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ST STEPHEN MARTYR CATHOLIC CHURCH

Readings for the week of July 19, 2026

Sunday:

Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16/
Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday:

Mt 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21
and 23/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday:

Mt 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8/
Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday:

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17Ps 63:2, 3-4,
5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday:

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9,
10-11/Mt 13:10-17

Friday:

Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/
Mt 13:18-23

Saturday:

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/
Mt 20:20-28

Next Sunday:

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-
130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Mass and Procession in Honor of the Holy Spirit Tuesday, July 21st at 8:30a.m.

Jesus said to St. Mary of Jesus Crucified: *"I ardently hope that priests celebrate a Mass every month in honor of the Holy Spirit. Whoever offers it or hears it, will be honored by the Holy Spirit Himself; he will have light, he will have peace. He will heal the sick, wake those who sleep..."* (Saint Mary of Jesus Crucified)



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you an adult interested in joining the Catholic faith, or completing the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation? Registration will begin in August. Classes start in September.

Please contact Denise Gonzales at (626)327-2113 for more information.

GOD WORKS WITHIN THE Mess

ter?" That last word landed with a judgmental thud. It hurt. Because at times the Church can look painfully ordinary, even disappointing.

But Jesus' parables in today's Gospel meet that frustration head-on. He says, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field," yet the weeds grow up with the wheat, and the master allows both to grow together until harvest. To his listeners, this sounded strange, even offensive. They expected God's reign to be pure, powerful, and glorious, anything but mixed up, hidden, or small.

Jesus is showing us something essential. The Kingdom always begins small and grows amid imperfection. Grace and weakness exist side by side until the harvest. That is why the Church often looks messy. Yet within that mess, God's quiet work continues. The weeds do not stop the wheat from growing.

When we see the Church's flaws or our own, it helps to remember that this is exactly the field in which Christ chose to plant. The miracle is not that everything looks perfect, but that his Word keeps taking root anyway.

Lord, give me patience with Your field, the Church. Help me see Your hidden life growing even among the weeds. Amen.— Father John Muir

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Associate Pastor

Armando & Irene Estrada
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

5:00 PM (English)

Sunday

7:00 AM (English)

9:00 AM (Spanish)

11:00 AM (Indonesian)

1:00 PM (English)

Monday—Saturday

8:30 AM (English)

Perpetual Help Novena Mass

6:00 PM (English)

Friday

6:00 PM (Bilingual)

Confessions

Saturdays 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

No Appointment needed

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

9:00 AM—6:00 PM

(closed 1:00PM -

2:00 PM for lunch)

Please call the parish office
for assistance or to schedule
an appointment.

"We are a diverse faith community that strives to conform ourselves into the image of Christ in and through the power of the Holy Spirit, and nourished by The Word, Sacraments and Tradition to give glory to God and to be a light unto the nations."

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**Tú,
Señor, eres
bueno
y clemente**

**MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO ALENTAR UN
ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO
DE LA ESCRITURA**

El Papa Francisco, de feliz memoria, decía lo siguiente con referencia a las parábolas enseñadas por Jesús a sus oyentes: “Jesús, cuando hablaba, usaba un lenguaje sencillo y también imágenes, ejemplos tomados de la vida cotidiana, para poder ser comprendido fácilmente por todos. Por esto lo escuchaban encantados y apreciaban su mensaje, que llegaba directo al corazón. No era ese lenguaje complicado que usaban los doctores de la ley de la época, difícil de entender, lleno de rigidez y que alejaba a la gente. Con este lenguaje, Jesús hacía comprender el misterio del Reino de Dios; no era una teología complicada” (16-07-2017).

Danos, Señor, de tu sabiduría por medio del Espíritu Santo, para ser semilla del trigo bueno, aun cuando crezca la cizaña junto a nosotros. Quita de nuestro corazón la envidia, el rencor y la mentira; limpia con tu amor lo malo de nuestros pensamientos y acciones. Que tu Palabra sea el centro de nuestra vida. Que no perturben tan fácilmente nuestra fe los medios de comunicación, el internet ni los chismes de farándula que vemos y escuchamos todos los días. Que seas Tú quien nos guíe hacia tu gracia. Gracias por amarnos a pesar del mal presente en nosotros. Abre nuestros oídos para escucharte y seguir tu voz, y que tu mensaje de hoy no sea en vano. “El que tenga oídos, que entienda” (Mateo 13:43).

