St. Stephen Parish

SaintStephenSF.org | 451 Eucalyptus Dr., San Francisco CA 94132 | Church 415 681-2444 StStephenScholSF.org | 401 Eucalyptus Dr., San Francisco 94132 | School 415 664-8331 Daily Mass: Mondays thru Saturdays 8:00 a.m. Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 p.m. or 30 min. before each Sunday Mass Vigil Mass Saturday 4:30 p.m. Sunday Mass 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.



The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.

John 6:51

Join us as we celebrate **The Assumption** of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** - a Holy Day of Obligation



Thursday August 15, 2024

Masses: 8:00 am and 6:30 pm

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

A Message from our Pastor Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

This weekend, we welcome back to the parish Father Michael Liliedahl. As you may recall, he has been working on a master's degree program the past several years and he has been doing his in-person summer residency for the program the past several weeks. With his return, he is transitioning to the role of part-time parochial vicar (assistant priest), from pastor, so as to devote more of his time engaging the campus ministry program of SF State as their chaplain. Their activities will be starting up later in the month. We pray that the campus ministry will bear much fruit in the lives of many people in the coming years.

This past week, our parish hosted in the hall the faculty and staff of Archbishop Riordan High School for their beginning of the year assembly, as well as the Archdiocese Department of Catholic Schools who held orientation meetings for the new teachers from throughout the Archdiocese of SF. On Monday, Mrs. Allen and I will attend a meeting for principals and pastors in preparation for the coming year. It is an exciting time which means summer is quickly coming to an end and the school year beginning.

This coming Thursday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation this year. We will have Mass that day at 8:00 AM and 6:30 PM. Come and ask our Queen in Heaven for her special, motherly prayers and intercession for our loved ones and all of us. May all of us hope to be one day where she now dwells with her Son. *Father Schunk*

Seminarian Dereck Delgado's Report from the Eucharistic Pilgrimage



Dereck Delgado is a Seminarian for the Archdiocese of San Francisco. He originally entered the seminary for the Diocese of Guam, which also prepares priests at St. Patrick's Seminary in Menlo Park, CA. With a change in circumstances he requested to join the Archdiocese of San Francisco. This past school year he spent his Pastoral Year serving St. Stephen Parish. The day his year ended, Pentecost Sunday, Dereck joined the pilgrimage crossing the Golden Gate bridge on their way to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. After returning from the Eucharistic Congress he returned to the seminary to continue his priestly studies. Even though his Pastoral Year has ended, please continue to keep Dereck in your prayers as he continues his journey toward the priesthood.



"Dear St. Stephen's,

This summer our pilgrimage ended with tens of thousands of people the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis. The energy was incredible, and the zeal for a Eucharistic Revival was palpable. As you may know, on Pentecost Sunday, four Eucharistic pilgrimage routes began from the four corners of the United States, carrying the Blessed Sacrament on a two-month pilgrimage across the country. The western route, also known as the St. Junipero Serra Route, began in San Francisco and ended in Indianapolis around mid-July.

This pilgrimage was a modern-day Emmaus journey as we encountered a very diverse Church, all hungry for Jesus in the Eucharist. I was continually reminded of the depth of Christ's love and the profound gift of the Eucharist. Often I thought of St. Therese of Lisieux and her 'vocation to love' because the pilgrimage itself was an act of love—carrying Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament across the nation, spreading His presence, and igniting the church with a renewed devotion. We did this for Jesus. I can only hope that the seeds we planted are watered by those we encountered. Moreover, I pray that our Lord brings about this Revival that we seek--one where hearts are transformed, faith is renewed, and the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist is revered and adored by all.

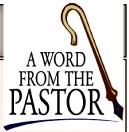
In Christ, Dereck"



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Our 20,000 sq. ft. Parish Event Center Donworth Hall is Available to Rent Shay at 415 681-2444 x7 Or online at: donworthevents@saintstephensf .org







Mass Intentions

Monday, Aug 12

8:00 a.m. Tuesday, Aug 13

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug 14 8:00 a.m.

Thursday, Aug 15 8:00 a.m.

6:30 p.m.

Friday, Aug 16 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, Aug 17 8:00 a.m.

4:30 p.m.

Sunday, Aug 18 8:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

6:30 p.m

† Silas Werner (By: Murphy Family)

> Paul Cardozo (By: Philomina Cardozo)

Louise Herrera (By: Ed & Ruby Quan)

Feast of the Assumption

Amado A. J. Ibanez (By: Kriaaia & Celine) **Thomas & Kathleen Mullaney** (By: Mary Molly Mullaney)

* Rosa Idro (By: Patricia E. Frank)

Morrison Gardner (By: a friend)

St Stephen Parishioners (By: Fr. Schunk)

Joseph Ho, Jr (By: Viet Ho) Harry Over (By: Dorothy Over) Sp. Int.

