

This weekend is World Mission Sunday

....a day that leads us to the heart of our Christian faith – lead us to mission! Your generosity on World Mission Sunday supports the work of priests, religious and lay leaders in the Missions who share our faith with those most in need. This year we can even “chat” with our chief missionary, Pope Francis, and learn more about his missions and missionaries. Learn more at Chat/WithThePope.org

Chat- Pray – Give -- this World Mission Sunday

Through the generosity of your parishioners, the Chancery will be remitting \$176,597.85 to the National Office for Hurricane Harvey Relief.

We have received the special collection funds from 76 percent of the parishes. If you parish has not yet remitted this special collection, please do so as soon as possible.

I will update as the collection for Hurricane Irma is collected.

- Michael Gibbons CFO, Diocese of Belleville

Mass for Priests and Deacons Who Have Died - November 4, 9:00 AM, Cathedral.

His Excellency, Bishop Braxton, will celebrate Mass on Saturday, Nov. 4, 9:00 AM, at the Cathedral of St. Peter, for all Priests and Deacons who have died this year, and in remembrance of all those who have died in the past 10 years.

Vocation Corner “Wherever God has put you, that is your vocation. It is not what we do but how much love we put into it.” – St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

The Newman Center Auxiliary is hosting its Annual Fall Gala on November 4. The event will include a catered prime rib dinner by the Knights of Columbus, music and a silent auction to help raise money for the Newman Catholic Student Center, SUI-Carbondale. The Gala will be held in the Newman Center, with hors d’oeuvres at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and silent auction from 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person. Information contact Susan at Newman Center 618-529-3311.

There will be a new **Vocation Committee** formed. This committee is for the expressed intentions for praying and actively advocating for vocations in our parish. Interested in being part of this ministry contact Kevin Stinner, St. Stephens.

The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal... join us as Partners in Hope Holy Angels Shelter provides not only food, clothing and shelter for homeless women, children and intact families but also gives ongoing support so clients may become self-supporting, productive member of their community in a home of their own. You can partner with Holy Angels and make dreams come true through your gift to The 2017 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. Thank you for your consideration.

A special thank you to all those who contributed to the Peter's Pence collection. While collection donations have not yet been received from all parishes, total proceeds from our Belleville Diocese as of October 1 are \$37,963.45. Thank you again for your support.

Judy Phillips, Office of Development, Belleville Diocese



St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches



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St. Edward Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:30 a.m.

St. Stephen Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 6:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Confession, Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

Confession, Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Sunday 8 a.m.

Parish Office: Peggy Garrison, Secretary
Office hours Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday,
8 a.m. to 12 noon Rectory/Office 847-7931
Fax – 847-7393 Parish Hall 847-7512

Parish Office: Trudi Herdes, Secretary,
Office hours Monday & Wednesday mornings.
Office, Fax and Social Room - 662-8121
Rectory – 662-6261

Bulletin Info: Peggy Garrison, Parish Office.
Please submit by noon on Thursday

Bulletin info: Beth Fancher, 665-3163 submit by
Thursday email: bafancher@wabash.net

New Parishioners Register at the Parish Office

New Parishioner Register contact **Dorothy**
Uebinger 662-3711 email dot@wabash.net

PSR Coordinator: Sarah Pickens
RCIA Coordinator: Ginny Barrett
Music Director: Denise Zurliene

Music Director: Diane Briscoe
PSR Coordinator: Paul Duquaine
RCIA Coordinator: Cheryl McCarty

Pastoral Council – 3rd Thursday
Altar Sodality – 3rd Monday
Men’s Club - As announced
CYO Meeting - As announced
Food Pantry Distribution – 2nd Saturday 8am

Knights of Columbus – 1st Wednesday, 7 pm
Finance Committee – 2nd Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Altar Society - As announced
Pastoral Council - 4th Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Food Pantry Collection - First Weekend

Baptism, Marriage, Vocations, Sacrament of Anointing & Care of the Sick, contact
Father Charles Anyaoku or call St. Edward or St. Stephen Parish Offices.

