



# St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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Pastor  
Rev. Brian Lorei

Deacons

Deacon Evelio Garcia-Carreras

Deacon Michael Mobley

Deacon Rick Kaszycki

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

Reconciliation

Every Saturday after the  
9:00 a.m. Mass 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 JANUARY 8, 2017*

*And behold,  
the star that they had seen  
at its rising preceded them,  
until it came and stopped  
over the place where the child was.*

Matthew 2:9



## 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.*

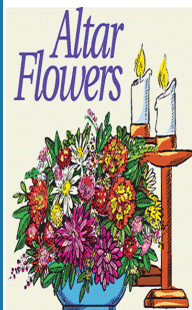
### Mass Intentions For The Week

**Sunday, January 8, 2017**  
 8:30 a.m. James Gatherer ☩  
 11:00 a.m. The People of the Parish (L)  
**Monday, January 9, 2017**  
 9:00 a.m. John Markis ☩  
**Tuesday, January 10, 2017**  
 9:00 a.m. Manuel Martinez ☩  
**Wednesday, January 11, 2017**  
 9:00 a.m. Jimmy Rodriguez ☩  
**Thursday, January 12, 2017**  
 9:00 a.m. **Communion Service**  
**Friday, January 13, 2017**  
 9:00 a.m. Fr. Alfred Delp ☩  
**Saturday, January 14, 2017**  
 9:00 a.m. Fr. John DeVore, MSFS ☩  
 5:00 p.m. The People of the Parish (L)  
**Sunday, January 15, 2017**  
 8:30 a.m. Janet Spera ☩  
 11:00 a.m. Theresa Brehm ☩



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*

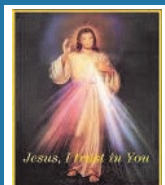


*Ethel Davisson  
 in loving memory of her husband,  
 Don Davisson  
 and by  
 Charlene Whitney  
 in loving memory of her parents,  
 Charles and Irene Hunt*



### FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS

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



### 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.



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

at St. Stephen's every Tuesday  
 from 9:30am to 7:00pm  
 Evening Prayer at 4:30pm  
 and Benediction at 6:45pm

**Bulletin Announcements and Room Reservations:**  
 Please submit in writing to [secretary@sstmcc.org](mailto:secretary@sstmcc.org)

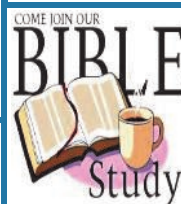
### Readings for the Week of January 8, 2017

**Sunday** The Epiphany of the Lord  
 Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13;  
 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12  
**Monday** The Baptism of the Lord  
 Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38;  
 Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Mt 3:13-17  
**Tuesday** Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:21-28  
**Wednesday** Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 1:29-39  
**Thursday** Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11; Mk 1:40-45  
**Friday** Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
 Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8; Mk 2:1-12  
**Saturday** Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 2:13-17  
**Sunday** Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34



### JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS

**CHRISTIAN UNITY.** That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.



Join us every Thursday morning from 10:00-11:30am, beginning January 5, 2017, for St. Stephen's Bible Study, as we study **The Book of Daniel**  
**All are welcome.**



### New Winter/Spring Session begins Tuesday January 10, 2017

The Tuesday evening Adult Faith Program will begin on January 10, 2017 at 7:00-8:30 P.M. Study for this semester will be based on the new film and study program entitled "Catholicism: The Pivotal Players" by Bishop Robert Barron.  
 Contact Deacon Rick at [r\\_kaz@msn.com](mailto:r_kaz@msn.com) for more information.

**JANUARY 8, 2017**



Offerings On-line giving is available through our website  
[www.ststephenthemartyr.info](http://www.ststephenthemartyr.info)



**December 24 & 25, 2016**  
Offertory \$14,040.50

**Second Collection**  
Christmas Offering \$14,207.00

**Dec. 31 & Jan 1, 2017**  
Offertory \$11,327.00  
Online \$ 2,635.50  
\$13,962.50

Debt Reduction \$6,252.00  
Online \$3,641.00  
\$9,893.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.  
Our weekly budgeted expenses are \$13,583.00

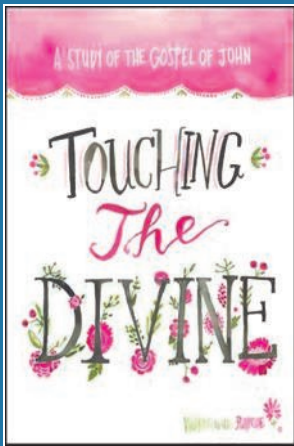
**Future Second Collections**

**January 8, Parish Outreach**

**January 15, Life Teen/EDGE**

**January 22, Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministries**

**January 21 & 22, SVdP will be collecting after all the Masses**



**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

***Touching the Divine*** draws us into a deeper relationship with Jesus as we reflect on Christ's personality. Knowing Him more intimately will increase our love for Him. St. John referred to himself as "the disciple whom Jesus loved." As we study, John will teach us how much Christ loves us and how His love is the true satisfaction of our souls.

**Thursdays 7:00 PM —8:30 PM**

**Resuming January 5, 2015**

**Parish Fellowship Hall**

**RSVP Required, please contact :**

**Joann O'Neil, 678-908-4118 or**

**[joann.m.oneil@gmail.com](mailto:joann.m.oneil@gmail.com)**

pancake



breakfast

**Next Sunday, January 15**, is our monthly Pancake Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall, hosted by the K of C, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Come and enjoy pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, grits, juice and coffee for \$6 a plate or \$15 for a family of four (includes all children under 18). All are welcome.

**Room Reservations for 2017**

All room reservation requests for St. Stephen's Ministry groups for 2017 **must** be submitted in writing by fax or e-mail. Please submit name of parish group/ministry, contact person, contact number (or e-mail address), the room, date(s) and time(s) needed. Fax: 770-923-8061, or e-mail to [secretary@sstmcc.org](mailto:secretary@sstmcc.org). A confirmation will be sent once the request is reviewed and there are no conflicts.

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

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**Forever Young...**  
Senior Adult Group

Our next meeting will be held this Friday, January 13, 2017. Lunch will be served at approximately 12:00 noon and will be catered by our members. We will play BINGO at this session, so please bring a prize to be awarded to the winner of each game. New members and new ideas for future meetings are always welcome.



Has Abortion affected your life? Have you lost a child, grandchild, or sibling through abortion? Is there a deep sense of loss in your life because of abortion? There is no grief like that of unspoken grief. You are not alone. Post Abortion Treatment and Healing (PATH) is here to help. PATH will be facilitating a Rachel's Vineyard Weekend Retreat, January 27-29, 2017. This weekend retreat helps women and men, who are struggling with the grief of abortion, find peace and inner healing. Start your New Year in a New Light. For more information please visit our website at: [www.healingafterabortion.org](http://www.healingafterabortion.org) or call Jody at 404-717-5557.

**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 January 10, 2017 in the Our Lady of Fatima room. We will be collecting donations after all the Masses on January 21 & 22.

**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.

**ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**