**Misa y Procesión en Honor
al Espíritu Santo
martes 21 de julio a las 8:30a.m.**

Jesús le dijo a Santa María de Jesús Crucificado: “Deseo ardientemente que los sacerdotes celebren cada mes una Misa en honor al Espíritu Santo. Sea quien sea el que la ofrezca el que la escuche, será honrado por el propio Espíritu Santo; tendrá luz, tendrá paz. Curará los enfermos, despertará a aquellos que duermen...” (Santa María de Jesús Crucificado)



¿Tiene una solicitud de intención de Misa para un ser querido? Envíe su solicitud de intención visitando la oficina parroquial o llamando al (626) 573-0427 a más tardar el martes por la tarde anterior a la semana en la que desea que se mencione su intención. Este tiempo también nos ayudará a asegurarnos de que su intención se incluya en el boletín. Ya NO podemos aceptar solicitudes de último momento. En un esfuerzo por ser considerados con nuestros ministros, le pedimos que no solicite intención antes del inicio de la Misa.



Luz del Espíritu Santo
Grupo de Oración

**Predicadora
Lina Torbay**
miercoles 22 de julio
las 6:00p.m.

**Presencial en Salon 6
Zoom ID 829 4029 7572**

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JULY 19, 2026 - SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Request a Mass Intention

Do you have a Mass intention request for a loved one?

Please submit your intention request by visiting the parish office or by calling (626)573-

0427 no later than Tuesday afternoon prior to the week of which you would like your intention to be mentioned. This time will also help us to ensure that your intention is included in the bulletin. **We can NO longer accommodate last-minute requests.** In an effort to be considerate towards our ministers, we ask that you please do not submit intention requests prior to the start of Mass.



Wednesday, July 8th \$72.00

Friday, July 10th \$279.00

July 11th & 12th \$5,131.00

Online \$606.00

Second Collection \$1,321.00

Thank you for your commitment to your parish.



SATURDAY, JULY 18, 2026

5:00 pm Irene Tjakrawinata (D)

SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2026

7:00 am Silvestre Magdaong (D)

9:00 am Marco Argueta (D)
Alejandra Pineda (D)
Arturo y Antonio Perez (D)

1:00 pm Celia Guerrero (D)
Tam Family (L)
Bruce Foster (L)

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2026

8:30 am John Vosburg (D)

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026

8:30 am Raquel Sanchez - Happy Birthday!!!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026

8:30 am Judy Byzewski (D)

6:00 pm Helen Rivera (L)

THURSDAY, JULY 23, 2026

8:30 am Hilda Velazquez (D)

FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2026

8:30 am Rick Erhard (D)

6:00 pm Animas Benditas del Purgatorio

SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2026

8:30 am Maria Guadalupe Gonzales (D)
Patty Fernandez - Happy Birthday!!!

Divine Mercy Pilgrimage Poland - Czech Republic - Medjugorje November 9 - 20, 2026

Spiritual Director
Fr. Joseph Magdaong

Please contact John E. Rivera (Aspire Travel US) at (626)427-5223 / (626)427-5220 or visit nativitypilgrimage.com/st-stephen-martyr for more information.



DID YOU KNOW?

What is Generative Artificial Intelligence?

Generative Artificial Intelligence is technology that allows a user to create new or alter existing images, videos, or text, based on user prompts or requests. It can be misused to create AI-generated child sexual abuse

material, including sexually explicit or exploitative images that depict real children. According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, this technology is being used to exploit children, particularly in the creation of GAI Child Sexual Abuse Material, often generated from images that have already been posted or shared online. In many cases, the offenders were people who knew the child victims well. For more information, visit <https://www.missingkids.org/theissues/generative-ai>.

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PARISH GOAL: \$37,371.00

AMOUNT PAID: \$21,324.00

BALANCE: \$16,047.00



The word of God
is a light to the mind
and a fire to the will.

—St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Please Pray For... Lung - Tam Family, Rosalie Pinto, Augie & Annamae Koch, Jesusita Serrano, Alicia Valdez, Armando Romo, Dolores Munoz, Alicia Islas, Denise Gonzales, Laura Sesti, Guadalupe Ayala, Helen Rivera, Margarita Audelo, Amelia Barraza, Alicia Nunez, Vikky Rogers, Michael Anthony Barraza, Leo Sanchez, Douglas Perales, Frances, Krystal & Sai Lam, Carlos Espinoza Ornelas, Bruce Foster, Lily Huerta, May Tan, Terry Tarin

To insure that the prayer list is accurate, please contact the parish office on a monthly basis if you would like for your name to remain on the list.

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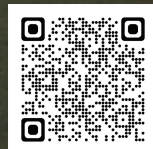
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