

St. Stephen Parish

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Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 p.m. or by appt. and 30 min. before each Sunday Mass

Weekday Mass: 8:00 a.m. Vigil Mass Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass 8:00, 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Not by bread alone does one live,
but by every word that comes forth
from the mouth of the LORD.

— Deuteronomy 8:3b

Jesus said to the Jewish
crowds:

"I am the living bread that
came down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread
will live forever;
and the bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the
world...."

John 6:51-58

REMINDER!

We're now on our
2nd weekend of our
new SUNDAY MASS
SCHEDULE.

Our new Sunday Mass
schedule is as follows

SATURDAY Vigil

4:30 PM

SUNDAY Masses

8:00 AM,

10:30 AM,

6:30 PM

June 11, 2023
The Most Holy Body of
Christ

Encounter Jesus Christ. Love Jesus Christ. Live Jesus Christ.

June 11, 2023

Body and Blood of Christ – Corpus Christi

Deut 8:2-3, 14-16; 1 Cor. 10:16-17; John 6:51-58



This Sunday we celebrate a second solemnity during this period of Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day was once called *Corpus Christi*, which is Latin for “Body of Christ.” In the revised Lectionary the name for this day is expanded to reflect more completely our Eucharistic theology.

Today’s Gospel is taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading is part of a discourse between Jesus and a crowd of Jews. The discourse comes shortly after the miracle of Jesus’ multiplication of the loaves and fishes. In John’s Gospel, miracles such as this are identified as “signs” through which people come to believe that Jesus is the Son of God. These signs are followed by dialogue, or discourse that interprets and explains the miracle. In John’s Gospel, Jesus’ multiplication of the loaves is said to have occurred near Passover, thus linking it to the Exodus story and God’s saving action toward the Israelites.

Having seen Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes, the crowd pursues him, perhaps seeking more food but also looking for another sign. Jesus tells the crowd that he is the bread of life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today’s Gospel and tells them again that he is the living bread that came down from heaven.

Jesus’ words are not well understood by the crowd; they argue that Jesus is not from heaven but born of Mary and Joseph. The crowd also has trouble understanding how Jesus could give them his flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.



This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus’ Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ’s Body in the world. *Loyola Press*



Our Saint of the Week

Saint Anthony of Padua, 1195-1231

One of the most loved friends in heaven is St. Anthony of Padua. Your church might have a statue of him, and you might even have a holy card with his picture on it. People ask St. Anthony for help all the time, and for the most ordinary things, and that’s okay. Like a good friend, St. Anthony is always willing to help. People especially like to ask St. Anthony to help them find things that are lost. In a minute, we’ll find out why.

We turn to St. Anthony for help with our ordinary problems, but his life was really anything but ordinary. St. Anthony was born in Portugal, and when he grew up, he studied to be a priest. He was a brilliant student and knew the Bible backward and forward. Someone once said that if all the Bibles in Europe were burned, it wouldn’t be a terrible problem. People could just go to St. Anthony, and he could write the Scriptures down for them!

Anthony was a good teacher, but one day something happened that inspired him to follow Jesus in a slightly different way. Five Franciscan priests had traveled to Morocco, a country in Africa, to preach the good news about Jesus. They were brutally killed, and what was left of their bodies was brought to the town where Anthony lived.

Anthony couldn’t sit still any longer. More than anything, he wanted to go to Morocco himself and try to give the love of Jesus to the people who had done this terrible thing. No one seemed to need Christ’s love more than people who would torture and kill innocent men. So Anthony joined the Franciscan order, got on a ship, and sailed to Morocco. Things didn’t work out as he had hoped, though. He fell ill soon after he arrived and had no choice but to return to Europe. Anthony’s plans weren’t working out, but perhaps that’s because God had something else in mind for him.

The ship Anthony was on, the one he thought was taking him back to university life in Portugal, got blown off course by a sudden strong wind. It went straight to the island of Sicily, where he continued to live a quiet life as a friar, working in a hospital in Italy, taking the humblest jobs of all. Back in Portugal, Anthony had already begun to gain fame as a scholar and teacher, but he said not a word about that in the hospital. He worked hard in the kitchen and the garden, helping the sick in the most ordinary, everyday ways.... *Loyola Press*

50+ Club

**No July Meeting
Monday, Aug 7,
Donworth Hall**

Doors Open

12:30pm

**New members are
most welcome!**

We Rent Our Hall

**FOR ANY OCCASION
USE OUR PARTY ROOM!**

**Our 20,000 Sq. Ft.
Parish Center
Available to
Rent**

For more
information, call
Shay at 415 681-
2444 ext.7 or

donworthevents@saintstephens.org

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Monday, Jun 12

8:00 a.m.

