

**St. Edward and St. Stephen News**

**Stringtown Picnic**, St. Joseph Church, Olney. Sunday, July 21, All-you-can-eat Smorgasbord 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Beef, ham, homemade noodles, etc. Fun and Games, Entertainment all day.

**Guadalupe Summer Cash Raffle Updates**

\*Week #2 Winners: Jill Fehrenbacher and Ailene Anderson!  
 \*Week #3 Winners: Kelly Welch and Adam Dickerson.  
 \*Week 4 Winners, Ava Fleener and Jacquie Lueking.

Remember, even \*winning tickets\* are entered back in every drawing! Tickets are still available - \$20 each or 6/\$100. Listen every Wednesday to WNOI to hear the drawings live! Winners are usually drawn about 2:30pm.

Guadalupe Project will be holding a TRIVIA NIGHT fundraiser on Friday, July 12, at THE HOLIDAY in Olney. The event is sponsored by DAISES AND DENIM BOUTIQUE, owned by Emma Weidner. Mary Beth Lancaster will be emceeing the event once again, and all proceeds will benefit the families (many from Clay and Richland Counties) who visit Guadalupe Project on a monthly basis.

Teams are \$100 each and include up to six people. Make plans now to enjoy a night of fun, food, and friends at The Holiday in Olney! Text Laura at 618-599-6786 to reserve a table.

**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

**The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal....Blessed to receive, chosen to give**

You have the opportunity to support the five young men who have answered “Yes” to God’s call to serve in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ in our Belleville Diocese. The annual cost for each of our seminarians is approximately \$47,000. Funding from The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps support the expenses of our seminarians and Vocation Office; your pledge or one-time gift is truly an investment in our faith and the life of the Church here in southern Illinois. Please continue to pray for vocations and consider making your gift today.

*St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches*

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**ST. EDWARD MISSION STATEMENT**

*We, of St. Edward Catholic Church, Fairfield, united as a family of God’s people strive to live out the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ through a community spirit of love and service to one another. We endeavor to touch the lives of all with God’s living presence and love.*

*We hope to achieve these through:  
 Participating in the sacraments and providing for the spiritual needs of all; the young and the elderly, those with special needs and those who are no longer very active in the parish.*

*Providing a welcoming environment to all including new members who might like to join our parish and those who visit to worship with us.  
 Using our gifts and talents for the life and growth of our parish and for the greater glory of God.  
 Providing a comprehensive system of support services that will assist the poor and the needy as far as our scope can reach.*

**MISSION STATEMENT**

*St Stephen Church aspires:  
 To be untied in the love of God and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.  
 To proclaim the word of God by a life of witness in our community and beyond.  
 To give the glory through assisting the weak and the less privileged.  
 Putting things back together, binding, healing, affirming, serving, restoring and educating the people of God.  
 To serve together in reconciling with one another and with God, sharing our gifts and ourselves for the sake of the Gospel.*

**St. Stephen Weekend and Daily Mass Schedule**

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
 Thursday, 8:00 a.m.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday 8:30 a.m.  
 Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) Wed. after mass, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sat. 4:20– 4:40 pm., Sun 8– 8:20 am. or by appt.

Parish Office: Trudi Herdes, Secretary, Office Hours Monday & Wednesday, 8 a.m. to noon, Office, Fax & Social Room 662-8121, Rectory 662-6261

New Parishioner Register contact Father Charles, Trudi Herdes or Dorothy Uebinger 662-3711

Music Director Diane Briscoe, PSR Coordinator Paul Duquaine, RCIA Coordinator Cheryl McCarty, Sacristan Sam Pierce

Knights of Columbus – 1st Wednesday, 7 pm  
 Finance Committee – 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Altar Society - As announced  
 Pastoral Council - 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
 Food Pantry Collection - First Weekend

**St. Edward Weekend and Daily Mass Schedule**

Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Friday, 8:00 a.m.  
 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 5:00 p.m.  
 Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
 Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) Friday, 8:30 a.m.  
 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, 4:20 – 4:40 p.m.

