

INFORMATION FOR BOTH PARISHES

WEEKEND MASS CHANGES: The Saturday evening mass rotates between St. Stephen and St. Edward Churches. The first and third Saturdays will be at St. Edwards and the second and fourth Saturdays will be at St. Stephen. The mass on Saturdays will be at 5 p.m. The Sunday morning mass times will remain the same at this time. St. Stephen – 8:30 a.m. St. Edward – 10:30 a.m.

The big secret no more. In much of the Gospel of Mark, Jesus shushes the disciples. He does and says things, then warns them not to tell anyone – yet. But the yet has come. It came with the cross, with death, with resurrection. We now have the duty – because of Baptism – to bear the cross, to carry it proudly. We have the duty to blab about Jesus dead and risen (Catholics call this both old and new evangelization).

What will I deny in myself for the sake of the Gospel, this Good News of Jesus dead and risen?

What cross will I pick up to save my life on this journey to heaven?

What mercy work will I do to feed and clothe someone in need?

Respect Life Corner

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 16. The 2018 theme will be "Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ." Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

Learn, Act, Connect, Pray: Don't be afraid to ask "Catholic questions" and don't shy away from those that do. Answer the questions of the "nones" so that they too may come to understand Christ's love; for those who don't know are often the most curious and willing to learn. Pray that we all may find the courage to be a witness to Christ. "Do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say. You will be given at that moment what you are to say." (Mt 10:19)

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation



If you want to know about our faith, or would like to join us, contact Father Charles at 618-662-6261, Cheryl McCarty at 815-343-1502, Ginny Barrett at 618-335-6926, or Mary Murphy at 618-599-5018

Almost all couples who attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend say: "We should have done this a long time to go!" Why? Their whole relationship became more alive on the Weekend, and the Weekend reminded them of what it was like as newlyweds. The next weekend away is Sep. 21-23, 2018 in St. Peters, MO.

Our Belleville Diocese currently has 53 diocesan priests of retirement age – 25 who are currently retired and 28 who remain in active ministry; in five years that number will increase to 63! With this large number of retirement-age priests and deescalating health care costs, the Retired **Diocesan Priests Collection on September 15-16** will help provide the resources needed for their care and in the future. All monies will be used only for long-term nursing care, Medicare supplemental insurance and prescription medications for our retired diocesan priests. Note: Our diocesan priests do not receive any funding from the Retirement Fund for Religious collection which is held in December. Next weekend show your appreciation to the priests who have walked with you on your life's journey with a generous gift to this special collection.

September 16, 2018

St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches

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St. Edward Mass Schedule:
1st and 3rd Saturday 5 p.m.
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: Peggy Garrison
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

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

St. Stephen Mass Schedule:
2nd and 4th Saturday 5 p.m., 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

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, September 15 – NO MASS

Sunday, September 16, 10:30 a.m. mass - For the Living & Deceased of the Parish (St. Stephen’s Picnic) Mass time change

Tuesday, September 18 – NO MASS

Wednesday, September 19 – NO MASS

Thursday, September 20 - NO MASS

Saturday, September 22 – 5:00 a.m. - David Sulsberger+

Sunday, September 23, 10:30 a.m. mass – Catholic Extension Donors

Rosary will be said 30 minutes before each mass +designates deceased

Weekly Contributions - September 9

Envelopes. .. \$1535.00 (43)

Loose..... 22200

Total \$1757.00

We Need - \$1,731.00

Attendance: Saturday - 43

Sunday - 88

PRAYER INTENTIONS: Linda Griffy, Bill Marks Nicole Wheaton, Velma Oliver, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience McKnight, Clara Wilson, Mildred Garrison, Ray Vaughn, Joe Falica, Pat Venable, Clarice Schweighart, Ray & Irene Winka, Chris Boyd, 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, Lois Houlihan, Cory Britton, Lucille Anderson, Debbie Jones, Gary Nelson Duck Greenwood, Ed Perk, Kathryn Fleener, Georgia Klingler, Mike Winka, Gene Leonard, Celeste Replogle, Georgianna Weber, Mary Beth Lancaster, Denise Tadlock, Steve Spitzner, Helen Powless, Nick Compton

