

SAINT STEPHEN FIRST MARTYR



CATHOLIC CHURCH



September 13, 2026



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WITH COMPASSION.

— MATTHEW 18:27 —



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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WEEKLY PRAYER FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13

MASS INTENTIONS

REQUESTED BY

THIS SATURDAY

05:00pm †Soul of Willie Crowe.....Maria Crowe

THIS SUNDAY

08:00am †Soul of Bill Mueck

10:00am Our Parish Community

12:00pm †Soul of Alfonso Capapas.....Normita Baluyot

MONDAY

12:00pm †Soul of Dolly Parton

07:00pm †Soul of Martina Garcia Torres...Noe & Imelda Camacho

TUESDAY

12:00pm †Soul of Georgiana Bucman.....Bill & Helen Walter

WEDNESDAY

12:00pm †Poor Souls in Purgatory.....Gudrun Poertner

THURSDAY

12:00pm †Soul of Frankelly Santana.....Nicholle Germain

07:00pm Our Parish Community

FRIDAY

7:00pm Our Parish Community

NEXT SATURDAY

05:00pm †Soul of Marcus Barrett.....Eric & Rita Johanson

NEXT SUNDAY

08:00am †Soul of Carmen Grant.....Henry & Ione Phillips

10:00am †Soul of Heinz-Bernd Linden.....Spurgeon Family

12:00pm †Souls of the Alcala, Baltazar, Santos, Selso Families
.....Maria Alcala

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Max Gilardi	Joe & Pat	Walter Helmick
Laura Mattaden	JohnsonJanice	Andre McCall
Axel Bateman	Robertson	Nellie Orta
Michael Thomas	Tom & Jeannine Wing	Angela Wheeler
Maria Crowe	Nancy Hill	Merle Stroud
Jaoquina Meno	June Holt	Renee Millner
Iris	Leslie Shaw	Larry Harris
Alaia Sanmiguel Barrero	Stacy Fletcher	Dottie Cozier
Zulma Rivera	Sandra Powell	Fred Hand
Angel Rivera	Joyce Elliott	Iris Potett
Cheryl Birthrong	Laurie Elliott	Mary Huffman
Susan Marie	Doug Walker	Joan Rambach
Jimmy Marchini	Hettie Johnson	Chambers Family
John H.	Dillion Bovinger	Jane Chatman
Richard & Christine	Summer Jones	Gudrun Poertner
Williams	Robert JoVan	Cindy Gray
David Weeks	Lounell Scott	Ethin Nettle
Sara J. Wheeler	David Weeks	Bonny Pecenak
		Amy Smith



WEEKLY READINGS

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 13

Sunday: Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

Monday: Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Observances for the week of September 13, 2026

Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day

Monday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Tuesday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Wednesday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Thursday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Friday:

Saturday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

WORD OF LIFE

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: FORGIVE SO AS TO BE FORGIVEN

"Peter approached Jesus and asked him, 'Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times.'" (Mt 18:21-22)

This week the "Word of Life" clearly speaks to us about forgiveness and comes directly from Christ, a measure for attaining the infinite: "forgive seventy-seven times," meaning, always forgive. Thus, forgiveness is established as a fundamental characteristic of Christian charity, as something inherent to Christianity. Later, when we see Christ on the Cross forgiving His enemies, we will understand to what extreme this must go.

The question lies in knowing if forgiveness equals forgetfulness, or if forgiving implies not protecting ourselves from those who can still hurt us in the future, and who we know have the potential to hurt us again. Forgiveness is not at odds with common sense. Sometimes, certain positions are the greatest enemies of Christ's message because what they ask for is practically impossible to fulfill. However, we must not forget that forgiving means, in a way, forgetting and risking being hurt again. But forgiving does not imply ignoring the intention of the person who has harmed us, but rather giving him a second chance, as long as he seriously shows a willingness to take advantage of it. It means helping him, even if he does not deserve it. It means not getting revenge, even if we have the opportunity to do so. It also means forgiving ourselves, for the measure we use will be used to measure out to us. Beginning first with God and continuing with those neighbors whom we have hurt.

