



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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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 10, 2023

Peace



Advent



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 10, 2023
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
11:00 a.m.	James Black ☩
Monday	December 11, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Bert Mujica ☩
Tuesday	December 12, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Andrew Paciorek (L)
Wednesday	December 13, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Donna Laske (L)
Thursday	December 14, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	December 15, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Albert Pleus ☩
Saturday	December 16, 2023
9:00 a.m.	Vicente Tellado ☩
5:00 p.m.	Louis Rodriguez ☩
Sunday	December 17, 2023
8:30 a.m.	Josh Ferris ☩
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish

4th Sunday of Advent Sunday

December 23rd-24th

Regular Mass Schedule: 5pm, 8:30am, 11am



Christmas Masses

Sunday, December 24th

Christmas Eve

4:00 PM Vigil Mass

6:00 PM Vigil Mass

10:00 PM Night Mass

Monday, December 25th

Christmas Day

10:00 AM Morning Mass



St. Stephen's Christmas Angel Tree helps families in need at Christmas time. If you select a Christmas Angel, please return the angel attached to the gift card, by **Wednesday, Dec. 13.**



Prepare the way for the Lord

If you missed the Penance Service at St. Stephen the Martyr on November 30th, Additional Penance Services are Listed Below

LOCAL ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Mon	Dec 11	Mary Our Queen	7 pm
Mon	Dec 14	St. Oliver	7 pm
Wed	Dec 15	Corpus Christi	7 pm



Christmas Breakfast

Next Sunday, December 17, is a special Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

All are invited to come and have a **FREE** breakfast with

Santa Claus, compliments of the St. Stephen's Knights of Columbus.

DECEMBER 10, 2023

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 December 3, 2023	2nd Coll Property and Maint.
Offertory \$ 11,366	Offertory \$ 6,873
On Line \$ 6,530	On Line \$ 1,415
Total \$ 17,896	Total \$ 8,288

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Current and Upcoming Second Collections

December 10, 2023	Christmas Baskets for the Needy
December 17, 2023	Christmas Flowers
December 17, 2023	SVdP Monthly Collection
December 24, 2023	No Second Collection
December 31, 2023	Catholic Charities

**Join Us For The Children's
Christmas Pageant
Wednesday, December 20th.
6:00 pm—Rehearsal
(closed to an audience)
7:00 pm—Children's Pageant
Open To All**

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



**Forever Young Seniors
Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon
Monday, December 11th
at 12:00 Noon**

**Turkey and Ham will be provided!
Please bring a side dish to share.
There will be an optional Secret Santa Gift
Exchange which you may bring a wrapped
gift (\$10-15)**

Come join us for fun and fellowship

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

the RESCUE project

The RESCUE Project

- Why is there something rather than nothing?
- Why is everything so obviously messed up?
- What if anything has God done about it?
- How should I respond?

Ever ask yourself these questions?
We invite you to join us for the Rescue Project.
Together we can discover the Story.

**Begins Thursday January 11—February 29, 2024
Gathering and Provided Dinner—5:45pm
Video Presentation and Discussion—6:45pm—8pm
Plus Retreat Day- Saturday Feb 24th 9:45-1pm**

**Registration: Please Sign up in the Narthex
No Babysitting Provided**

***We've Lost Our Christian Story.
Let's Get It Back!***

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT.

Have you ever considered the possibility of serving God as a priest? Come pray and explore if this could be the vocation God has prepared for you. Join us for our annual Men's Discernment Retreat December 28th and 29th at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit. Register at calledbychrist.com/events/discernment-retreat

ROSARY MAKERS

Please join us on Wednesday, December 13th from 1—3 pm in the Fellowship Hall to learn how to make rosaries (cord and/or cord & bead). Questions? Please call Vicki Cunneen at 404-578-9700.

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