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9:30 am (English)
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7:00 pm (Brazilian Portuguese)

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8:30 AM Tuesday, Thursday (In the Chapel)



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7:30 & 11:00 am (English)
6:00 PM (Spanish)
Saturday Vigil Mass:
4:00 PM (English)

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:30 AM Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 3:00 PM

Eucharistic Adoration

Every First Friday Sept.-May

Following 8:30 AM Mass—11:00 AM



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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY

September 28

8:30 (St. Stephen) + Gerard Duplessis, Req by Marcel

Vigil of The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm (St. Stephen) For the deceased members of St. Stephen CCHS Class of 1969, Req by the Class of 1969

SUNDAY

September 29 - The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am (St. Stephen) + Dennis Mahoney, 13th Anniv., Req by the Family + Claire Gouin, Req by the Family

9:30 am (St. Joseph) For the People of Holy Family Parish

11:00 am (St. Joseph) Brazilian

11:00 am (St. Stephen) + Mary O'Shea-Birthday Remembrance, Req by the O'Shea Family

1:00 pm (St. Joseph)

6:00 pm (St. Stephen) + Isabel & Magaleno Vasquez Molina & Evi Zelada Santos, Req by the Trinidad Family

7:00 pm (St. Joseph) Brazilian

MONDAY – September 30

8:30 am (St. Stephen) Mass of Thanksgiving for a favor obtained

TUESDAY – October 1

8:30 am (St. Joseph) + Kathleen Rice, 5th Anniv., Req by the Family

WEDNESDAY – October 2

8:30 am (St. Stephen) For the People of St. Stephen Parish

THURSDAY – October 3

8:30 am (St. Joseph)

7:00 pm (St. Stephen)

FRIDAY – October 4

8:30 pm (St. Stephen) + Deceased Members of the Tripodi Family, Req by the Tripodi Family

SATURDAY

October 5

8:30 am (St Stephen) +

Vigil of The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm (St. Stephen) + Rachel Ivanoski, Req by Lucille & Harry Worley + William B. Albin, Req by a Friend

SUNDAY

October 6 - The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am (St. Stephen) + Robert Larson, Req by David & Karen Gouin + Philip & Matthew Laino, Req by the Family

9:30 am (St. Joseph) + Jack Tobin, Req by the Family

11:00 am (St. Joseph) Brazilian

11:00 am (St. Stephen) + Richard M . Setaro, Jr, 25th Ann, Req by the Family

1:00 pm (St. Joseph) For the People of Holy Family Parish

6:00 pm (St. Stephen) + Isabel & Magaleno Vasquez Molina & Evi Zelada Santos, Req by the Trinidad family

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 PM & 11:00 AM

Entrance Hymn:

4:00 “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” #24

11:00 “We Are Called” #617

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Hymn at the Preparation of the Gifts:

4:00 “As We Gather At Your Table” #311

11:00 “The Least of These” #371

Communion Hymn:

4:00 “The Cry of the Poor” #620

11:00 “As Christ Is For Us” #509

Recessional Hymn:

4:00 “Beautiful Savior” #29

11:00 “Take the Word of God With You” #381

9:30 AM MASS

Entrance Hymn:

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling” #709

Readings & Psalm #1005

Hymn at the Preparation of the Gifts:

“As We Gather At Your Table” #760

Communion Hymn:

“Cry of the Poor” #829

Recessional Hymn:

“Beautiful Savior” #841

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2019–2020

**Classes Begin
Sunday, September 15th**

Religious Education 2019-2020

Our Religious Education Program and Sacrament Prep Classes are underway. The next session of classes are as follows:

Grades 7 - Confirmation Prep -- Sunday, September 29th - 9 to 10:45 am

Grades 1-6 - Sunday, October 6th - 9 to 10:45 am

All grades gather in the Stephen Church Hall for prayer and refreshments before moving to their classrooms in the Parish Office Building.

Parents -- If you have not yet registered your child/ren for RE or Sacrament Prep -- IT IS TOO LATE! Please contact the RE Director, Deborah Blicharz at deborahblicharz01@gmail.com and we will make arrangements for registering your child/ren.

Upcoming Events—Religious Education

This year, the Religious Education Program is excited to be hosting Parish Wide Spiritual and Service opportunities; Mark your calendars and watch this space for more information on the following programs:

Sunday, October 6th at Noon --**Blessing of Animals** -- St. Stephen Church Lawn

November -- **Thanksgiving Food Outreach**

Advent Season -- **Giving Tree Outreach**

Young Ministers Program

Altar Server Prep Begins Sunday, September 29th, 8:30 am

St. Stephen Church Hall

We are pleased to be offering a preparation program for students in Grades 3 and above to serve as Ministry Leaders at Sunday morning liturgies. Opportunities for service include: altar server, lector, hospitality, and more. Preparation will take place on Sunday mornings either before or during part of your child's RE class.. If you have any questions please contact:

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Sick and Shut-ins

As you may know many of the privacy laws in the state and in the country make it difficult and sometimes impossible for us to know who is hospitalized or in a nursing home.

