



PENTECOST SUNDAY

St. Stephen's Catholic Parish

JUNE 4 - 5, 2022

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[Jesus said to his disciples:] "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him." - Jn 14:23

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GLP

Wednesdays
Eucharistic Adoration
6:00pm - 8:00pm
Benediction ~ 7:50pm



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MASS INTENTIONS

Pentecost Sunday

SATURDAY, JUNE 4th

8:00am - 8:45am - Confessions

9:00am - Holy Mass

4:00pm - 4:45pm - Confessions

5:00pm - (+) Ron & Char Colborn

SUNDAY, JUNE 5th

8:00am - 8:45am - Confessions

9:00am - For the People of the Parish

**Rosary prayed 30 minutes before each Mass*

MONDAY, JUNE 6th

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

8:00am - Holy Mass

TUESDAY, JUNE 7th

No Mass at St. Stephen's

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8th

8:00am - (+) Henry & Dina Wildenberg

6:00pm - 8:00pm - Adoration & Confessions

THURSDAY, JUNE 9th

+ St. Ephrem +

5:30pm - St. Stephen's Parish

FRIDAY, JUNE 10th

8:00am - Holy Mass

The Most Holy Trinity

SATURDAY, JUNE 11th

+ St. Barnabas +

4:00pm - 4:45pm - Confessions

5:00pm - (+) Marcia Hobbs

SUNDAY, JUNE 12th

8:00am - 8:45am - Confessions

**9:00am - For the People of the Parish
(50th Anniversary)**

Liturgical Ministers June 11 - 12

Saturday, June 11 - 5:00pm

Servers: Nathan Jones

Lector: Pat Wolf

Sunday, June 12 - 9:00am

Servers: Garrett Schneider, Carl Hahn,
Joe Collins, Russell O'Donnell

Lector: Lisa White

Dear St. Stephen's Family,

It's impossible to live the life of a Christian without the help of the Holy Spirit. But to appreciate the role of the Spirit in the life of a Christian we have to start with Jesus himself. The Spirit had a big role to play in his life. The Spirit descended on him at his baptism, revealing him as the Father's beloved Son. At his baptism he also received power from on high for the mission he was about to begin. The Spirit was not just given for a moment; the Spirit remained with him throughout his public ministry. Jesus was continually led, strengthened, and guided by the Spirit.

It was the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead. It was the Spirit who opened the minds of his disciples and helped them to understand the meaning of his death. When he was raised up to glory at the right hand of the Father, Jesus poured out the Spirit on those who were to carry on his mission. The Holy Spirit descended on the apostles, individually and collectively. Filled with the Holy Spirit, they began their mission. And we see the great courage and confidence with which they did so.

And the same Spirit descends on us at our Baptism and Confirmation. The Spirit is not given for a moment but accompanies us on our journey in the footsteps of Jesus. The Spirit gives us power to participate in the work of Jesus. The Holy Spirit is our strength in times of weakness, our guide in times of doubt, our consoler in times of sadness, our advocate who always pleads our cause. We can't take even one step without the Spirit. The gifts of the Spirit are: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. Wisdom, understanding, and counsel (right judgment) guide our mind and assist our conscience in knowing right from wrong. Fortitude (courage) enables us to do the right thing even when it is difficult or unpopular. Fear of the Lord is really awe and reverence for God.

St. Paul talks about the fruits of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22). The Spirit brings love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. These are beautiful things, and make life joyful. Paul warns us against self-indulgence, which is the opposite of the Spirit. Self-indulgence produces bad temper, fighting, jealousy, cruelty, meanness, revenge, fornication, idolatry, and drunkenness. These are ugly things, and make life miserable. The more we renounce ourselves, and "walk in the Spirit", the more fruitful our lives will become.

The Spirit that we have been given is not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power. The coming of the Spirit provided the apostles with the energy, the courage, and the love to get on with the task Christ had given them. May the Holy Spirit come upon us and shower us with his gifts that are so needed during these difficult times. May we take the wise recommendation of +Bishop Hying and go back to that upper room in our prayer; go back there and be filled with that great gift of the Holy Spirit. That by the same fire of the Holy Spirit that sets our own hearts and lives on fire with love for Jesus and the Gospel, we may have the courage, confidence, and competence to share it with the world.

In Christo per Mariam,

Fr. Andrew

Ministry of Giving ~ Offertory

May 1: \$2,643.00 Received to Date: \$133,758.27
May 8: \$3,288.00 Budgeted to Date: \$115,392.00
May 15: \$1,614.00
May 22: \$1,382.00



TRANSITIONAL LIVING PROJECT

OLA - Assumption Hall
Thursday, June 9 at 6:30pm

Presentation by Family service representatives John Pfleiderer, Executive Director, and Kelsey Hood-Christenson, Program Director. *Topic: Next Step Transitional Living Project* - an initiative to provide a range of services for homeless single parents with young children.

