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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 JUNE 23, 2024

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A violent squall came up and waves were breaking over the boat,
so that it was already filling up. They woke him and said to him,
"Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"

Mt 4:37-38



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

Sunday	June 23, 2024
8:30 a.m.	Father's Day Novena
11:00 a.m.	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Monday	June 24, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Father's Day Novena
Tuesday	June 25, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Rebecca Motes & Family (L)
Wednesday	June 26, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Maria N. Hung ☩
Thursday	June 27, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	June 28, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Mark DeHarde (L)
Saturday	June 29, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Bob Sanders ☩
5:00 p.m.	Paul Sauerburger ☩
Sunday	June 30, 2024
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
11:00 a.m.	Clare O'Neil ☩



Fr. Colin Patrick was among the five men ordained to the Holy Priesthood for the Archdiocese of Atlanta on Saturday June 1, 2024, at the Holy Vietnamese Martyrs Church.

We are thankful for his wonderful year of service here at St. Stephens in the summer of 2019 and we have been looking forward to this day.

Fr. Colin will be at St. Stephens on Sunday June 23rd, 2024 to celebrate a "Mass of Thanksgiving" at the 11:00am Mass. After the 11:00am Mass, there will be an opportunity to receive an individual priestly blessing from Fr. Colin in the Church. There will also be a reception in the Fellowship Hall. All are invited.

Let us pray for the newly ordained priests of this Archdiocese; May they be faithful in conforming to God's will, and lead souls to greater truth, virtue and love.

Quo Vadis

Where Are You Going?

In Latin, "quo vadis" means "where are you going?" This is a key question for any young man as he looks toward his future. Our annual Quo Vadis retreat helps high school men encounter Christ, deepen their faith, and learn principles of discernment for future life decisions.

WHAT?

Summer retreat for high school men

WHEN?

July 23, 2024, 6pm until July 25, 2024, 12pm

LOCATION

Camp Gideon in Acworth, GA

AGES

Rising Sophomores through Graduating Seniors

COST

\$30

QUESTIONS

Contact the Office of Vocations at 404-920-7460 or vocationsatl.archatl.com



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To register or for more information on future classes, contact Ann Hall at 404-915-1685 or annlabar@hotmail.com



St. Stephen's Knights of Columbus
Will Host

5th Sunday Rosary

on Sunday June 30, 2024
Following 11:00am Mass



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Tuesday from 9:30am to 6:45pm
Evening Prayer at 4:30pm and
Benediction at 6:30pm

JUNE 23, 2024

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TITHES & OFFERINGS

FREELY YOU HAVE RECEIVED. FREELY GIVE.

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

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OR, You can mail your offertory gift to:

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<u>Weekend of June 16, 2024</u>	<u>2nd Coll. Father's Day Novena</u>
Offertory \$ 7,661	Offertory \$ 2,632
On Line \$ 3,630	On Line \$ 370
Total \$ 11,291	Total \$ 3,002

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Current and Upcoming Second Collections

June 23, 2024	No Second Collection
June 30, 2024	Peter's Pence
July 7, 2024	Property and Maintenance
July 14, 2024	Mission Cooperative
July 21, 2024	Outreach



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Do You Have an Insurance Policy You No Longer Need?

Donate it to the parish endowment fund. The process is simple, and it will help the parish for many years to come. You will receive a nice tax deduction based on the cash value in the policy. To learn more, contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation at (jgreco@cfnga.org or 404-497-9440) or go to cfnga.org/give



*Please Pray the Rosary
Of The Unborn*
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It is so easy to complain when things don't go our way. We don't understand why certain situations have to be so hard or why family members have to suffer. We get down about things like the weather, the outcome of a sporting

event or the food we ordered being cooked incorrectly. If anyone ever had anything to complain about it was certainly Job, but in today's first reading God called him out on it rather strongly.

God himself teaches us with this passage just how much he dislikes complaining. Because, if we think about it, do we really have anything to be unhappy about? Our Psalm proclaims: "Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting." And that sums it up right there. Period. There is not much else to say. We have the love of God, what more do we need? Thanks be to God!

Our second reading only confirms this thought. "The love of Christ impels us... whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come." Everything on this earth will pass away. Every possession, every created thing, every person and every moment of suffering will all pass away. Even the second that you took to read this line has already passed, never to return. Yet no part of this rather stark reality should cause us fear, because we are a new creation in Christ and his love impels us forward.

In today's Gospel, the disciples fell into fear, and Jesus reminded them of his great power and love by calming the storm with just three words: "Quiet! Be Still!" When we call on him in faith, he can calm our storms as well. No matter how strong the winds or how tall the waves, Jesus can help us both physically and spiritually. And just like the disciples, we are once again filled with awe.

So whenever life's many trials and tribulations get you down, remember that complaining won't get you anywhere. Instead, lift your heart and mind to our all-powerful God and give thanks to him, whose love is everlasting.

Tami Urcia

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

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

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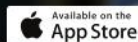
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