

INFORMATION FOR BOTH PARISHES

There will be Benediction with a Processional around the church at St Stephen, Flora this Sunday, June 3, at 5:30 p.m.

This marks the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ who is present in the Eucharistic.

Please try to attend if at all possible

Army Veteran Dan McKinney Speaks on PTSD – Sponsored by Clay County HCE

The public is invited to attend a free presentation on Posttraumatic Stress Disorder PTSD, June 7, 6:30 p.m., Flora Depot Community Room. PTSD is a topic that faces military and veterans as well as their families. In an effort to inform our community and support those with PTSD and their families, Clay County Home and Community Education (HCE) is inviting the public to hear Veteran Dan McKinney address the topic from his personal experiences. Dan served in the US Army from 1967 to 1969 in Vietnam. On March 2, 1968, his Company of approximately 92, were ambushed by the Viet Cong. In less than eight minutes, 48 were killed and 28 were wounded, which ranked the top 10 on a single day loss of life during the war. Dan received seven wounds.

Dan and his wife Linda, graduated from NCHS, Louisville and were married before he was drafted. They now live in the Effingham area. A question and answer period will follow.

HERE IS A LIST OF SOME UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 11 to June 17 Father Charles will be gone
Sunday, June 17—Father's Day

Wednesday, June 20 - Joint Pastoral Council at
St. Stephen Church

July 16 to July 19—Vacation Bible School at St.
Edwards 5-7pm

Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all? Times away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities. A chance to talk and listen to that special someone who loves and and whom you love. These WWME weekends away are August 3-5 or Sept.21-23 in St. Peters, MO. More info by clicking on www.stl-wwme.org or call at 314.649.7317.

Respect Life Corner: Culture of Life:
Changing the culture is a process of conversion that begins in our own hearts & includes a willingness to be instructed and a desire to be close to Jesus, source of joy & love. Sometimes our actions speak for themselves; other times, words are needed. Whatever the situation, Jesus knows how to speak to each person's heart; we simply need to follow where he leads.

Learn. Act. Connect. Pray. The first step towards living this life is allowing Jesus to meet and transform us daily. When someone is facing great trials, we need to meet them where they are, walk with them on their journey, intercede for them, and be open to sharing Christ's love.

St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches

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Rev. Father Charles Anyaoku, Pastoral Administrator

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St. Edward Mass Schedule:

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

Confession, Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Friday – 8:30 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

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:

Saturday 1 p.m. or call for appointment

Parish Office: Trudi Herdes, Secretary,

Office hours: Monday & Wednesday, 8 a.m. to noon
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 Father Charles,

Trudi Herdes or Dorothy Uebinger 662-3711
email dot@wabash.net

Music Director: Diane Briscoe

PSR Coordinator: Paul Duquaine

RCIA Coordinator: Cheryl McCarty

Sacristan – Sam Pierce

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. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 2, 6 p.m. – Howard & Madonna Goellner+
Sunday, June 3, 8:30 a.m. mass - For the living and deceased of the parish
Tuesday, June 5, 6:30 p.m. – Gerald & Pat Klein+
Wednesday, June 6, 6:30 p.m. mass – Regina Buckleh+
Thursday, June 7, 8:00 a.m. mass – Catholic Extension Donors+
Saturday, June 9, 6:00 p.m. – David Sulsberger+
Sunday, June 10, 8:30 a.m. mass – Stan & Ginny Timm+

Rosary will be said a half an hour before each mass +designates deceased

Weekly Contributions 05-27-18

Envelopes.. \$1,159.00 (41)
Loose..... 79.00
Total \$1,238.00

We Need - \$1,731.00

Seminarian Education - \$25 CMSA - \$690 (2)
Catholic Communications - \$5
Attendance: Saturday – Sunday -



PRAYER INTENTIONS: Linda Griffy, Bill Marks, Nicole Wheaton, Velma Oliver, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience McKnight, Clara Wilson, Claire Fopay, Mildred Garrison, Ray Vaughn, Joe Falica, Lois Houlihan, Ray & Irene Winka, Pat Venable, Chris Boyd, Gerty Grundy, Tracy Winka, Steve Dudzik, Ruth Wilson, Mike Burge, Roger Wells, Becky Payne, Bob Bluhm, Rhonda Ryker, Kelly Coan, Dr. Don Bunnell, Paul Weidner, Marilyn Wheaton, Diana Fleener, Robbie Porter, J.R. Means, Clarice Schweighart, Cory Britton, Lucille Anderson, Debbie Jones, Gary Nelson, Jody West. Bettv Greenwood. Ed Perk