The plan is for a twenty-unit apartment building with an attached day care facility. Participants will have access to the resources of the facility while also accessing a variety of services such as: case management, advocacy, counseling, childhood cognitive development, and financial education. Access to tangible resources: food, clothing, and assistance acquiring resources that make independent living possible.



PICTURE RETAKE DAY

Thursday, June 16 from 4:00 - 6:00pm

Did you miss out on getting your picture taken for our 50th Anniversary Directory? Make up pictures will be taken on **Thursday, June 16 from 4:00 - 6:00pm**.



CHURCH CLEANING



Thank you to our church cleaning crew for May. Scheduled for cleaning in June are:
Phil & Amy Jones, Lisa White, Bri White

TOTUS TUUS

June 19 - 24 at OLA



Registration is still open for Totus Tuus. Totus Tuus is a week long "parish mission" for the Catholic youth in the 1st through 12th grades. College students, young adults, and seminarians engage the youth of the parish with skits, songs, games, and inspiring interactive teaching. Pick up a registration form from OLA or go to www.olabeloit.com

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CALENDAR

- June 6 - Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church Mass, 8:00am
- June 6 - 50th Anniversary Meeting - Gilbank Room, 6:00pm
- June 9 - Mass, 5:30pm
- June 11 & 12 - 50th Anniversary Celebration
- June 19 - 24 - Totus Tuus at OLA

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On Saturday, June 11, 2022 at 6:30pm, parishioners of St. Stephens will be processing from the Chapel downtown to St. Stephens.

All Parish Members are invited to meet at the Chapel (Old Copper Falls, now Hickory Wood Events building) in downtown Clinton.

- Members may walk, ride on a wagon or drive to St. Stephens. A police escort will be provided.
- Members may meet at the church and drive downtown together.
- After a short prayer service at church, beverages and snacks will be provided outside. Please bring a lawn chair.
- Members are encouraged to wear their 50th anniversary t-shirts.

Sunday, June 12, 2022: 50th Anniversary Celebration St. Stephen's Parish

- 10:00 am Mass with Bishop Hying and Msgr. Healy
- 11:00 am Program followed by luncheon at the Family Center
- Program will include:
 - Welcome & Introductions of Priests, Parish Members and guests
 - Speakers on the History, Memories, and Future of St. Stephens
 - Musical presentation by Faith Formation Students
 - Luncheon Prayer by Bishop Hying
 - Pictures, Binders and Posters of St. Stephen's Activities & History
 - Socializing and sharing memories
- Members are encouraged to wear their 50th anniversary t-shirts.

DESSERTS FOR 50TH

If you signed up to provide desserts for the 50th Anniversary Celebration, please bring them to the Family Center on **Saturday, June 11th between 9:00am - 11:00am**





ST. STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Stephen's Catholic Church: Did You Know (Donations) - Continued

Carillon Bells at church - There is a plaque in the entrance listing many church members who donated

Entrance/Gathering Space Stained Glass Windows - Dick and Kathy Ferguson Family and Carl and Virginia Gorychka

Statues - Many statues were donated from St. Paul's Catholic Church in Beloit

Vestments and Altar Cloths - Dick and Kathy Ferguson

Patriotic Banners - Rick and Pam Franseen in memory of Gus Boerner

Outside Cross in front of Church - Mullooly Families in Memory of William Mullooly, Anne Marie Mullooly and Mya Jean Mullooly

Corpse for Crucifixion Cross donated by Mullooly Families in Memory of William and Ethel Mullooly

Wooden cross for crucifixion cross in memory of Donald F. Buckman donated by Lorie Ruppert

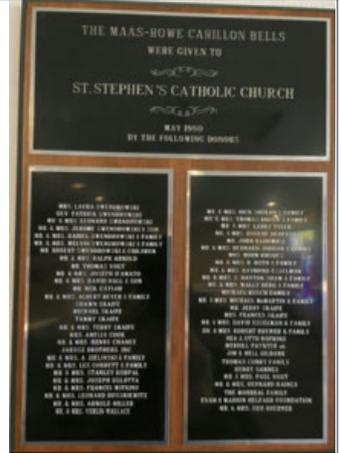
Easter Candle - Father Bill's family

Stained Glass Window - Mr. and Mrs. John Itzen

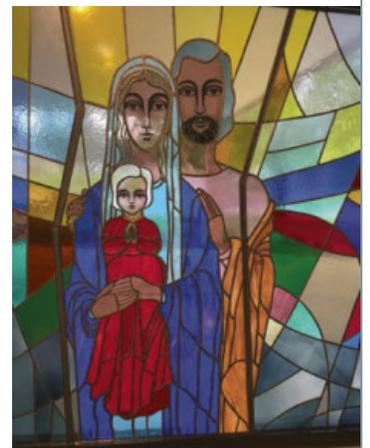
Two Shark Vacuum Cleaners - Philomena Brown

