



St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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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 FEBRUARY 12, 2017



6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Whoever obeys and teaches these commandments
will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:19



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, February 12, 2017
 8:30 a.m. William Kowalczyk ☩
 11:00 a.m. The People of the Parish (L)

Monday, February 13, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Mary Chandler ☩

Tuesday, February 14, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Joseph Soeiro ☩

Wednesday, February 15, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Janet Spera ☩

Thursday, February 16, 2017
 9:00 a.m. **Communion Service**

Friday, February 17, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Norman Dion ☩

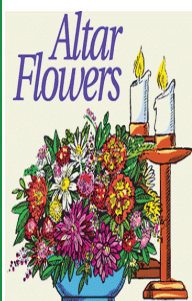
Saturday, February 18, 2017
 9:00 a.m. Claire Goodman (L)
 5:00 p.m. Irene Snow ☩

Sunday, February 19, 2017
 8:30 a.m. Joe Altschuler ☩
 11:00 a.m. The People of the Parish (L)



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

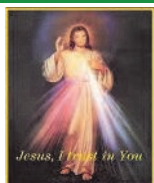


BJ Reisinger
 in loving memory of
 Joseph Dufour
 and by
 Anna Johnson
 in loving memory of
 William Kowalczyk



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

Readings for the Week of February 12, 2017

Sunday Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34;
 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Monday
 Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;
 Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop
 Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday
 Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19;
 Mk 8:22-26

Thursday
 Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23;
 Mk 8:27-33

Friday The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
 Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15; Mk 8:34—9:1

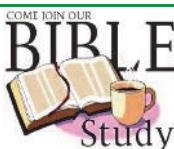
Saturday
 Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13;
 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48



FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS

COMFORT FOR THE AFFLICTED. That all who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.



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

All are welcome.



New Winter/Spring Adult Faith Session Every Tuesday Evening

The Tuesday evening Adult Faith Program began 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 for more information. **All are welcome.**



Making gifts of Real Estate:

Do you own a home or vacation home that you no longer want or need? Did you know you can donate the property to The Catholic Foundation and designate to an endowment fund and receive a nice tax deduction? We coordinate selling the property and give the proceeds to your parish endowment fund or ministry of your choice.

For more information, please contact Juliet Greco at The Catholic Foundation: 404-497-9440 or jgreco@cfnga.org

FEBRUARY 12, 2017



Offerings

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



February 4 & 5, 2017
Offertory \$10,871.01
Online \$2,526.50
\$13,397.51

Second Collection
Debt Reduction \$8,269.00
Online \$2,388.00
\$10,657.00

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

Future Second Collections

February 12, Outreach

February 19, SVdP will be collecting after all the Masses

February 19, No Second Collection

February 26, No Second Collection



The World Apostolate of Fatima's Centennial U.S. Tour for Peace is underway and coming to St. Stephen the Martyr!

The historic tour, marking the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima, will feature the world-famous International Pilgrim

Virgin Statue, traveling worldwide for nearly 70 years. St. Stephen the Martyr is hosting the tour on Friday March 3, 2017 from 12 noon-7pm. It will be an extraordinary occasion of healing, hope and grace. Please join us that day to hear the story of Fatima and venerate this beautiful statue that set out from Fatima in 1947 to bring the graces of Fatima to all who might not ever be able to make a pilgrimage to Fatima, Portugal. We bring the pilgrimage to you!

Contact Sharon Nixon at 770-925-7358 for more information.

Learn more about the tour and the statue at

www.fatimatourforpeace.com.



Next Sunday, February 19, 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.



Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about our upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend, March 3rd – 5th, 2017 program for couples, contact: Zack & Heather @ 317-691-2258 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.com

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THE ROMAN CATHOLIC
 DIOCESE of SAVANNAH

The Archdiocese of Atlanta and the Diocese of Savannah invite Georgia Catholics to the State Capital in Atlanta on Tuesday February 21, 2017 from 8:00am-1:00pm for **Catholic Day at the Capital**. The day will start with a legislative briefing at 8:30am at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 48 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SW, Atlanta GA 30303. We will walk together to the Capital to view the opening of the session and meet your legislators. Lunch will be provided. The event is free, but **registration is required** so that we can communicate last minute changes.

To register for this event, please visit

<http://archatl.com/events/2017-catholic-day-capital/>.

For more information, please call 404-920-7340 or email communications@archatl.com.



Fertility Care/Natural Family Planning

This isn't your parent's old rhythm method! Learn more about your fertility, why the Church promotes Natural Family Planning (NFP), why NFP is 99% effective, and how it can positively impact your marriage

(3% divorce rate!). My next Introductory Class is Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 7:00pm at Christ the King (in Buckhead). To register or for more information on future classes, contact Ann Hall at 404-915-1685 or annlabar@hotmail.com

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 February 14, 2017 in the Our Lady of Fatima room. We will be collecting donations after all the Masses on February 18 & 19.

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.

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