**One thing I ask of the Lord, and this I long, to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. (Ps. 27, 4)
That should be our daily prayer. That should be our daily desire. That should be our daily wish.**

ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 21, 4:00pm—Dennis Milligan+
Sunday, October 22, 10:30am—Andrew & Joan Kubacki+
Thursday, October 26, 6:30pm—Dick Reyling+ Bible Study—7:00pm
Friday, October 27, 8:00am—For Blessings Received
Saturday, October 28, 4:00pm—John Robison III+
Sunday, October 29, 10:30am—Larry McClure+
Rosary—Every Saturday 3:30pm and 2nd Sunday 10:00am

Weekly Contributions 10-15-2017

Envelopes(34) \$1,856.00
Loose 104.00
Total \$1,960.00
We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$125.00
Donation 30.00
Ret. Belle. Priest 5.00
World Mission 10.00

Attendance: Sat. 20 Sun. 56

Saturday, October 28

Lector: Nick Zurliene
EM: Ken & Theresa Nordmann
Ushers: Don & Diana Zurliene
Gifts: John & Leslie Robison
Servers: volunteers

Sunday, October 29

Lector: Jen Wellen
EM: Peg Garrison, David Mills
Ushers: Scott Merkle, Paul Perez
Gifts: Hank Eckleberry, Teresa Williams
Servers: Will Wright, Jackson Mills



Garland Keck, Kim Buchanan,
Lanora Neavill, Ute Britton, Leon
Chamness, Jack Ciesielczyk, Jalain
Thompson, Phyllis Laird, Kurt Wiseman, Nanette
Williams, Julie Griffith, Gina Williams, Emilee
Stanley, Noreen Reeves, Paula Zdan, Maddox
Oppenheimer, Sara Kerchner, Charles Drechsel,
Dorothy Baylor, Eva Decker, Matthew Rorban,
Kathy Bramlet, Tom Colvin, Andrew Mayo, Robyn
Meagher, Sheila Zurliene, Sandra Henson, Andrew
Luna, Elaine Jeffers, Jeff Zurliene, Jodi Hunt, Mary
Murphy, Claire Grosso, Sarah Frye, Homer and
Shirley Clark and all priests who are sick.

**OCTOBER COUNTS: USHERS PLEASE COUNT
NUMBER ATTENDING MASS AND ALSO
NUMBER OF COMMUNICANTS---THANKS**

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Mon: Rom 4:20-25 Lk 12:13-21
Tues: Rom 5:12,15b,17-19,20b-21 Lk 12:35-38
Wed: Rom 6:12-18 Lk 12:39-48
Thur: Rom 6:19-23 Lk 12:49-53
Fri: Rom 7:18-25a Lk 12:54-59
Sat: Eph 2:19-22 Lk 6:12-16
Sun: Ex 22:20-26 1 Thes 1:5c-10 Mt 22:34-40

ST. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 21, 6:00 p.m. mass – Madonna Goellner+ 5:30 p.m. – Rosary
World Mission Sunday, October 22, 8:30 a.m. mass – For the living and deceased of the
parish 8:00 a.m. Rosary,
Tuesday, October 24, 6:30 p.m. mass – Margo Etchison+ 6 p.m. – Rosary
Wednesday, October 25, 6:30 p.m. mass – Marilyn Mylius+ 6 p.m. – Rosary
Thursday, October 26, 8:00 a.m. mass – Peggy Kessler+ 7:30 a.m. – Rosary
Saturday, October 28, 6:00 p.m. mass – Evelyn & Connie Myers+ 5:30 p.m. – Rosary
Sunday, October 29, 8:30 a.m. mass– For the living and deceased of the parish
8:00 a.m. Rosary

Weekly Contributions 10-15-17

Envelopes..... \$ 1,425.00
Loose..... 187.00
Total \$ 1,612.00
Need - \$1,731.00
Cemetery - \$230.00
Half Profit from Chicken BBQ \$1360.25
Attendance: Sat.- 59 Sun. – 82

