

# ST. STEPHEN MARTYR

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## 25<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.” - Mk 9:35b-37a

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at this time

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### Parish Council

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**Worship**, Vacant.....

**Recording Secretary**, Vacant.....

**Parish Office Hours - 8:30am-4:30pm  
(Mon-Fri)**

### Current Mass Schedules

**Weekend:** Saturday 4:00 pm;  
Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

**Weekday:** Tuesday–Friday 8:15 am

**Holyday:** announced times in bulletin.  
Sunday 8:30 am Mass is also available  
by Live Stream or Recording on  
SSM Facebook Page

### Sacraments

**Baptism:** Call parish office for  
appointment and preparation.

#### Confession:

- By appointment

**Marriage:** Please contact priest at least  
six months in advance.

Bulletin Deadline-Monday Noon

### St. Stephen Martyr Parish Vision:

To be a community that loves and serves God  
and one another

### St. Stephen Martyr

#### Parish Mission Statement:

To worship God as a Catholic faith  
community for the salvation of all

**WHY DO WE DO THAT?**  
Catholic Life Explained:



Question:  
Why are Catholics required to fast before Communion?

Answer:  
How we prepare for an important event helps us with the intentionality of our actions and raises our awareness. We prepare our house for guests. We wash our car before an important trip. We create a nursery for a newborn child. All of these actions heighten our senses for what is about to come.

The fast required by canon law before holy Communion has its roots in Jewish spiritual practices. We fast for cleansing and to demonstrate our reliance on God. Catholics used to fast for much longer periods of time, but it was Pope Paul VI in 1964 who set the time at one hour in an attempt to encourage people to receive the holy Eucharist more frequently. That one-hour observance allows us to pause and reflect on what we will participate in in the very near future. We deny our bodies so that we can focus more clearly on the Body of Christ that we will consume.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**REVERSE RAFFLE AND AUCTION**  
**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021**

DONATED ITEMS NEEDED:

- Gift Cards
- Tickets for Events
- Gift Baskets
- Items for Silent and Live Auctions

Donated items may be dropped off at the Parish Office  
Tickets can be purchased online, [www.ssmartyr.org](http://www.ssmartyr.org)  
or pick up a raffle ticket from the Parish Office

**Readings for the week of 09/19/2021**

Sun: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37  
Mon: Ezz 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18  
Tue: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13  
Wed: Ezz 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6  
Thurs: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9  
Fri: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22  
Sat: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45  
Sun: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Time, Talent and Treasure**  
Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life

"You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war. You do not possess because you do not ask. You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions." James 4:2-3

Saint James warns us against the dangers of materialism. In fighting the materialism in our culture, I must ask myself not only, "What do I own?" but more importantly, "What owns me?" What is the one thing I possess that I could not live without? This is what owns me.

*Parish Support*

09/11/2020 - 09/10/2021 = \$386,592.31  
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**Pray for our Parish Community**

... and for all our sick and homebound.  
... and all our families who remain homebound due to virus concerns

**LITURGICAL LIFE**

**QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

First Reading:

The Wisdom writer reveals the mentality of the wicked, characterized by revenge and treachery. How best should people of faith respond to such behavior?

Second Reading:

James offers insight into the human condition as it relates to how often our ambitions and passions can lead us astray. How do you keep yourself grounded in holy intentions?

Gospel Reading:

We hear today how the disciples were afraid to ask Jesus questions and reluctant to share with him some of their tensions. Why do you sometimes hold back from opening up to the Lord?

From the Desk of: Celeste Fautz, Business Manager:

**ST. STEPHEN MARTYR JUNE 30, 2021 YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Balance Sheet**

Cash General Checking	\$ 183,217
Cash Gaming Account	\$ 54,203
Cash Cafeteria Account	\$ 0
St. Vincent DePaul Account	\$ 0
Cub & Boy Scout Accounts	\$ 1,435
Various Petty Cash Accounts	\$ 800
Accounts Receivable	\$ 10,815
Total Inventory	\$ -1,119
Total Prepaid Expenses	\$ 0
Church Savings Account	\$ 259,113
G.I.F.T. Capital Savings	\$ 320,414
School Family Fund	\$ 155,287
Tuition Bequest	\$ 39,244
Land, Buildings & Furnishing	\$ 9,482,499
Accumulated Depreciation	\$ -297,744
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$10,208,164</b>

Accounts Payable	\$ 3,060
Special Collections Payable	\$ -511
Payroll Taxes/Benefit Payable	\$ -16,606
Deferred Revenue	\$ 45,577
Notes/Loans Payable **	\$ 0
Fund Balances	\$10,176,644
<b>Total Liabilities/Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$10,208,164</b>

