



St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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Pastor

Rev. Brian Lorei

Permanent Deacons

Dcn. Evelio Garcia-Carreras

Dcn. Rick Kaszycki

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 NOVEMBER 19, 2023



Give thanks to the LORD, who is good,
whose mercy endures forever.

Ps 106:1



THANKSGIVING DAY MASS NOVEMBER 23 @ 9:00 AM



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	November 19, 2023
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
*11:00 a.m.	Hank Rogers, Sr. ✠
Monday	November 20, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Georgia Daly ✠
Tuesday	November 21, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Salvatore Altizio ✠
Wednesday	November 22, 2023
9:00 a.m.	John Krahe ✠
Thursday	November 23, 2023-Thanksgiving
9:00 a.m.	For Our Nation
Friday	November 24, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Capt. Robert E. Thornton/Marine ✠
Saturday	November 25, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Anita Garcia ✠
5:00 p.m.	Mary Ann Creagan ✠
Sunday	November 26, 2023
8:30 a.m.	Josh Ferris ✠
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
*Children's Choir Will Sing at the 11am Mass	



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 noon in *Our Lady of Fatima* room. Please make arrangements for a babysitter as we do not provide babysitting services.

Please pre-register for the class with the Parish Office at 770-381-7488 during normal business hours or email secretary@sstmcc.org (to ensure that the class will be held on a particular date).

Parents will need to select God-parents for their children 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.



Prepare the way for the Lord

St. Stephen's Parish
ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE
Thursday, November 30th @ 7:00 pm
10+ Priests Available
For Confessions



*Fr. Brian, the Deacons and staff
 wish you and your families
 a happy and safe Thanksgiving.*

The office will be closed at noon
 November 22 through November 26
 and will reopen Monday, November 27.



As Pope John Paul II said, "The responsibility for the seminary belongs to the entire Christian community." We are blessed in this

Archdiocese with nearly 40 men responding to a call for priestly service to the people of God in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Though this generous gift of God is a blessing for this Archdiocese, it does pose a challenge to us. These men need both our financial support and our prayers. Please provide a sound future for the seminarians here in the Archdiocese of Atlanta by giving generously to the Archdiocesan Seminarians' Collection this weekend.

Visit <https://donate.archatl.com/missions> to support the future of our faith.



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 9:00 am Mass.

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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/onlinegiving

OR, You can mail your offertory gift to:

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Weekend of Nov. 12, 2023

Offertory \$ 9,700

On Line \$ 2,921

Total \$ 12,621

2nd Coll. Arch. Seminarians.

Offertory \$ 1,387

On Line \$ 555

Total \$ 1,942

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Current and Upcoming Second Collections

November 19, 2023	Thanksgiving Baskets / Needy
November 19, 2023	SVdP Monthly Collection
November 26, 2023	Retirement Fund for Religious
December 3, 2023	Property and Maintenance
December 10, 2023	Christmas Baskets / Needy

The Children's Christmas Pageant is Wednesday, December 20th at 7pm

A reception will follow the Pageant in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome.

All children age 6-18 are invited to participate.

Age 3-5 can be Little Angels.

If your child would like a singing part, or to be a Little Angel, please contact Angelle Buckley at angellebuckley@yahoo.com

Singing Rehearsals-Sun Dec. 10, 10:30-10:50am and Sun Dec. 17, 10:30-10:50am in the Infant of Prague Room

If you have a middle-schooler interested in a speaking or acting role, you may contact Christine Roman at edge@ststephenthemartyr.info



Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Baskets

(2nd Collections Nov. 19, Dec. 10) .



This year we are taking up 2nd collections to donate food for the Holidays for those facing immediate hardship in our local community. We are working with the Lilburn Cooperative Ministry to provide 25 families with nutritious food and gift cards this year.



Lilburn Co-op serves families in our area needing food during this time. Their pantry shelves are low. In addition to financial contributions, donated goods go a long ways toward helping us provide assistance to our Gwinnett neighbors who really need it.

Can you help feed needy families?

Rice, Grits, Cereal and Oatmeal

All Canned Vegetables, Beans

Peanut Butter, Sugar, Flour and Jelly

Canned Tomato Sauce, Any Soups

Canned Pasta and Macaroni Pasta

Mayonnaise, Catsup, Mustard, BBQ Sauce, Syrups

Crackers / Snacks, Canned Chicken and Tuna,

Hamburger Helper Jiffy Mix, Salad Dressings

Items in Most Need

**Please bring your food pantry donations
directly to the Lilburn Co-op.**

5329 Five Forks Trickum Road, Lilburn

Bring donations Mon.— Sat. 9am - 5pm

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES



We are in need of Catechists, Altar Servers, Choir Members, Garden Ministry volunteers and Ushers.

Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration to help. For a full list of ministries, please visit the Parish Website.

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