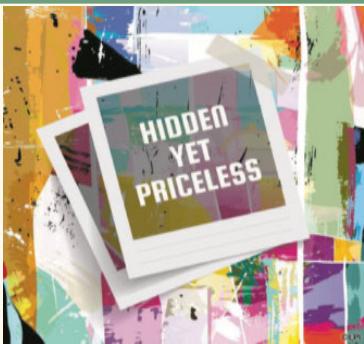


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GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

There was a young mother in my parish community who was depressed due to financial strain. She prayed for help. One morning before Mass, she placed on the counter a zip-lock bag filled with jewelry and old coins. Smiling, she explained she had been fixing an old cabinet and found the items hidden deep within the walls of her home. One particular coin could be worth as much as \$900,000. The contents of the bag—previously unknown to them—were now their prized possession. Their plans changed that week. They had to learn how much it was worth.

This week, the Lord tells us, "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be" (Luke 12:34). Our lives revolve around what we treasure. When we discover the treasure the Father gives us—the kingdom of God—everything changes. We might not know its precise value, but we rearrange our lives around it. The joy of this discovery should never be far from our minds.

Sometimes we go through times when we can't find this treasure. It seems hidden. Or it appears like dirty old coins and worthless jewelry in a Ziploc bag. But how crazy would my parishioners be if they tossed it away without knowing the cash value? How much crazier are we if we center our hearts on any treasure except that of Jesus and his kingdom? Remember, the Father is pleased to give it to us. That's why we put our hearts there, even when it is hidden.

— Father John Muir



Are you an adult interested in joining the Catholic faith, or completing the sacraments of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation?

St Stephen's OCIA will be having meetings to answer your questions!

Please join us on one of the following dates for a orientation meeting in Room 1 from 11:30 to 12:30.

Sunday, August 17th, 24th

Sunday, September 7th



Registration for our Religious Education Program will take place in the Religious Education office on Sunday, 10th after the 9am & 1pm Masses.



*Assumption
of the
BLESSED
VIRGIN
Mary*

Holy Day of Obligation

**Friday, August 15th
8:30 AM (English Mass)**

**6:00 PM
(Bilingual Mass)**

**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

9am—6pm

**(closed 1pm—2pm
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."

St. Stephen Martyr Church

Hawaiian Gala

Sunday, October 12th

Doubletree Hotel

\$85.00

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Todos tenemos algo bajo nuestro cuidado: la familia, un enfermo, los padres, los niños. Incluso el lugar en que vivimos, nuestra casa común, nuestro planeta. Dios cuenta con nosotros para dar respuesta al Evangelio de hoy. "Estén preparados", nos dice. "Tengan puesta la ropa de trabajo y sus lámparas encendidas" (Lucas 12:33). Nos pide estar siempre en vela, alertas, preparados para su llegada. Por lo tanto, debemos estar atentos, trabajando en todo lo que nos acerca a Él. Ser fieles a su Palabra implica responsabilidad, implica avivar el fuego de Dios en el corazón de cada persona.

Pedro, como siempre, se anima a preguntar: "Señor, esta parábola que has contado, ¿es sólo para nosotros o es para todos?". Gracias, Pedro, por preguntar. Así, el Señor Jesús afirma que el trabajo y la fidelidad son para todos sin excepción: "Afortunado ese servidor si, al llegar su señor, lo encuentra cumpliendo su deber" (Lucas 12:43). Esta respuesta es una invitación a cooperar en el crecimiento del Reino de Dios, a entusiasmarnos en los proyectos comunitarios que llevan al bien común. "El amor a la sociedad y el compromiso por el bien común son una forma excelente de la caridad, que no solo afecta a las relaciones entre los individuos, sino a las macro relaciones, como las relaciones sociales, económicas y políticas" (Papa Francisco, Laudato Si', 231, septiembre 21, 2023).



La inscripción para nuestro programa de educación religiosa (preparación para la Primera Comunión) se llevará a cabo en la Oficina de Educación Religiosa durante las siguientes fechas:

domingo, 10 de agosto
Después de las Misas de 9am y 1pm.



*Asunción
de la
Virgen María*

día santo de obligación

viernes 15 de Agosto
8:00 AM (misa en inglés)
6:00 PM (misa bilingüe)



Luz del Espíritu Santo
Grupo de Oración

Predicadora
Virginia Martinez
miercoles, 13 de agosto
las 6:00pm

Presencial en Salón 6

Vía Zoom
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*Misa y Procesión en Honor
al Espíritu Santo*

jueves 21 de agosto a las 8:30 a.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)

Por sus llagas eres sanado
Isaías 53:5

MISA DE SANACION
viernes, 12 de septiembre 6:00pm
Misa sera bilingüe



*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.

AUGUST 10, 2025 - NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass and Procession in Honor of the Holy Spirit Thursday, August 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)



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS Offertory/Online:

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"Fear Not because I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my glorious right hand"
Isaiah 41:10

If you have experienced the loss of a loved one, please consider joining our group. The group will meet on the last 1:00 pm Friday of the month at 7pm in Room 1.

The Bereavement Group encourages people to trust their feelings and grieve in the way that seems most helpful to them. We share feelings, exchange stories and support one another through prayer, asking for peace and acceptance.



SATURDAY, AUGUST 9, 2025

5:00 pm Dennis Atkins (D)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025

7:00 am Vikki Rogers (L)

9:00 am Manuel y Dolores Compean (D)

Lina Vilar (L) In Thanksgiving
Lopez Family (L) In Thanksgiving

MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025

Alicia Valdez (L)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2025

Irene Tajkrawinata (D)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2025

8:30 am Linh—Trinh (L)

6:00 pm Del Sabado (D)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025

8:30 am Rick Erhard (D)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025

8:30 am Ganet & Raymond Gabriel Murry (D)

6:00 pm Armando Magdaleno (D)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025

8:30 am Ganey & Raymond Gabriel Murry (D)
William Bacio (D)

DID YOU KNOW? Far-reaching effects of child abuse

Children who suffer from sexual abuse run a greater risk of negative associated outcomes, not only with their mental health, but also suicidal tendencies, potential future abuse, more cognitive deficits, or lower educational interests and efforts. Abused children also are at higher risk for eating disorders, obesity, early onset of puberty, or chronic health issues. Ultimately, abuse has far-reaching consequences beyond childhood for many victims, and it is critical to act quickly to protect potential victims. It's important to remember that any intervention or supportive response from a safe adult can reduce the risk of many or all negative outcomes. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Disclosures Part 1: Why are Disclosures Important?" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know.

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

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