

# SAINT STEPHEN FIRST MARTYR



## CATHOLIC CHURCH



June 21, 2026



**YOU ARE**  
WORTH MORE THAN  
MANY SPARROWS.

— MATTHEW 10:31 —



TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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# WEEKLY PRAYER

## MASS INTENTIONS

## REQUESTED BY

### SATURDAY, JUNE 20

**05:00pm** †Soul of Stephen Heusner.....Diana Young

### SUNDAY, JUNE 21

**08:00am** †Souls of Pedro Asanoma & Lino Edrosa.....Edrosa Family

**10:00am** †Souls of Delzeith Family.....Pat Delzeith

**12:00pm** Pro Populo ~ For the Community

### MONDAY, JUNE 22

**12:00pm** Our Parish Community

**07:00pm** Our Parish Community

### TUESDAY, JUNE 23

**12:00pm** Our Parish Community

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

**12:00pm** †Soul of Monica Perez Perez.....Raul & Yadira Vargas

### THURSDAY, JUNE 25

**12:00pm** Our Parish Community

**07:00pm** Our Parish Community

### FRIDAY, JUNE 26

**7:00pm** Our Parish Community

### SATURDAY, JUNE 27

**05:00pm** †Soul of Timothy Eichelberger.....Dee Eichelberger

### SUNDAY, JUNE 28

**08:00am** †Soul of Dolores Castro.....Lemapu Family

**10:00am** †Soul of Karen Miller.....Fernandez Fami

**12:00pm** Pro Populo ~ For the Community

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

### OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND FRIENDS AND FAMILY

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
John H.	Dillion Bovinger	Family
Richard & Christine	Summer Jones	Jane Chatman
Williams	Robert JoVan	Gudrun
David Weeks	Lounell Scott	Poertner
Sara J. Wheeler	David Weeks	Cindy Gray
Joe & Pat Johnson	Walter Helmick	Ethin Nettle
Gary Hubbard	Andre McCall	Bonny Pecenak
Janice Robertson	Nellie Orta	Amy Smith



## WEEKLY READINGS

### WEEK OF JUNE 21-28

#### Readings for the week of June 21, 2026

**Sunday:** Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14 and 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/ Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-1

**Wednesday:** Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

**Thursday:** 2 Kgs 24:8-17/ Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9/Mt 7:21-2

**Friday:** 2 Kgs 25:1-12/ Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6/Mt 8:1-4

**Saturday:** Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/ Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/Mt 8:5-17

**Next Sunday:** 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

#### Observances for the week of June 21, 2026

**Sunday:** 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

**Monday:** St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

**Tuesday:**

**Wednesday:** The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

**Thursday:**

**Friday:** St. Romuald, Abbot; World Refugee Day; Juneteenth

**Saturday:** St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

**Next Sunday:** 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## WORD OF LIFE

### 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: DO NOT BE AFRAID

**“Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.” (Mt 10:28)**

“Do not be afraid.” These words of Christ were of great comfort to the first Christians, who knew that they would share the same fate as the Master they followed, that is, that they would suffer persecution and possible martyrdom. Jesus wants to assure them that the recompense of Eternal Life awaits them and that this is what really matters because, in the end, life will pass away and death will inevitably come.

Today, however, it seems that we are afraid of Christ. Many of us Catholics avoid talking to Christ and do not want to say that beautiful prayer of Saint Francis: “Lord, what do you want me to do?” We are afraid that Christ will make our lives difficult, that He will ask us to help the poor, to evangelize, and to devote ourselves to Him. We even go to Mass but do not want to participate or commit ourselves to anything more. We need to recall the words of the angel in the book of Revelation: “Because you are lukewarm, I will spit you out of my mouth.” We must overcome our fear of Christ. He loves us and will not ask us for anything that is not good for us. Let’s make Saint Augustine’s prayer our own in order to walk in His path: “Lord, give me what you ask of me and ask of me what you will.”

We also have to overcome the fear of being identified with Christ, of others knowing that we are Christians. If we were to receive rewards and praises for being a Christian, many would certainly not hide that fact. Being a follower of Christ is an honor. It is the most noble and greatest privilege a human can aspire to because it implies becoming children of God. So why should we be ashamed?

**Purpose: Pray this prayer without being afraid of what God may ask of you: “I trust in You. I love You. I adore You. I give You thanks. I ask You for forgiveness. I ask You for grace. I offer myself to You, like Mary.**

## PALABRA DE VIDA

### DOMINGO XII DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO: NO TENGÁIS MIEDO

**“No tengáis miedo a los que matan el cuerpo, pero no pueden matar el alma. No; temed al que puede destruir con el fuego alma y cuerpo” (Mt 10, 28)**

“No tengáis miedo”. Estas palabras de Cristo fueron de un gran consuelo para aquellos primeros cristianos, que sabían que por seguir al Maestro iban a correr la misma suerte que Él y que, por lo tanto, sufrirían persecución y quizá martirio. Jesús quiere asegurarles que les espera la recompensa de la vida eterna y que eso es lo que verdaderamente importa, pues al final, con persecuciones o sin ellas, la vida termina por pasar y la muerte llega de todas las maneras y a todos.

