

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HAVE SEEN A GREAT LIGHT.

— MATTHEW 4:16 —



SAINT STEPHEN FIRST MARTYR

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2026

St Stephen First Martyr

Upcoming Events:

Jan 16th-24th – 9 Days for Life Novena – Join us in prayer for Life. Copies of the Novena will be found in the Church or can be found online at 9daysforlife.com.

Jan 17-Feb 1- Respect Life Fund Raiser- Tickets available with a donation, for a Chance to win "One" of 2 hand-made Crucifixes from the Holy Land. Members available after each Mass beginning Jan.17th with tickets to purchase!

Jan 31st – 2p Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage in English – **Feb 1st – 2p** - Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage in Spanish.

Jan 31st – Feb 1st – Building fund collection, second collection to support our Building Fund for general upkeep and maintenance of our buildings and grounds.

Feb 2nd – 7p - **Knights of Columbus Meeting** – Anyone interested in becoming a KOC, or existing members please attend the monthly meeting to discuss upcoming plans.

MASS + INTENTIONS

DATE	MASS TIME	INTENTIONS
Sat. 1/24	5:00PM	†Souls of John Casmir Kaluza, Eichelberger and Cutlip Families ~Dee Eichelberger
Sun. 1/25	8:00AM	†Soul of Agnes Jacob ~Gina Ragland
	10:00AM	†Soul of Doug Twyford ~Tracy Twyford
	12:00PM	Pro Populo ~ For the Community
Mon 1/26	5:30PM	Our Parish Community
Mon 1/26	7:00PM	Our Parish Community
Tues. 1/27	12:00PM	†Souls in Purgatory ~Gudrun Poertner
Weds. 1/28	12:00PM	Our Parish Community
Thurs. 1/29	12:00PM	Our Parish Community
Thurs. 1/29	7:00PM	Our Parish Community
Sat. 1/31	5:00PM	†Soul of Tim Eichelberger ~Dee Eichelberger
Sun. 2/1	8:00AM	†Soul of Monica Gonzalez ~Irizarry Family
	10:00AM	†Soul of Lourdes N. Cruz ~Carmen Cruz Lanner
	12:00PM	Pro Populo ~ For the Community



Birthdays

1/27- Jordan Delaney

1/28- Lyse-Regine Daout, Madison Nepomuceno Cruz

1/29- David Gordon

1/30- Martina Bouchard, Emily Psam

2/1- Marcella McIntosh



REMEMBER in your prayers

Sara J. Wheeler, Joe & Pat Johnson, Gary Hubbard, Willie Crowe, Janice Robertson, Nancy Hill, Tom & Jeannine Wing, June Holt, Leslie Shaw, Stacy Fletcher, Sandra Powell, Joyce Elliott, Laurie Elliott, Doug Walker, Hettie Johnson, Dillion Bovinger, Summer Jones, Robert JoVan, Lounell Scott, David Weeks, Walter Helmick, Andre McCall, Nellie Orta, Angela Wheeler, Merle Stroud, Renee Millner, Larry Harris, Dottie Cozier, Fred Hand, Iris Potett, Mary Huffman, Joan Rambach, Chambers Family, Jane Chatman, Gudrun Poertner, Cindy Gray, Ethin Nettle, Bonny Pecenak, Amy Smith.
(Names remain on the list for 30 days unless notified)

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: Be Faithful in Little Matters to Be Faithful in Big Matters

““Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” At once they left their nets and followed him.” (Mt 4:19)

WORD OF LIFE

The account of the calling of the first apostles invites us to meditate on our own vocation, the concrete way we should follow the Lord. Some people are or will be called to marriage. Others to the priesthood or to be consecrated religious. All are called to become Christ’s disciples and to strive for sanctity. However, simply considering a vocation is of no use, even when it is discerned, if we are not prepared to assume the consequences that derive from it. There is little point in asking the Lord, as Saint Francis did, “What do you want me to do?” if we are not in a position to carry out what the Lord asks of us. Frequently, in fact, in order not to feel overwhelmed by what the Lord is asking of us, we end up convincing ourselves that the Lord really is not asking for that at all.

To be faithful in little matters means to prepare or train ourselves in order to hear the voice of God, whatever He asks. And we should not only look at it from the point of view of vocations. It is also important in other areas, for example, concerning pain, sickness, or suffering. Often, our problems seem huge until even larger problems arise by comparison. If we have not learned to endure small trials, we will fall apart when the bigger ones appear.