**Income Statement Totals:**

<b>Total Revenue for Parish</b>	<b>\$ 2,224,584</b>
<b>Total Expenses for Parish</b>	<b>\$ 2,015,894</b>
<b>Net Shortfall for Parish</b>	<b>\$ 208,690</b>

**Organizations:**

PTO Income	\$ 35,631
Athletic Income	\$ 6,191
MOSS Club Income	\$ 241
Cub & Boy Scout Income	\$ 1,353
Cafeteria Income	\$ 40,594

**Income Statement**

Collections-Donations-Bequests	\$ 446,728
Church Fund Raising	\$ 12,347
SSAC Income	\$ -157
SBA Payroll Protection Loan **	\$ 47,475
Other Program Income	\$ 51,133
<b>Total Church Income*</b>	<b>\$ 557,526</b>

(\*Does not include G.I.F.T. Revenues = \$5,099)

School+Daycare Tuition & Fees	\$ 1,098,496
Tuition Subsidies	\$ 195,455
Parish Family Tuition Assistance	\$ 39,050
SBA Payroll Protection Loan **	\$ 177,525
Childcare CARES Act & CRRSA**	\$ 123,510
Other School & Daycare Income	\$ 33,022
<b>Total School+Daycare Income</b>	<b>\$ 1,667,058</b>

Payroll Church	\$ 234,760
Church Payroll Taxes/ Benefits	\$ 59,310
Assessments & Remittances	\$ 66,692
Supplies & Program Expense	\$ 91,870
Building and Grounds	\$ 27,434
SSAC Expense	\$ 61,574
Formation Expense	\$ 5,328
<b>Total Church Expense</b>	<b>\$ 546,968</b>

School & Daycare Payroll	\$ 946,491
School+Daycare Taxes/Benefits	\$ 259,034
School Assessments	\$ 51,134
Instructional Supplies	\$ 84,741
School Building Grounds	\$ 127,526
<b>Total School+Daycare Expense</b>	<b>\$ 1,468,926</b>

**\*\* 2020-2021 Revenues -**

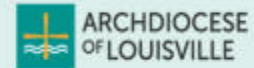
In May 2020, SSM received a (forgivable) federal Small Business Administration Payroll Protection Program Loan to be used to cover payroll and allowable benefit costs (such as the employer paid portion of medical and retirement benefits) for 24 weeks (12 pay periods) from receipt of the loan. The loan could also be used to cover certain nonpayroll expenses such as utility costs - gas and electric, water, telephone and internet. A loan forgiveness application was submitted in January documenting that the funds were used to cover allowable expenses and debt forgiveness was granted by the SBA April 2021. The loan value has been entered as revenues for the Church, School and Daycare in proportion to the allowable payroll and benefit costs incurred by each the during the 24 week (12 pay period) covered period of the loan from May 2020 to October 2020.

SSM received a CARES Act Child Care Stipend in the amount of \$23,270 (\$130 per child based upon full capacity) in November 2020. The SSM childcare programs have also received federal aid totaling \$100,240 through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act that was signed into law December 27, 2020. An additional CRRSA payment is expected in July.

Revenues received from the Small Business Administration Paycheck Protection Program loan, CARES Act Childcare Stipends and CRRSA Childcare Sustainment payments will not be assessed by the Archdiocese. In June 2021, the Archdiocese of Louisville refunded 1% of 2020 assessable income in the amount of \$18,627.98 which was added to the SSM parish savings on deposit at the Archdiocese.



The Archdiocese of Louisville has changed the mandate on masks. Due to this change, masks will now be required during indoor CSAA activity for all vaccinated, and unvaccinated student-athletes, coaches, and anyone else attending a practice, game, or organized team activity. Masks may be removed during physical activity/competition by athletes. More updates will be sent out as they are issued by the Archdiocese of Louisville.



**Healthy at Worship-Archdiocese of Louisville Masses and other Liturgical Celebrations Revised August 12, 2021**

The wearing of masks is optional for fully-vaccinated individuals. Those who are not fully vaccinated are required to wear masks indoors for liturgies and other parish functions. Please note that masks are required at any school functions, including Mass, for students, faculty, staff, and visitors. Masks also are required at programming involving children unable to be vaccinated, such as parish religious education programs.



Use the link on the home page of the parish web site at [www.ssnartyr.org](http://www.ssnartyr.org) to complete and submit a 2021 Stewardship Form or contact the Parish Office at 635-5813 to discuss the various ministry opportunities that are available. There is likely a parish organization that can greatly benefit from your time and your unique talents.



Yay! It's fall Ya'll Oh! That means LEAVES everywhere! Looking for PARTICIPANTS for leaf clean up. Come late September and early October, we will need to get leaves cleaned up. This is a great opportunity to earn service hours for Confirmation, for Boy/Girl Scouts to help out...to offer stewardship to your church and school community.