Weekend Ministers

Saturday, October 28

Lector: Sam Pierce
Commentator: Volunteer
EM: Krista Weidner, Jim
Fehrenbacher, Paul Birk
Altar Servers: Pierce
Family
Ushers: Don Talmant, Mike
Winka

Sunday, October 29

Lector: Deb Zimmerman
Commentator: Ted
Zimmerman
EM: Beth & Phil Fancher,
Pat Ridgeway
Altar Servers: Kevin
Stinner, Evelyn Stiner
Ushers: Tom Lancaster,
Jesse Harvey



PRAYER INTENTIONS: Linda Griffy, Bill
Marks, Nichole Wheaton, Lisa Persinger,
Verna Oliver, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience
McKnight, Clara Wilson, Claire Fopay,
Mildred Garrison, Ray Vaughn, Anita Allen,
Joe Falica, Lois Houlihan, Ray & Irene
Winka, Pat Venable, Chris Boyd, Dr. Mark
Wallace, Gerty Grundy, Ginny Timm,
Herman Rudolphi, Tracy Winka, Steve
Dudzik, Ruth Wilson, Mike Burge, Angie
Borrelli, Roger Wells, Tom Kasper, Becky
Payne, Rita & Judy Porter, Bob Bluhm,
Rhonda Ryker, Kelly Coan, Rick Harvey, Dr.
Don Bunnell, Mike Winka, Duck
Greenwood, Paul Weidner, Marilyn
Wheaton, Jim Brown, Jakob Lane, Mark
Winka

St. Stephen Activities for the Week

Sunday, October 22– Sacrament of Reconciliation 8 a.m.,
PSR following mass

Tuesday, October 24, Bible Study after mass

Wednesday, October 25 , Joint Pastoral Council - 7 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration 7 pm - midnight

Friday, October 27- Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 a.m. – 3:15
p.m.

Servite Rosary 12:00 noon, Chaplet of
Divine Mercy 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 29- Sacrament of Reconciliation 8 a.m.
PSR following mass

PSR Schedule Fall, 2017

Oct. 22 - Class
Oct. 29- Class
Nov. 5 - Class
Nov. 12 - Class
Nov. 19 - Class
Nov. 26 –No Class
Thanksgiving
Dec. 3 – Class
Dec. 10 - Class (Practice for
Program)
Dec. 17 - No Class
Dec. 24 - No Class Christmas
Dec. 31 - No Class New
Years

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

Tree of Joy For the 3rd year, St. Stephen’s will sponsor a Tree of Joy program. This tree will be placed in the back of church with angel ornaments. On the ornaments will be a number, gender and size for an item of clothing or a toy for a child of a seriously challenged family. Parishioner may choose one or several ornaments, purchase the gifts, wrap them and return them to church with the ornament attached. The gifts will be delivered to the families by Christmas so these children will have something under the tree on Christmas morning. Applications are available at the back of church and may be completed for any family in the community. All application information and the names of the families chosen will be kept in strict confidence. We will also need to limit the number of families for whom we will provide and will choose those deemed in most need. Pick up applications for families, fill out separate application for each family member, age’s birth to 12 and have the family complete the applications and return in an envelope marked "Tree of Joy" no later than Nov. 12, to the parish office. Questions contact Kevin Stinner or Cheryl McCarty. Thanks for your support for this worthy project.



 The St. Anne's Annual Basket Raffle will be begin on November 11th, and the drawings will take place at the Cookie Walk. Please consider donating a basket for this fundraiser. If you would rather give items or money we will happily accept those too. Ticket sales will begin and the baskets will be available after weekend Masses starting Nov. 11. We will accept baskets up until the morning of the Cookie Walk. Be creative, have fun, and help us raise money for St. Anne's general fund. The general fund supplies altar breads and altar cloths, and covers funeral dinner expenses, as well as paying for other necessities for our church. Baskets may be given to Pat Greenwood, Kathy Price, or Erin Pierce.