Hoy, sin embargo, parece que a quien se le tiene miedo es al propio Cristo. Son muchos los católicos que rehúyen hablar con Él, que no quieren decirle aquella hermosa oración de San Francisco: “Señor, que quieres que haga”. Tienen miedo a que Cristo les complique la vida, que les pida ayuda para evangelizar, para consagrarse a Él, para ayudar a los pobres. Van, incluso, a misa, pero no quieren participar en nada, no quieren comprometerse para nada. Deberían recordar las palabras del ángel en el Apocalipsis: “A los tibios los vomito”. Hay que vencer el miedo a Cristo. Él nos ama y no nos pedirá nada que no sea bueno para nosotros. Hagamos nuestra la oración de San Agustín, cuando le pedía fuerzas al Señor para seguir su camino: “Señor, da lo que pides y pide lo que quieras”.

También hay que vencer otro miedo, el de que nos identifiquen con Cristo, el de que sepan que somos cristianos. Si, por serlo, nos dieran premios y alabanzas, seguro que muchos no lo ocultarían. Pues bien, ser seguidor de Cristo es un honor, es lo más noble y grande a que puede aspirar un ser humano, pues lleva consigo ser hijos de Dios. ¿Por qué tener complejo y vergüenza de ello?

**Propósito: Rezar los puntos de la oración: me fío de ti, te quiero, te adoro, te doy gracias, te pido perdón, te pido gracias, me ofrezco a ti, como María. Sin miedo a lo que Dios pida.**



FRANCISCANS OF MARY - FRANCISCANOS DE MARIA

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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 Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the Lord; and you also will testify.” John 15:26b,27a*



# PARISH PULSE

## SAVE THE DATE

**June 20/21** - Sign-up for New Members, at the Respect Life Table, in the Narthax.

**Red Wagon Weekend** - Bring non-parishable items to the church to support our SVdP food pantry!

**June 21st** - Father's Day

**June 27** - 10:00-1:00 in the Social Hall, Respect Life Planning Workshop for the up-coming Fall events. All are welcome to attend!

**June 27-28<sup>th</sup>** - Second Collection for Peters Pence.

**July 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>** - Second Collection for our Building Fund.

## BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

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

**6/22** - Eva-Marie Jackson, Carlos Pichardo-Batista

**6/23** - Raquell Joseph, Myra Rooney

**6/24** - Braelyn Caughey, Mark Palang

**6/25** - Amy Chihuahua

**6/26** - Marilyn Williams

**6/28** - Michael Clark, Vanessa Malave, Luis Nevarez, Greg Smith

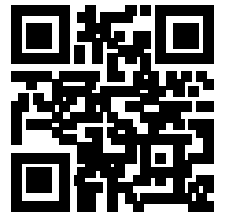
*Happy  
Birthday*

## CROSS CATHOLIC OUTREACH

**VISITING JUNE 20-21**

This weekend we are blessed to be hosting a priest representing Cross Catholic Outreach. This official Catholic ministry was founded to link parishes in the U.S. with priests, religious brothers and sisters, and laypeople working in Church missions overseas. Its programs span the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, and Central and South America. Donation envelopes will be provided.

Please be generous and be sure to say hi after Mass. Brochures with a donation envelope will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry. For more information on Cross Catholic Outreach, please go to [CrossCatholic.org/outreach](http://CrossCatholic.org/outreach), or scan this QR code:





# Father's Day Blessings

*Let us honor and remember our  
Father's whether with us or in our  
hearts today and everyday!*

Eddie Albaladejo  
Joseph Anthony  
David Bennett  
Timothy Bird  
Clarence S. Brotko  
Guy Burg  
Anthony Burgess  
Johnny Camacho  
Jose Carrazco  
Mike Carreker  
Jim Carreker  
Family of Casanova's  
Jose P. Cruz  
Paul I. Curley Sr.  
Lang Van Dang  
Michael Tom Daniel  
Francisco Delgado  
Norman Etheridge  
Patrick J. Farace Sr.  
Walter Carl Gasior  
Joseph F. Geoghegan  
Edward (Buzz) Hoffman

