

St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches

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

THE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 46 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to lift themselves out of poverty. By supporting this collection you give people a hand up, not a hand out. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

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.

St. Theresa of Avila, Salem, will be holding their annual Thanksgiving Fixin's and Fall Bazaar on Sunday, November 12, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Turkey, dressing, real mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, homemade noodles, etc. auction, drawings, raffles, country store, etc.



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St. Edward Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Confession, Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 3:30 p.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

Bulletin Info:

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

New Parishioners Register at the Parish Office

PSR Coordinator: Sarah Pickens

RCIA Coordinator: Ginny Barrett

Music Director: Denise Zurliene

Pastoral Council – 3rd Thursday

Altar Sodality – 3rd Monday

Men's Club - As announced

CYO Meeting - As announced

Food Pantry Distribution – 2nd Saturday 8am

St. Stephen Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 6:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Confession, Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sunday 8 a.m.

Parish Office:

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

Bulletin info:

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

New Parishioner Register contact Dorothy

Uebinger 662-3711 email dot@wabash.net

Music Director: Diane Briscoe

PSR Coordinator: Paul Duquaine

RCIA Coordinator: Cheryl McCarty

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, November 4, 4:00pm—Angie Allen+
Sunday, November 5, 10:30am—The Garrison Family
Thursday, November 9, 6:30pm—Blessings Received
Friday, November 10, 8:00am—Joe & Kathryn Basinger+
Saturday, November 11, 4:00pm—John Robison III+
Sunday, November 12, 10:30am—All Veterans Living & Deceased

Rosary—Every Saturday 3:30pm and 2nd Sunday 10:00am

Weekly Contributions 10-29-2017

Envelopes(29) \$1,419.00
Loose 119.00
Total \$1,538.00
We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$129.00
Donation 100.00
All Saints Day 15.00

Attendance: Sat. 36 Sun. 49
All Saints-38 All Souls-13

Saturday, November 11

Lector: Jay Fyie
EM: Jim & Margaret Thompson
Ushers: Don & Nick Zurliene
Gifts: John & Leslie Robison
Servers: volunteers

Sunday, November 12

Lector: Debra Simmers
EM: Peg Garrison, Sarah Pickens
Ushers: Hank E., Teresa Williams
Gifts: The Pickens Family
Servers: Will Wright, Cali Bunting



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, Jodi Hunt, Claire Grosso,
Sarah Frye, Homer and Shirley Clark, Sam Ochs
and all priests who are sick.

THANK YOU TO ALL THE USHERS FOR YOUR
COUNTS YOU RECORDED FOR THE MONTH
OF OCTOBER. The secretary appreciates it.

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Mon: Rom 11:29-36 Lk 14:12-14
Tues: Rom 12:5-16b Lk 14:15-24
Wed: Rom 13:8-10 Lk 14:25-33
Thur: Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 Jn 2:13-22
Fri: Rom 15:14-21 Lk 16:1-8
Sat: Rom 16:3-9,16,22-27 Lk 16:9-15
Sun: Wis 6:12-16 1 Thes 4:13-18 Mt 25:1-13

ST. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 4, 6:00 p.m. mass – Ed Trittschuh+
Sunday, November 5, 8:30 a.m. mass – St. Ann’s Altar Society
Tuesday, November 7, 6:30 p.m. mass – Herman Rudolphi +
Wednesday, November 8, 6:30 p.m. mass – Mass of Special Intentions
Thursday, November 9, 8:00 a.m. mass – Roger Beard+
Saturday, November 11, 6:00 p.m. mass – Howard & Madonna Goellner+
Sunday, November 12, 8:30 a.m. mass– For the living and deceased of the parish
Rosary will be said a half an hour before each mass +designates deceased

Weekly Contributions 10-29-17

Envelopes..... \$ 1,110.00
Loose..... 185.00
Total \$ 1,285.00
We Need - \$1,731.00
World Mission Sunday - \$25

Attendance: Sat.- 45 Sun. – 81

Weekend Ministers

Saturday, November 11

Lector: Cheryl McCarty
Commentator: Volunteer
EM: Krista Weidner, Paul Birk,
Pat Ridgeway
Altar Servers: Pierce Family,
Allie Parker
Ushers: Jim McCarty, Jerry Price

Sunday, November 12

Lector: Deb Zimmerman
Comment. Ted Zimmerman
EM: Dorothy Uebinger, Randy
Wells, Gerald Klein
Altar Servers: Kevin Stinner,
Evelyn Stinner
Ushers: Justin Fleener, Jacob
Whitehead

St. Stephen Activities for the Week

Sunday, November 5– Sacrament of Reconciliation 8 a.m.,
PSR following mass
Tuesday, November 7, Bible Study after mass
Wednesday, November 8, Eucharistic Adoration
7 pm - midnight Finance Committee
Friday, November 10 Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 a.m. –
3:15 p.m. Servite Rosary 12:00 noon,
Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 12- Sacrament of Reconciliation 8 a.m.
PSR following mass



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, 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, Duck
Greenwood, Paul Weidner, Marilyn
Wheaton, Jim Brown, Jakob Lane, Mark
Winka, Ted Zimmerman, Diana Fleener,
Rodney Greenwood, Robbie Porter

PSR Schedule
Fall, 2017

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 Year

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

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 have a number and information about a child of a seriously challenged family. Parishioner may choose one or several ornaments, purchase gifts, wrap them and return 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 Christmas morning. Applications are available at the back of church and are to be completed for individual family members in the community. All application information about the families 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 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.



