



St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church

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Pastor

Rev. Brian Lorei

Permanent Deacons

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.

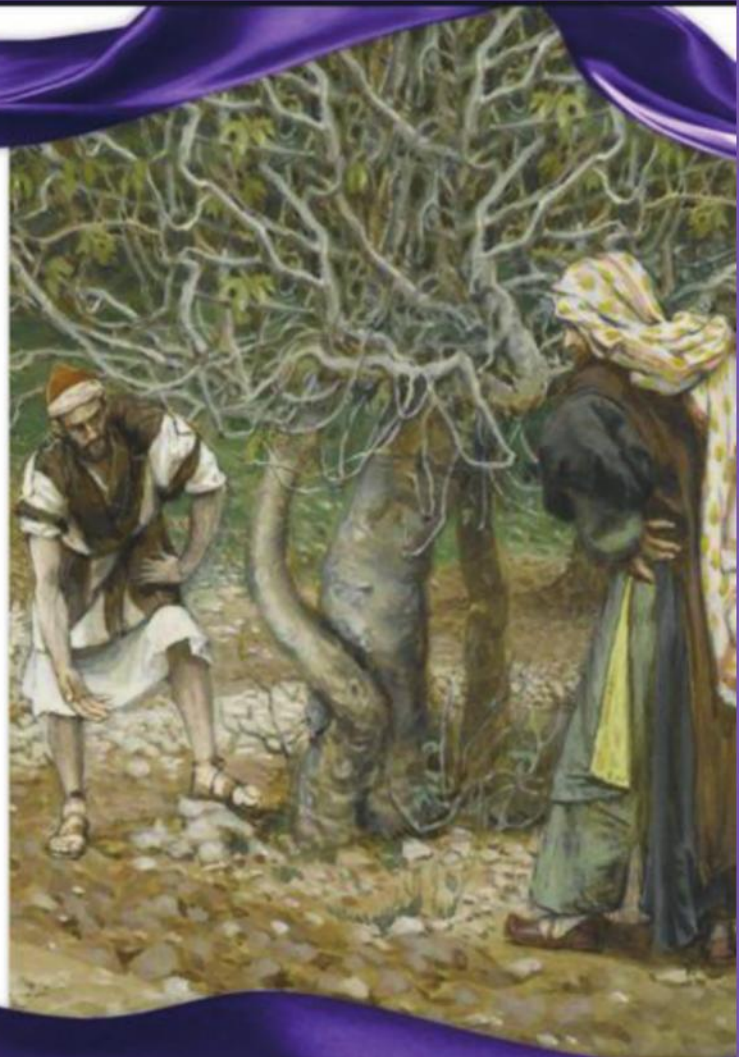
(Closed daily for lunch
from 1-2 p.m.)

SUNDAY MARCH 23, 2025

"Sir, leave it
for this year
also, and I shall
cultivate the
grounds around
it and fertilize it;
it may bear fruit
in the future.
If not you can
cut it down."

Luke 13:8, 9

The Vine Dresser and
the Fig Tree
by James Tissot, circa 1890s



3RD SUNDAY OF
LENT



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

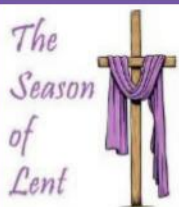
We the people of God of St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church, united in One Lord, One Faith and One Baptism celebrate and are nourished and sustained by Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and in His Holy Word. Brought together by Jesus and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we fulfill His command to go into the whole world and proclaim the good news of salvation by sharing our faith through Prayer, Evangelization, and Acts of Charity.