Guadalupe Project will be holding several fundraisers through the end of 2017. Traditionally, the winter and holiday months are very busy for non-profits, and with the record numbers the Project has been seeing, since the opening of the new building, the winter months could be the busiest yet. The extra funds from the upcoming fundraisers will allow Guadalupe Project to continue to serve the young families who visit every month. Guadalupe Project is based on the foundation of building a culture of life. An important way that Guadalupe Project promotes the culture of life is through the principle of working together to help each other. With this community spirit in mind, Guadalupe Project is excited to announce a way to support the program: “Family Favorites: Clay County’s Favorite Recipes.” This cookbook will be a compilation of favorite recipes from families in Clay County. Whether you have visited Guadalupe Project, have donated to Guadalupe Project, or are simply a member of Clay County and have a tasty recipe to share, we want to hear from you! There are four easy ways to share your favorite recipes with us:

- 1. Log in to www.typensave.com and fill out the form to submit your recipe! Use the username "GuadalupeProject" and the password "apricot894".
- 2. Email your recipe to laura.whitehead.91@gmail.com.
- 3. Mail your recipe to PO Box 181 Flora, IL.
- 4. Call Laura at 618-599-6786 and we will come and pick up a hard copy of your recipes.



We are collecting recipes until November 1. Copies of “Family Favorites: Clay County’s Favorite Recipes” will be available for purchase in December.

ST. EDWARD NEWS

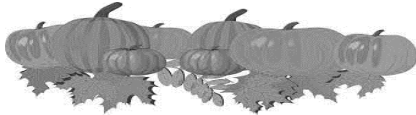
PARISH FEAST DAY:
Thank you to everyone for a great Feast Day. Special Thanks go to Sebastian & Angie Dimaggio for the Mostaccioli, Matt Kinney for the Chicken Breasts, Linda Keck for all her hard work and anyone else involved in the preparations. A good time was had by all.

PSR NEWS: Dates for Children’s Choir practice and performances: November 5, and December 3. Practice will begin at 10a.m following PSR classes and performances will be before and after Masses on these dates.

ALTAR SODALITY: St. Edward Altar Sodality held their meeting on October 16th and here is a list of upcoming events:

- 1. Will hand out cards for items to put in the Advent Gift Bags for our shut-ins on the weekend of Oct. 27th-28th. Will put the Bags together on November 20th meeting.
- 2. Jesse Tree: will begin on Dec. 2nd-3rd. More information on this to follow.
- 3. Christmas Brunch: The Brunch will be held on Sunday, December 3rd following 10:30am Mass.

FALL HARVEST PARTY: Nick & Laura Zurliene will be holding a Fall Harvest Party at their house on Sunday, October 22nd from 5-8pm. Chili will be provided, please bring a covered dish. There will be a hayride, games, costume judging(so dress up). We will need some volunteers to help with various activities. There are sign ups in the hall. Please bring lawn chairs with you. See ya all there.



JOINT PARISH COUNCIL: On Wednesday, October 25th, St. Stephen and St. Edward Parish Councils will be having their fall joint meeting starting at 7:00pm following 6:30pm mass. All council members and trustees of both parishes need to attend. If you want to carpool to St. Stephen please meet at the church by 5:45pm.

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time---Acting for the benefit of others.
*How will I act for the benefit of others?
*What belongs to God?
*How will I give that back, give that away?

FROM FATHER CHARLES’ DESK:

Praise be to Jesus both now and forever, Amen. In today’s liturgy, the church celebrates the Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary time, year A.

Isaiah 45:1 ,4-6. 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5. Mathew 22:15-21.

In today’s Gospel reading, Mathew 22:15-21, the Pharisees wanted to discredit Jesus by asking, Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not? Then, Jesus’ reply to the trick question is magnificent and elusive, he says , “Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God” the Lord is saying, let Caesar be Caesar, but let God be God. We should not confuse the two. We give Caesar our taxes, our loyalty, our judgement. But our conscience, our soul, our choices in life belong to God. Therefore, we have obligation to Caesar and also obligation to God.

