

CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN

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SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

I WILL
COME BACK
TO YOU.

JOHN 14:28

St Stephen First Martyr

Upcoming Events:

May 31st – 10a-4p – Martha & Mary Women's Retreat – The Dinner Party with Jesus Women's Retreat. Today's world offers us so much! We are overwhelmed wherever we go, with social media, products, and family & friends battling for our attention and our commitment. In this Retreat, we will reflect on what Jesus calls "the one thing needed" for helping us keep our priorities straight and our faith focus on God.

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

June 3rd - 7p – Grief Support Meeting - Find comfort and healing from your grief of a lost loved one or companion.

June 6th - First Friday Adoration for Vocations – Celebration Mass for Fr. Paul 22 Year Anniversary of Ordination - 10am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Holy Hour, Rosary at 11:30am, followed by Mass at 12pm.

June 14th – 6-8p – Father Paul Farewell Dinner – Please join us in thanking Fr. Paul for his service to our Parish and wish him well on his move to Moultrie. (More details to come.)

DATE	MASS TIME	MASST INTENTIONS
Tues. 5/27	12:00PM	Healing for Pat Farace ~Bonny Carreker
Weds. 5/28	12:00PM	†Souls of the Jimenez Family ~Chris & Juanita Jimenez
Thurs. 5/29	12:00PM	†Souls of the Farace Family ~Pat & Wendy Farace
Sat. 5/31	5:00PM	†Soul of Mercedes Velez Montero ~Willie & Maria Crowe
Sun. 6/1	8:00AM	†Soul of Clara & Edward Hoffman Sr. ~Fr. Tom Whitman
	10:00AM	†Souls of the Hoffman Family ~Edward & Betty Hoffman
	12:00PM	Pro Populo ~For the People



5/26- Jasmine Delfin, Emma Gordon, Walter Helmick, Fr. Paul O'Connell, Hyazmin Perez

5/27- Ted Anderson, Elizabeth Blair, Elizabeth Connolly

5/28- Magdalena Davidson, William Davidson, Julio Garcia, Diane Greenwald, Aiden Smith, Seliamaria Sua

5/29- Kory Forsell, Nhung Guillermo

5/30- Scott Carrier, Zulma Rivera

5/31- Emily Jarin

6/1- Ange Tade, Daniel Vazquez



Ana Garcia, Leslie Shaw, Stacy Fletcher, Sandra Powell, Joice Elliott, Laurie Elliott, Doug Walker, Hettie Johnson, Dillion Bovinger, Summer Jones, Robert JoVan, Lounell Scott, David Weeks, Walter Helmick, Andre McCall, Kathy Keune, Nellie Orta, Baby William Henry Rittenberry, Angela Wheeler, Sara 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)



Congratulations to Our Communicants

May these children be blessed as they
receive our Lord for the first time!

2nd Grade Class

Elaina Easter

Olivia Mwangi

Connor James Crowder

Gracelin Schieb

Mackenzie Taylor

Alberto Morales Rivera

Jefferey Dospoy

Jacob Srp

Leonardo Parisi (Leo)

Luma Littles

Nevina Karunarathna

Fernando Salazar Morales

Levi Walker

Lianne Devonnie Docot

Davi Jacomino de Almeida

Sacramental Class

Jose Morales Rivera

Genesis Alday

Alexia Cornejo

Genesis Cornejo

Isabella Perez

Alesandra S. Cornejo

Aiden Jayce D. Rabago

7th & 8th Grade Class

Montserrat Morales
Rivera

Dasha America Gonzalez

Thank you Mrs. Ione, Mrs. Rachel and
Mrs. Anne Marie for all the hard work in
prepping our Communicants!

We would like to thank our volunteer teachers and all those
involved in helping with the preparation of our Communicants.

Catechists and Leaders helped make this year a huge success
and we appreciate everyone who helped make this possible!



CONFIRMATION CONFIRMACIÓN

Congratulations to Our Confirmands

Jarimar Torres Ortiz

Valerie Perez

Gavin Kelly

Norely Mendea

Daniel Walker

Thank you Mrs. Renee, Mrs. Denise, and Mrs. Nicole and Mr. Dan for all the hard work in prepping our Confirmands!



Congratulations to Our Adults who became fully initiated into the Church during the Easter Vigil!

Jonathon Wolff

Lindsay Hernandez

Joseph Bridges

Thanh Le

Andrew Smith

Fernando Esquivel

Sharon Alina Chavez Gonzalez

Ulises Perez-Escalante

Chase Williams

John Penerton

Emilia Anthony

Atiana Surage

Daisy Moragwa Nchore

Mariana Aka

Kayle Bird

Cilia Gonzalez Ortiz

Ivan Gonzalez

Thank you Deacon Doug and all those who helped with RCIA!

