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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.

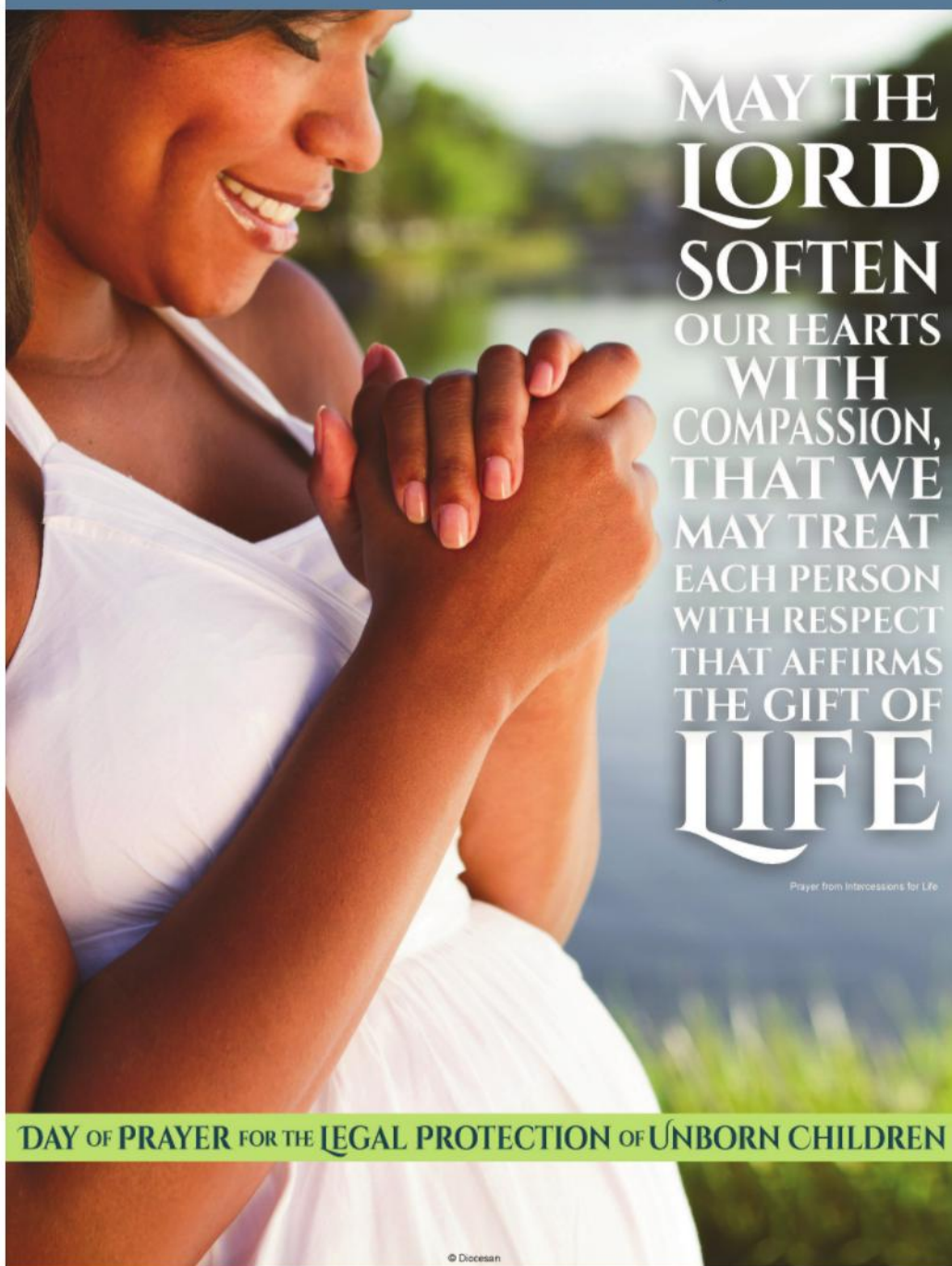
Office Hours

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 JANUARY 17, 2021



MAY THE
LORD
SOFTEN
OUR HEARTS
WITH
COMPASSION,
THAT WE
MAY TREAT
EACH PERSON
WITH RESPECT
THAT AFFIRMS
THE GIFT OF
LIFE

Prayer from Intercessions for Life

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN



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 17, 2021
8:30 a.m.	Pam Cook ☩
11:00 a.m.	Lorraine Romero ☩
Monday	January 18, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Mary Boltz ☩
Tuesday	January 19, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Jean Scheuer (L)
Wednesday	January 20, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Carlos Garcia-Carreras (L)
Thursday	January 21, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	January 22, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Paul Turtle (L)
Saturday	January 23, 2021
9:00 a.m.	Lucila & Vicente Tellado ☩
5:00 p.m.	Lowell (Biff) Umbarger ☩
Sunday	January 24, 2021
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish (L)
11:00 a.m.	Deacon Evelio (L)



*The altar flowers
this weekend were donated by*

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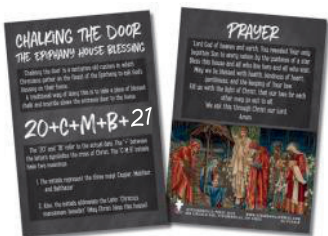
"The greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion ...
because it is war against the child."

Mother Teresa of Calcutta



The Parish Office will be closed
Monday January 18, 2021
in observance of the
Martin Luther King, Jr., Day Holiday.

The 2021 Home Blessing Ceremony!



**Available On The
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Under the Parish
Headlines**

<https://www.ststephenthemartyr.info/news/285-feast-of-the-epiphany>

March for Life

Friday, January 22

The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of *Roe vs. Wade* and *Doe vs. Bolton* reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a "throwaway culture."

However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.



If we honored each baby aborted in the US since 1973 with a minute of silence, we would be silent for over 100 years.

In the dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 is designated as a particular day of prayer and penance for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. We pray for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and offer penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion.

As individuals, we are called to observe this day through the penitential practices of prayer, fasting and/or giving alms. Another way to take part is through participating in special events to observe the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*.

Holy Hour @ St. Stephens from 9:30–10:30 am.



Georgia March for Life

& Memorial Service at Liberty Plaza in Atlanta
Friday at 11:45 am–2 pm.

For more information visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/georgia-right-to-life-12375108595>

Archdiocese of Atlanta MASS FOR THE UNBORN

Due to the pandemic, our Mass for the Unborn with Archbishop Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv., will be offered virtually only. Streaming will begin at **12 noon on Friday, Jan 22**, on the archdiocesan Facebook page as well as on Vimeo:

<https://archatl.com/events/mass-for-the-unborn>

Please Pray For The Unborn.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

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Weekend of January 10, 2021

Offertory	\$ 6,160.00
On Line	\$ 3,745.00
Total	\$ 9,905.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Current and Upcoming Second Collections

January 17, 2021	Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministries
January 24, 2021	LifeTeen/EDGE
January 31, 2021	Outreach
February 7, 2021	Property Maintenance & Enhancements

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Today we seem to think we've moved beyond the idea of God, but this secular view of life is a very new and unusual idea to humanity. All through human history man has looked to something outside himself for the answers to life. Why have we given up on God? Do we think science has disproven Him? Do we think society is better off without him? We talk with astrophysicists, chemists, Harvard professors, and more to make the case that it's not only reasonable to believe in God, it's essential if you want to have a truly amazing life. Our souls seek their creator, and we'll never be truly happy unless we seek Him out. As St. Augustine famously said, "You have made us for Yourself O Lord, and our hearts are restless. until they rest in Thee."

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