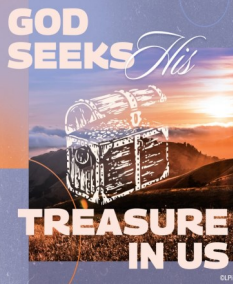


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ST STEPHEN MARTYR CATHOLIC CHURCH



GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Around the time that the gold rushes ended in the nineteenth-century West, a curious phenomenon arose in New England known as money diggers. These were men who roamed the countryside with shovels, divining rods, and superstitious hope, convinced that treasure lay buried beneath their feet. Surely there must be gold under our feet. But there was not. The craze of these wild goose chases caused many to lose farms, families, and sanity.

In this week's Gospel, Jesus inaugurates a new era of spiritual money digging. He announces, "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field." He invites us to become treasure seekers who search in the right place. What is of greatest value is not money beneath our feet, but the infinite treasure hidden deep in the humanity of Jesus himself, God's own blessed life. The glory of heaven lies veiled in his ordinary life, his teaching, his suffering, his Church.

This teaching about the Kingdom changes things. Now we see the Church's doctrinal and moral teachings are not arbitrary rules. They are a treasure map. Follow them, and we will uncover divine happiness. Ignore them, and we will wander aimlessly, spade in hand, digging in empty fields, discouraged.

Where have we wasted energy seeking treasure in the wrong places? How have we given up on seeking the treasure of truly finding God's love for us? If so, let us repent of both. Then let us dust off our shovels and get back to digging deep into the field of Christ Jesus and his Church. After all, He never ceases seeking his treasure in us.
— Father John Muir



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.

Readings for the week of July 26, 2026

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

Monday:

Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday:

Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday:

Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday:

Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab/Mt 13:47-53

Friday:

Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday:

Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday:

Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18/Rom 8:35, 37-39/

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Fr. Joseph Magdaong
Pastor

Fr. Ali Kanissius
Associate Pastor

Armando & Irene Estrada
Deacon Couple

Alicia Vazquez
Office Manager

Dale Ann Torbey
Business Manager

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."

WEBSITE:STSTEPHENMPK.ORG - EMAIL: ST.STEPHEN.MARTYR@GMAIL.COM

Yo amo,
Señor, tus
mandamientos



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

La Exhortación Apostólica Evangelii Gaudium (La alegría del Evangelio), del Santo Padre Francisco, nos habla de la alegría que llena el corazón del cristiano al escuchar la Palabra de Dios y ponerla en práctica.

“La alegría del Evangelio llena el corazón y la vida entera de los que se encuentran con Jesús. Quienes se dejan salvar por Él son liberados del pecado, de la tristeza, del vacío interior y del aislamiento. Con Jesucristo siempre nace y renace la alegría” (Evangelii Gaudium, n. 1). Sin embargo, por el otro lado de la moneda, es decir, desde la lógica del mundo, se nos dice que la alegría es algo material, y es tener muchas cosas para alcanzar la felicidad. Pero todo eso es vano y pasajero; la verdadera alegría se encuentra en otro lugar y hay que poner empeño para buscarla.

El Evangelio de hoy nos habla de un tesoro escondido en un campo, de perlas finas y de una red lanzada al mar. Dejar todo lo que se tiene para obtener lo encontrado y luchar por conservarlo es un reto difícil. Esto se obtiene solo cuando se le encuentra sentido a lo encontrado y se reconoce que vale más que todo lo que ya se posee. ¡Qué felices somos cuando descubrimos algo que realmente vale la pena, que da sentido y dirección a nuestra vida! Entonces nos decimos: “Esto sí vale la pena”. Jesús no se cansa de invitarnos a la búsqueda de su Reino: a encontrar el tesoro de su gracia en nuestro corazón, a valorar la perla preciosa de sus sacramentos y a lanzar la red de la paz y la alegría en nuestro entorno familiar y comunitario. ¡Señor, que tu Reino sea nuestra esperanza!

**Adoración del Santísimo
7 de agosto 2026**

**Adoración del Santísimo
3:00 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.**

**Misa
6:00 P.M.**



*Intenciones
de Misas*

¿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**

**Adoración al Santísimo
miercoles 29 de julio
las 6:00p.m.**

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

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META PARROQUIAL: \$37,371.00

MONTO PAGADO: \$21,324.00

SALDO: \$16,047.00



JULY 29, 2026 - SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

August 7, 2026

Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
3:00 P.M.—5:30 P.M.

Bilingual Mass
6:00 P.M.

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.



Wednesday, July 15th \$108.00

Friday, July 17th \$80.00

July 18th & 19th \$4,534.00

Online \$535.00

Air Conditioning \$1,666.00

Peter's Pence \$1,088.00

Our Lady of Mt Carmel \$63.00

Thank you for your commitment to your parish.



SATURDAY, JULY 25, 2026

5:00 pm Maria Guadalupe Gonzales (D)

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 2026

7:00 am Pacita Onglatco (D)

9:00 am Jaime Aispuro Beltran (D)
Jose y Josefa Fernandez (D)
Adrian Fernandez (D)
Anita Castro (D)

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

MONDAY, JULY 27, 2026

8:30 am Anna Wu (L)
Pacita Onglatco (D)

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026

8:30 am Anna Wu (L)
Pacita Onglatco (D)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2026

8:30 am Vikki Rogers (L)
6:00 pm Del Sabado (D)

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2026

8:30 am Fredrick Murga - Happy Birthday!!!

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2026

8:30 am Arturo Compean (D)
6:00 pm Ramon Valdez (D)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026

8:30 am Marge Velazquez (D)



DID YOU KNOW?

Safety on the road this summer

Summer means more children are using paths and roads for biking, walking, and rolling. That is why the state of California started the "Protect Our Pedestrians. Protect Our Cyclists" education campaign. The campaign calls on drivers to slow down, look out for people of all ages who are biking and walking. One important way to stay safe is to teach children to put phones, headphones and devices down when crossing the street. For more information please visit: <https://gosafelyca.org/share-the-road/>.

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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, Vikki 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.