Purpose: Analyze who your "enemies" are: those you do not like or who have hurt you. Begin by forgiving them, by praying for them and, if you can, by helping them.

PALABRA DE VIDA

DOMINGO XXIV DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO: PERDONAR PARA SER PERDONADOS

Acercándose Pedro a Jesús le preguntó: 'Si mi hermano me ofende, ¿cuántas veces le tengo que perdonar? ¿Hasta siete veces? Jesús le contestó: 'No te digo hasta siete veces, sino hasta setenta veces siete'". (Mt 18, 21-22)

Esta semana la "palabra de vida" nos habla claramente del perdón y pone, en boca del propio Cristo, una medida que es una invitación a luchar por alcanzar el infinito: "perdonar hasta setenta veces siete", es decir, perdonar siempre. El perdón, por lo tanto, queda así instaurado como una práctica típica de la caridad cristiana, como algo consustancial al cristianismo. Más tarde, cuando veamos a Cristo en la cruz perdonando a sus enemigos, comprenderemos hasta qué extremos debe llegar el ejercicio de esta práctica.

La duda está en saber si el perdón equivale al olvido o si perdonar implica no protegerse para próximas ocasiones de quien te ha hecho daño y sabes que tiene muchas posibilidades de volvértelo a hacer. Creo que el perdón no está reñido con el sentido común y, a veces, ciertas posturas son las más enemigas del mensaje de Cristo porque lo que piden es prácticamente imposible de cumplir. Sin embargo, no hay que olvidar que perdonar significa, en cierto modo, olvidar y también arriesgarte a que te hagan daño de nuevo. Pero perdonar no implica ignorar el talante del que te ha herido, sino darle una nueva oportunidad siempre que él de muestras serias de querer aprovecharla. Significa ayudarle, aunque no se lo merezca. No vengarte, aunque tengas la oportunidad de hacerlo. Y significa también ayudarte a ti mismo, pues la medida que uses la usarán contigo. Empezando por Dios y siguiendo por esos prójimos a los que tú has herido.

Propósito: Analiza quiénes son tus "enemigos": aquellos a los que tienes antipatía o que te han hecho daño. Empieza a perdonarles rezando por ellos y, si puedes, ayúdales.



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Franciscans of Mary

Missionaries of Gratitude

PRAYER

Jesus, I trust in you.

I know that whatever happens to me is a fruit of your love.

Jesus, I love you.

You are first in my heart.

Jesus, I adore you.

You are more important than my job, my money or any other thing.

Jesus, I GIVE YOU THANKS

For having created me, for having become man, for having died and risen from the dead, for the Eucharist and Confession, for the Church, the Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints, for the things that I have had, for the things that I have, because I am able to help others, and for the affection that I receive.

Jesus, I ask for your forgiveness.

For the evil that I have committed and for the good I have failed to do.

Jesus, I ask for your help.

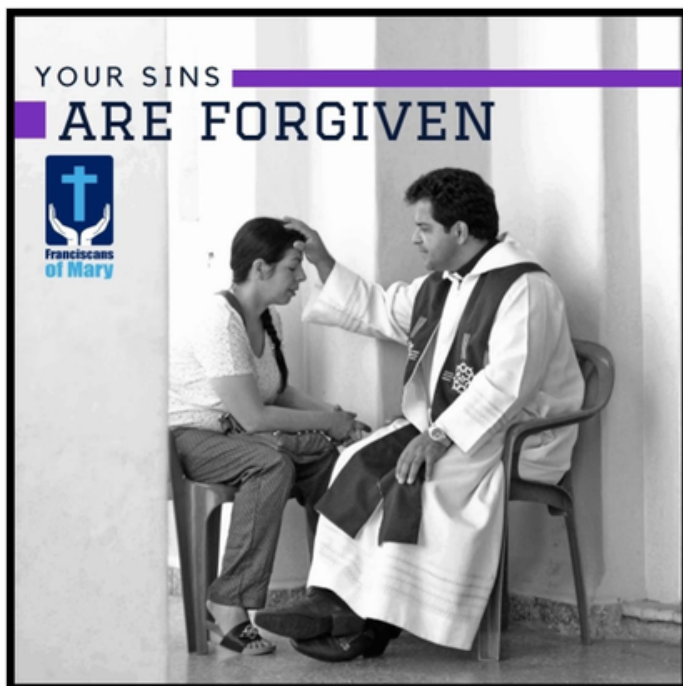
I ask for spiritual graces, such as the overcoming of my defects and for material help, for me, for others and for society.