May 25, 2025

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 | Rev 21:10-14, 22-23 | Jn 14:23-29

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

A quip on a church marquee has stuck with me for years: *If you feel distant from God, guess who moved?* In last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus told his disciples that he would be with them "only a little while longer." Of course, we know the full story: Jesus did not abandon his followers. Today we hear of his parting gift to them and to us. Although Jesus would soon return to the Father, he was sending someone to minister to the disciples and to encourage them in their mission: "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." Often in our lives, when we feel distant from God, we may wonder if the Lord has departed from us. In these seasons, remember that Jesus – who has *never* broken a promise – did, indeed, send the Holy Spirit to be with us. Take heart in moments of trial and call upon the Spirit, the Advocate, whose name in Latin means "he who is called to one's side." He will come close, reminding you of the goodness of God and encouraging you on the path to heaven.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's second reading narrates St. John the Apostle's vision of the heavenly Jerusalem. John describes the radiant splendor of this place "like that of a precious stone." Though the vision is resplendent, John observes: "The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb." God himself is the source of light which illumines heaven. But he is likewise present among us and his reign is meant to extend on earth as well. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we can, therefore, prepare for heaven while also striving to bring God's glory to earth by living for him each day. So many times we have prayed the words of the Lord's Prayer: "thy kingdom come, thy will be done, *on earth as it is in heaven.*" Allow the glory of God to illumine your everyday life. Call upon God's grace and the Holy Spirit to witness to his truth, beauty, and goodness.

REFLECT

Inviting the Holy Spirit to act as our Advocate, how do we reveal the glory of God in our daily activities? As you begin your work, study, or household tasks, offer him your undertakings (and your heart) and ask him to transform the mundane into the sacred.



Readings for the week of May 25, 2025

Sunday:

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

Monday:

Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and
9b/Jn 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday:

Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/
Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday:

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/
Jn 16:12-15

Thursday:

Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/
Jn 16:16-20

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
(6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/
Lk 24:46-53

Friday:

Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/
Jn 16:20-23

Saturday:

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3,
4bcd, 5-6/Lk 1:39-56

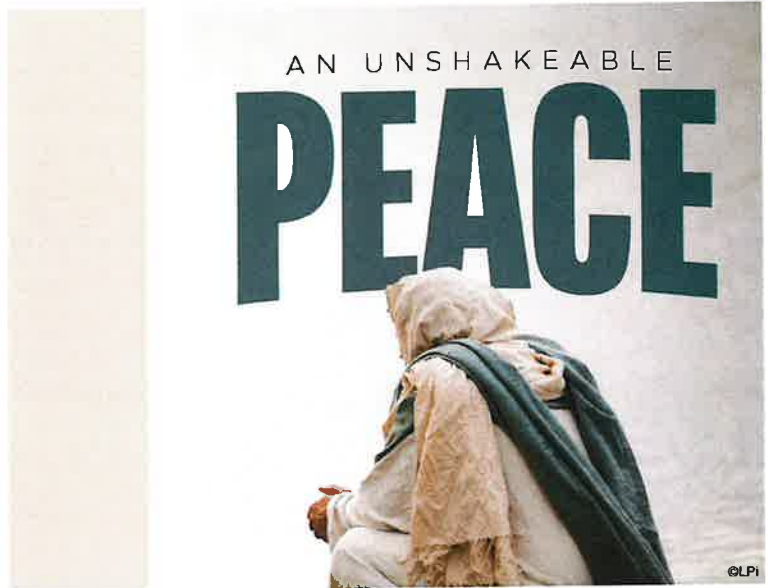
Next Sunday:

Acts 7:55-60/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/
Jn 17:20-26

Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9
(6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/
Lk 24:46-53



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Gospel Meditation

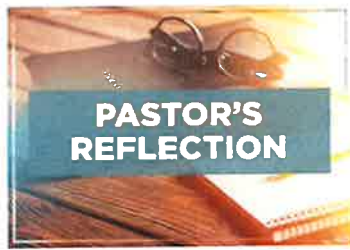
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Jonathan Haidt's 2024 book entitled "The Anxious Generation" argues that today's kids are marked by significant increases in anxiety, as the title suggests. Smartphones, social media, economic uncertainty, the chaos of a global pandemic, fear regarding climate change, and the so-called "meaning crisis" all contribute to strikingly high levels of anxiety in young people today. I'm a bit older than this generation, but I feel it, too. The world can be too much to handle.

