



## 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# St. Stephen's Catholic Parish

*AUGUST 13 - 14, 2022*

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"There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." - Lk 12:50-52

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



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# MASS INTENTIONS

## Background on Mass Intentions

### 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 13th**

+ Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus +

**4:00pm - 4:45pm - Confessions**

**5:00pm - For the People of the Parish**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 14th**

**8:00am - 8:45am - Confessions**

**9:00am - (+) Sue Skaiife**

*\*Rosary prayed 30 minutes before each Mass*

**MONDAY, AUGUST 15th**

*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

**8:00am - For the People of the Parish**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 16th**

+ St. Stephen of Hungary+

*No Mass at St. Stephen's*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17th**

**8:00am - (+) Alvaretta Wallace**

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

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 18th**

*No Mass at St. Stephen's*

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 19th**

+ St. John Eudes +

**8:00am - Holy Mass**

### 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 20th**

+ St. Bernard +

**4:00pm - 4:45pm - Confessions**

**5:00pm - For the People of the Parish**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 21st**

**8:00am - 8:45am - Confessions**

**9:00am - (+) Patricia Wesenberg**

*\*Please maintain a respectful silence in the church for those who wish to pray.*

## Liturgical Ministers August 20 - 21

**Saturday, August 20 - 5:00pm**

**Servers:** Garrett & Evan Schneider

**Lector:** Beth Hubner

**Sunday, August 21 - 9:00am**

**Servers:** Joe Collins, Brooks Benisch,  
Wesley Brueggen

**Lector:** Larry White

When a priest celebrates Mass each day, he *offers* each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person, or intention. By doing so he applies special graces from God upon that person or intention.

Like how we are able to intercede for others by our personal prayers, the Church is able to intercede for us through the celebration of the Mass. However, since the Eucharist is the "source and summit of the Christian life" the Mass possess a power that our personal prayers do not.

The practice of offering Mass for particular intentions is an ancient one, dating back to the early Church.

This tradition is also seen in St. Augustine's *Confessions* (c. 397), where Monica asks Augustine, "One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord."

Canon Law confirms this practice and states, "In accord with the approved practice of the Church, any priest celebrating, or concelebrating is permitted to receive an offering to apply the Mass for a specific intention" (Can. 945 §1).

Furthermore, it continues by saying, "The Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works" (945 §2).

Pope Paul VI said, "The Mass is the most perfect form of prayer!" It has immense power and countless miracles and conversions have occurred throughout the centuries by offering Masses for a specific intention or person. Mass intentions are a great treasure of the Church and have a spiritual weight that is incalculable.

In his encyclical "Ecclesia de Eucharistia," our beloved late Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, taught, "In the celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice, the Church prays that God, the Father of mercies, will grant His children the fullness of the Holy Spirit so that they may become one body and one spirit in Christ. In raising this prayer to the Father of lights, from whom comes every good endowment and every perfect gift, the Church believes that she will be heard, for she prays in union with Christ her Head and Spouse, who takes up this plea of His Bride and joins it to His own redemptive sacrifice" (No. 43).

A Mass Intention may be set for:

- A deceased loved one
- A living person who is sick or suffering
- A living person who is celebrating a birthday, anniversary, or other special moment in their life

A Mass Intention may not be requested for:

- A prayer intention that contradicts Catholic moral doctrine

There will be Mass at St. Stephens at 8:00am on Monday, August 15 for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. OLA will have Mass at 6:30pm.

## Ministry of Giving ~ Offertory

July 17: \$1,416.00      Received to Date: \$29,190.77

July 24: \$19,092.75      Budgeted to Date:

July 31: \$1,321.00

August 7: \$2,058.00

**THANK YOU!**

*\*The new fiscal year began July 1. "Budgeted to Date" total will be updated once our budget is finalized\**



## HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

Sunday, August 14th  
6:00 - 8:00pm

Calling all 9th - 12th graders! Make plans to join us as we kick off our monthly high school night. Bring your friends, **no cost, dinner starts at 6:00pm!**

Our hope is to build a community that our high school kids can call their own. We are throwing open the doors for this group: it is for our questioning kids, their believing and non-believing friends, and our devout kids. It is meant to be a place of fun, food, and faith!

**What are we doing in August?** Our activity is thanks to Cheryl Timp. She is bringing her white draft cross mare and the kids will have the opportunity to paint her!

## HELP WANTED



Please sign up to help provide dinners for our monthly High School Student gatherings. Students will meet the 2nd Sunday of each month from 6 - 8pm. Dinner is promptly at 6pm. Two or three individuals are asked to provide: main course, side, and dessert. A sign-up form is in the gathering area.

Thank you for supporting our high school students as they grow in their faith!



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



As we look ahead to preparing the new schedule for church cleaning for 2023, we are hoping to add a few more volunteers to the list. (It is a commitment of only one month - once per week of the month you are scheduled). If you can help, or if you know of any changes that need to be made to the current schedule, please email the office: [parish@ststephensclinton.com](mailto:parish@ststephensclinton.com) or call Pat Wendtland at: 608-751-4940.

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Faith Formation is right around the corner. Registration night will be on **September 28**, with classes beginning **October 5**. If your child is not yet registered, please contact the office: [parish@ststephensclinton.com](mailto:parish@ststephensclinton.com) or Heather Schneider: [fuerniss@hotmail.com](mailto:fuerniss@hotmail.com)

## CALENDAR

**August 14 - High School Night, 6:00pm - 8:00pm**

**August 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mass 8:00am**  
\*Mass at OLA at 6:30pm

**August 15 - Pork Chop Dinner Meeting, 6:30pm**

**August 29 - Blood Drive at the Family Center, 12:00pm - 5:00pm**

**September 5 - Labor Day Mass at St. Stephens, 8:00am**

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**SCHOOL**

Please take a few moments to read the informational insert on the importance of Catholic Schools in the Diocese of Madison in your bulletin today. For an opportunity to show your support, check out the August 12<sup>th</sup> edition of the Catholic Herald or go to [www.madisondiocese.org/support](http://www.madisondiocese.org/support)



## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA sessions will be starting soon at OLA for the cluster parishes. Their first "Come and See" session will be on **Tuesday, September 13 at 6:15pm**. If you or someone you know is wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith or is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact **Amy Mejia** at: (608)362-1231 ext 115 or [amyam@olabeloit.com](mailto:amyam@olabeloit.com).



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We believe that the Into the Deep strategic planning process will help us to achieve this vision of a brighter future and a more vibrant local Church.

We would love to have you walk with us. To stay informed about where God is leading us, please sign up for our email newsletter! And may God help all of us to follow Him...into the deep! <https://bit.ly/3P82vh8>



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