Weekend Ministers

Saturday, September 22

Lector – Jim Fehrenbacher

Euch. Min. – Pat Ridgeway, Krista Weidner, Paul Birk

Servers - Pierce’s

Ushers –Don Talmant, Mike Winka

Sunday, September 23

Lector – Emily Milner

Comm. – Ted Whitehead

Euch Min. – Dorothy Uebinger, Beth Fancher, Dennis Holkenbrink

Servers - Duquaine’s

Ushers - Jerod Fleener Tony Holkenbrink

St. Stephen Activities for the Week

Saturday, September 15, NO Mass

Sunday, September 16, Mass 10:30 a.m. St. Stephen Picnic

Tuesday, Sept. 18, No mass – Deliver Meals on Wheels all Week

Wednesday, September 19, No Mass Adoration 7pm–12 midnight

Thursday, September 20, No Mass,

Friday, September 21, Divine Mercy Chaplet 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Servite Rosary 12 noon, Chaplet to Divine Mercy 3 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 22, 5:00 a.m. MASS at St. Stephen.

ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 15, 5:00pm—John Robison III+

Sunday, September 16, 8:30am—Kelly Clark+

Thursday, September 20,—NO MASS

Friday, September 21,—NO MASS

Saturday, September 22—NO MASS

Sunday, September 23, 10:30am—Kristine Huffstodt+

Rosary will be 30 minutes before each mass

Weekly Contributions 09-09-2018

Envelopes(27) \$1,910.00

Loose 178.00

Total \$2,088.00

We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$ 205.00

Ret. Diocesan Priest 20.00

Attendance: Sat. 0 Sun. 70

Saturday, September 22-NO MASS

Lector :

EM:

Ushers:

Gifts:

Servers:

Sunday, September 23

Lector: Jen Wellen

EM: David Mills, Emily Milligan

Ushers: Libby Pond, Ann Matthews

Gifts: The Bunting Family

Servers: Cali Bunting, Jedd Wellen

PRAYER ININTENTIONS: 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, Cody Burroughs, Terri Venturelli, Bill Spitz and all priests who are sick.

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Mon: Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Lk 7:1-10

Tues: Weekday

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Lk 7:11-17

Wed: Saint Januarius, Bishop, Martyr

1 Cor 12:31—13:13 Lk 7:31-35

Thur: Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon

1 Cor 15:1-11 Lk 7:36-50

Fri: Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Mt 9:9-13

Sat: Weekday

1 Cor 15:33-37, 42-49 Lk 8:4-15

Sun: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 1720 Jas 3:16—4:3 Mk 9:30-37

ST. EDWARD NEWS

REMINDER: NEXT SATURDAY, September 22nd, there will be no mass at St. Edward. Mass is 5:00pm at St. Stephen.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING COUPLES CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES IN SEPTEMBER:
Homer & Shirley Clark—65 years: (September 7) Rodney & Peggy Garrison—31 years: (September 5)
Sam & Mary Jean Ochs—60 years: (September 6) Jeff & Janette Zurliene—25 years: (September 25)
Dennis & Vickie Zurliene—35 years: (September 10) Justin & Rian Zurliene—14 years: (September 5)
Sam & Teresa Williams—34 years: (September 8)

MASS STIPENDS: Just a friendly reminder that if you would like a Mass to be said in memory of a loved one that has passed or just for help getting through a difficult situation, please drop an envelope earmarked in the collection basket with name or what you would like the mass for. The cost is \$10 per intention. Thanks.

FOOD PANTRY

Thank-you to everyone who helped with the Food Pantry last weekend. 44 people came through that day which ended up serving 104 people.

PSR NEWS

Sept. 23rd—First Class 9:00am
Sept. 30TH—Class 9:00am
Oct. 7th—NO CLASS (Peg out of town)(no school on Monday)
*Confirmation Class will meet every other Sunday at 5pm in the hall. The first class will be Sept. 30th. Any Questions please contact Peg Garrison.

We would like to Welcome & Thank Father George Busieka for coming to St. Edward & St. Stephen Parishes to celebrate the Liturgies with us. May God Bless you & watch over you!!!

“BLESSINGS OF THE HARVEST: A THANKSGIVING PRAYER SERVICE”
The prayer service will be held on Wednesday, Octobe 10th, at 1:00pm. There is a flyer on the bulletin board if you are interested in going.