Jesus, I offer myself to you.

You can count on me for whatever you want.

LIKE MARY.

With the tenderness of your mother and through Her way of living by living the virtues.
Amen.



“The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.”



“El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso.”

PARISH PULSE

SAVE THE DATE

September 19th - St. Vincent DePaul Training
9am-2:30pm - SVDP Ozanam Orientation see note to right.

September 19-20 - Gift Shop Open after all English Masses

September 26-27th - Bake Sale - In an effort to lower the cost of the bus ride to the Beatification we are hosting a bake sale after all the Masses!

October 4th - 2pm - The National Life Chain - Sign up for the Life-Chain begins September 19th after all the masses.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

JOIN US IN WISHING A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

9/14- Yaileny Gonzalez-Flores, Helen Palang

9/15- Johan Gomez-Yee, Pedro Mateo Hernandez, Joseph Shiver

9/16- Luke Anthony Manglona

9/17- Kimberly Archambault, William Richardson, Keith Steele

9/18- John-Thomas Jenkins, Reynaldo Romo, Amy Smith

9/19- Ivette Clark

9/20- Glen Jenkinson

*Happy
Birthday*



SVDP Ozanam Orientation

SVDP Ozanam Orientation is on September 19, 2026 from 9am to 3pm. The training offers insight into the Society's history and legacy, community support, and Vincentian Spirituality. It is designed to prepare new Vincentians for success and re-energize those Vincentians who have already served. Anyone interested in learning about SVDP Society is welcome to attend the training.

Inspiration *OF THE WEEK*

We have all been the wicked servant. We have denied others the same forgiveness and grace shown to us. This week, let us find new ways to make the love and mercy of God manifest in the lives of those we meet. ©LPi

Inspiración *DE LA SEMANA*

Todos hemos sido los sirvientes malvados. Hemos negado a otros el mismo perdón y gracia que se nos ha mostrado. Esta semana, encontremos nuevas formas de hacer que el amor y la misericordia de Dios se manifiesten en la vida de quienes conozcamos.

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MINISTRIES IN ACTION



Bible Study

St. Stephen

Tuesday's, 10-11:30am.
All are welcome to come to the social hall for our Bible Study discerning on the liturgy for the upcoming week.



Grief Support Ministry

—You are not alone—

Grief Support Meeting
1st and 3rd Tuesday's at 7pm. Find comfort and healing from your grief of a lost loved one or companion.



The Prayer Ministry provides prayer support to our parishioners and to the community through prayer. To

be a member please email sshprayers@gmail.com and get added to the prayer chain emails. There is a Prayer Intention book at the back of the church for you to write your prayer request or you can make a prayer request by email: sshprayers@gmail.com



Thursday's 6-8:00 pm Saint Stephen Social Hall

The Youth Ministries purpose is to inspire other young people by making a positive impact on our Christian community, bringing joy, hope, comfort, and faith. We focus on the teachings of Jesus and take Blessed Carlo Acutis as our role model, who said: "Let yourself be found by God, and you will see a change in your life." "Sow a seed, and you will reap many fruits." Open to Youth Ages 14 to 23.

Jueves de 6-8:00 pm Salon Social San Esteban

El propósito del Ministerio Juvenil es inspirar a otros jóvenes, generando un impacto positivo en nuestra comunidad cristiana, brindando alegría, esperanza, consuelo y fe. Nos centramos en las enseñanzas de Jesús y tomamos como modelo a seguir a San Carlo Acutis, quien dijo: "Déjate encontrar por Dios y verás un cambio en tu vida. Siembra una semilla y cosecharás muchos frutos".

Abierto a jóvenes de 14 a 23 años.