Purpose: Train yourself in the face of your hardships by thinking that they are nothing in comparison with others. Ask the Lord what He wants you to do and do whatever He asks.

III Domingo del TO: Ser fieles en lo poco para serlo en lo mucho

“Les dijo: ‘Venid y seguidme y os haré pescadores de hombres’ Inmediatamente dejaron las redes y le siguieron” (Mt 4, 19).

PALABRA DE VIDA

El relato de la vocación de los primeros apóstoles nos invita a meditar sobre nuestra propia vocación, sobre la forma concreta en que debemos seguir al Señor. Unos están o estarán llamados al matrimonio. Otros a la consagración religiosa. Otros al sacerdocio. Todos a ser discípulos de Cristo y a intentar ser santos. Sin embargo, el planteamiento vocacional resulta inútil –incluso cuando teóricamente se produce– si no se está preparado para asumir las consecuencias que de ese planteamiento se deriven. De poco sirve preguntarle al Señor, como hizo San Francisco: “¿Qué quieres que haga?”, si luego no se está en condiciones de llevar a la práctica lo que el Señor te pide. De hecho, con frecuencia, para no sentirse agobiado por lo que el Señor solicita de uno mismo, se termina por autoconvencerse de que eso no lo está pidiendo el Señor.

Ser fieles en lo poco es prepararse, entrenarse, para escuchar la voz de Dios, pida éste lo que pida. Y no sólo hay que verlo en el campo vocacional. También es importante en otros ámbitos; por ejemplo, en lo concerniente al dolor, a la enfermedad, al sufrimiento. Con frecuencia tus problemas te parecen gigantescos, hasta que surgen problemas mayores que los relativizan. Si no has aprendido a soportar pequeñas pruebas, sucumbirás ante las grandes.

Propósito: Entrenarse ante las dificultades, pensando que no son nada comparadas con otras. Preguntarle al Señor qué quiere que hagamos y hacer lo que Él nos pida.



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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.

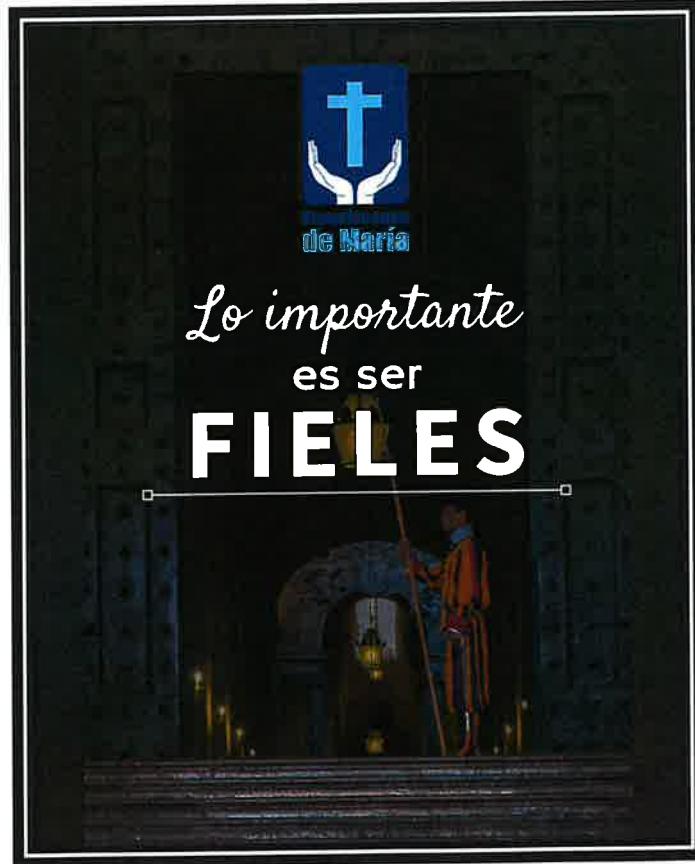
I ask for spiritual graces, such as the overcoming of my defects and for material help, for me, for others and for society.

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.



Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light; (Is 9:1)

Psalm:

The Lord is my light and my salvation. (Ps 27)

Second Reading:

I urge you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
that all of you agree in what you say,
and that you be united in the same mind and in the same
purpose. (1 Cor 1:10)

Gospel:

He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea,
in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali,
that what had been said through Isaiah the prophet
might be fulfilled. (Mt 4:13-14)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Peter and Andrew, James and John — they
were not expecting God that day. But there
he was, right in front of them, beckoning. God
stands before us today, and like the Apostles,
we often don't see him coming. But still, he
beckons. Will we follow?

Observances for the week of January 25, 2026

Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

Monday: Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Tuesday: St. Angela Merici, Virgin

Wednesday: St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the
Church

Saturday: St. John Bosco, Priest

Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Virtues, Explained!

In practicing patience, we bear
any kind of suffering for a greater
good, safeguard our reason
against sorrow, and “look at
(other people) with God’s gaze
knowing how to distinguish their
faces from their faults.”.

Blessing of Light

Where you have known darkness,
may the light stretch and shine.
Where you have dwelt in
shadows, may the sun reach its
gentle rays.

Where you have hidden in
shame, may you know light-filled
redemption, healing, belonging,
and rest in Jesus.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of January 25, 2026

Sunday:

Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday:

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday:

2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday:

2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday:

2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday:

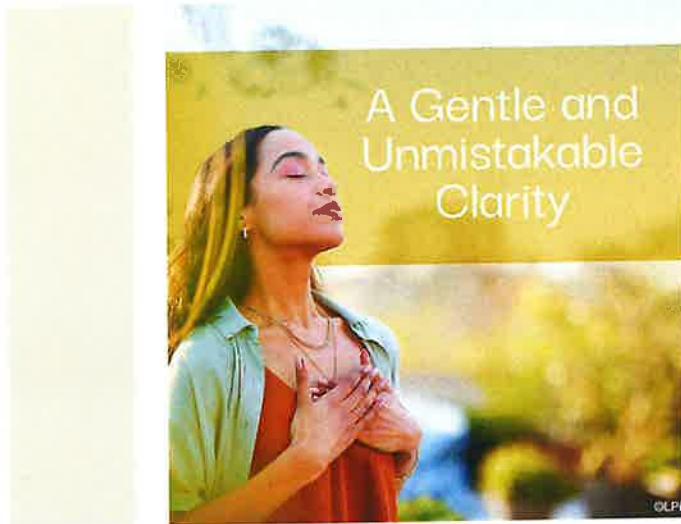
2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday:

2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday:

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I was 22 years old, lying in bed one night while on a pilgrimage, when I suddenly sensed an idea in my mind: "Go to the seminary." There was no voice, no vision, but a gentle and unmistakable clarity. I simply prayed, "Lord, if that's from you, let me find great joy in it." Three days later, my heart was bursting with joy. I dropped everything and entered the seminary. The older I get, the stranger my rather careless and hasty departure seems to me. I followed not because it made sense, or because I was especially brave. I went because the Lord called me.

Something like this happens in today's Gospel. Jesus walks by Simon, Andrew, James, and John and says, "**Come after me**" (**Matthew 4:19**). And *immediately* they leave their nets and follow. There's no explanation, no hesitation ... just movement. Why? As St. John says, "**In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us**" (**1 John 4:10**). They do not leave their nets because his call made perfect, calculable sense. They left them because they were called. And Jesus' call is powerful.

Take a moment this week to remember when Christ first called you. However small or quiet it was, recall it, and give thanks. The more we marvel that Christ has called us personally, the more passionately and freely we will follow him.

— Father John Muir



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You Are Invited

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience®

Saturday, January 31st

St. Stephen First Martyr
Catholic Church
399 Woodland Drive
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2:00 pm

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Living the Faith

JOURNEY TO THE FOOT OF THE CROSS: BISHOP RICKEN OFFERS 10 THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR LENT

Bishop David L. Ricken of Green Bay, Wisconsin, former chairman of the Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), offers “10 Things to Remember for Lent”:

1. Remember the formula. The Church does a good job capturing certain truths with easy-to-remember lists and formulas: 10 Commandments, 7 sacraments, 3 persons in the Trinity. For Lent, the Church gives us almost a slogan—Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving—as the three things we need to work on during the season.

2. It's a time of prayer. Lent is essentially an act of prayer spread out over 40 days. As we pray, we go on a journey, one that hopefully brings us closer to Christ and leaves us changed by the encounter with him.

