


SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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<p>STAYING CONNECTED</p>	<p>THE FSSP</p>	<p>DONATIONS</p>
<p>PARISH ONLINE NEWSLETTER</p> <p>To receive the bulletin and important announcements online, call the Parish Office to register.</p> <p>NEW PARISHIONERS</p> <p>Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or Bookstore.</p>	<p>St. Stephen the First Martyr is a personal parish of the Diocese of Sacramento. It is served by priests of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.</p> 	<p>ST. BERNADETTE FUND</p> <p>Please consider giving to fellow parishioners in need. Donations can be made online or at the Parish Office.</p> <p>ONLINE GIVING</p> <p>Available at the parish website. www.sacfssp.com</p>
<p>Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping, unless you are giving online. Please pick them up in the Parish Office.</p>		

LITURGICAL CALENDAR		
5 May	Sun	Fifth Sunday after Easter, II
	7 am	+ Richard Strahler
	8:30 am	Salazar family
	10 am	Robert Erskine
	11:30 am	+ Fr Jose Maghinay, SJ
	1 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
	6 pm	+ Ernest Carey
6 May	Mon	Feria, IV
	7 am	Forrest & Madison Mayer
	12 pm	In thanksgiving
	6 pm	+ Michelle Williams
7 May	Tues	St. Stanislaus, III
	7 am	St Stephen parish
	12 pm	Goboy - Delapaz family
	6 pm	Pope Francis
8 May	Wed	The Vigil of Ascension, II
	7 am	Bishop Jaime Soto
	12 pm	+ Joellyn Trisler
	6 pm	+ Mary Carey
9 May	Thurs	Ascension of the Lord, I
	7 am	+ Holy Souls
	12 pm	+ Santino Gutierrez
	6 pm	Confraternity of St. Peter
10 May	Fri	St. Antonin, III
	7 am	+ Remedios Arboladura
	12 pm	+ Virgil Trisler
	6 pm	+ Paulino Arboladura
11 May	Sat	Sts. Philip and James, II
	7 am	Stephen Paul McDonald
	8:30 am	Mary Ann Narag
	12 pm	+ Gerard Carey

PRAYER LIST

Avianna Ramirez, Catherine Durant, Ed Schneider, Paula Belen, Vanessa Jimenez, Ralph Clark, Michelle DiGiovani, Mark Mitchell, Phil Carey, Judy Bennett, Jasinkas, Debbie Vilar, Dominick Damore, Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Nancy Tostenson, Karen Rich, Bob Crocker, Stephanie Reali-Saavedra, Theresa Reali, Don Varley, Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Barbara Graichen, Jim Carlson, Darryl Gallagher, Helen DiCarlo, Barbara Cogan, Jordan Aranas, JoAnn Mutterties

Please keep all of the sick and homebound of the parish in your daily prayers, as well as our adult catechumens and candidates.

IN MEMORIAM

Bill Sneeringer, Marion Nicholas, Vincent DiCarlo, Estelle McKnerney, Alfred Solorio, Fr. James Buckley, Rudy Nagel, Paul Graff, Pietro Lopresti, John Hymes, Teodosio Dino, Barbara Chu, Nellie Reyes, Albert Treskon, Violet Corr, Mary Hayes, Derald Goyette, Bonnie Williams, Frank Bowa, Ramon Daley, Eileen Morrison, Richard & Louise Szabo, Cesar Oliva, Joseph Damore, Ken Taylor, Joseph Menezes, Edgardo Mercado, Barbara Jeong, Jean Haun, Rene Iway, Richard Seifert, Fiona Silverio, John Dunlap, Jeff Long, David Tostenson, Eleanor Roberts, Robert Rose

PARISH GROUPS	
Choir & Music Classes	Keven Smith <i>Youth & Adults, Sunday & Thursday</i> ksmith_writer@yahoo.com
Altar Guild & Altar Guild Minor	Mike Solton <i>Boys 7 – 18, Third Saturday</i> 916-832-2859
Troops of Saint George (Scouting)	James Campbell <i>Boys 6 – 18</i> Jcampbell@tsgtroop750.org
Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Amy Rutschow <i>Girls 14 – 18, First Saturday</i> 916-340-5782
Rosa Mystica	Sue McGrath <i>Girls 9 – 13, First Saturday</i> 916-531-3946
Little Flowers	Megan Gury <i>Girls 5 – 8, First Saturday</i> 916-207-0498
Youth Group	Liz Hernandez <i>Ages 14 – 18, Second & Fourth Friday</i> 916-396-4062
OLSW Co-op	Inocencio Rangel <i>Ages 14 – 18, Tuesday & Thursday</i> 916-804-6359
CCM Co-op	Blanca Pimentel <i>Ages 3 – 14, Thursday</i> blancaerodria@yahoo.com
Veritas (Young Adult Group)	AJ Alvarado <i>Ages 18 – 39, Third Tuesday</i> veritasnorcal@gmail.com
Adult Catechism	Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP <i>Adults, Second & Fourth Thursday</i> frcurtis@fssp.com
Chesterton Society	Spencer Roundtree <i>Adults, Second Tuesday</i> sac.chesterton@gmail.com
Knights of Columbus #16419	William Giovannetti <i>Adult men, Third Wednesday</i> 916-531-4730
Ushers	Roger Soto <i>Adult men, Sundays & Holy Days</i> 209-610-1163
Security	Patrick Clemons <i>Adult Men, Sundays & Parish Events</i> 916-717-0244
Altar Linen & Flowers Society	Tomoko McDonough <i>Adult women, Third Saturday</i> mcdonoughmommy6@gmail
Church Flowers	Greta Munsill <i>Friday or Saturday</i> 916-425-7112
Church Cleaning	Eli Gonzalez <i>Wednesday</i> 916-395-7408
Collection Count Crew	Kelly Manstch <i>Monday</i> Parish Office 916-451-5114
Brown Bag Lunch Program	Maureen Olguin <i>Sunday</i> jmolguin5960@att.net
The Gabriel Project	Catarina Hinojos <i>On call</i> 415-286-6228
Senior's Lunch (55+)	Ann Zacharias <i>Third Thursday</i> 916-838-7404