School of Gratitude

Father Estrada is hosting a School of Gratitude for Adults on Thursday's after 12pm Mass and for Young Adults Thursday's at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to join!



Escuela de Gratitude

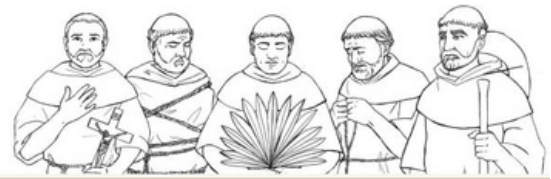
El Padre Estrada está impartiendo una Escuela de Agradecimiento los lunes después de la Misa. ¡Todos son bienvenidos a unirse!



Faith Formation

CCD Faith Formation registration 2026 will end on September 20th. After that date exceptions for registrations will have to be approved by Fr Estrada. Please address any questions to Berta Ganaway, DRE [912-312-4174](tel:912-312-4174).

El registro para la Formación de Fe del CCD 2026 finalizará el 20 de Septiembre. A partir de esa fecha, las excepciones para los registros deberán ser aprobadas por el P. Estrada. Por favor, dirija cualquier pregunta a Berta Ganaway, DRE [912-312-4174](tel:912-312-4174).



Mass of Beatification PEDRO DE CORPA AND FOUR COMPANIONS

Saturday, October 31, 2026, at 11 a.m. | Savannah Convention Center
Doors open at 8 a.m.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Visit the GeorgiaMartyrs.org

In 1595, six Spanish Franciscans (The Georgia Martyrs) came to what is now the Georgia coast to minister to the native people called the Guale. Two years later, all but one were murdered.

The beatification of the Venerable Servants of God Pedro de Corpa and his Four Companions – commonly known as the Georgia Martyrs – will take place on All Hallows Eve (October 31) 2026 in Savannah, GA. Cardinal Frank Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, will represent the Holy Father as Papal Legate and preside over the beatification liturgy. Out of the handful of beatifications to occur on American soil, this will be the first in Georgia and the first in the South.

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GRAND PARENTS



A Blessing for Grandparents
Dear God,

Bless the grandparents in our community. Stir in them a sense of caring, thoughtfulness, and kindness toward their preceding generations. Like St. Anne and St. Joachim, inspire them to live lives of brave faith and virtue. Give them and their families warm memories, happy times, and bright hope. Amen.

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NUESTROS ABUELOS



Una Bendición para los Abuelos
Querido Dios,

Bendice a los abuelos de nuestra comunidad. Despierten en ellos un sentido de cariño, consideración y amabilidad hacia sus generaciones anteriores. Como Santa Ana y San Joaquín, inspíralos a vivir vidas de fe valiente y virtud. Dale a ellos y a sus familias recuerdos cálidos, momentos felices y esperanza brillante. Amén.

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LIFE CHAIN,
SUNDAY,
OCT. 4TH
1:45-3:00 P.M.

October is Respect Life Month---for 26 years a Life Chain has been held.

WHAT IS A LIFE CHAIN??

It is a chain of Christians, who come together to show their respect for life, all across our Nation. **The first Sunday of October has been designated as Respect Life Sunday!!**

Participants hold signs, in silence, and show their support for the unborn for an hour. We "never" know if we make a difference in a young woman's life contemplating abortion **but, we have to pray, we will.**

We meet at Carter's Funeral Home next to Bojangles and stand along Hwy 84 on the sidewalks.

If there is a funeral, we "do not" park at the funeral home or stand in front of it. Park past the funeral home, on the right, in the parking lot across from Phillip's Seafood. Proceed to Hwy.84 and stand "away" from the funeral home. **"No" funeral, we park at the funeral home.**

Arrive by 1:45, signs are distributed, we pray and stand along the sidewalks in silence, (families with small children please stand on the grass). Invite others and if you need to sit, bring a chair!!

Come be a voice for the Unborn Oct.4th!!

Calling All Bakers!