The Gospel this week offers a stunning solution for troubled souls. To his overwhelmed and anxious disciples, the risen Jesus says, **"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you" (John 14:27)**. His peace is that of the one who was overwhelmed on the cross and then conquered death by the power of his divinity, his bond of love with the Father. He offers us this unshakeable peace.

Of course, mental illness does not magically disappear because of the risen Jesus. But he does walk with us and offer us his peace in the midst of our suffering. The peace the world gives is not like his because it is weak, uncertain, and self-generated. Jesus' peace is strong, sure, and given as a gift from God. He gives it to us amid our anxiety. Will you receive it as a gift? I hope so. He wants to fill the hearts of this generation with his peace.

— Father John Muir



May 25, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Occasionally we all experience the wrenching pain caused by saying goodbye. Here we have Jesus gently breaking the news of his departure to his disciples. The thought of his going away was so painful that their minds were almost numbed to what he had to say. Without him the future would be bleak and meaningless, as the whole focus and direction of their lives was gone. Yet Christ did not abandon them for, as his parting gift, he left the offer of peace which the world cannot give. This deeper peace, of walking with God, is difficult for the unspiritual mind to grasp. It was not a promise to preserve them from hardships and suffering, but a pledge to bring them safely through all trouble to eternal life. The peace Jesus was offering was the confidence of being loved, the assurance of knowing that God can be relied upon and trusted in hard times. It flows into our lives when we open our hearts and allow God's healing presence to work within us. His strength is a powerful help to ease the tension and restlessness of life's difficulties which afflict our minds and souls. This peace which Christ makes available is not easily won as it comes from striving consciously to live according to the known will of God.

Peace which means the absence of war, a lack of noise, the avoidance of conflicts, an hour without pain and suffering, was not the peace announced by the angels at Christ's birth, nor willed at his death. The peace which is proclaimed is achieved by victory over sin due to the power of God, and Christ could speak of it on the night before he died. To obtain it means shutting out of our lives all that is selfish and greedy, all hatred and bitterness, and putting in their place forgiveness and the desire to help others and share with them the good things of life. The basis of peace is God. The secret of peace is trust, but the soul of peace is love for people.
which comes from the love of God and expresses itself in our love for people.

The question we have to ask is whether we are at peace with ourselves, which is the wonderful effect of being accepted by God. If his Spirit dwells within us we can accept others in his name. Excluding others from our company means we are erecting barriers which prevent God's love and peace from reaching us.



25 de mayo de 2025

Sexto Domingo de Pascua

De vez en cuando, todos experimentamos el dolor desgarrador causado por decir adiós. Aquí tenemos a Jesús dando gentilmente la noticia de su partida a sus discípulos. La idea de su partida era tan dolorosa que sus mentes estaban casi insensibles a lo que tenía que decir. Sin él, el futuro sería sombrío y sin sentido, ya que todo el enfoque y la dirección de sus vidas se habían ido. Sin embargo, Cristo no los abandonó, porque como don de despedida dejó la oferta de paz que el mundo no puede dar. Esta paz más profunda, de caminar con Dios, es difícil de captar para la mente no espiritual. No era una promesa de preservarlos de las dificultades y el sufrimiento, sino una promesa de llevarlos a salvo a través de todas las dificultades a la vida eterna. La paz que Jesús estaba ofreciendo era la confianza de ser amado, la seguridad de saber que se puede confiar en Dios en tiempos difíciles. Fluye en nuestras vidas cuando abrimos nuestros corazones y permitimos que la presencia sanadora de Dios obre dentro de nosotros. Su fuerza es una poderosa ayuda para aliviar la tensión y la inquietud de las dificultades de la vida que afligen nuestras mentes y almas. Esta paz que Cristo pone a disposición no se gana fácilmente, ya que proviene de esforzarse conscientemente por vivir de acuerdo con la voluntad conocida de Dios.

La paz, es decir, la ausencia de guerra, la ausencia de ruido, la evitación de conflictos, una hora sin dolor y sufrimiento, no fue la paz anunciada por los ángeles en el nacimiento de Cristo, ni la quiso en su muerte. La paz que se proclama se logra por la victoria sobre el pecado debido al poder de Dios, y Cristo pudo hablar de ella la noche antes de morir. Obtenerlo significa excluir de nuestra vida todo lo que es egoísta y codicioso, todo odio y amargura, y poner en su lugar el perdón y el deseo de ayudar a los demás y compartir con ellos las cosas buenas de la vida. La base de la paz es Dios. El secreto de la paz es la confianza, pero el alma de la paz es el amor a las personas, que proviene del amor de Dios y se expresa en nuestro amor por las personas.

