

Saint Stephen Parish

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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.



Jesus said,
“The kingdom of heaven
may be likened to a
man who sowed good
seed in his field.”

Matthew 13:24

July 19, 2026

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**



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Getting to Know St. Stephen Together

**Dear Parishioners of St. Stephen,
Peace and blessings to all of you!**

As I continue my first few weeks here as your Parish Administrator, I find myself doing what anyone does when arriving in a new parish: learning names, recognizing faces, discovering schedules, finding rooms, asking questions, and slowly becoming familiar with the life of the community.

But I also realize that getting to know a parish is not only about knowing where things are. It is about knowing the people. It is about hearing stories, seeing the faith of the community, understanding its traditions, and appreciating the many quiet ways people serve and love the Church.

That is why I thought of using some of my bulletin reflections during these six months as a way of “Getting to Know St. Stephen Together.”

Even though I am new here, I know that St. Stephen is not new. This parish has a long history of faith, sacrifice, prayer, service, and community. Many of you have been here for years. Some grew up here. Some were married here. Some had their children baptized here. Some said goodbye to loved ones here. Some come every Sunday. Some come every day. Some serve quietly behind the scenes, often without being noticed.

All of these are part of the life of a parish.

A parish is not just a building. It is not only an office, a school, a schedule of Masses, or a list of ministries. A parish is a family of faith. It is a place where people come to worship God, receive the sacraments, find strength in difficult times, give thanks in joyful times, and walk together as disciples of Jesus.

In the coming weeks, I hope to reflect on different aspects of parish life: prayer, hospitality, service, stewardship, ministry, community, and mission. These are not just “church words.” They are the everyday ways we live our faith.

Prayer reminds us that everything begins with God.

Hospitality reminds us that every person who enters our church should feel welcomed, respected, and loved.

Service reminds us that faith is not only something we receive, but something we share.

Stewardship reminds us that our time, talents, and resources are gifts from God, meant to be used generously.

Mission reminds us that the Church does not exist only for itself. We are called to bring Christ to others and to bring others closer to Christ.

As I get to know St. Stephen, I also invite you to get to know your parish again with fresh eyes. Sometimes when we have been in a place for a long time, we can begin to take it for granted. We know where we sit. We know who we talk to. We know what we like and what we don't like. But every parish is also a living community, always growing, always changing, always being invited by the Lord to deeper faith.

So perhaps this can be a good question for all of us: What makes St. Stephen special? And also, how is God calling us to become an even more welcoming, prayerful, generous, and missionary parish?

During these six months, I look forward to learning from you, praying with you, and serving with you. I may be here only for a short time, but I believe that even a short time can become a time of grace when we allow God to guide us.

May St. Stephen, our patron, pray for us. May his courage, faith, and witness inspire us to follow Christ more faithfully. And may our parish continue to be a home where people encounter the love, mercy, and presence of God.

God bless you all,

**Fr. Marvin Felipe
Parish Administrator**



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Monday, Jul 20

8:00 a.m. † **Edward Gerard Eagan**
(By: Ninna Amora)

Tuesday, Jul 21

8:00 a.m. † **Frank Glynn**
(By: Antoinette Glynn)

Wednesday, Jul 22

8:00 a.m. Anni. **Rodel & Edna**
(By: Rodis Family)

Thursday, Jul 23

8:00 a.m. † **Daniel Illenberger**
(By: Marilu Illenberger)

Friday, Jul 24

8:00 a.m. † **Cristino Pascual**
(By: Emma Sagala)

Saturday, Jul 25

8:00 a.m. B-Day **Jonah Opena**
(By: Zeny Amora Opena)

4:30 p.m. † **Albert Gragnani**
(By: Diane Gragnani)

Sunday, Jul 26

8:00 a.m. **People of the Parish**

10:30 a.m. † **Larry Teshara**
(By: Peggy Teshara)

6:30 p.m. † **Pat & Betty Moriarty**
(By: Kirwan Family)

Today's Reading

First Reading Wisdom 12:13,16-19

God has shown himself to be a God of justice and mercy.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 86:5-6,9-10,15-16

A prayer to God for mercy.

Second Reading Romans 8:26-27

The Spirit intercedes for us with God.

Gospel Reading Matthew 13:24-43 (shorter form: Matthew 13:24-30)

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Stewardship: A Way of Life

Sunday Collections - June 21, 2026

\$5,211.50 Sunday Offertory

\$2,321.08 Online Giving

50+ Club!

Monday, August 10, 2026
12:30 pm in Donworth Hall

Join the St. Stephen seniors for a warm and welcoming afternoon of fellowship and fun. Each gathering offers Bingo, Bridge, and great company. Members also enjoy specialty desserts and popcorn at every meeting, along with a catered holiday lunch each Christmas season.



All seniors of the parish community are invited to participate and enjoy time together.

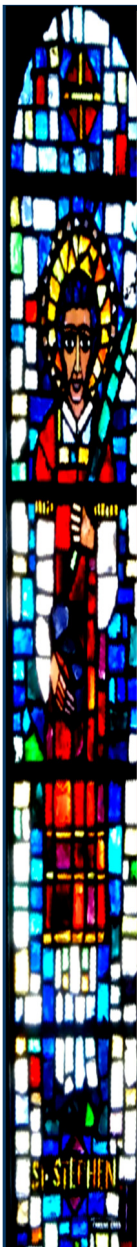
If you are interested, please contact the St. Stephen Parish office at (415) 681-2444.



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.

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



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| • Caritas | Nellie Hizon |
| • Eucharistic Lay Ministry
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| • Fifty Plus Club | Helga D'Arcy |
| • Finance Council | Laura Birsinger |
| • Front Ofc Lead Volunteer | Fely Boquiren |
| • Grief Support | Clergy |
| • Head Sacristan | Ed Quan |
| • Liturgy Committee | Pastor |
| • Marriage Preparation | Clergy |
| • Men's Club | Patrick Kennedy |
| • Newman Campus Ministry | Fr Raphael Laizer |
| • Parish Council | Vicky Francisco |
| • Religious Education
(Faith Formation, OCIA, Children's Liturgy) | Mary Molly Mullaney |
| • Ushers | Pastor |
| • Women's Guild | Vicky Kamahele & Jodi Farrar |

A Grand Day

A fun day for Grandparents and their Grandchildren.

FREE – Must register in advance.

DATE: Sunday, July 26, 2026

TIME: 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: St. Stephen's Donworth Hall,
473 Eucalyptus Drive, SF, CA



In honor of grandparents we are offering a special event for **Grandparents** and their **Grandchildren** to come together and have fun with games, crafts, puzzles, photo-booth, storybook corner, and snacks.

Register online: www.bit.ly/a-grand-day or contact Mary Molly in the parish office:

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