BAKE SALE

SEPTEMBER 26TH & 27TH

In the
SOCIAL HALL

HELP US RAISE FUNDS
to help offset the cost of the bus
TO GO TO THE

**BEATIFICATION OF
FRIAR PEDRO DE CORPA
& COMPANIONS**

PLEASE DONATE

CAKES ♥ COOKIES ♥ BROWNIES
PIES ♥ CUPCAKES ♥ BREADS
AND ANY OTHER DELICIOUS TREATS!

To help make the bake sale run smoothly,
please package baked goods
individually and ready for sale.

Thank you for your generosity!

**BAKE. DONATE. SUPPORT. TOGETHER,
WE CAN MAKE THE JOURNEY POSSIBLE!**



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Small Clicks. Eternal Impact.

When you see a **PERSONALIZED** post with the St. Stephen Logo on it: **like**, **comment**, and **share**. You can help bring someone closer to Christ.



ENGAGE.

Like it.
Leave a comment.

*Let us know
you're there.*



SHARE.

Share it with
your friends and family.
*You never know who may
see it at exactly the
moment they need it.*



EVANGELIZE.

Help us take the message
of Christ beyond the
walls of our church and
into our community.



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September 1, 2026 - December 27, 2026



MONTHLY DRAWINGS!

Starting in September, we'll be doing monthly drawings for those who comment and share our parish posts.

*A small thank you for helping
spread the Good News!*



YOU MAY NEVER KNOW

whose heart God reaches
through something you shared.

One click may seem small.

But when God is involved,
small things can open very big doors.

When you see a **PERSONALIZED** post with the St. Stephen Logo on it:

LIKE • COMMENT • SHARE!

And we'll see you at Mass!



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Hinesville, GA

MINISTRIES IN ACTION



The Respect Life Ministry reflects "Life" through prayers and work.
Every Life is "Special" and sacred from Conception till Death.
Life is a Gift from God! Support Life today and every day!



CREATED WITH PURPOSE
Ephesians 2:10
Craft Ministry

We invite all the crafty individuals to join us for our monthly meeting in the social hall for fellowship and crafts.

Our next craft meeting is **September 12th from 11a-2p** and will be Special Craft for CCD Teachers. You can always work on your current project also.



We have a lovely selection of religious jewelry, spiritual books, candles, decor, and so much more. Come visit our gift shop for your faith based items and gifts. Scan the QR code to go to our FB for updates & hours.



Garden Ministry

St. Stephen's Parishioners;

Did you know that we have a 1 acre meditation garden? However, much like our kitchen it doesn't take care of itself. If you wish to help our gardener would love to hear from you! Please call or text him at 912-610-1184.



KOC members are a community of like-minded Catholic men who challenge each other to grow in faith and put that faith into action. Our local chapter holds meetings the 1st Monday of every month at 7p.

October 13th is our next meeting!!!!



Council of
Catholic Women

Sign in begins at 6pm and the meeting will begin at 6:30pm.
Our local CCW is a part of The National Council of Catholic Women which acts through its members to support, empowering and educating all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service.



Next Red Wagon Weekend is September 19-20th!

Saint Vincent de Paul (SVdP)



SVdP supports our Parish and local community through their Food Pantry. We meet monthly on the 2nd Thursday at 1:30 PM. Our pantry is open to those in need on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month from 10a-12p. Donations of non-perishable food items and personal hygiene items can be brought anytime and placed in the blue food collection box on the food pantry porch or dropped off at the office during office hours. SVdP also has "Red Wagon Weekends" the 3rd weekend of every month when red wagons are placed in the Narthex to collect donations. If you would like to volunteer and join SVdP, please come to one of our monthly meetings! Thank you for helping us to help others in need!

MEDIA & RESOURCES

PRAYERFUL RESOURCES THE PARISH HAS SUBSCRIBED TO FOR OUR PARISHONERS TO ENJOY!

Hallow

Through prayer and meditation rooted in the Catholic

faith, Hallow helps people grow closer to God and find peace, everyday. [Users can pray alongside Fr. Mike, Sr. Miriam, Mark Wahlberg, Jonathan Roumie, + many more. The app also offers mental health and sleep content, audiobooks, and sacred music.]