† **Jun Elchico**
(By: Belinda Mistica)

Tuesday, Jun 13

8:00 a.m.

Boyet Plondaya Sp. Int..
(By: Carlota Family)

Wednesday, Jun 14

8:00 a.m.

† **Carmino Sagala**
(By: Emma Sagala)

Thursday, Jun 15

8:00 a.m.

Barbara Villanueva Sp. Int.
(By: B. Villanueva)

Friday, Jun 16

8:00 a.m.

† **Arturo Boquiren**
(By: Fely, Lisa & Lynn)

Saturday, Jun 17

8:00 a.m.

† **Diane T-N Yip**
(By: William Vogel)
Richard Thompson Sp. Int.
(By: Bautista Family)

4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jun 18

8:00 a.m.

† **Lou Vagadori**
(By: Ed & Cecelia Prete)

10:30 a.m.

† **Albert Gragnani**
(By: Diane Gragnani)

6:30 p.m.

St. Stephen Parishioners
(By: Fr. Michael)

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Tuesday
Friday

St. Anthony of Padua
Saint Lutgarde of Aywières

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This weekend (Jun. 11) is the last meeting of the Children's Liturgy until the Fall.

We thank all those volunteers who have helped teach the children during the 9:30 Mass. Especially the high school students who stepped up to help teach. It was endearing to see former Children's Liturgy students step up and teach now that they are older. Special thanks go out to: Santiago Dyer, Dominic Regalia, Bridget Stecher, and Megan Stecher.



PARISH SUMMER COMINGS AND GOINGS

Fr. David Schunk- Arrives from Rome on June 6 to begin to move to St. Thomas Apostle and St. Monica as he begins his new assignment as the administrator of those two parishes, leaves St. Stephen's on June 14.

Fr. Jose Mas Izquierdo- Arrives from Spain on June 15 for two months to stay at the parish and work on his English skills. Leaves August 15.

Fr. Cameron Faller- Leaves St. Stephen's on July 1 to begin his new assignment as vocation director and chaplain at Serra HS.

Fr. Ben Rosado- Arrives to St. Stephen's on July 1 to begin his new assignment as parochial vicar at St. Stephen.

Fr. Michael Healy- Gone on vacation July 3- August 9

Fr. Michael Liliedahl- Leaves for canon law mandated annual retreat plus vacation on June 9. Returns June 25. Leaves July 8 for STL studies in Detroit, returns to parish August 12.

Stewardship News Update

Just a reminder that our monthly maintenance costs DO NOT include the significant deferred maintenance that needs to be performed at the parish and rectory. Things like 1) the leaky roof in the church, 2) a broken water pipe underneath the rectory that was flooding the rectory garage with sewage that needed to be fixed, and 3) a 25 year old water heater that finally stopped working and needed to be replaced. Also NOT included in this parish maintenance monthly amount is the 4) yearly payment of \$66,000 that the parish must make on the Gym/Hall debt.

With this in mind, in the fall, we will be starting to learn about being a Stewardship Parish, where we live out our discipleship of Jesus Christ as good stewards of the gifts we have been given, which includes our financial gifts. If you are interested in taking a leadership role with this initiative, please email Fr. Michael.

Sick Relatives & 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.

Debbie Nunes, Tony Devincenzi, Julie Burton, Nestor & Nelson Plondaya, Marie Bachand, Francis Yiu, Edna Amora, Rodney Clark, Michelle Vicente, Michelle Weeks, Rev Bill McCain, Franz Tittiger, Carlota Plondaya, Robert Liam, Marino Tulao, Eden Finn, Edileide Jose Barbosa, Kenneth Fambrini, Larry Barbieri, Carol Dominguez, Marc Gutierrez, Catherine Scosseria, Gwendolyn Walsh, Joel Rivera, Jovita & Richard Thompson.

