



St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday— 5 p.m. Vigil
Sunday— 8:30 a.m. and
11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses
Mon—Sat* 9:00 a.m.
(Rosary after Mass)
*Thurs 9 a.m. Communion Service

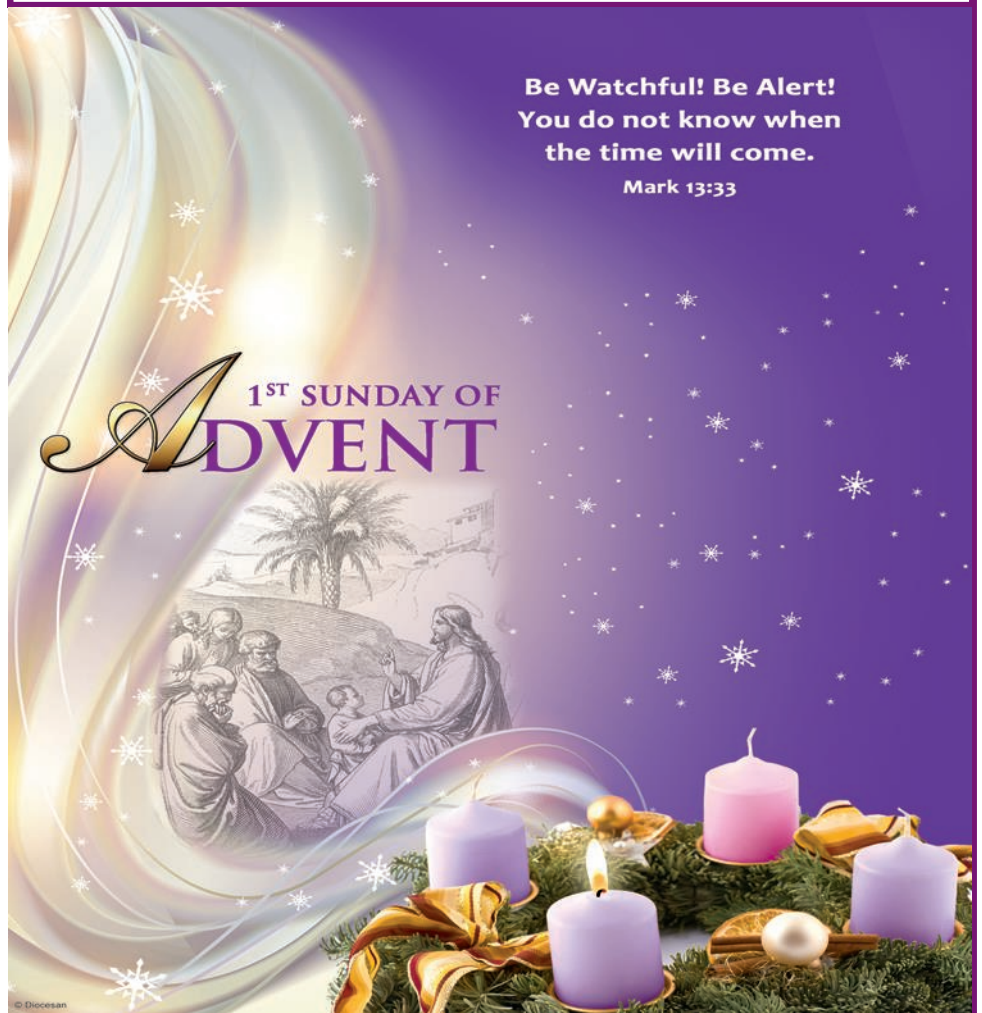
Confessions
Saturdays
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
or by appointment.

Office Hours:
Monday through Thursday
9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Friday
9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

(Closed daily for lunch
from 1-2 p.m.)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 3, 2017



St. Stephen's Parish
ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE
Wednesday Dec.6
7:00 P.M.

Prepare for the Christmas Season by celebrating the
Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent!