Dean E. Huffman  
Cristobal Jimenez  
Luu Quoc Kim Dang  
Qui Kim Dang  
Khanh Kim Dang  
Curt Leisentritt  
Suesue Lie  
Joachim Linden  
Larry Linscombe Jr.  
Larry Linscombe Sr.  
Miguel Martinez  
Glenn J. McCauley  
Dennis McCauley  
Michael McManus  
Ralph P. Miller  
Ralph F. Miller  
Carl S. Miller  
Frank R. Miller  
Nolan Davis Minet  
Rodney Olson  
Bug Paulk  
Clem Pitzen

Daniel Rabatin  
Juan Rivera  
Raul Vargas Rivera  
Rivera Robles Family  
Angel Rivera Sr.  
Silvano Robles  
Richard Rogers  
Ralph Schnur  
Wallace Shaw  
Trevor Smith  
Kenneth Smith  
Thomas D. Spurgeon  
Thomas E. Spurgeon  
Bill Stavro  
James Stirling  
Tom Stirling  
David Stroud  
Jim Taylor  
Pedro S. Torres  
Heriberto Torres  
Rodolfo Trujillo  
Jim Wolf

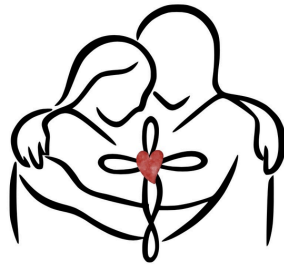
# MINISTRIES IN ACTION



## 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**  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 Gracitudo

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

# MINISTRIES IN ACTION



A planning session for the up-coming fall events. All members and anyone interested in our Ministry please attend. Sign-up at our Respect Life table June 13 and 20<sup>th</sup> after all the Masses. Lunch will be served. We look forward to having a great year and need more hands to support Life, God's gift to all of us!!



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 July 11<sup>th</sup> from 11a-2p and will be Colonial Christmas themed. 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.



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 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month at 7p.



Our local CCW is a part of The National Council of Catholic Women which acts through its members to support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service. Stayed tuned for the next CCW event. It will be open to current members and anyone interested in becoming a member. For more information on CCW you can contact Betsy at [betsystewart@gmail.com](mailto:betsystewart@gmail.com)



**Next Red Wagon Weekend is July 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>!**

**Saint Vincent de Paul (SVdP)**



SVdP supports our Parish and local community through their Food Pantry. We meet monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 by the gift shop 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).

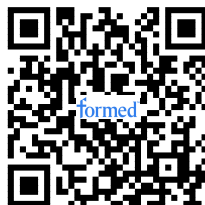
Not yet on Hallow? Visit [hallow.com/parish](http://hallow.com/parish) (QR code), search by parish zip code, and follow the prompts. You'll be given a special trial which gives access to all the app's premium content. If you'd like to forgo and remain on the free version, simply hit "Skip" and you'll 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](http://formed.org), click formed for parishes to start creating your account. Search by zip code 31313 to find our parish membership.



The Diocese of Savannah provides Safe Environment Training online at [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org) available in English, Spanish, Vietnamese and Korean. All volunteers must complete training, a background check and sign the code of conduct. Contact the office for questions.



### 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 EUCHARISTÍA

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.



St. Stephen

First Martyr Catholic Church  
Hinesville, Georgia



# A Safe Church Starts with You!



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](http://virtusonline.org) or contact the parish office.



# PARISH STEWARDSHIP

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP

<b>Weekly Offertory</b> Min \$10,000 needed weekly	<b>June 7<sup>th</sup></b>
Offertory	\$6,062
Building Fund	\$1,979
Online Giving	\$842
<b>Week Total</b>	<b>\$8,883</b>

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.

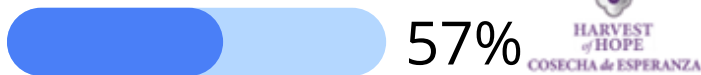
Online giving is available at

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

**Scan the QR code  
to Give Now!**



### HARVEST OF HOPE



HARVEST  
of HOPE  
COSECHA de ESPERANZA

Harvest of Hope overall goal is \$247,268.00!  
So far we have received \$55,180, with an additional \$86,077 pledged to be paid by the end of the campaign. This has us at 57% of our goal for the Harvest of Hope, 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

July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>

### DIOCESE SPECIAL COLLECTION

#### PETERS PENCE

June 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>

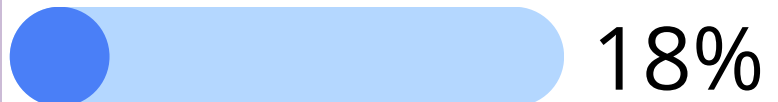


### SCAM WARNING

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

**\$12,353 OF \$34,667 RAISED TO DATE**



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.

St. Stephen

First Martyr Catholic Church  
Hinesville, Ga

**OCIA Classes Wednesdays:** 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*~ 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.

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