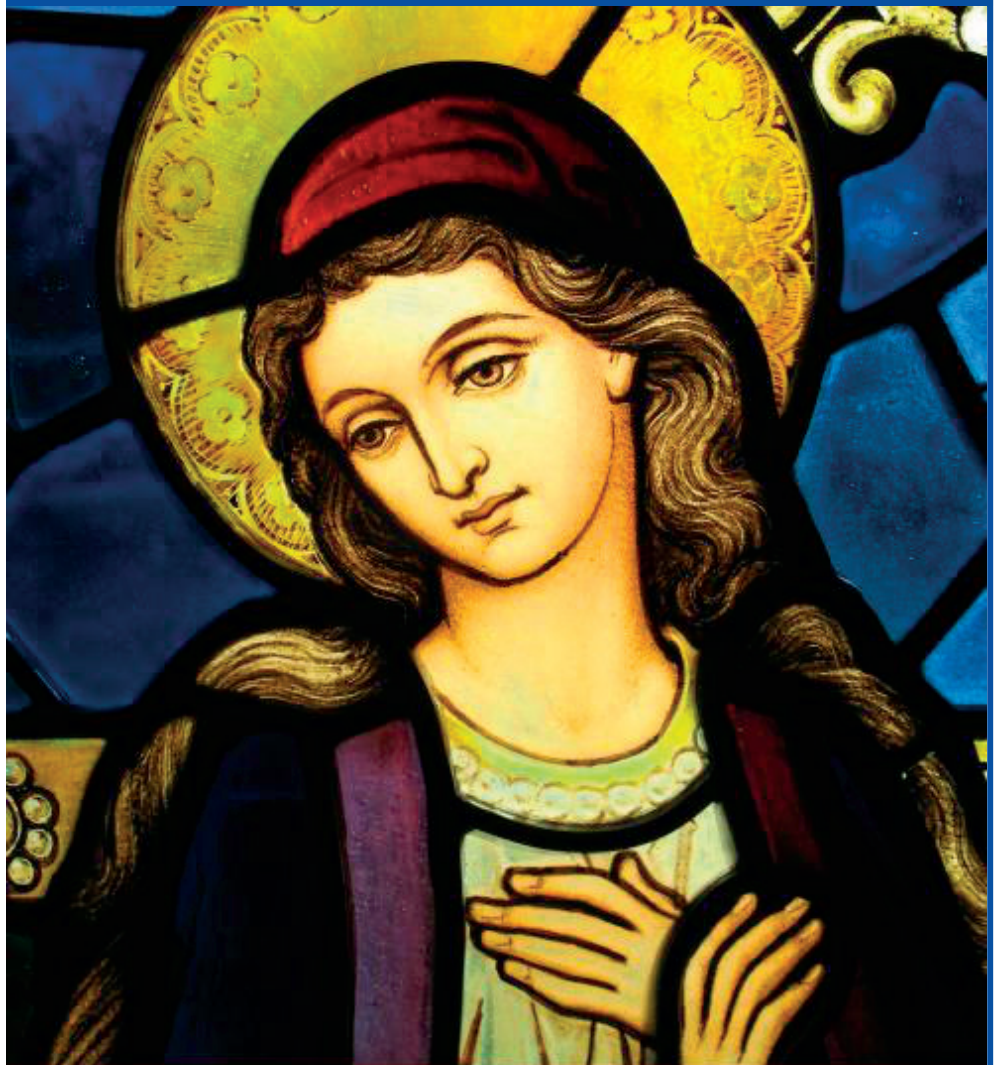
9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Friday

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

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

## SUNDAY DECEMBER 4, 2022



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*of the* BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



## 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

|                  |                             |
|------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>December 4, 2022</b>     |
| 8:30 a.m.        | Francois Diouf ☩            |
| 11:00 a.m.       | Betty Bishop ☩              |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>December 5, 2022</b>     |
| 9:00 a.m.        | Jamie & Suvitha Burks (L)   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>December 6, 2022</b>     |
| 9:00 a.m.        | Belle & Salvatore Altizio ☩ |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>December 7, 2022</b>     |
| 9:00 a.m.        | Paul Turtle ☩               |
| 7:00 pm          | Holy Souls in Purgatory     |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>December 8, 2022</b>     |
| 9:00 a.m.        | Dennis & Claire Magao ☩     |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>December 9, 2022</b>     |
| 9:00 a.m.        | Communion Service           |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>December 10, 2022</b>    |
| 9:00 a.m.        | Paul Turtle ☩               |
| 5:00 p.m.        | Stratil Family ☩            |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>December 11, 2022</b>    |
| 8:30 a.m.        | People Of The Parish        |
| 11:00 a.m.       | Sr. Danielle Paz (L)        |

## Christmas Food Baskets

(2<sup>nd</sup> Collection December 11)



Our 2nd Collection is for donations of food for the Holidays for those facing immediate hardship in our local community. We are working with the Lilburn Cooperative Ministry to provide 25 families with nutritious food and gift cards this year.



