

Saint Stephen Parish

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Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Peter asked,
"Lord, how often
must I forgive?
As many as
seven times?"

Matthew 18:21



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September 13, 2026

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

First Reading

Sirach 27:30 - 28:9

Those who seek God's mercy must
be meriful towards others.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12

Song of praise to God, is kind and
merciful.

Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9

We belong to the Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus teaches that we must forgive
one another as God has forgiven us.

Daily Mass: Mondays thru Saturdays 8:00 am.

Vigil Mass Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00 am | 10:30 am | 6:30 pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 - 4:20 pm or 30 minutes before each Sunday Mass



Pastor's Corner

Getting to Know St. Stephen Together: A Parish of Mercy and Belonging

Dear Parishioners of St. Stephen,

Peace and blessings to all of you!

As we continue getting to know St. Stephen together, I would like to reflect this week on mercy and belonging.

This weekend, you will also find an update from Fr. Schunk in our bulletin. I am grateful that he continues to keep our parish community in his heart and prayers during his sabbatical. Even while he is away, we remain spiritually connected as one parish family.

This Sunday's Gospel reminds us that forgiveness is one of the most important marks of a Christian community. A parish is not a community of perfect people. It is a community of people who need God's mercy and who are learning, day by day, to share that mercy with others.

We come to Mass with our joys, struggles, wounds, questions, failures, and hopes because we need the Lord... His Word, His forgiveness, His strength, and His presence in the Eucharist.

That is why belonging to a parish is so important. St. Stephen is not simply a place where we attend Mass. It is a spiritual home where we are welcomed, forgiven, formed, strengthened, and sent forth to live the Gospel.

So, if you regularly attend Mass here but are not yet registered, I warmly invite you to take that simple step.

May St. Stephen always be a parish of mercy, welcome, and belonging.

A sincere presence. A kind word. A forgiving heart. These simple things can become doorways of grace.

God bless you all,

Fr. Marwin Felipe
Parish Administrator

Register today and become part of our St. Stephen Parish family!
You may register by scanning the St. Stephen QR code or filling out the form below.

Join Our St. Stephen Parish Family

Do you regularly attend Mass at St. Stephen but are not yet registered? We warmly invite you to register. Please return this form in the collection basket or to the parish office.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Address: _____

☐ New registration

☐ I would like envelopes

☐ Update my information

☐ Ministry/volunteer information

Welcome to St. Stephen Parish! Contact us - info@saintstephensf.org



Mass Intentions

Monday, Sep 14	8:00 am - Beatrice Abraham - † By: Carolyn Yiu
Tuesday, Sep 15	8:00 am - Carlo A Malig - Birthday By: Racquel Amora Malig
Wednesday, Sep 16	8:00 am - Diana Hizon - † By: Nellie Hizon
Thursday, Sep 17	8:00 am - Rowena Amora- Birthday By: Maria Amora
Friday, Sep 18	8:00 am - Rene Salera - † By: Becky Parini
Saturday, Sep 19	8:00 am - Edna Amora - † By: Maria Amora 4:30 pm - Albert Gragnani - † By: Diane Gragnani
Sunday, Sep 20	8:00 am - People of the Parish 10:30 am - Mikhaila Amora - Birthday By: Roy Amora 6:30 pm - Michael Mamon - Birthday By: Elizabeth Mamon

Remembering sick Family & Friends

Please pray for the sick and homebound of our community and for all those written in our book of the sick. May they know the healing touch of Jesus.

Amanda Arenas, Marie Bachand, Larry Barbieri, Ana Caballero, Araceli Caparas, Sean Chan, Julie Burton, Tony Devincenzi, Genevie Dy, Kenneth Fambrini, George Farrales, Eden Finn, Larry & Carmelita Gallagher, Mark Gutierrez, Robert Liam, Mary MacKinny, Tresa Matthews, Glenda Miller, Antoinette Mishirsky, Nestor & Nelson Plondaya, Byron Petty, Joel Rivera, Vida Solomon, Al Vicente Jr, Michelle Vicente, Gwendolyn Walsh, Michelle Weeks, Perry Young, Jim Thompson, Jovita & Richard Thompson, Franz Tittiger, Daniel W., Alex & Marie.

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Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I asked Father Felipe the other day if I could write to give you an update on my sabbatical. This way, you know I am still alive! By the time you read this, I will have just finished my nine weeks of Spanish studies in Puebla, Mexico.

Let me tell you, studying a language for 6 hours a day and being immersed in the language is tiring. However, it has been a rewarding experience, and my Spanish language skills have improved. The other blessing of being here was living in a local parish (Parroquia de Jesús Obrero), as it was another opportunity to work on Spanish and learn from the community and their life of faith. Just like at Saint Stephen's, the people were very welcoming and patient with my butchering of the Spanish language. A few weeks ago, I was able to visit the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City, and I asked for our Blessed Mother's intercession for all the members of our community, especially those who are suffering at this time. I have visited the Basilica before, but it is an emotional moment for me to go there and spend time with La Morenita.

My next stop on my journey will be to head to Spain to walk the Camino de Santiago (The Way of Saint James). I hope to have some more updates for that part of the sabbatical, so I will keep you posted.

¡Dios bendiga!
~Father Schunk



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Sunday Collections September 6, 2026

\$ 6,487.00 Sunday Offertory

\$ 2,351.22 Online Giving

\$ 842.06 Second Collection
(Maintenance Fund)

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St. Stephen's Parish**



Join us **Monday, September 14, 2026**, for the monthly meeting of the **50+ Club!**

This friendly and welcoming group is open to St. Stephen seniors, and guests from outside the parish are welcome as well.

Enjoy an afternoon of Bingo, Bridge, delicious snacks, and great fellowship. Each meeting also features specialty desserts and popcorn, and every Christmas season we celebrate with a catered holiday lunch. We are currently looking to bolster our bridge group so definitely stop by if you like to play.

The 50+ Club meets on the first Monday of each month, or on the second Monday when a holiday falls on the first Monday.

Contact St. Stephen Parish Office (415) 681-2444.

Join us for our Annual Spaghetti Bingo Fundraiser

Our popular "Festa Italiana" Spaghetti Bingo is around the corner, and you won't want to miss it!

Plan to bring the entire familia to enjoy a delicious spaghetti dinner provided by Original Joe's, lively games of Bingo and carnival games in the yard.

The fun begins after 4:30pm Mass on Saturday, September 19th.

Contact Spaghetti Bingo Chairs: spaghettabingo@gmail.com

Dinner & Bingo Ticket \$35 Adult / \$15 Child
<http://www.spaghettabingo.com>

(Parishioners may pay via check for their tickets if they'd like to avoid going online)

Archbishop Annual Appeal

Goal: \$ 86,589 Current: \$ 54,741.50 Needed: \$ 31,847.50

This total may not include all donations mailed to or made directly to the Diocese.

63.22%

Thank you for making a difference!