We can apply the Lord’s words not only to the relationship of church and state but to our religion and our politics. Our faith should influence our politics because we Christians can bring moral vision to our nation. If we don’t, someone else will bring their own priorities to what the government does. So, when the Lord says,” repay to Caesar what is Caesar’s and to God what is God’s, “the Lord is not speaking only about the institutions of church and state. The Lord is also speaking about our religion and our politics, we should not separate them because we have obligation to Caesar and also obligation to God.

More, in today’s second reading, St Paul’s letter to the Thessalonians, with words of encouragement, to hold on to faith for the eternal happiness. “For our Gospel was not come to you in word alone but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.” The Gospel is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes. It is in the Gospel that is revealed the righteousness of God. God is righteous and holy, with our faith, we can believe He is.

Finally, in the first reading, Isaiah declares that we have only one God, and nothing besides him. For He is our Lord and no other, and He cares for us. In this reading , I would like you to reflect on the prophet ‘s assumptions when he says,” For my sake of Jacob , my servant , of Israel , my chosen one , I have called you by your name , giving you a title, though you knew me not.”

Make out time to reflect on that for your spiritual life. He has given you a name and a title because He has good plan for you. His plan for you is a success and a blessing. (Read Jeremiah 29:11-14, Ps 64) Shalom!!! Have a blessed weekend

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

ALL SOULS PICTURE DISPLAY November is the month dedicated to all souls departed. We will again be calling to mind our deceased loved ones by placing their pictures in front of the altar. If you have pictures of your loved ones that you would like to have remembered in this way, please leave them on the table in the back of church. Also names of your deceased loved ones can be entered in the Memorial Book on the stand next to the baptistery in the front of church.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): If you or know someone who would like to learn more about the Catholic Church or are interested in joining the church, we will be starting an RCIA program. For more information contact Father Charles at 662-6261 or Cheryl McCarty at 815-343-1502.

IF YOU EMAIL INFORMATION FOR THE BULLETIN PLEASE USE MY NEW EMAIL ADDRESS: bafancher@wabash.net Thank you - Beth Fancher.

We’re looking for Lectors/Commentators, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers contact Beth Fancher or Kevin Stinner if you are interested or would like more information.

BIBLE STUDY: Fr. Charles has started a Bible Study on Tuesday evenings following mass, 7 to 7:30 pm. Please come to mass and stay for Bible Study. Everyone is welcome.

If you would like to help earn money for St. Ann's general fund visit Goodsearch.com and register making St. Ann's your charity. Please type in "St Anns Altar Society" (no punctuation). Make it your homepage or just use it to search or make online purchases.

CRY ROOM St. Stephen’s Cry Room is in the Library, which is equipped with a TV set up with a live feed of the Mass.

The next Altar Society rotating chairman are: Bernie Brown, Gretchen Stinner, Beth Fancher.

Please consider purchasing SCRIP cards after weekend Masses or contact Erin Pierce at 662-4967. There are several retailers & restaurants participating in the program. St. Ann's buys the cards at a discounted rate and sells them at full face value. When you buy a card you receive a card worth the purchase price, for example a \$100 Wal-Mart card is worth \$100. Information contact Erin or visit shopwithscrip.com. Complete retailer list is available on website.

Prayer Chain: When a parishioner has an intention & requests prayers, Erin Pierce will initiate the prayer chain. She will contact Fr. Charles, who will determine the prayers. An email will be sent to all members, who will pray for the intentions. Each member should endeavor to assure the obligation is met. Contact Erin 662-2266. erinmp1968@aol.com or call 662-2266.

CEMETERY CORNER

Efforts are ongoing to keep our cemetery a beautiful resting place for loved ones. Many thanks to those who do such a great job.

At one slipped by