In addition, a portion of the money collected will be used to provide Welcome Baby Baskets to support the Walking with Moms In Need Ministry. This ministry reaches out to moms in our community who are impoverished and helps provide

the necessary resources empowering them to choose life for their babies.

***Thanks to all who give so generously!***



## Prepare the way for the Lord

If you missed the Penance Service at St. Stephen the Martyr on December 1st, Additional Penance Services are Listed Below

### LOCAL ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

|     |        |                  |      |
|-----|--------|------------------|------|
| Mon | Dec 5  | St. Patrick's    | 7 pm |
| Tue | Dec 6  | St. Oliver's     | 7 pm |
| Tue | Dec 13 | St. John Neumann | 7 pm |
| Thu | Dec 15 | St. Marguerite   | 7 pm |
| Fri | Dec 16 | Corpus Christi   | 7 pm |
| Tue | Dec 20 | Holy Cross       | 7 pm |

### Forever Young Seniors Potluck Luncheon

**Monday, December 12 at 12:00 Noon  
Fellowship Hall**

All are Welcome. Please bring a dish to share. Also, there is an optional Secret Santa Gift Exchange which you may bring a wrapped gift (\$10-15).

*Come for fellowship and fun.*



## Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, December 7th  
Adoration 9:30AM - 10:30AM  
Vigil Mass 7:00PM

Thursday December 8th  
Mass 9:00 AM

### Saturday, December 24th

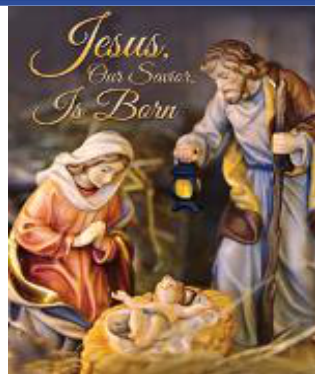
#### Christmas Eve

**4:00 PM Vigil Mass**  
**6:00 PM Vigil Mass**  
**10:00 PM Night Mass**

### Sunday, December 25th

#### Christmas Day

**10:00 AM Morning Mass**



*Please Pray the **Rosary** Of The Unborn*  
[rosaryoftheunborn.com](http://rosaryoftheunborn.com)

DECEMBER 4, 2022

# TITHES & OFFERINGS

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Consider Using Our On-line Giving Portal**

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**OR, You can mail your offertory gift to:**

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**Weekend of Nov. 27, 2022**

Offertory \$ 6,914

On Line \$ 4,216

Total \$ 11,130

**2nd Coll. Campaign for H.D.**

Offertory \$ 682

On Line \$ 0

Total \$ 682

**Thank you for your continued generosity!**

**Current and Upcoming Second Collections**

|                   |                                 |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| December 4, 2022  | Property and Maintenance        |
| December 11, 2022 | Christmas Baskets for the Needy |
| December 18, 2022 | Christmas Flowers               |
| December 25, 2022 | Catholic Charities              |



There will be a Children's Rosary prayed at St. Stephen the Martyr on Friday December 9, at 5:00pm. We hope you will be able to join the children. *All are welcome to come and pray the Rosary with us.*

**Pope Francis December Prayer Intention  
For Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations**



We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.



*The Altar Flowers this weekend  
Were Donated by  
Kathy McCollum  
In Loving Memory of  
Her Father  
Jack Hornsby*



**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS**

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



St. Stephen's Christmas Angel Tree helps families in need at Christmas time. If you select a Christmas Angel from the tree, please return each gift card, with the angel attached to the card, to the Church no later than

**Wednesday, Dec. 14** by 4:30PM.



**"My spirit rejoices in God my Savior"**

As we rejoice this Advent, we can plan how to share that joy with others. In addition to caring for your family, remember to include the parish endowment fund in your will or estate plans. Go to [cfngalegacy.org](http://cfngalegacy.org) and click on "Plan Your Will" for free will planning tools. Contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation at 404.497.9440 or [greco@cfnga.org](mailto:greco@cfnga.org) to learn more.



Lilburn Co-op serves families in our area needing food during this time. Their pantry shelves are low. In addition to financial contributions, donated goods go a long ways toward helping us provide assistance to our Gwinnett neighbors who really need it.

**Can you help feed needy families?**

**ITEMS IN MOST NEED**

**Please bring your food pantry donations  
directly to the Lilburn Co-op.**

**5329 Five Forks Trickum Road, Lilburn**

Bring donations Mon.— Sat. 9am - 5pm

- Jelly
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Pasta
- Crackers
- Mashed Potatoes
- Laundry Detergent
- Bar Soap/deodorant
- Razors
- Hamburger Helper
- Toothpaste

Please, Lilburn Co-op does NOT need any more peanut butter, canned green beans, canned corn, canned kidney beans, canned pinto beans. Thank You.

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