3. It's a time to fast. With the fasts of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, meatless Fridays, and our personal disciplines interspersed, Lent is the only time many Catholics these days actually fast. And maybe that's why it gets all the attention. “What are you giving up for Lent? Hot dogs? Beer? Jelly beans?” It's almost a game for some of us, but fasting is actually a form of penance, which helps us turn away from sin and toward Christ.

4. It's a time to work on discipline. The 40 days of Lent are also a good, set time to work on personal discipline in general. Instead of giving something up, it can be doing something positive. “I'm going to exercise more. I'm going to pray more. I'm going to be nicer to my family, friends, and coworkers.”

5. It's about dying to yourself. The more serious side of Lenten discipline is that it's about more than self-control—it's about finding aspects of yourself that are less than Christ-like and letting them die. The suffering and death of Christ are foremost on our minds during Lent, and we join in these mysteries by suffering, dying with Christ and being resurrected in a purified form.

6. Don't do too much. It's tempting to make Lent some ambitious period of personal reinvention, but

it's best to keep it simple and focused. There's a reason the Church works on these mysteries year after year. We spend our entire lives growing closer to God. Don't try to cram it all in one Lent. That's a recipe for failure.

7. Lent reminds us of our weakness. Of course, even when we set simple goals for ourselves during Lent, we still have trouble keeping them. When we fast, we realize we're all just one meal away from hunger. In both cases, Lent shows us our weakness. This can be painful, but recognizing how helpless we are makes us seek God's help with renewed urgency and sincerity.

8. Be patient with yourself. When we're confronted with our own weakness during Lent, the temptation is to get angry and frustrated. “What a bad person I am!” But that's the wrong lesson. God is calling us to be patient and to see ourselves as he does, with unconditional love.

9. Reach out in charity. As we experience weakness and suffering during Lent, we should be renewed in our compassion for those who are hungry, suffering, or otherwise in need. The third part of the Lenten formula is almsgiving. It's about more than throwing a few extra dollars in the collection plate; it's about reaching out to others and helping them without question as a way of sharing the experience of God's unconditional love.

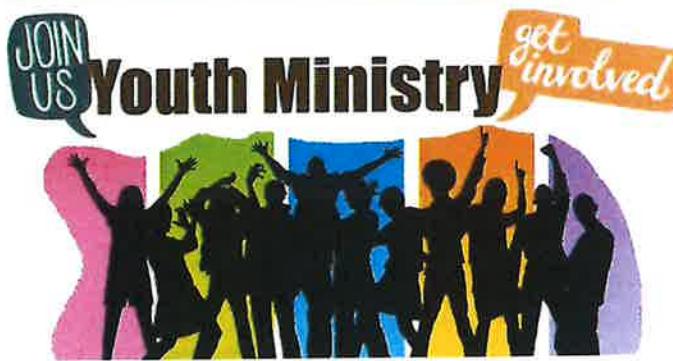
10. Learn to love like Christ. Giving of ourselves in the midst of our suffering and self-denial brings us closer to loving like Christ, who suffered and poured himself out unconditionally on the Cross for all of us. Lent is a journey through the desert to the foot of the Cross on Good Friday, as we seek him out, ask his help, join in his suffering, and learn to love like him.

School of Gratitude

Father Estrada is hosting a School of Gratitude for Young Adults after 5:30pm Mass Monday's and a SOG for Adults on Thursday's after 12pm Mass. Everyone is welcome to join!

Escuela de Gratitud

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



Thursdays 6-8:00pm
Saint Stephen Social Hall

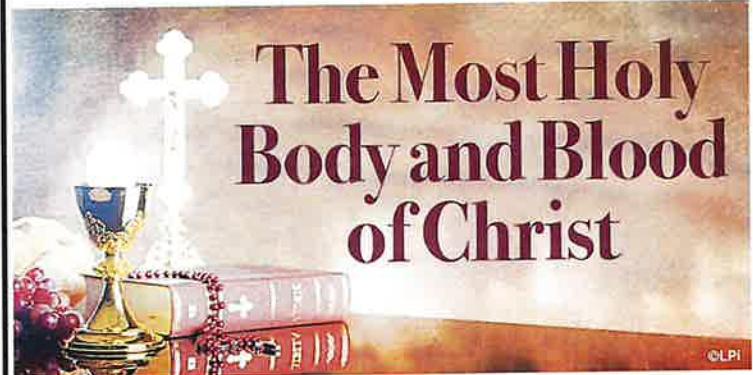
Ministerio Juvenil



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

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.