La pregunta que tenemos que hacernos es si estamos en paz con nosotros mismos, que es el maravilloso efecto de ser aceptados por Dios. Si su Espíritu mora en nosotros, podemos aceptar a otros en su nombre. Excluir a otros de nuestra compañía significa que estamos erigiendo barreras que impiden que el amor y la paz de Dios nos alcancen.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

If you keep free of these,
you will be doing what is right. (Acts 15:29)

Psalm:

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)
Or: Alleluia.

Second Reading:

The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it,
for the glory of God gave it light,
and its lamp was the Lamb. (Rv 12:23)

Gospel:

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.
Not as the world gives do I give it to you." (Jn 14:27)

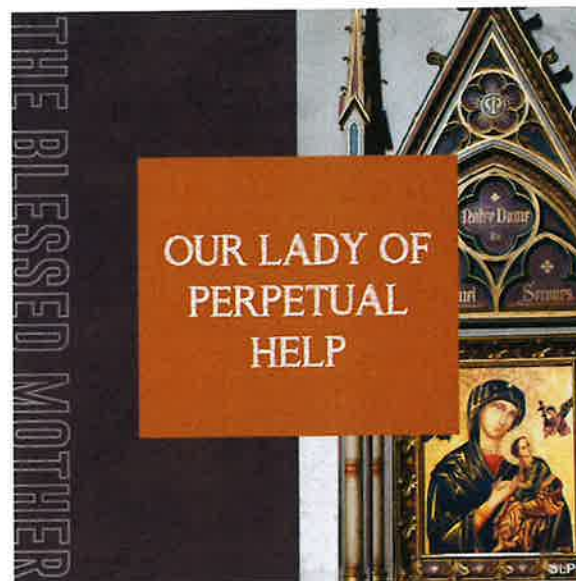
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Thomas needed proof to believe the amazing things that had happened. God, in His mercy, gave him that proof — but it was up to Thomas to accept it. Do we accept the proof we see of God's love every day?

Observances for the week of May 25, 2025

- Sunday:** 6th Sunday of Easter
Monday: St. Philip Neri, Priest; Memorial Day
Tuesday: St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord (holy day of obligation in some U.S. dioceses);
St. Paul VI, Pope
Saturday: The Visitation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord;
7th Sunday of Easter;
World Communications Day



Devotions, *Explained!*

Our Lady of Perpetual Help is both a title of the Blessed Mother as well as a corresponding icon that dates to the late Middle Ages, both of which present Mary as a source of strength and comfort for Christ and his followers.

Prayer for Peace

Fill us with Your peace, Lord, as
you promised in Your word.
Peace in our comings and goings,
Peace that You are working and
moving,
Peace for what has happened, the
places we find ourselves today,
and in the future to come.
Amen.



JUBILEE
INDULGENCE
EVENT

JUNE 28, 2025

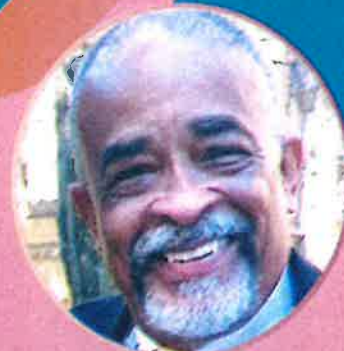
CATHEDRAL CCW
WOMEN'S RETREAT

HOPE UNSHAKEN:

Living the Jubilee Spirit

Join us for a day of fellowship as Deacon Arthur Miller—nationally known speaker and author—invites us to embrace our call as modern-day pilgrims during Pope Francis' Jubilee Year of Hope. Through powerful preaching and deep reflection, we will journey toward a conversion of hope, rooted in radical love.

MORE INFO & REGISTER ONLINE
WWW.SAVANNAHCATHEDRAL.ORG/CBCCW



Guest speaker
DEACON ARTHUR MILLER

DIOCESIS DE SAVANNAH
CAMPAMENTOS VOCACIONALES DE VERANO

ANCLADO EN LA ESPERANZA



LLAMADO A LA SANTIDAD: JUNIO 22 AL 25
Para Chicos que iniciaran los grados 7 al 12

VOCATIO DEI: JUNIO 25 AL 28
Para Chicos que iniciaran los grados 7 al 10

LAS INSCRIPCIONES ESTÁRAN ABIERTAS EL LUNES DE
PASCUA EN SAVANNAHVOCATIONS.ORG

DIOCESE OF SAVANNAH VOCATION SUMMER CAMPS

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CALL TO HOLINESS is JUNE 22-25
For rising 7th graders through graduating senior girls

VOCATION DEI is JUNE 25-28
For rising 7th graders through 10th grade boys

REGISTRATION OPENS EASTER MONDAY
SAVANNAHVOCATIONS.ORG



Ordination to the
Transitional Diaconate
May 31, 10 am

Ordination to the Priesthood
June 7, 10 am

Savannah Cathedral



Happy Birthday Father Paul!