All parishioners – subscribers and those on the free version – are invited to be a part of our parish page. There, you're able to create a profile, share prayer requests, and take part in prayer challenges together.

- Already on Hallow? Visit the Church tab in the app to create your profile and find our parish (search by parish zip code).

Not yet on Hallow? Visit hallow.com/parish (QR code), search by parish zip code, and follow the prompts. You'll be given a special trial which gives access to all the app's premium content. If you'd like to forgo and remain on the free version, simply hit "Skip" and you'll have access to our parish page.



formed

Formed - It's "Netflix for Catholics" provided free of charge by our Parish! There are Catholic movies, books and audios available for all ages.

Go to formed.org, click formed for parishes to start creating your account. Search by zip code 31313 to find our parish membership.



GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST

You are not to eat or drink anything except for water or required medicine, for one hour before actually receiving communion. This is called the Communion or Eucharist fast. It is meant to help us focus on our Lord and what we are about to receive. Chewing gum, candy, mints, etc. during Mass is therefore inappropriate. Both forms for receiving the host are acceptable, in the palm of one hand with the other hand underneath, or on the extended tongue. Extend your hands palm-side up toward the priest and stand as close to the priest as possible when receiving Communion. Never take the host from the priest. After receiving the Eucharist, you say Amen. Proper reverence and respect is most important, hands should be reverently folded while waiting to receive the Sacrament.



DIRECTRICES PARA RECIBIR LA EUCARISTÍA

No debes comer ni beber nada excepto agua o medicinas necesarias durante una hora antes de recibir la comunión. Esto se llama ayuno de la Comunión o Eucaristía. Esto es para ayudarnos a centrarnos en nuestro Señor y en lo que estamos a punto de recibir. Por tanto, masticar chicle, caramelos, mentas, etc. durante la misa es inapropiado. Ambas formas de recibir la hostia son aceptables, en la palma de una mano con la otra mano debajo, o en la lengua extendida. Extiende las manos con las palmas hacia arriba hacia el sacerdote y quédate lo más cerca posible del sacerdote al recibir la Comunión. Nunca le quites la hostia al sacerdote. Después de recibir la Eucaristía, dices Amén. La reverencia y el respeto adecuados son lo más importante; las manos deben estar cruzadas con reverencia mientras esperan recibir el Sacramento.



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Hinesville, Georgia



A Safe Church Starts with *You.*



**YOU CAN'T VOLUNTEER FOR ANY
MINISTRIES OR ACTIVITIES AT OUR CHURCH
UNTIL YOU HAVE VIRTUS TRAINING.**

WHAT IS VIRTUS?



VIRTUS®

VIRTUS is a program created to help prevent child abuse and promote a safe environment for all.



The training includes an online session and teaches how to recognize warning signs, respond responsibly, and protect God's children.



← SCAN HERE TO
LEARN MORE OR
GET STARTED.



WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?



Our children, youth, and vulnerable adults are a precious gift from God. **We are called to protect them.**



VIRTUS training helps ensure that our church is a safe, welcoming, and trustworthy place for everyone. **Prevention is our responsibility.**



It equips all volunteers with the knowledge and tools to make safe and appropriate choices. Awareness today, protection tomorrow.



It reflects our faith in action—honoring the dignity of every person and living out Christ's love.

Love. Protect. Serve.



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LEARN MORE OR
GET STARTED.



Thank you for helping us build a safe and loving community where everyone can grow in faith!



**COMPLETE YOUR VIRTUS TRAINING TODAY
AND BE A PART OF OUR MISSION TO PROTECT.**



For more information or to get started, visit virtusonline.org or contact the parish office.



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offertory Min \$10,000 needed weekly	August 30
Offertory	\$7,284
Building Fund	\$10
Online Giving	\$707
Week Total	\$8,001

Stewardship is an important concept for spiritual growth. It is a way to thank God for all His blessings. The offertory is the primary means of support for the parish and its programs.

Online giving is available at
<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/ststephenhinesville>
or by scanning the QR code.

Scan the QR code
to Give Now!