Please call the office to add or remove names

2023 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Campaign GOAL	:	\$ 86,973.00
Total Payments Received	:	\$ 40,495.00
Campaign Goal Balance	:	\$ 46,478.00

We thank the following parishioners who have shared their treasures with the parish **this week** as of 6.6.2023:

(For a complete listing, refer to AAA Poster in Church vestibule.)

M/M John Duggan

M/M Jean Elizondo

M/M James Hargarten

St Stephen's Book Club

BOOK CLUB MEETINGS:

JUNE: Sat., June 10 @ 10:00 a.m. in the parish office conference room.

JULY: Book Party – Friday, July 21, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Join us as we discuss our favorite books from the past and decide on future books to read. (no assigned book)

AUGUST: Sat., Aug. 12, at 10:00 a.m. – Book: *Imitation of Christ* by Thomas A. Kempis

June Book: *Imagine Heaven: Near-death Experiences, God's Promises, and the Exhilarating Future That Awaits You* by John Burke.

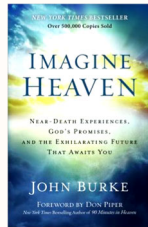
About *Imagine Heaven*:

All of us long to know what life after death will be like. Bestselling author John Burke is no exception. In *Imagine Heaven*, Burke compares over 100 gripping stories of near-death experiences (NDEs) to what Scripture says about our biggest questions of Heaven: Will I be myself? Will I see friends and loved ones? What will Heaven look like? What is God like? What will we do forever? What about children and pets?

For decades, Burke has been studying accounts of survivors brought back from near death who lived to tell of both heavenly and hellish experiences. While not every detail of individual NDEs correlate with Scripture, Burke shows how the common experiences shared by thousands of survivors--including doctors, college professors, bank presidents, people of all ages and cultures, and even blind people--point to the exhilarating picture of Heaven promised in the Bible.

This thrilling journey into the afterlife will make you feel like you've been there. It will forever change the way you view the life to come and the way you live your life today. You'll discover Heaven is even more amazing than you've ever imagined.

Join us as we discuss our favorite books from the past and decide on future books to read. (no assigned book)
Contact Mary Molly at the parish office for details.
Phone - 415 681-2444x4



A Summer Blessing

May you walk with God this summer, in whatever you do, wherever you go. Walking with God means... walking with honesty and with courage, walking with love, respect and concern for the feelings of others.



May you talk to God this summer, every day and in every situation. Talking with God means... praying words of praise for the beauty of creation, saying prayers of thanks for friends and good times, asking God's help in all your decisions, expressing your sorrow when you have failed.

May you walk with God every day. Amen

ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL NEWS

St. Stephen School is accepting applications for the August 2023-2024 Kindergarten Class. Please call the school office @ (415) 664-8331, if you are interested in obtaining an application and scheduling a school tour. Children must be five years old by September 1, 2023 and be currently enrolled in a five day Pre-K or Kindergarten Program.

We welcome all applicants K - 5 especially our Faith Formation Families.

St. Stephen School, mindful of its mission to be witness to the love of Christ for all, admits students of any race, color, and national and/or ethnic origins to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded to or made available to students at this school. St. Stephen School does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, and national and/or ethnic origin, age, sex or disability in administration of educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Making Time For Our Faith

Parents and guardians sometimes say, "Our family is so busy that we don't have time to participate in faith formation." Our Catholic faith is one of our greatest treasures – it teaches us how to love others as Jesus loves us; it gives us hope in time of struggle; it leads us to answers about the deepest questions and yearnings of our lives. A life built on this firm foundation of faith is one of the greatest gifts we can give our children. But faith doesn't happen by itself. Faith must be nurtured, by the example of family members and by appropriate religious education.

Parental Rights and Religious Freedom Talk

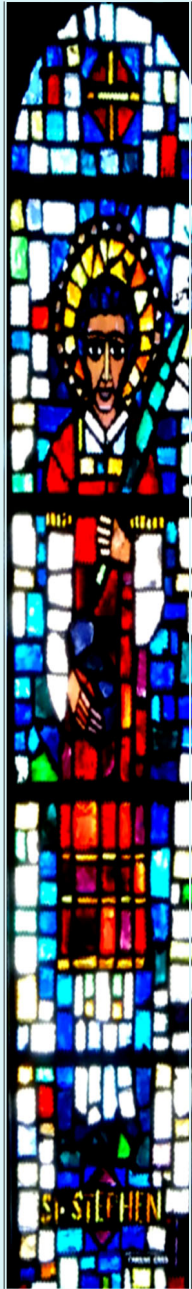
Thursday, June 22 - 6:00 p.m.