*May 26th, 12p there will be
Mass held as a Celebration
of Father's Birthday!
Please come and wish him a
Happy Birthday!*

Rosary Drawing Winners

*Over 125 tickets were submitted for Respect Life
Rosary Drawing. CONGRATULATIONS to Gina
Ragland who won the Pro-life Rosary and Patrice Djike
who won St. Faustina Rosary! Thank you to everyone
who submitted tickets and to our wonderful Church for
their support of Life.*



POPE LEO SHIRTS

We will be taking orders for shirts from now until Sunday June 1st. Cash Only. We have order forms in the gift shop, and will also be taking orders before and after mass starting next week. You can bring your order and money in an envelop to: The Gift Shop, Rita, Renee, Christina or drop your envelope off at the office during office hours ONLY! Please write T-Shirt order along with your name on the envelope.

SACRED GARDEN GIFT SHOP & ST VINCENT DE PAUL FUND RAISER

To Support Upcoming Fund Raising Events

ALL SALES ARE CASH ONLY

Martha and Mary

You're Invited to

*The Dinner Party With Jesus
Women's Retreat*

on May 31, 2025 from 10am-4pm

*St Stephens First Martyr Catholic Church
399 Woodland Drive - Hinesville, Georgia 31313*

*RSVP Sign-up sheet
is in the Narthex*

Light Fixture Upgrade



As previously announced we have found a company to upgrade the Church lights to LED, the cost savings in electricity will reduce our energy costs by 87% over time. While the Building fund had enough saved to cover the \$20,000, we want to replenish the account! One way we are hoping to do that is by having a "Sponsor a Light" fundraiser. \$500 Sponsorship will help us reach our goal quickly and give you the opportunity to Memorialize or Honor a loved one. Donations can be placed in the offertory with the slip below in a Building Fund envelope or made online at <https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/ststephenhinesville>

Thank you to those who have made donations! We've raised \$7,700 so far!

Donor Name: _____ Phone : _____

In Honor/In Memory of: _____

PARISH SUPPORT

DONATIONS

Weekly Offertory – May 11

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

Offertory	\$5,456
Building Fund	\$260
Online Giving	\$598
Total	\$6,314

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>



Are You Certified to Volunteer? VIRTUS training; background check; code of conduct. If you would like to volunteer in any way within the church go to virtusonline.org to register. (912) 201-4074.

The 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal will kick off after August 1 and more information will be shared later this year. See Bishop Parkes' latest video on the diocesan or parish Facebook page more information.



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Video links:

English: <https://youtu.be/OtWljZwg8HQ>

Spanish: <https://youtu.be/-9D78ewalE4>



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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: _____

Parish Staff

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(912) 977-5278

Sacristan:

Sam Beiter
beiterri@yahoo.com

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Annette Miller
(912) 876-4364

Office Assistant:

Diana Young

**Parish Catechetical
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Tom Wing

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Tues-Thurs: 9AM-2PM

Gift Shop Hours:

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Mass Times

Weekday Masses- Tuesday 12pm, Wednesday 12pm, Thursday 12:00pm.
(Exposition and Holy Hour start one hour before Weekday Mass times along with a Rosary)

Saturday- Vigil 5:00 pm

Confession- Saturday 4:15-4:45pm & By Appointment.

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

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.

RCIA Classes

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 Sept. through May, must attend all sessions to receive sacraments.

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 Saturday of every month at 6pm and must be completed prior to scheduling baptism date. One Godparent must be an active Catholic. A copy of the Child's Birth Certificate is needed at time of registration and the child should have a Christian name in their name, if not on the Birth Certificate it will be added to the Baptismal Certificate and should be listed on the registration form. Please contact the Office for scheduling.

Anointing of the Sick

Fr. Paul is offering Anointing of the Sick Tuesday's during the 12p Mass. If needed at another time please contact the office or Father Paul 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, simply email: ssfmccprayerministry@gmail.com

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