HARVEST OF HOPE



58%

Our Harvest of Hope overall goal is \$247,268.00! So far we have received \$63,930, with an additional \$79,743 pledged to be paid by the end of the campaign. Thank you to all who have donated and pledged. Envelopes are in the church or you can go online to <https://diosav.org/en/hope> to donate or make your pledge!

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

BUILDING FUND

October 3rd & 4th

DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH SPECIAL COLLECTION

MISSION COOPERATIVE APPEAL

September 26-27th



SCAM WARNING

Please note: If you receive a request for gift cards purporting to be from your pastor, parish, or the Bishop, *it is a scam and should be ignored*. If you aren't sure if an email or message is authentic, do not reply. Check with the person or parish using another method.

2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

\$17,558 OF \$34,667 RAISED TO DATE

51%

Our parish goal is \$34,667. With your help, we can assure the continued support of many important programs that help thousands in our diocese each year; education of our children and seminary students, evangelization and Christian initiation, ongoing formation for our clergy, and more. We are blessed with much; let us be a blessing to others.



faith, hope, charity
2026 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



fe, esperanza, caridad
2026 CAMPAÑA CATÓLICA ANUAL

La meta de nuestra parroquia es \$34,667. Con su ayuda podremos asegurar el apoyo continuo a muchos programas importantes que ayudan a miles cada año en nuestra diócesis; tales como la educación de nuestros niños y de los seminaristas, evangelización e iniciación cristiana, formación continua para nuestro clero y más. Hemos sido bendecidos con mucho, seamos nosotros una bendición para otros.

MASS SCHEDULE

English Weekdays - Monday thru Thursday at 12pm,
First Friday's at 5:30pm.

(Exposition and Holy Hour start at 10:30am followed by Rosary at 11:20am)

Spanish Weekday - Monday, Thursday and Friday at 7pm.

(Exposition and Holy Hour start at 5:30pm followed by Rosary at 6:20pm)

Wednesday- 6-7p - Holy Hour with Rosary.

Saturday- Vigil 5:00 pm; 7pm Spanish in Jesup.

Sunday- 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm (Spanish); 2:00pm Spanish in Jesup.

Confession- Weekdays during Holy Hour, Saturday 4:15-4:45pm & By Apt.



First Martyr Catholic Church
Hinesville, Ga

OCIA Classes Wednesdays: Classes Begin September 9th from 7-8:30p in Social Hall For Catholics and non-Catholics who wish to gain knowledge and information about the Catholic faith. The classes are also for those Catholic adults and high schoolers that have not completed their sacraments. The classes begin in September and will be completed by Easter.

Children's Religious Education

~Faith Formation~ **Registration is online Final day to register is September 20th.**

Saint Stephen provides opportunities for each person to receive the Sacraments and grow in greater communion with our Lord. Classes are for 1st – 8th grades and they meet Sundays at 9a Sept. to May.

Baptism - For a child to be baptized, you must be attending Mass regularly, attend a Baptism class and fill out a registration form. Classes are held the last Sunday of every month at 1pm and must be completed prior to scheduling baptism date. One Godparent must be an active Catholic and attend class as well. A copy of the Child's Birth Certificate is needed at time of registration. Please contact the Office for scheduling.

Matrimony - Arrangements must be made at least 6 months in advance of the proposed date. Participation in a marriage preparation program is required. Couples contemplating marriage **MUST** meet with the priest before setting a date.

Anointing of the Sick - Fr. Estrada is offering Anointing of the Sick at First Friday's Mass at 5:30p.

Active Parishioner Status - Each year we receive many requests from parishioners to qualify for weddings, be godparents or sponsors. An active member is one who is properly registered with the Parish office, regularly gives offertory, attends parish activities when possible and most importantly faithfully attends Mass on Sunday's and Holy days of Obligation. Even though you attend Mass, if you are not registered with the Parish, we have no information about you and you may not eligible to be Sponsors, Godparents, etc. While assessments of an inquirer's status will be made individually, the above are the main factors that will be considered in making that determination.

PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN MONDAY 9A-6P AND TUESDAY-THURSDAY 9A-2P

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