If you know of anyone who is hospitalized or a shut-in and would like a pastoral visit, Holy Communion, or the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Please let us know and call the parish office. 508-755-3165 or 508-754-6722.

**Novena in Honor of
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal
St. Stephen's Church 6:30 PM**

The Novena will be celebrated every Wednesday October 2, to November 27, 2019 at 6:30 PM in St. Stephen's Church. Each evening will consist in the novena prayers and conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Wednesday November 27, will conclude the novena with the Celebration of Mass.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Stephen's Finance Board

St. Stephen's Parish is seeking to re-establish a parish finance committee. The purpose of the committee is to assist and advise the pastor on the parish finances. We are seeking parishioners who possess some background in finances or administration who are willing to share their time and advice in service to our parish community. If you are willing to be considered for this important ministry please contact the parish office (508-755-3165) or speak directly to Msgr. Johnson.

An invitation to all parishioners!

Recently in this bulletin, one of our choir members shared an encouraging testimony about the benefits of singing in the choir.

I am following up on this invitation:

Our St. Stephen's Folk Choir is now singing twice a month at the 11:00 mass, and we would love to welcome new singers! It's a great way to contribute to our liturgies while meeting new friends, learning music and also having fun.

If you are one of the people in the pews who enjoys music and likes to sing the hymns and songs at our liturgies, then WE NEED YOU to come up and try out our choir!

The Folk Choir rehearses from 5:30 to 6:30 on the Thursday before the Sunday that we are singing.

Please consider trying us out for a Thursday/Sunday (or two...). As it has been said, there's nothing to lose, and lots to gain.

If you're interested, please come up and see me after the 4:00 or 11:00 masses any weekend, or talk to any of our current singers if you see them.

Many thanks!

Lucia Clemente Falco

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**The Cenacle of the Marian Movement of
Priests**

"The Cenacle of the Marian Movement of Priests is established at St. Stephen's every first Saturday after the 8:30 Mass. Join us for the Rosary, prayers to the Holy Spirit, Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and messages from our Lady of Fatima. All are welcome!"

PRAYER INTENTIONS

In the charity of your prayers, you are kindly asked to remember the sick, especially: **Christine Caron, Jules Andre Alcide, Cyrus Hiatt, Denise Thibeault, Rev. George J Ridick, Carey Santiago, David Peloquin, Roger Fortin, Paul & Suzanne White, John Bouckaert, Cindy Bourgault, Marie Lee, Joseph Vancelette, Marion Papetti, Tina Quinn, Fr. Thomas Landry, Lorraine Fortin, James Reilly.**

Please pray for: Persecuted Christians and religious minorities living in the Middle East. For those individuals and families impacted by addictions.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Lawrence A. Falcone.

Weekly Meetings/Gatherings

Rosary: Before weekday Masses

AA Meetings: Monday @ 7:00 PM; Thursday @ 7:00 PM and Saturday @ 9:00 & 10:00 AM all at St. Stephen's Church Hall.

Wednesday @ 7:00 PM (Woman Only 12 Step Meeting) @ St. Stephen's Church Hall. For more info call 774-253-3995 Sharon.

Charismatic Prayer Meeting (French) Wednesday @ 7:00 PM Msgr. Ducharme Center.

Baptismal Preparation for parents and Godparents: Please call the rectory.

Dementia Caregiver Support Group sponsored by St. Francis Rehabilitation & Nursing Center. 3rd Thursday of the month @ 9:30 in the Msgr. Ducharme Center. For more info call Jeanne Pellegrino 508-471-2272.

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

St. Stephen Parish:9/22/19 \$3,175.43

Holy Family Parish:9/22/19 \$3,589.05

Thank you for your generosity to our parishes. It is through your goodness that we are able to accomplish all that we do. May God bless you for all that you do to support our work and ministries at Saint Stephen and Holy Family Parishes.

Summer Finances

Thank you for your stewardship and financial support for your parishes. As summer ends we find ourselves experiencing a significant financial shortage. While everyone has enjoyed their time away, we are asking for your consideration to make up your weekly offering over the weeks you may have been away from the parishes, so that we may be able to better pay our bills going forward. Welcome back from summer and Thank You.

Msgr Johnson

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