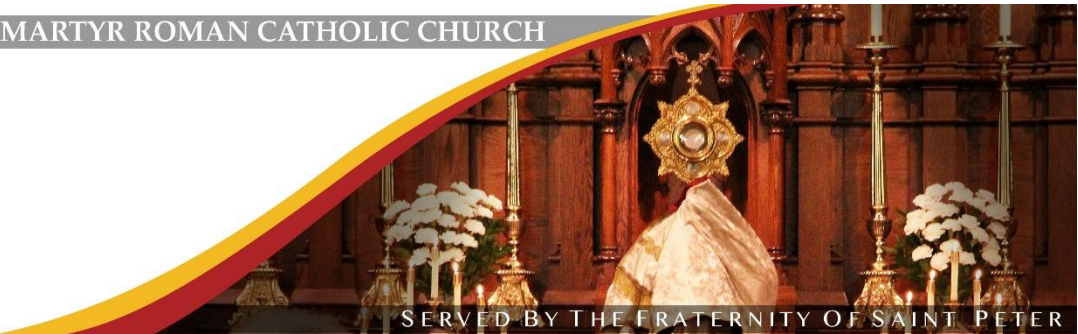



SAINT STEPHEN THE FIRST MARTYR ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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

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| 30 Jun | Sun | Dedication of the Cathedral, I 7 am + Fr. Savoie's father 8:30 am + Bernice Sotelo 10 am Jim Gallagher 11:30 am + Kathleen Benling 1 pm <i>Pro populo</i> 6 pm Our Lady's intentions |
| 1 Jul | Mon | Most Precious Blood, I 7 am Fr. Curtis 12 pm Tatum Solorio 6 pm Sophia Scott |
| 2 Jul | Tues | Visitation of the BVM, II 7 am + Marlene Pacheco 12 pm Zach & Mary Huber 6 pm Scott family |
| 3 Jul | Wed | St. Irenaeus, III 7 am Ray Mercado 12 pm + Bill Sneeringer 6 pm + Marion Nicholas |
| 4 Jul | Thurs | Feria, IV 7 am + Holy Souls 12 pm + Eileen Andrews 6 pm St. Monica Sodality |
| 5 Jul | Fri | St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria, III 7 am + Rogelio Mendoza 12 pm Isaac Milos 6 pm Arnoldo Reynoso |
| 6 Jul | Sat | St. Maria Goretti, IV 7 am Intentions of Ozi-Maria 8:30 am Tatum Solorio 12 pm Betty Raggio |

PRAYER LIST

Daniel Huynh, 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

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| 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

**Fr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP;
Sr. MaryAnne Regina, CM; Kiana Nava**

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

PASTOR'S COLUMN

FR. MCWHIRTER

Dear Parishioners,

Come August, my assignment at St. Stephen's will be ending. I say this with a heavy heart. It has been the greatest blessing of my life to serve as your priest alongside Fr. Curtis and the other excellent priests with whom God has providentially placed me, not least Frs. Evaristus and Schwab. I want to take the opportunity sincerely to thank each of you for the thousand kindnesses you have shown me over the last four years, and to thank you also for so patiently bearing with my many shortcomings and inadequacies.

I am not actually being transferred to another parish, though I almost certainly would have been. For many years now, since the beginning of my time in seminary, I have developed a steadily growing desire for the monastic life. When I depart in August, I will be leaving to join the Benedictine monks in Norcia, Italy. I have the full permission of my superiors to do this, and it is in no way a departure from my vocation. I will still be exercising the priesthood, only I will be giving up the active care of souls in order to embrace the life of religious contemplation.

It is a great consolation amidst the sorrow of leaving to know that I will have ample time to pray for you all. I promise to do this, and I ask you also to pray for me.

In Christ,
Fr. McWhirter

Note from Fr. Curtis: I have had time to prepare myself for this since over a year ago when Fr. McWhirter approached me asking for permission to make an extended trip to Norcia, Italy, in order to discern with the Benedictines there, but the advanced knowledge has hardly made it any easier to lose him. As you know, he has been at the parish since the fateful summer of 2000, and he and I have worked side by side for the very challenging last four years. He is one of the finest priests I have ever known, mature beyond his years, and a very good friend. I am confident speaking for all of us that he will be sorely missed, but I am consoled that – though separated now by distance and circumstances – we will remain united in prayer, looking forward to that eternal home, which is not to be found on this earth.

GENERAL CHAPTER OF THE FSSP

The General Chapter convenes on July 3 and meets for about two and half weeks, until July 18.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Thy faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Thy love.

V. Send forth Thy Spirit and they shall be created.

R. And Thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray. O God, Who didst instruct the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

IMPORTANT DATES

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| Jul 3-18 | FSSP General Chapter |
| Jul 14-18 | Parish Retreat |
| Jul 16 | Our Lady of Mount Carmel |
| Aug 3 | Pig Roast (Parish Festival) |
| Aug 7-9 | Chant Camp |
| Aug 8 | Adult Catechism begins |
| Sept 7 | Kiana Nava entrance to Ava |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Collection for Peter's Pence.

SMCA. Please stop by the bake sale fundraiser in the courtyard this Sun, Jun 30, for Sancta Maria Classical Academy, after all Masses except the 6 pm.

Volunteers are needed for our annual Patronal Feast on Sat, Aug 3 (a.k.a. **the Pig Roast**). Many jobs are available; please call or text Gloria Santana at 916-832-2811. A sign-up booth will be available after Masses on Jun 30 (*today!*).

Pig Roast Rummage Sale. We will start collecting items on Thurs, Jun 6. Bring clean, new or next to new, antique, or valuable items to classroom 2. Please no clothes (except new), large furniture, large electronics, TV's or computers, hard to sell (or hard to dispose of) items. Share those items in good shape but no longer needed with your fellow parishioners. Any special items may be saved for future auctions or raffles. Questions? Contact Barb Cristi at 916-995-7855.

Feast of the Precious Blood. Sung 6 pm Mass on Mon, Jul 1.

July 4. Parishioners are welcome to enjoy fireworks at the parish in the evening this Thursday. We are surprisingly well placed to view shows in almost every direction.

First Friday & Saturday fall this week.

St. Maria Goretti. This Saturday is a diocesan day of reparation for the victims of the clerical scandals.

Parish, Silent, Ignatian Exercises Retreat. Jul 14-18. \$750. Fr. Jeffery Jambon. Register before Sun, Jun 23.

Chant Camp. Children ages 8-18 are welcome to join us Aug 7-9 for a summer chant camp at the parish. All participants will learn about good singing technique, the history and theory of Gregorian chant, and the importance of beautiful liturgy. This program is open to parishioners and non-parishioners alike. The camp will culminate with a Mass sung by all participants at 12 pm on Fri, Aug 9. Please request a registration form in the parish bookstore or visit:

www.sacfssp.com/chant-camp-2024

Adult Catechism. Starts Thurs, Aug 8. Converts should e-mail frcurtis@fssp.com for details and registration.

Fr Evaristus will return to the parish on Sat, Jul 6.

Fr Curtis will be away from the parish from Tues, Jul 2 until Fri, Jul 19. Fr John Killackey, FSSP, will be covering.



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