LOOKING AHEAD:
Sept. 16th—St. Stephen Parish Picnic (after 10:30am mass)
Sept. 20th—Pastoral Council 7:00pm
Sept. 28th—Father Charles returns from vacation
Oct. 4th—Joint Council Meeting at St. Edward (mass-6:30pm meeting-7:00pm)
Oct. 28th—St. Edward Fall Harvest Party (Time—TBA)

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

KC/Parish Chicken Barbecue



Please mark your calendars for the Annual KC/Parish Chicken Barbecue which will be held on Sunday, October 7. Help be needed on Friday evening, (Oct. 5), for making slaw and on Saturday



FOR ALL VISITORS ATTENDING MASS

Thank you and welcome to our church. Come visit us again – you are always welcome!!!

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.

St. Stephen PSR 2018-2019 Calendar
Sunday Class Time 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Sept. 16 Class	Oct. 7 – No Class	Nov. 4 – Class	Dec. 2 – Class
before 10:30 mass	Chicken BBQ	Nov. 11 – Class	Dec. 9 – Class,
Sept. 23 – Class	Oct. 14 – class	Nov. 18 – Class	Christmas Program & Dinner
Sept. 30 – Class	Oct. 21 – Class	Nov. 25 – No Class	Dec. 16 – No Class
	Oct 28 – Class	Thanksgiving	Dec. 23 – No Class - Christmas
			Dec. 30 - No Class - New Years

St. Stephen's High School Religion Class began the 2018-2019 School Year with "MARY: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother," a bible study from Ascension Press which includes video, reading, and group discussion. *All young people from ages 14 (after Confirmation) to 20 are invited to attend.* This class will run according to the PSR Calendar. If you would like more information, please contact Laura Whitehead.

Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother is an extraordinary pilgrimage that reveals Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives*.

Fr. Charles Anyaoku has gone home for a vacation. In case of emergency you may call Trudi at St. Stephen and Peggy at St. Edward. If you need a priest you may call Fr. Vincent Obi, Carmi, at 618-384-1650 or Fr. Mark Stec, Olney at 618-841-7324.

St Stephen Parish will hold its annual picnic on September 16. Sunday Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m. (mass time change for this weekend only). Please mark your calendar. Everyone is invited!

Fr. George Busieka will celebrate masses in September for both parishes. We thank him for his love and support for our parish.

There will be a joint meeting between St. Stephen and St. Edward on October 4, at St Edward parish at 7:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule for September

Saturday, September 15, 5 p.m. – St. Edward Parish, Fairfield
Sunday, September 16, 8:30 a.m. - St. Edward Parish, Fairfield
Sunday, September 16, , 10:30 a.m. – St. Stephen Parish, Flora
(time change for parish picnic)

Fr. George Busieka

Saturday, September 22, 5 p.m. – St. Stephen Parish, Flora
Sunday, September 23, 8:30 a.m. - St. Stephen Parish, Flora
Sunday, September 23, 10:30 a.m. – St. Edward Parish, Fairfield

Fr. George Busieka



St. Stephen News

Special Events!

If you are celebrating an occasion such as a special birthday, anniversary, new birth, wedding, new church member, etc., please contact Trudi Herdes at church or Beth Fancher at bafancher@wabash.net or 618-676-4292. We would like to pray for you, put it in the bulletin and compile a wedding, birthday and anniversary list.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE FOLLOWING UPCOMING EVENTS

- September 16 - St. Stephen Annual Parish Picnic Mass at St. Stephen – 10:30 a.m.
- October 4 – Joint Meeting - St Stephen & St. Edward
- October 7 - K of C Chicken BBQ Dinner
- October 20 - Church Work Day

Congratulations to Kaleb and Heather (Weidner) Greenwood who were married September 9, at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Wendelin. Heather is the daughter of Hank and Lynn Weidner, Kaleb is the son of Pat and Tom Greenwood. We wish them many blessed and happy years together.



Congratulations to the following who have September Wedding Anniversaries
Jesse & Alison Harvey, September 10
Pat and Tom Greenwood 32 years, September 19

Guadalupe Project: 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, 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

Goodsearch: 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.

SCRIP: 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.

Altar Society: The next three rotating chairmen are Mary Beth Lancaster & Susan Schroeder; Etchison, Whitehead & Winka’s; Bernie Brown.

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

