



St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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Pastor

Rev. Brian Lorei

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Dcn. Evelio Garcia-Carreras

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Dcn. Rich Kren

Sunday Masses

Saturday — 5:00 p.m. Vigil

Sunday — 8:30 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses

Mon—Sat* 9:00 a.m.
(Rosary after Mass)

*Thursday 9 a.m. Communion Service

Confessions

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

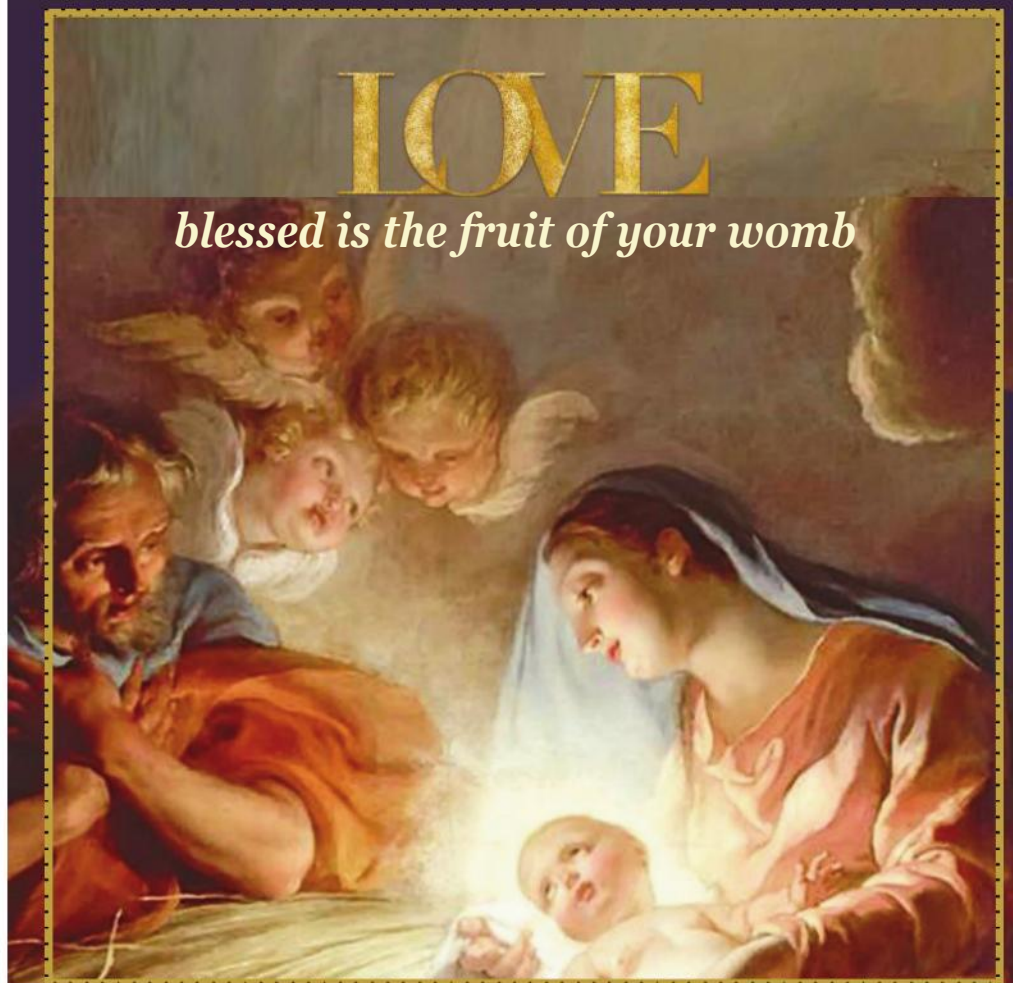
Office Hours

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 20, 2020



Christmas Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 24th Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Vigil Mass