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

**Rev. Mr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP;
Sr. MaryAnne Regina, CM**

Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in thee.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Meditation by Dom Benedict Baur

On this day Christ's triumph is complete. The victory which He gained by His resurrection from the dead is today made perfect. The Lord, together with the human nature He assumed, has ascended to the Father. He now shares in the dominion of heaven and earth; He now rules all hearts and all souls....

Today we ascend the Mount of Olives (the stational church of St. Peter) with Peter and the other apostles to witness Christ's ascension. "And it came to pass, whilst He blessed them, He departed from them and was carried up into heaven. And they adoring went back into Jerusalem with great joy. And they were always in the Temple praising and blessing God" (Luke 24:51-53).

Today we rejoice with Christ, who, after His many trials and hardships on earth, can now take His repose. Today He "sitteth on the right hand of the majesty on high" (Heb. 1:3) and takes possession of the glory, dignity, and power that belong to Him properly as the man Christ Jesus, the Son of God and the "Lord of glory" (I Cor. 2:8). Today the man Jesus takes possession of His royal power and assumes jurisdiction over all the goods and riches of God; today He begins to exercise His supreme authority over all creatures, both living and dead. Today He is crowned King of kings. Today He receives authority to judge the living and the dead. Today He is made a "quickeningspirit" (I Cor. 15:45). Henceforth Jesus does not belong to one nation, as He did heretofore. He now belongs to all nations and to the Church in all her parts and members. He embraces all men, filling them with His life and His spirit. Today He transfers the capital of His world-wide empire, the Church, from earth to heaven; He begins to give His "gifts to men" (Eph. 4:8). Do we not have good reason for rejoicing with Him today? Should we not congratulate Him on His ascension? Should we not submit to Him and choose Him for our King again? Should we not place all our trust and hope and love in Him?

We rejoice also in our own good fortune. Christ is sitting at the right hand of the Father, but He has not deserted us; He thinks of us with love. He has gone, but He has gone "into heaven itself, that He may appear now in the presence of God for us" (Heb. 9:24); He lives there always "to make intercession for us" (Heb. 7:25). He knows our nothingness, and He is solicitous for us. He does not allow us to wander from His eyes even for a moment. He makes our business His business, our needs His needs, and He is our surety before the Father.

Taken from:

The Light of the World: Liturgical Meditations

IMPORTANT DATES

May 11	First Holy Communion Mass (at noon)
May 18	Altar Guild Cancelled (Transferred to Jun 1)
May 24	Graduation Mass (6 pm)
May 26	Camp registrations due
May 29	Priestly Ordination of then Fr Kasak
Jun 1	Altar Guild & Guild Barbeque
Jun 8	Sacred Heart Procession to Cathedral (2 pm)
Jun 8	First Mass of Fr Kasak at Cathedral (5 pm)
Jun 16-22	Camp Sacred Heart
Jun 22-28	Camp Immaculate Heart
Jul 3-18	FSSP General Chapter
Jul 14-18	Parish Retreat
Aug 3	Pig Roast (Parish Festival)
Sept 8	Kiana Nava entrance to Ava

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Collection for the Building Fund.

Fr Evaristus will be away Wed, May 8 until Fri, May 10.

Youth Group meets this Fri, May 10, at 7 pm.

First Holy Communion is this Sat, May 11. Please do not attend the noon Mass this Saturday unless you are there for one of the first communicants; there will not be seating in the church available for you! Thank you.

First Holy Communion Receptions. I am very grateful to Kathleen Pauls for volunteering to organize three receptions again this year. *She is asking for additional volunteers to set up, serve, and clean up at these receptions* (Sat, Apr 13; Sat, May 4; & Sat, May 11). Help at any or all of the receptions is appreciated. Contact Kathleen Pauls at 916-532-8230 or kathleenannpauls@yahoo.com.

Sacred Heart Procession on Jun 8, starts 2 pm at East Lawn Cemetery; visit www.marianprocession.com; followed by 5:00 pm Solemn Mass at the Cathedral, offered by (then) Father Jacob Kasak.

Camps Sacred & Immaculate Heart. Ages: 10 - 18. Cost: The camp will be \$250 for the first child in a family, \$200 for the second, \$150 for the third, etc. *Scholarships will be available for families for whom the registration fee constitutes a financial burden.* Registration: Available in the parish bookstore and office; due on Sun, May 26.

Parish, Silent, Ignatian Exercises Retreat. Jul 14-18. \$750. Fr. Jeffery Jambon (*chaplain of Benedictines of Mary in Ava*). Register in the bookstore before Sun, Jun 23. Please register early so we can anticipate how many will attend.

Sunday Coffee & Donuts is on hold for a lack of volunteers.



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