



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 JULY 9, 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.

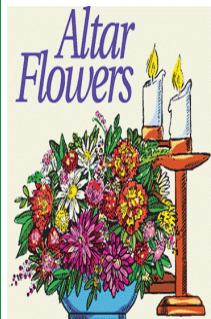
MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, July 9, 2017
 8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish (L)
 11:00 a.m. Milagros Lim Lopez ☩
Monday, July 10, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Delores Long, OCDS ☩
Tuesday, July 11, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Jessie P. McGarity ☩
Wednesday, July 12, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Manuel Martinez ☩
Thursday, July 13, 2017
 9:00 a.m. **Communion Service**
Friday, July 14, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Emeka Adibe (L)
Saturday, July 15, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Janet Spera ☩
 5:00 p.m. Angelina and John Iannelli ☩
Sunday, July 16, 2017
 8:30 a.m. Eric and Ashley Paz (L)
 11:00 a.m. The People of the Parish (L)



Come and join us for coffee and donuts in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings after the 8:30am Mass. All are welcome.

The Altar Flowers this weekend were donated by



*Rick and Cheri Robison
 and the Robison Family
 in loving memory of
 Ricky Robison,
 Son, Brother and Friend.*



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

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

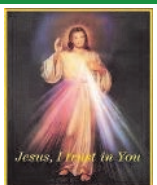
Eucharistic



Adoration

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



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.

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

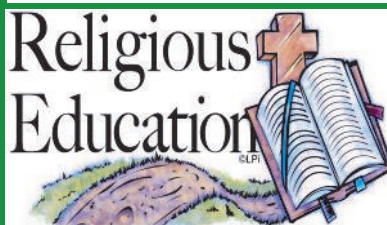
Readings for the Week of July 9, 2017

Sunday **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14;
 Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30
Monday
Tuesday **Saint Benedict, Abbot**
 Gn 32:23-33; Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15;
 Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday
 Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Ps 33:2-3, 10-11,
 18-19; Mt 10:1-7
Thursday **Saint Henry**
 Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Ps 105:16-17,
 18-19, 20-21; Mt 10:7-15
Friday **Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin**
 Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40;
 Mt 10:16-23
Saturday **Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**
 Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Ps 105:1-4, 6-7; Mt 10:24-33
Sunday **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 Is 55:10-11; Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14;
 Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9



JULY PRAYER INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS

Lapsed Christians. That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.



Religious Education
 It will soon be time for the Parish School of Religion to start. Why not register early and ensure your child's spot in the class room as our space is limited. You can pick up a registration form for the 2017/2018 school year at the Information Center in the Narthex. Classes will begin, Sunday August 20, 2017 at 9:45-10:45am. Contact Deacon Mike for information at 770-381-7488, x222.

Anyone interested in becoming a primary grade Catechist, please contact Deacon Mike.



Join us from 6-7:30pm every Wednesday night beginning August 16, 2017 to learn more about your faith, make some friends and join in the church community.

All middle school teens are welcome. Registration forms are at the Information Center in the Narthex. For more information or questions, please contact Deacon Mike at 770-381-7488 Ext. 222.

JULY 9, 2017

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Offerings

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



July 1 & 2, 2017

Offertory \$10,954.000

Online \$ 2,865.50
\$13,819.50

Second Collection

Debt Reduction \$9,105.00

Online \$1,355.00
\$10,460.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.
Our weekly budgeted expenses are \$10,297.00

Future Second Collections

July 9, Peter's Pence

July 16, SVdP will be collecting after all Masses

July 16, Archdiocese for the Military Services

July 23, No Second Collection



While you are having a wonderful vacation and enjoying your friends and loved ones please don't forget St. Stephens! Consider setting up your on-line giving today! If you need help getting started, please call the Parish Office. Regretfully, each year our offertory goes down during the summer months.
Please remember your parish!

★ JUNE 21 to JULY 4 ★
FORTNIGHT OF FREEDOM **FREEDOM TO SERVE**
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Religious freedom is a fundamental right. It means that the government cannot coerce people into acting against their consciences. This is important for all people, not just people of faith. A government that makes one group choose obedience to the state over obedience to faith and conscience can force any group to submit to the state's demands. Religious freedom underlies all other freedoms for everyone.

Authentic Pluralism. A pluralistic society makes space for people who hold views that run counter to the mainstream. Religious groups, and groups formed around a particular set of principles, need to be able to express their views with integrity. Should an animal rights organization be required by law to hire a member of a hunting association? Of course not. Then, for example, neither should a religious organization be required to hire people who oppose the teachings of that religion. It is crucial that our society not adopt the view that all groups – least of all religious groups -- must conform to one view. True freedom results in a diversity that strengthens, rather than weakens, society. (www.usccb.org)

SAVE THE DATE

St. Stephen's Parishioner



**Saturday
September 23, 2017**



Quo Vadis?

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

Quo Vadis, Where Are You Going? is a retreat for high school men sponsored by the Office of Vocations that will be held July 23–25, 2017 at Camp Gideon in Acworth, GA. The retreat is open to rising 10th grade through graduating senior students.

For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at 404-920-7460 or vocationsatl@archatl.com.

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 July 11, 2017 in the Our Lady of Fatima room. We will be collecting donations after all the Masses on July 15 & 16.

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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