



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.

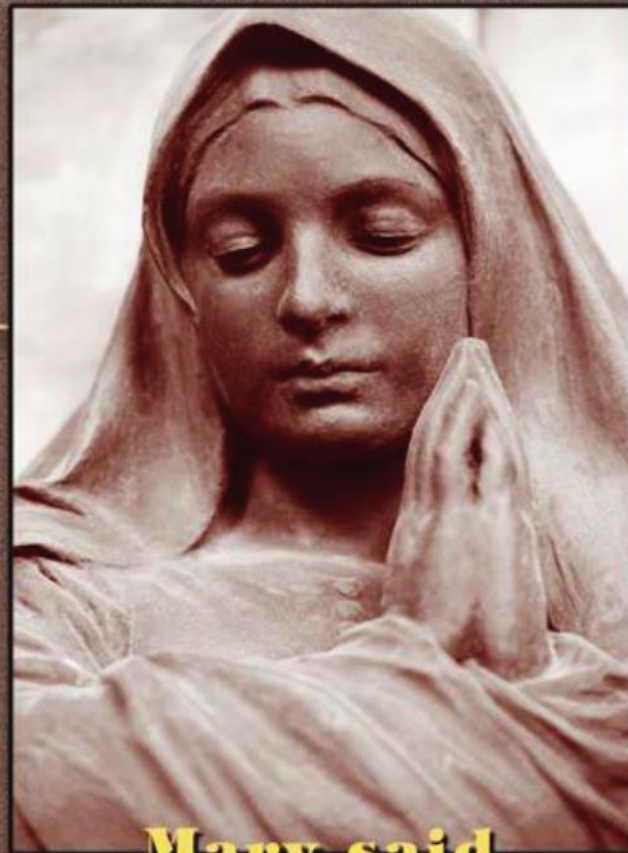
Office Hours

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 8, 2024



**Mary said,
“Behold, I am the
handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me
according to
your word.”**

Luke 1:39



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

Sunday	December 8, 2024
8:30 a.m.	Tom & Mary Ann Creagan ✕
11:00 a.m.	Joan Gravitt (L)
Monday	December 9, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Belle & Salvatore Altizio ✕
7:00 p.m.	Mary Williams ✕
Tuesday	December 10, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Tom Franzman (L)
Wednesday	December 11, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Karl Diagle ✕
Thursday	December 12, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	December 13, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Holy Souls in Purgatory ✕
Saturday	December 14, 2024
9:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. William Chi ✕
5:00 p.m.	Meredith Tarantino (L)
Sunday	December 15, 2024
8:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
11:00 a.m.	Maria Nguyen Quy ✕



Prepare the way for the Lord

If you missed the Penance Service at St. Stephen on Monday, December 2nd, Additional Penance Services are Listed Below

LOCAL ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Mon	Dec 16	St. Patrick's	7 pm
Tues	Dec 17	Holy Cross	7 pm
Thur	Dec 19	St. Margurite d'Youville	7 pm



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, December 11th

The Altar Flowers This Weekend

Were donated by

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Maria Kowalczyk*



Forever Young Seniors Christmas Pot Luck Luncheon Monday, December 9th at 12 noon

Join us for the Senior Luncheon at St. John Neumann - Reynolds Hall December 9, 2024 at Noon. No sign ups. Please bring a dish to share and invite a friend. Please help us welcome Bishop Ned from the Archdiocese of ATL.

Come join us for fun and fellowship



ROSARY MAKERS

Please join us Wednesday, December 17th, from 1pm to 3pm in the fellowship hall. Learn how to make rosaries (cord and/or cord & bead). No experience necessary. We also repair broken rosaries. If you have questions, please contact Vicki Cunneen at 404-578-9700.



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

Monday, December 9th

Mass 9:00am

Mass 7:00pm



Christmas Breakfast

Sunday, December 15, 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.



Please Pray the Rosary

Of The Unborn

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DECEMBER 8, 2024

TITHES & OFFERINGS

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OR, You can mail your offertory gift to:

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Weekend of Dec 1, 2024	2nd Coll: Property & Maint
Offertory \$ 8,170	Offertory \$ 6,843
On Line \$ 5,944	On Line \$ 1,305
Total \$ 14,114	Total \$ 8,148

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Current and Upcoming Second Collection

December 8, 2024	Retirement Fund for Religious
December 15, 2024	Christmas Baskets for the Needy
December 22, 2024	Christmas Flowers
December 22, 2024	SVdP Monthly Collection
December 29, 2024	Catholic Charities
January 5, 2025	Property & Maintenance

The Children's Christmas Pageant is Wednesday, December 18th 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 4-5 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

Musical Auditions—Date TBD

Singing Rehearsals—Sun Dec. 8, 10:30-10:50am
and Sun Dec. 15, 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



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Christmas Food Baskets

(2nd Collection Dec. 15) .

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.

Thanks to all who give so generously!

COUPLES CELEBRATING 50th AND 60th Anniversary in 2025



The Archdiocese of Atlanta would like to honor couples married in 1975 and 1965 with an invitation to a Golden/Diamond Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday February 8, 2025, at noon, at Saint Brigid Catholic Church. A light reception will follow the Mass for the anniversary couples and their families.

Space is limited. Please go to <http://tiny.cc/anniversarymass> to RSVP for this event and for additional information.



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.

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