† Betty Kiac (By: Shirley Dee)

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 11, 2024 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. _ John 6:51

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — After resting and taking nourishment twice, Elijah is strengthened to walk to the mountain of God, Horeb (1 Kings 19:4-8).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (*Psalm 34*). **Second Reading** — Be sealed by the Holy Spirit of God so as to be imitators of God and live in love (Ephesians 4:30-5:2).

Gospel — Jesus professes that he is the living bread and whoever eats this bread will live forever (John 6:41-51).

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Saints and Special Observances

Sunday:	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Jane Frances deChantal
Tuesday:	Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus
Wednesday:	St. Maximilian Kolbe
Thursday:	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday:	St. Stephen of Hungary
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

Stewardship: A Way of Life July 2024

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LESS:			
\$ 33,662.23	Total Income for July 2024		
<u>\$ 11,872.50</u>	Donworth Hall JULY Rental Income		
\$ 6,493.00	Online Sunday Collections (7/1-31)		
\$ 15,296.73	Sunday Collections (7/7, 14, 21, 28)		

Parish Maintenance for July 2024 \$ 25,073.79 \$ 8,588.44 **OVER/Under**

Summer Collection is a great challenge for us — as mass attendance go down due to families going on a much needed break during summer. We would appreciate if you can consider donating ONLINE or via Text to Give while you're away to help the parish during this critical time as monthly bills continue all year round. Please continue to generously support your Parish!



Join the FUN! **TOMORROW!**

Monday, August 12, 2024 Doors Open 12:30pm 50+ Seniors are ALL INVITED!

Enjoy camaraderie, snacks, Bingo games, Bridge, etc

For any questions/ concerns, please call: Betty at 650-589-0726



The SFSU Newman Club will begin classes again when collegiate classes start in mid-August.

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P lease pray for the sick and homebound of our commu-nity and for all those written in our book of the sick. May they know the healing touch of Jesus.

Pacita Calimlim-Sagun, Araceli Caparas, Ana Caballero, George Farrales, Perry Young, Antoinette Mishirsky, Maggie Harbison, Greg Lorio, Adelle Caunan, Debbie Nunes, Tony Devincenzi, Julie Burton, Nestor & Nelson Plondaya, Marie Bachand, Francis Yiu, Edna Amora, Rodney Clark, Michelle Vicente, Michelle Weeks, Franz Tittiger, Carlota Plondaya, Robert Liam, Eden Finn, Edileide Jose Barbosa, Kenneth Fambrini, Larry Barbiere, Carol Dominguez, Marc Gutierres, Catherine Scosseria, Gwendolyn Walsh, Joel Rivera, Jovita & Richard Thompson.

Please call the office to add or remove names of people



A_Grand_Day___July_28, 2024

As Pope Francis called us to show closeness with our grandparents and appreciate all elderly people as the Church commemorated the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, here at St. Stephen's, we celebrated with *A Grand Day* – an afternoon for families to come together with their grandparents for fun activities. Multiple generations gathered to make lasting memories with quality time together. We wish to thank all the families and volunteers who participated for such a successful event.



Background on the Gospel Reading

Gospel Reading John 6:41-51 Jesus responds to the murmurs of the crowd, who wonders what he means when he says that he came down from heaven.

On this Sunday, we continue to read from the "Bread of Life discourse" found in the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. Recall that we have been reading from this chapter for the past two weeks and will continue to read from it for another two. Last week, the crowd asked for a sign that would show that Jesus came from God. Jesus replied by saying that he is the sign and the bread of life sent by God. At this point, our Lectionary omits six verses in which Jesus predicts the unbelief of the crowd and further develops his connection with God the Father. In these verses, Jesus says that he was sent by God to do the Father's will. Jesus promises that those who look upon the Son with faith will find eternal life. Some of these themes are repeated in today's Gospel reading. Today's Gospel begins with a report that the Jews complained about Jesus' claims regarding his identity. They knew his family, and they knew he was the son of Joseph. They could not comprehend what Jesus meant when he said that he came down from heaven. Jesus responds to the complaints by saying that only those who are chosen by God will recognize him as the one that God sent. This is a recurring theme in John's Gospel, that God has chosen those who will have faith in Jesus.

In the verses that follow, Jesus talks more about his unity with the Father. He is the one who has seen the Father and, therefore, knows the Father. Those who listen to God will recognize that Jesus is the one sent from God. Those who believe will have eternal life. Jesus concludes with the central element of our eucharistic theology. He promises that the bread of life will bring eternal life to those who partake of it, and he tells us that the bread of life will be his own flesh, given for the life of the world.

In today's reading, we hear Jesus say again, as he did in last week's Gospel, that he is the bread of life. We also hear Jesus add that he is the living bread. Both of these statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. We celebrate this gift of Jesus each time we gather for Mass. We believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will lead us to eternal life. *Loyola Press*



St. Stephen's Faith Formation Program Registration Now Open!