Saturday, June 9

Lector – Cheryl McCarty

Euch Min – Sam Pierce, Jim & Dorothy Croy

Servers – Pierce’s

Ushers – Jim McCarty, Jerry Price

Sunday, June 10

Lector – Gerald Klein

Commentator – Phil Fancher

Euch. Min. – Beth Fancher, Dorothy Uebinger, Emily Milner

Servers: Duquaine’s

Ushers – Alan Huff. Ted Whitehead

St. Stephen Activities for the Week

Saturday, June 2, Sacrament of Reconciliation, 1 p.m
Mass 6 pm
Sunday, June 3, Mass 8:30 a.m. Training Altar Servers after mass, Benediction, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 5, Mass 6:30 p.m. Bible study after mass
Wednesday, June 6, Adoration 7pm– 12am
Mass 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus
Thursday, June 7, Mass 8 a.m.
Friday, June 8, Divine Mercy Chaplet 8:30a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Servite Rosary 12 noon, Chaplet to Divine Mercy 3pm

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 Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

June 3, 2018

ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, June 2, 4:00pm—John Robison III+
Sunday, June 3, 10:30am(Corpus Christi)—Larry McClure+
Thursday, June 7, 6:30pm—Blessings Received
Friday, June 8, 8:00am—St. Edward Parishioners
Saturday, June 9, 4:00pm—Ruth Cavanaugh+
Sunday, June 10, 10:30am—Ian Penrod+

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

Weekly Contributions 05-27-2018

Envelopes(27) \$1,290.00
Loose 135.00
Total \$1,425.00
We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$ 275.00
Seminarian Educ. 20.00
CSMA 70.00
Donation 20.00
Attendance: Sat. 26 Sun. 62



PRAYER INTENTIONS: Garland Keck, Kim Buchanan, Lanora Neavill, Leon Chamness, Jack Ciesielczyk, Jalain Thompson, Kurt Wiseman, Nanette Williams, Julie Griffith, Gina Williams, Emilee Stanley, Noreen Reeves, Paula Zdan, Maddox Oppenheimer, Sara Kerchner, Charles Drechsel, Eva Decker, Matthew Rorban, Kathy Bramlet, Tom Colvin, Andrew Mayo, Robyn Meagher, Sheila Zurliene, Sandra Henson, Andrew Luna, Elaine Jeffers, Homer and Shirley Clark, Alice Zurliene, Tim Dittmer, Megan Young, Ed Potts, and all priests who are sick.

Saturday, June 9

Lector : Mike Oppenheimer

EM: Tim & Jackie Schoenborn

Ushers: Dave & PJ Cavanaugh

Gifts: Jay & Lisa Fyie

Servers: volunteer

Sunday, June 10

Lector: Debra Simmers

EM: David Mills, Peg Garrison

Ushers: Rich Rennier, Bob Simmer

Gifts: Caryl Speir, Jen Wellen

Servers: Jack Mills, Ailyn Zurliene

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Mon: Weekday
2 Pt 1:2-7 Mk 12:1-12

Tues: Saint Boniface, Bishop, Martyr
2 Pt 3:12-15a Mk 12:13-17

Wed: Saint Norbert, Bishop
2 Tm 1:103,6-12 Mk 12:18-27

Thur: Weekday
2 Tm 2:8-15 Mk 12:28-34

Fri: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Hos 11:1,3-4,8c-9 Jn 19:31-37

Sat: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
2 Tm 4:1-8 Lk 2:41-51

Sun: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gn 3:9-15 2 Cor 4:13—5:1 Mk 3:20-35

ST. EDWARD NEWS

GUADALUPE PROJECT

Thank you to everyone that has picked up a **Baby Bottle for Loose Change**. If you did not get one there are a few left and you can still take one. Also, we still have some tickets left for **the Summer Cash Giveaway**. Just contact Peg if you have any questions.