6:00 pm Vigil Mass

10:00 pm Night Mass

Friday, December 25th Christmas Day

10:00 am Morning Mass



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 20, 2020
8:30 a.m.	Thai Family ☩
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish (L)
Monday	December 21, 2020
9:00 a.m.	Mara Vilic ☩
Tuesday	December 22, 2020
9:00 a.m.	Barbara Schofield ☩
Wednesday	December 23, 2020
9:00 a.m.	Catherine Marshall ☩
Thursday	December 24, 2020—Christmas Eve
4:00 p.m.	For the Children of the Parish
6:00 p.m.	For the Deceased of the Parish
10:00 p.m.	For the People of the Parish



Friday	December 25, 2020—Christmas Day
10:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Saturday	December 26, 2020
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish (L)
Sunday	December 27, 2020
8:30 a.m.	Larry Scheuer ☩
11:00 a.m.	Maurice Blain (L)



*The Altar Flowers this weekend
were donated by
the parishioners of St. Stephens
for the Christmas Season*

**And the angel said to them,
"Fear not, for behold I bring you
good news of great joy that will
be for all the people." - Luke 2:10**

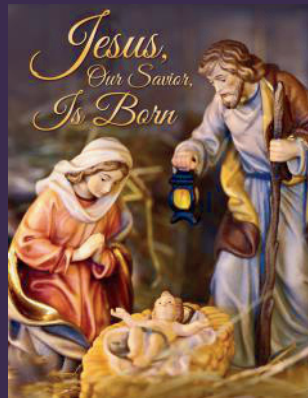


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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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



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10:00 PM Night Mass

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10:00 AM Morning Mass

Monastery Christmas Gifts



Due to COVID-19 restrictions, orders will only be taken online or by phone and shipped directly to your home.



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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 baby-sitting services. Please contact the Parish Office at 770-381-7488 to register for the class. Parents will need to select God-parents for their child who are active, practicing Catholics.

Baptisms are scheduled only 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.



*Please Pray the **Rosary***

For The Unborn

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*The Parish Office will be closed
Thursday and Friday, December 24th and
25th in observance of the Christmas Holiday.
Father Brian and the parish staff
wish you all a very Merry Christmas!*

DECEMBER 20, 2020

TITHES & OFFERINGS

FREELY YOU HAVE RECEIVED. FREELY GIVE

**Unable To Give Your Offertory In Person?
Consider Using Our On-line Giving Portal**

www.ststephenthemartyr.info/giving/online-giving

OR You can mail in your offertory gift to:

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Weekend of Dec. 13, 2020		2nd Coll: Christmas Baskets	
Offertory	\$ 6,029.00	Offertory	\$ 1,975.00
On Line	\$ N/A	On Line	\$ N/A
Total	\$ TBD	Total	\$ TBD

Due to early printing request, we are not able to provide the online totals for Dec. 13th.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Current and Upcoming Second Collections

December 20, 2020	Christmas Flowers
December 27, 2020	Catholic Charities
January 3, 2021	Property Maintenance & Enhancements
January 10, 2021	No Second Collection



Catholic Charities Atlanta
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The second collection on December 27th will benefit Catholic Charities Atlanta, a 67-year legacy in Georgia of charity for our most needy brothers and sisters and a mission inspired by our Catholic faith. Many of the clients are members of the working poor who work several jobs and long hours to support their families. Many of these individuals are also facing a life crisis, are alone and frightened. Catholic Charities Atlanta staff help to identify their problems and provide them with the resources to put them on the path to independence. Catholic Charities services are aimed at empowering people to utilize their strengths and resources to meet their individual and family needs. Please give generously where it truly counts. Please support Catholic Charities to provide help and create hope for individuals and families facing challenges in our community, struggling on the margins of society, and living in poverty.

LET US
ADORE HIM
Christ the Lord



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas," or, at least that's the assumption based on that familiar holiday song. But what does that look like at your house? Most of us anticipate the great sales at the mall on the day after Thanksgiving, string lights on the outside of our house, and decorating the inside of our homes. But how exactly are we preparing our hearts for the greatest gift we've ever been given? Through an exploration of the mystery of the Incarnation, the Virgin Birth, and the events surrounding the arrival of Jesus, this Advent study offers an opportunity to experience the joy of the true meaning of Christmas.

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