Faith Formation is a religious education program for students who attend non-Catholic schools, from 1st to 8th grades. We prepare children for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. The program begins in mid-September and ends in May. We meet on Mondays from 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the parish office building. Register online or contact Mary Molly, 415.681.2444 x4 or email:

<u>FaithFor-</u> mation@SaintStephenSF.org. www.bit.ly/StStephenFF

2024 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

PARISH GOAL	:	\$ 84,637.00
Total Amount Received :		\$ 25,796.00
Week No. 23 (as of 8/6/2024)		(71 household)
Outstanding Balance	:	\$ 58,841.00

We thank all those families who have already made their pledge/ donations to the Appeal. As of July 2024, we have reached about 30% of our goal. For the next 6 months, we pray that the balance of \$58,841 be met so that we do not pull out from our parish savings to pay the difference as we unfortunately did last year.

Anonymous M/M Carlos Altamirano M/M Dale Allen Jr M/M Allan D Ayson M/M John Azevedo Ms. Constance E Benas Anne Berry & Paul Schrage Mr. Clemence Blondo Mrs. Felisa Boguiren M/M Greg Breslin Mrs Zenaida Cajilig M/M Gerald Carrillo Mr Tom Carroll Mr. Frank Cassinelli M/M Yu-Lang Chen M/M Thomas Clearv Ms Buena Cuevo Ms Alicia De Jesus Ms. Joanne Desmond M/M Glenn Dudro M/M John & Marie Duggan M/M James Dyer Jr Christian Fernandez & Leah Luistro M/M Gerard Fernandez M/M Michael Fesko M/< Kevin Fitzpatrick Msrs Sandra Frietzsche M/M Lawrence Gallagher M/M Darius Garcia M/M Gavin Garzee M/M Ryan Gille Ms. Diane Gragnani M/M William Green Jr M/M James Hargarten

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Thank You !!

The 2024 Mass Intention Calendar is now full and has no more available dates for mass intentions for the rest of the year. Stay tuned when the 2025 Mass Intention Calendar will be open for your intentions. Thank you!

The Assumption of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

(A Holyday of Obligation) On August 15 (this Thursday) our world-wide Church will celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – A holyday of obligation, in which Catholics are obligated to attend Mass on this day. Masses will be at 8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.



!Chron: 15.3, Psalm 132.6, 1 Cor 15:5, ; Luke 1:39-56

The Mighty One has done great things for me, Mary tells Elizabeth in what has come to be called the Canticle of Mary. Another part of Mary's prayer, which, according to the Gospel, is spoken to her cousin, states, My soul magnifies the Lord. What a humble and beautiful way of putting the right perspective on the role Mary plays in salvation history! Mary is the handmaid, the servant, the instrument that reflects and adds emphasis to what God has done and is doing.

On this day, we celebrate Mary's Assumption, which is one of four dogmas declared by the Church regarding Mary. A dogma is something held by the Church as a fundamental truth. The other three dogmas are: Mary's Immaculate Conception, that she was conceived without original sin or any of its consequences; that Mary is the Mother of God; and Mary's perpetual virginity, including the virgin birth of Jesus. The Assumption acknowledges that God preserved Mary from physical corruption when her life was over, and brought her body and soul, into eternal glory.

As we celebrate the wonderful mystery of the Assumption, we are called to reflect on her persistent determination to remain in the role of servant. Even as the Church has honored her over the millennia, calling on her name to intercede for us; establishing devotions to her; memorializing her in great works of art; there is never any question about her role. She is not the ultimate goal of our worship, but the one who intercedes and aids us in strengthening our relationship with our heart's desire, God, himself.

Mary was not an extraordinary person in and of herself by the standards of this world. What makes her extraordinary is her humility lived out in a life of faithfulness and perfect fidelity to the will of God. Just like us, she had a free will. She could have chosen to live a life other than the one she chose. Because she had the ability to say no to Gabriel, but still said yes, she has become a role model for us. She has shown us how God fulfills his promise to make the last first.

As we honor Mary, let us take the time to thank her for her wonderful example and ask the Blessed Mother to intercede on our behalf, that we may be given the grace and strength needed to say yes to the Lord in every choice we make in life.

THE SHIP OF THE CHURCH

The Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship, but to keep her on her course. —*St. Boniface*



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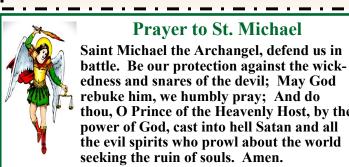
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Today's Music Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gathering: Where Charity and Love Prevail Preparation: Christians Let Us Love One Another #487 **Communion:** | Received The Living God #347, See Us Lord About Your Altar #375 Sending:

Taste and See #323



Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

ST STEPHEN PARISH 2024-2025

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Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us!

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Contact Phone (H W CP) _____

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

You will receive in the mail within a week, a Parish Registration *Form to complete the registration process. Or just get the paper* Parish Registration in the vestibule. Thank you!