We need not only helpers but if anyone has or knows of someone who has a leaf vacuum system, please send them our way! Information on dates and times will be coming soon. Email either [cece.burns@twc.com](mailto:cece.burns@twc.com) or [cfautz@ssmartyr.org](mailto:cfautz@ssmartyr.org)

**OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF September 19, 2021**

**Sunday:** 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Catechetical Sunday

**Monday:** Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, & Paul Chŏng  
Ha-sang and Companions, Martyrs

**Tuesday:** St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

**Thursday:** St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

**Saturday:** BVM

**Next Sunday:** 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Liturgical Roles — 09/25- 09/26/21**

**Sacristans**

4:00 pm Mary Waskevich  
8:30 am Catie Jones  
10:30 am Kim Koenig

**Lectors**

4:00 pm Cathy Thomas  
8:30 am Bridget Britt  
10:30 am Carol Carter

**Holy Communion Ministers**

4:00 pm Dcn Steve DaPonte  
8:30 am Dcn Ken Roberts, Jr.  
10:30 am Dcn Ken Roberts, Jr.

**Ushers**

4:00 pm Ed Baumer  
8:30 am Ken Hunt  
10:30 am Carl Lawrence



**St. Pius of Pietrelcina**

On September 23, Catholics celebrate the memory of St. Pius of Pietrelcina (1887-1968), the Capuchin Franciscan friar still best known simply as "Padre Pio," who has become one of the most popular saints in the Church.

He was born of poor but devout parents, Grazio and Maria Forgione, in the province of Benevento in Southern Italy, and baptized Francesco. At an early age, he wanted to enter the Capuchin friars, but lacked the educational background. His father Grazio came to the United States to find work in order to pay for schooling, and Francesco entered the novitiate in 1903 and given the name Pio. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1910.

Padre Pio was plagued with ill health in his early years. In 1916 he was assigned to the small friary of Our Lady of Grace in the town of San Giovanni Rotondo in Apulia where he spent almost all the rest of his life. Shortly afterward, Padre Pio began experiencing para-normal phenomena, especially the stigmata that first appeared on his body in 1918. These caused considerable notoriety and suspicion during the 1920s and early 30s. But gradually the tide turned, and Padre Pio's deep spirituality and ability to "read hearts" brought thousands to his friary for counsel and confession. The friars built a new church in the 1950s to accommodate the large crowds who were coming to San Giovanni Rotondo. He died shortly after marking the 50th anniversary of the stigmata.



**Masses for the Week of 09/20/21 – 09/26/21**

**Tuesday, September 21 -** †=deceased

8:15 am Mary Conway †

**Wednesday, September 22 -**

8:15 am Louis Richard Krekel †

**Thursday, September 23 -**

8:15 am George McDonald †

**Friday, September 24 -**

8:15 am Ann Welch †

**Saturday, September 25 –**

4:00 pm Sherri Fletcher †

Allen Cassin †

**Sunday, September 26-**

8:30 am Doris King †

10:30 am Joe Ryan †

**Parish Calendar of Events –** A Parish Calendar of Events is available on the home page of the [ssmartyr.org](http://ssmartyr.org) web site. This online calendar will be updated at the end of each week. All events/activities must be appear on the calendar prior to use of any facility on campus. Please call the parish office (635-5813) to request addition of your event/activity to the calendar.

**Monday – 09/20**

8:00 pm MOSS Club Marteen Room

**Tuesday – 09/21**

8:15 am Mass Church

9:30 am Quilters SSAC-Mtng Rm #1

3:00 pm Children's Choir Practice Library

**Wednesday – 09/22**

8:15 am School Mass Church

3:45-5:50 pm Dare-to-Care Food Distribution Weiker Rm

6:00 pm Girl Scouts SSAC-Mtng Rm #1

6:00 pm Cub Scouts Marteen Room

7:30 pm Boy Scouts Marteen Room

**Thursday – 09/23**

8:15 Am Mass Church

**Friday – 09/24**

8:15 am Mass Church

**Saturday – 09/25**

4:00 pm Mass Church

**Sunday – 09/26**

8:30 am Mass (Livestreamed on Facebook) Church

10:30 am Mass (ALS Interpreter) Church

**2021 Catholic Higher Education**

This weekend our parish will take up the annual collection for Catholic Higher Education. Catholic colleges and universities strive to form students in the spirit of faith and educate them in the richness of the Catholic intellectual tradition. This collection supports the Catholic University of America as well as the two Catholic universities in our Archdiocese—Bellarmine University and Spalding University.

**Matching Funds For Our School**

One of the greatest gifts we give to our children is a Catholic Education. A donor is matching funds for our school. They will match funds up to \$3,000. Just think, if we work together our school will receive \$6,000. This program will run during the month of October. Just put your donation in an envelope, mark it for our school and put it in the Sunday collection basket.

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