Sunday	March 23, 2025
8:30 a.m.	Conde Family ☩
11:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Monday	March 24, 2025
9:00 a.m.	Regina Bazuaye (L)
Tuesday	March 25, 2025
9:00 a.m.	Sr. Mary Jacinta Halbig (L)
Wednesday	March 26, 2025
9:00 a.m.	Joe Fumei (L)
Thursday	March 27, 2025
9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Friday	March 28, 2025
9:00 a.m.	Maurice DeVolder ☩
	5:00pm Stations of the Cross
	6:45 pm Children's Stations
Saturday	March 29, 2025
9:00 a.m.	Jonathan Tarantino (L)
5:00 p.m.	People of the Parish

Archbishop's Annual Appeal 2025 We are One Body in Christ

Today we wish to recognize those who not only support our parish, but also have made a gift or pledge to the Archbishop Annual Appeal. On behalf of those who will be served by your contributions, thank you to all who have already completed their pledge payments, as well as those who are still making payments. For those of you who have not had an opportunity to participate, but still desire to be a part of the 2025 campaign, please visit our website at lifeofthechurch.com/donate or you may contact the Office of Missions Advancement at missionadvancement@archatl.com or 404-920-7600. When each of our individual gifts are combined with the gifts of thousands of other parishioners throughout the archdiocese, each contributor make a very real difference in the ability of the archdiocese to provide ministries and service. Thank you again for your participation.



LOCAL LENTEN PENANCE SERVICES 2025

March 24	St. Lawrence	7:00 PM
March 27	St. Marguerite	7:00 PM

*With the Lord there is Mercy and
Fullness of Redemption.*

Family Promise of Gwinnett—Volunteers

Family Promise of Gwinnett, a temporary home for children and their parent(s), needs our help again! We will be hosting the week of Sunday, March 30 through April 5, 2025.

Easy ways to volunteer:

- 1) Bring a meal to Promise Haven by 6:15 pm. Sign up Genius to be sent.
- 2) Bring a gift card from Kroger, Walmart etc. to the church office in an envelope addressed to Family Promise.

For questions contact: Diane DeGaetano, 678-772-7734 or dsdegaetano@comcast.net.

Thank you for caring for God's children - a great Lenten activity



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You can use an IRA distribution to create charitable gift annuity, guaranteeing you quarterly payments for life and providing a donation to your parish.

Contact Julie Greco at the Catholic Foundation at jgreco@cfnga.org
Or 404-497-9440 for more information on this Charitable opportunity.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Tuesday from 9:30am to 6:45pm
Benediction at 6:30pm

MARCH 23, 2025

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 March 16, 2025		2nd Coll: Easter Flowers	
Offertory	\$ 10,392	Offertory	\$ 1,678
On Line	\$ 4,065	On Line	\$ 28
Total	\$ 14,457	Total	\$ 1,706

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Current and Upcoming Second Collections

March 23, 2025	Outreach
March 30, 2025	No Second Collection
April 6, 2025	Property and Maintenance
April 13, 2025	Holy Land
April 20, 2025	Archdiocesan Seminarians
April 20, 2025	SVdP Monthly Collection



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.



Come and enjoy Coffee and Donuts after the 8:30am Mass in the Fellowship Hall. This is a wonderful time to be with familiar parishioners as well as meet those who may be new to our parish.

All Are Welcome

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



PARISH DMI SURVEY

March 2025

St. Stephen the Martyr is on a journey to know, love and serve Christ better and thrive!
WE WANT TO HEAR FROM OUR PARISHIONERS!

**Please Complete the Parish Survey
Disciple Maker Index (DMI) today.**

The survey assesses our unique strengths and opportunities. Share your perspective now to help strengthen our Parish and better prepare us for the future!
Go to the parish website and take the Survey

www.sstmcc.org



**We will be serving from
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM
every Friday evening
during Lent.**

Join Us For Great Food and Fellowship.

Dine-In OR Take-Out

The Knights of Columbus are leading this event, but all members of our Parish are welcome to assist in any way.

Please contact us at:

kccouncil14122sstm@yahoo.com

Stations of the Cross
Fridays at 5:00pm & 6:45pm
We look forward to seeing you!



SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Would you like to help less fortunate members of our local parish community? Do you have 30 minutes to an hour a day to spare? If so, St. Vincent de Paul has a volunteer opportunity for you and you can do it from the comfort of your own home.

Jesus said, "whatever you do for the least of these, you do for me."

For more information leave a message on our helpline: [770-381-7488](tel:770-381-7488) ext:251 and we will return your call.

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