Adoration Schedule for Guadalupe Project - Adoration normally scheduled on the 2nd Sunday of each month has been changed for November. Adoration for November will be on Sunday, Nov. 5, 10:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Guadalupe Project will be holding several fundraisers. Traditionally, the winter and holiday months are very busy for non-profits, and with the record numbers the Project has been seeing, 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. 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!

1. Log in to www.typensave.com and fill out the form to submit your recipe! Use the username "GuadalupeProject" and the password "apricot894" or
2. Email your recipe to laura.whitehead.91@gmail.com or
3. Mail your recipe to PO Box 181 Flora, IL. or
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 and will be available for purchase in December.

Sponsorships are available for "Family Favorites: Clay County's Favorite Recipes." All proceeds from the sponsorships benefit Guadalupe Project. Sponsorships of \$25, \$50, and \$100 are available and the names of all sponsors will be printed in the cookbook. Contact Laura Whitehead for more information or to sign on as a sponsor.

ST. EDWARD NEWS

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.

Songs being performed (11-05-17): The Beatitudes Song and As for me and my House.

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

1. **Thank you to everyone who picked a card to help with the Advent Bags for our shut ins.** Will put the Bags together at the 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.

THANK YOU TO NICK & LAURA ZURLIENE FOR AN AWESOME FALL FESTIVAL/HALLOWEEN PARTY. THANK YOU TO MIKE OPPENHEIMER AND ALL HIS HELPERS FOR THE HAUNTED HOUSE.(I HEARD IT WAS SPOOKY). A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY EVERYONE



Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time---Bear the yoke. Be a servant.

Count back 17 weeks. In Matthew 11 on the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus said, "my yoke is easy and my burden light." This burden is the Covenant, the loving relationship of God and People. Jesus love the Law and those who faithfully keep it. But he has no patience and no praise for those who go to extremes – the proud, the pushy, the puffed up. He has no patience for the extreme of acting more for show than for goodness and right. He detest preaching goodness while not practicing it.

***Whose example will I follow?**

***How will I lay to heart goodness and right behavior?**

***How can I be humble? How will I serve?**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, November 16th: Pastoral Council—7:00pm

Monday, November 20th: Altar Sodality—6:00pm

Wednesday, November 22nd: St. Edward Mass 5:30pm (Thanksgiving Mass)

Sunday, December 3rd: St. Edward Christmas Brunch following 10:30am Mass

FROM FATHER CHARLES' DESK:

Fr Charles's desk

In today's Gospel reading, Mathew 23:1-12, Jesus says, "The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

This should give us a healthy dose of humility. One thing that is central to the lives of all the saints is humility when we acknowledge that we all fall short of the glory of God and are all in continuing need of grace. The person, who is a humble servant in the present, will be exalted by God in the age to come.

Every time we come to mass, the lord calls us to take off our masks and costumes and to let the word of God work within us, to make our life a living Gospel for all people to hear and to about ourselves. We only have to be afraid of the masks we wear.

Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord, let us be sincere and truthful in whatever we are doing. We shall all be like God who is impartial and truthful in his decisions.



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 next to the baptistery in the front of church.

Please remember in your prayers, the soul of Herman Rudolphi, the brother of Dorothy Uebinger, who passed away on October 26. His funeral Mass was October 30 at Holy Cross Church, Wendelin with burial following in Holy Cross Cemetery . May he rest in peace.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS ARE HERE. PLEASE PICK YOUR BOOK UP IN THE SACRISTY. We need new lectors, commentators, Eucharistic minsters and Altar Servers. Please consider helping with these wonderful ministries. Questions or just want to talk about the ministries catch me after church, call me or email me. 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.

The St. Anne's Annual Basket Raffle will be begin on November 11, and the drawings will be the day of the Cookie Walk. Please consider donating a basket, give items or money. Ticket sales will begin and the baskets will be available after 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 The general fund supplies altar breads, 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.

Please prayer for Robbie Porter and his family. Robbie was in a terrible vehicle accident the end of October in Bloomington, IN. He has several broken bones. Please prayer for his speedy recovery.

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 Ann's Altar Society" (no punctuation). Make it your homepage or just use it to search or make online purchases.

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

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

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.