Location: Mater Dolorosa at 307 Willow Ave, South San Francisco, CA 94080

RSVP: <https://sfarchdiocese.org/event/parental-rights-and-religious-freedom-talk/>

Questions? Valerie Schmalz | 415-614-5571 or schmalzv@sfarch.org

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops designates June 22-29 Religious Freedom Week.



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ST STEPHEN PARISH 2022-2023

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- Grief Support Clergy
- Head Sacristan Ed Quan
- Lectors Mary Molly Mullaney
- Liturgy Committee Fr. Michael Liliedahl
- Marriage Preparation Clergy
- Men's Club Martin Murphy
- Parish Council Vicky Francisco
- RCIA Mary Molly Mullaney
- St. Stephen Book Club Mary Molly Mullaney
- Ushers Jim Scheg
- Women's Guild Naomi Kelly

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Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us!

You can **sign up** or **update** your information by completing this form & placing it in the collection basket, by mailing it to the Parish Office, by phone at 415-681-2444 or at www.saintstephensf.org

Name _____ Contact Phone _____

Email _____

Complete Mailing Address _____ City/Zip _____

Weekly Sunday envelopes , circle one: Yes No, but commit to participate thru Online Giving.

I am interested in assisting the Parish in an organization or ministry as (Please encircle your choice/s):
 Acolyte/ Altar Service, Altar Society, Children's Liturgy of the Word, Greeter/Usher, Hospitality after Mass/Special Events, Holy Communion Ministers to the Homebound, Music/Choir, Lector &/or Holy Communion Ministers, Parish Center Front Office Volunteer.

Song Lyrics for 10:30 am Mass



Gathering: *Sweet Redeemer*

King of Kings, blessed Jesus
Hand of mercy, giver of grace
I have come to sing glory
To lay my heart before you in this place.

Refrain: Sweet Redeemer, I surrender
All I am to you
Sweet Redeemer, I surrender
All I am to you

I was lost and you found me
In the darkness you were my light
When I fell down you forgave me
Lifted me up and held me to your side

Refrain

Bridge: From the shadows of the tomb
You called me
You rolled away the stone
From the burden of my sin
You saved me
You made my heart your home

Refrain

Preparation of the Gifts: *Open My Eyes*

Open my eyes Lord, help me to see your face
Open my eyes Lord, help me to see
Open my ears Lord, help me to hear your voice
Open my ears Lord, help me to hear
Open my heart Lord, help me love like you
Open my heart Lord, help me to love

And the first shall be last
And our eyes are opened
And we'll hear like never before
And we'll speak in new ways
And we'll see God's face
In places we've never known

I live within you, deep in your heart O love
I live within you, rest now in me
Open my eyes Lord, help me to see your face
Open my eyes Lord, help me to see

COMMUNION: *You Alone*

Refrain:

You alone are holy, you alone are Lord
You alone are worthy
To be honored and adored
Mercy you have given
Kindness you have shown
Love is you alone

Who of us is sinless in this place?
Who of us deserves your saving grace?
Who of us is good at all,
Without your blessed love that falls
Upon our hearts to heal this broken-ness

Refrain

What is there to do but thank you then,
For the gift that we might call you friend?
Greater love has not been known
Than that for which you gave your only Son
That you might see us pure and blessed

Refrain

Sending: *Love Has Come*

With one voice the angles sing
Songs that make creation ring
Prophets hear and call us
To live in spirit and in truth
God the Father Elohim
Voice of thunder, spirit wind
Breathe on me your very life
Grace will make the darkness bright

Refrain: Word of God enthroned,
Dwell in us forever more
Love has come to show the way
Hallelujah peace be with us
Love has come to show the way

God of covenant divine,
Lead us to the end of time
Beyond sorrow, beyond fear
Beyond pride and earthen tears

Refrain (repeat last line)