Plant stands in the entrance - In Memory of George J. Crouse

Tree in front of church - In Memory of Sue Skaife donated by her family



Stained glass windows on the north side of St. Stephens were donated. There are plaques on top of each window. Donated by: E.J. Pugh Family, G.W. Boerner Family, Paul Vogt, Rick Franseen Family, Eva Arnold Family, James Gilbank Family, Bernard Haines Family, Laura Swendrowski, Father Pat, Ken and Pauline Peck, William and Joanne Williams and Ryan, John and Eileen Itzin. In Memory of Viola Reed, Catherine Knesting and Ron, Janet and Paul Vogt, Edward and Freeda Corbett, Ton and Beatrice Marschall.



All the pews in the back part of church were donated by church members - There are plaques on each pew. In Memory of: Stephen and Carolyn Teranova, Florence E. Becwar, Jerome Swendrowski, Morrison Keough and Orland Larson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Franz, Anita Petta Franz, Jason and Barbara Brown and Ralph Arnold, Frances Collins Heffernan, William Happ. Donated by: Gus and Ruth Boerner, The Dallas Briggs Family, Laura Swendrowski, Father Pat Swendrowski, The Paul E. Vogt Family, Paul and Mary Vogt, The Roth Family.

50 ST. STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH CELEBRATING 50 YEARS · 1972 - 2022

Did You Know that many items in the Church, Rectory and Family Center were donated in memory of or in honor of members of St. Stephen's Catholic Church?

The overwhelming support of our Parish Capital Campaign has been instrumental to providing money for church improvements the past several years. In addition to general parish support, St. Stephen members pledged additional support to make improvements including a new church roof and siding to St. Stephens. Since our church was founded, we have depended on donations and volunteers. St. Stephens has a strong history of this for the past 50 years. We are proud of our parish and work together to keep St. Stephens a strong Catholic Faith Community. In the first bulletin printed in 1973, parishioners were asked to donate toward: confessional, windows, vestments case, pulpit, chairs, kneelers, pews and carpeting. Many items have memory plaques and many others do not. There is no complete parish list of donations. Items and food are donated for our pork chop dinner, salad luncheons, funeral luncheons, and other functions. Members donate their time and talents for countless parish needs. Creating our 50th Logo - Bonnie Zahn, Giving Tree - Mary Ann Luety, Jail Ministry - Arlene McMorran, Food Pantry - Pam and Terry Strom, Faith Formation directors, Steve Zahn and Heather Schneider and teachers. Also, serving on Parish Council, Financial Council, Building and Grounds, Decoration and Cleaning Church, Caring for church flowers and banners. Our Parish supports The Blood Drive, Clinton Community Outreach, Relay For Life, Crop Work and other community events. The list is endless.

Fifty years ago many of the items for St Stephen's Church were donated by parish members and their family members. This tradition continues today.

Members of St. Stephens and Father Bill's family donated toward the new air conditioners and furnaces for the church.

At Christmas and Easter members donate for flowers on the altar in memory of loved ones.

Resurrection Crucifix - Memory of Norm Rhodes

Tabernacle - Fr. Stephen Peil and his sister Betty

Ceramic set chalice and cruets - Father Uppena from Beloit Catholic High

Stations of the Cross - Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cleary from Chicago

Altar Pulpit - Mr. and Mrs. James Sindler

Original Confessional - Memory of Henry Esselman

Statue of Mary - Sister Stephanie's sister Mrs. Higgins

Vestments - Father Lenarz

Altar - Gus and Ruth Boerner

Original Organ and Sound System - Mrs. Conrac Feinn and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Feirn

Original Church Carpet and Installation - Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Barkas

Donation to building fund in memory of Frank Wehinger - Erwin F. Stier D.D.S

Sound System at church - Ben and Shelley Wellnitz Family in Memory of Greg Wellnitz

Carpet in entrance and sacristy - Bob Roth Family

Baptism Font - Don and Judy Jones in Memory of Wade Jones



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