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.

Respect Life Fundraiser -Jan.17-Feb.1

Tickets are available after all masses this weekend for a chance to win one of two Crucifixes! Each Crucifix is hand-made from Olive Wood and crafted by Artisans from Jerusalem/Bethlehem.

The Crucifix has "14" different kinds of Olive-wood symbolic of the "14" Stations of the Cross and "4" elements embedded in the Crucifix. They reflect Jesus's journey on Earth: soil, stone, frankincense and olive leaves.

Tickets \$2 a piece or 5 for \$5! Monies raised will help our Ministry and help the Church Building Fund!

Winning tickets will be drawn at the 10:00 Mass, Feb.1st.

Thanks for your support.

Respect Life Ministry



GOLD and SILVER JUBILEE

Anniversary Mass

25th or 50th wedding anniversaries in 2026

February 15, 2026, 1:30 pm
Savannah Cathedral

RSVP by January 31: 912.201.4068
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Misa de Aniversario de BODAS de ORO y PLATA

25^o o 50^o aniversario
de bodas en 2026

15 de febrero de 2026, 1:30 pm
Catedral de Savannah

RSVP antes del 31 de enero: 912.201.4068
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Thank you!

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone for the support that was given for the Ribs Dinner fundraiser! Almost \$3,000 was raised and those funds were given to help the Church offset the costs of the new AC that went into the Social Hall several months ago and they were able to make a donation to St Vincent DePaul's food pantry and to make a purchase for the First Communion Class!



PARISH SUPPORT



DONATIONS

Weekly Offertory – Jan 11th

Min. of \$10,000 needed weekly to operate

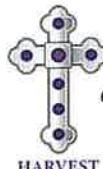
Offertory	\$5,704
Building Fund	\$245
Online Giving	\$787
Total	\$6,736

3 great ways to support our Parish

1. USE THE ENVELOPES Located in the Pews.
2. TEXT 'GIVE' TO 912-551-5553
3. GIVE ONLINE—Scan QR Code or go to: <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/ststephenhinesville>



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So far we have been given \$37,591 towards our Harvest of Hope goal, with an additional \$87,000 pledged to be paid to our goal. This has us at 50% of our goal for the Harvest of Hope, we encourage everyone to make a pledge for the upcoming 3 years to help us reach our overall goal of \$247,268.00.

Active Parishioner Status

Each year we receive many requests from parishioners to qualify for weddings, be godparents or sponsors for the Sacrament of Confirmation, Communion and Baptism. When a request is made, we must be able to verify that a person is an "active member" of St. Stephen's Parish.

An active member is one who 1) Is properly registered with the Parish office and gives regular to the offertory through envelopes or online giving. 2) 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 are not eligible to be Sponsors, God-parents, 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. Please be sure to register with the office and keep your information up to date! You can easily send an email to ssfmcc399@gmail.com to make changes.

Parish Membership: Whether you are a longtime resident or have recently arrived in our parish -Welcome! Please use the form below to register or update your information. You may place this form in the collection basket. (We may call you for additional information.)

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

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Mass Times

English Weekday Masses- Monday at 5:30p.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday weekly at 12pm and First Friday's at 5:30pm.
(Exposition and Holy Hour start at 10:30am followed by Rosary at 11:20am)

Spanish Weekday Masses- Monday and Thursday weekly at 7pm and First 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.

Bible Study

Every Tuesday from 10-11:30am all are welcome to come to the social hall for Bible Study discerning on the liturgy for the upcoming week.

OCIA Classes Wednesday Evenings: 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. For additional information please call the office.

Religious Education

Saint Stephen the First Martyr Catholic Church provides opportunities for each person to receive the Sacraments and grow in greater communion with our Lord. Classes are available starting with 1st graders and meet Sundays at 9a Sept. through May.

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.

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.

Anointing of the Sick

Fr. Estrada is offering Anointing of the Sick during the First Friday's Mass at 12p. If needed at another time please contact the office or Father Estrada directly.

Prayer Ministry

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

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