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of God of St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church, united in One Lord, One Faith and One Baptism celebrate and are nourished and sustained by Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and in His Holy word. Brought together by Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit we fulfill His command to go into the whole world and proclaim the good news of salvation by sharing our faith through Prayer, Evangelization, and acts of Charity.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 3, 2017
 8:30 a.m. The People of the Parish
 11:00 a.m. Delmar Thouvenot ☩

Monday, December 4, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Florence Biercevicz ☩

Tuesday, December 5, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Margaret Stone ☩

Wednesday, December 6, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Ruth Laing ☩

Thursday, December 7, 2017
 9:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

Friday, December 8, 2017 Immaculate Conception
 9:00 a.m. Megan Stanley (L)
 7:00 p.m. Rev. Jerome Hickey, OCSO ☩

Saturday, December 9, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Mary Valleria ☩
 5:00 p.m. Denis and Catherine Azih ☩

Sunday, December 10, 2017
 8:30 a.m. People of the Parish
 11:00 a.m. Douglas Harrow ☩

Readings for the Week of December 3, 2017

Sunday First Sunday of Advent
 Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Monday Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church
 Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday Saint Nicholas, Bishop
 Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
 Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Thursday The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation
 Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Friday Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
 Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Saturday Second Sunday of Advent
 Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85: 9-10, 11-12, 13-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8



Come and join us for coffee and donuts in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings after the 8:30am Mass. All are welcome.



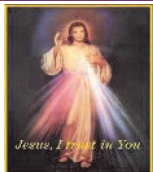
The Altar Flowers this weekend were donated by Kathy McCollum in loving memory of her father, Jack Hornsby

Eucharistic



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Tuesday from 9:30am to 7:00pm
 Evening Prayer at 4:30pm
 and Benediction at 6:45pm



DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Every Friday at 3:00pm
 also the 2nd Sunday of each month after the 8:30am Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet.
 All are welcome.



FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

Join us the first Saturday of each month following the 9:00am Mass

Bulletin Announcements and Room Reservations
 Please submit in writing to secretary@sstmcc.org.



Prayer Intention of Pope Francis

For the elderly. That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Holy Day of Obligation

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Friday December 8, 2017

Mass Times:

9:00am, 7:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30am-6:30pm

DECEMBER 3, 2017

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Offerings

On-line giving is available through our website www.ststephenthemartyr.info



November 18 & 19, 2017

Offertory \$8,681.00
Online \$1,470.50
\$10,151.50

Second Collection

CHD \$881.00

November 25 & 26, 2017

Offertory \$9,061.00
Online \$2,112.50
\$11,173.50

Second Collection

Catholic Charities \$1,452.00

Future Second Collections

December 3, Debt Reduction

December 10, Retirement Fund for Religious

December 17, Christmas Flower Offering

December 17, SVdP will be collecting after Masses

December 24, Archdiocesan Seminarians



Gifts of IRAs to Lower Income Before Year End

The IRA Charitable Rollover is permanent. If you are 70 1/2 or older, you can make a gift directly from your IRA account to help support the work of your church through the parish endowment fund and benefit from lowering your income and taxes. Please contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation for more information: jgreco@cfnga.org or 404-497-9440.

Children's Christmas Pageant



The pageant this year is Thursday, December 21. Practice will be at 6 p.m. The pageant will be at 7 p.m., with a reception to follow.

All kids age 4-18 are invited to participate: Age Kindergarten - 8th will rehearse with their parish religion class. Age 4-5 can be baby angels. If your child would like a solo speaking or singing part, or to be a baby angel, please contact Angelle Buckley at angellebuckley@yahoo.com.

Forever Young...

Senior Adult Group

Our next meeting will be our Annual Christmas Luncheon and will take place at the Texas Road House in Snellville, on Friday December 8, 2017. Please try to arrive before

12:00 noon. A special menu will be provided and will include 11 items for your consideration at special pricing. New members and new ideas are always welcome.

Baptism Classes

Parish families who wish to have a child baptized should be registered in the parish before taking the class. Both Parents must attend the Baptism class which is usually held the second Sunday of each month at 12:00 noon in *Our Lady of Fatima* room. Please make arrangements for a babysitter as we do not provide babysitting services. Please contact the Parish Office at 770-381-7488 to register for the class. Parents will need to select Godparents for their child who are active, practicing Catholics.

Baptisms are scheduled AFTER you have taken the class. Parents must be active, practicing members of St. Stephen the Martyr for at least three months before scheduling a baptism for their child.



St. Stephen's Christmas Angel Tree helps families in need at Christmas time. Please consider taking a Christmas Angel from the tree and help bring joy to a family in need. Please return each wrapped gift, with the angel attached to the gift, to the Church no later than Wednesday Dec. 13 by 4:30pm.



Saint Vincent de Paul Society

If you, or someone you know, are in need of emergency assistance, please contact the SVdP Help Line at 770-381-7488, ext. 251. If you can assist for a couple of hours a month, please come to one of our meetings held the Second Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. Our next meeting will be Tuesday December 12 in Our Lady of Fatima Room. We will be collecting donations after all the Masses on December 16 & 17.

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