OUR CONDOLENCES GO OUT TO JEFF MURPHY AND HIS FAMILY WITH THE PASSING OF HIS MOTHER, LINDA MURPHY. MAY THE SOUL OF LINDA AND ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED REST IN PEACE. MAY PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM. AMEN

WITH THE SCHOOL YEAR COMING TO AN END AND SUMMER VACATIONS STARTING, HERE IS A LIST OF SOME EVENTS FOR THE SUMMER MONTHS TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDARS:

- Friday, June 8th—Food Pantry Set-up 8:30am
- Saturday, June 9th—Food Pantry Distribution 8:00am
- June 11th thru June 17th—Father Charles will be gone
- Sunday, June 17th—Father’s Day
- Wednesday, June 20th—Joint Pastoral Council at St. Stephen Church
- July 16th thru July 19th —Vacation Bible School

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

THE DATES FOR VBS HAVE BEEN CHANGED DUE TO THE FIRST WEEK PICKED WAS THE WAYNE COUNTY FAIR WEEK. THE NEW DATES ARE MONDAY, JULY 16TH THRU THURSDAY, JULY 19TH. THE TIMES WILL REMAIN THE SAME. 5-7PM. SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE.

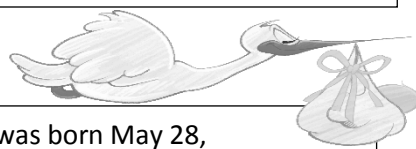
There will be a Processional & Benediction following the 10:30am Mass, June 3rd. This marks the Feast of the Body & Blood of Christ who is present in the Eucharist. Everyone please stay. If you are not able to process please stay seated until we come back in for the Benediction. Thank-you.

Next weekend is Food Pantry set-up and distribution. With school being out for the summer this a great opportunity for some of the youth especially the PSR kids who will be preparing for Confirmation next spring. This will go towards your Community Service obligations. Set-up is Friday at 8:30am and Distribution is Saturday at 8:00am.

ST. STEPHEN NEWS



This Sunday, June 3, there will be training for anyone who is interested in becoming a Mass/Altar Server. Training will be right after mass. All are welcome but must have received their First Communion in order to serve.



SUMMER CASH GIVEAWAY RAFFLE
\$20/ticket
Every week from Memorial Day - Labor Day we are giving away two \$100 cash prizes. GRAND PRIZE awarded after Labor Day: \$500 and \$1,000! One ticket enters you in all of the drawings

Winners announced on WNOI Radio each Wednesday from May 30 – Sept. 5. All proceeds benefit Guadalupe Project. If you would like to help sell these tickets or purchase one, see Laura Whitehead.

Cookbook Copies of "Family Favorites: Clay County's Favorite Recipes" are available for purchase, after Mass in the social room. Books are \$15. All proceeds benefit Guadalupe Project. Contact Laura for copies.

Congratulations to the Summer Cash Giveaway winners for May 30, Dennis Holkenbrink and Sara Frutiger! It's not too late to get in to the drawing - we will be drawing two \$100 winners every week until Labor Day. Tickets are available at WNOI Radio Station, Flora, Louisville, and Clay City Banking Companies, The Country Closet, or you can contact Laura Whitehead or Peggy Garrison.

Clara Lynn Harvey was born May 28, 11:38 p.m., to proud parents Jesse and Allison Harvey and brothers Wyatt and Waylon. Congratulations to the Harvey family.

TRIVIA NIGHT
Saturday, June 16 at 7 p.m., Anthony's Wild West Banquet Room
\$150 for a table of up to 6 people

**10 rounds of 10 trivia questions each*
**Minute to Win It Games in between rounds*
**Winning team wins entry fee back*
**Emceed by Mary Beth Lancaster!*
**Start time is flexible - plenty of time to attend Saturday evening Mass and then head to Anthony's!*

Come and enjoy a fun night of games and trivia while supporting Guadalupe Project! Food and drinks will be available for purchase as well. Contact Laura to register a team and reserve your table! Call 618-599-6786 or email laura.whitehead.91@gmail.com.

From Father Charles’ desk...

Today, the church celebrates the Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ (Corpus Christi) Exodus 24:3-8, Hebrews 9: 11-15, Mark 14: 12-16,22-26

The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ gives us a moment to reflect on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the beauty of the sacrament given to us. It is the center and summit of our worship, the foretaste of the heavenly banquet. It is our greatest of sacraments and a beloved truth of our faith.

The Eucharist is a sacrament instituted by Christ on the eve of his Passion. During the Last Supper with his apostles, when he and his apostles were gathered in the upper room, he took bread, blessed it, and gave it to them, asking them to eat it and saying, “This is my Body given for you.” The Eucharist is given for us because it brings us close to God and makes us detest sins for the love of God. It gives us graces and strengths to be holy and faithful to God and promises us eternal life.

The Eucharist should be seen as an act of thanksgiving because Jesus Christ gave it to us on his passage to his glory. He showed his gratitude to God for his presence, power, and promise in the work of salvation for mankind. Therefore, sisters and brothers in the Lord, Mass is a moment of thanksgiving. We thank God for his presence with us, because he says, “I will be with you until the end of age.” (Mathew 28:20)

Our readings today look at three different dimensions of the mass: Power, presence and promise. The letter to the Hebrews today takes us back to the great temple sacrifices in Jerusalem to show us the power of the Mass. Our Gospel reading takes us to the Last Supper to show the real and continuing presence of Christ among us in the Eucharist. Today’s reading from the Book of Exodus takes us to the mountain of the covenant to show that the Eucharist is the place where the promise of God and the power of His people still come together.

POWER, PRESENCE AND PROMISE: The power of Mass – In the letter to the Hebrews, we realize what Christ did for us because His sacrifice on the cross of Calvary was sufficient, perfect, and complete atonement for our sins, remission for our sins, and peace with God. His sacrifice on the cross reconciled us with God. The Mass is the true sacrifice and all the bloody rituals in the Old Testament were the early symbols foreshadowing what Christ would do. The Mass makes present Christ’s powerful, unique Calvary sacrifice.

Real Presence of Christ – In the Mass, Jesus makes himself present fully, substantially, and in an unobstructed way. The Lord is present with us in the Mass without obstruction. This truth is the significance of the red lamp that we have beside the tabernacle, the Real Presence.

The Mass, the place of promise – When we receive Holy Communion worthily, we are promised that we will be one with the Lord someday, face to face. It is a pledge of future glory as St. Thomas Aquinas wrote. Finally, the Eucharist is also the place of our promise to be faithful, to be loyal to Christ and to His Church, to be in communion with the Church.

St. Stephen News

Last weekend began the annual **Baby Bottle Fundraiser** at both St. Stephen and St. Edward Parishes. Anyone interested in participating can pick up a baby bottle from church on Mother's Day weekend, fill it with spare change. Return on Father's Day weekend. All proceeds will benefit Guadalupe Project Thank you!

Please Support The 2018 Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal!

Thank you to the 23 households who have already pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial support of the Catholic Service and Ministry appeal. So far \$4,074.80 has been pledged. NO gift is too great or too small. If you did not receive a pledge card in the mail, use one of the envelopes on the table in the back of church. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so.

Our parish participation goal for the appeal is 39 households and our financial target is \$4850.00. No gift is too great or too small. \$775.20 is needed to meet our financial target.

If you have a special occasion such as birthday, anniversary, new birth, wedding, etc., please contact Trudi Herdes at church or Beth Fancher at bafancher@wabash.net or call her at 618-676-4292. We would like to prayer for you and put it in the bulletin.

Beyond the Bell, Clay Co. Health Dept. will conduct a Summer Food Service Program, May 25 – Aug. 14 Monday through Friday at Washington School, Breakfast 8;30 – 9:30 a.m., Snack – 4 – 4:30 p.m. and Golden Circle Nutrition Center – lunch 12:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. More information on bulletin board.

Anyone wishing to make a monetary contribution to the Guadalupe Project may place their donation in an envelope labeled “Guadalupe” and put it in the collection basket .

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic Church, or is interested in joining or returning to the Church, the RCIA program is in session and currently working on Confirmation preparation. Info contact Father Charles at 662-6261 or Cheryl McCarty at 815-343-1502.

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. Call Erin 662-2266 erinmp1968@aol.com
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.

Please consider **purchasing SCRIP** cards after weekend Masses. 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, Contact Erin or shopwithscrip.com.

The next three rotating chairmen are Mary Beth Lancaster & Susan Schroeder; Etchison, Whitehead & Winka; Bernie Brown