Parish Office: Peggy Garrison, Office Hours Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8 a.m. to noon. Rectory and Office 847-7931, Fax 847-7393, Parish Hall 847-7512  
 New Parishioner Register at Parish Office

PSR Coordinator Peggy Garrison, RCIA Coordinator Ginny Barrett, Music Director Denise Zurliene  
 Pastoral Council – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, Men’s Club – As announced  
 CYO Meeting – as announced,  
 Food Pantry Distribution 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday, 8 a.m.

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

**ST. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, July 6, NO MASS**

Sunday, July 7, 8:30 a.m. Mass - For the living & deceased of the parish

Tuesday, July 9 , 6:30 p.m. mass – Catholic Extension Donors

Wednesday, July 10, 6:30 p.m. mass – Ed Trittschuh+

Thursday, July 11, 8:00 a.m. mass – Regina Buckleh+

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

**Saturday, July 13, 5:00 p.m. MASS – Robert & Agnes Feldhake+**

Sunday, July 14, 8:30 a.m. Mass – For the living & deceased of the parish

Weekly Contribution June 29 & 30

Envelopes.....\$1,805.00 (46)

Loose..... 271.00

Total.....\$2,076.00

**We Need - \$1,731.00**

**Attendance:** Sat. – 75 Sun. - 72

Weekend Ministers

**Saturday, July 13, 5:00 p.m. MASS**

**Lector:** Cheryl McCarty **EM:** Krista Weidner, Pat Ridgeway, Sam Pierce

**Servers:** Pierce Family **Ushers:** Don Talmant, Mike Winka

**Sunday, July 14– 8:30 a.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Emily Milner **Commentator:** Ted Whitehead **EM:** Dorothy Uebinger, Randy Wells, Deb Zimmerman

**Servers:** Nolan & Max Duquane, Ethan Milner

**Ushers:** Jerod Fleener, Ted Zimmerman

**Please submit bulletin information to Beth Fancher [bafancher@wabash.net](mailto:bafancher@wabash.net) or call 618-676-4292 by noon on Wednesdays.**

St. Stephen Upcoming Activities

**Saturday, July 13, 5:00 p.m. MASS**

**Sunday, July 14, 8:30 a.m. Mass**

**Tuesday, July 16, 6:30 p.m. mass**

**Wed., July 17 6:30 pm. mass, Adoration 7 p.m.-midnight, Finance Committee.**

**Thursday, July 18, 8 a.m. mass**

**Friday, July 19, Divine Mercy Chaplet 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 pm Servite Rosary 12 noon, Chaplet to Divine Mercy 3pm, First Friday Holy Hour, 5 – 6 p.m.**

**Saturday, July 20, NO Mass**

**Sunday, July 21, 8:30 a.m. Mass**

**PRAYER INTENTIONS:** Linda Griffy, Bill Marks, Nicole Wheaton, Velma Oliver, Clara Wilson, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience McKnight, Mildred Garrison, Ray Vaughn, Joe Falica, Pat Venable, Chris Boyd, Clarice Schweighart, Ray & Irene Winka, Steve Dudzik, Ruth Wilson, Roger Wells, Becky Payne, Bob Bluhm, Rhonda Ryker, Dr. Don & Mary Bunnell, Paul Weidner, Marilyn Wheaton, J.R. Means, Lois Houlihan, Cory Britton, Debbie Jones, Ed Perk, Georgia Klingler, Gene Leonard, Celeste Replogle, Georgianna Weber, Luke Miller Steve Spitzner, Helen Powless, Nick Compton, Marie Elwat Cindy Bloemer, Kennah Hiestand, Sister Kate Kuentler, Jean Quinn, Betty Greenwood, Claire Karasch, Judie Powless, Beth Reagan Snyder, Claire Fopay, Steve Feldhake.

**ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, July 6, 5:00pm—John Robison III+**

Sunday, July 7, 10:30am—Bill Grogan+

Thursday, July 11, 6:30pm—Catholic Extension Donors

Friday, July 12, 8:00am—Kris Huffstodt+

**Saturday, July 13—NO MASS**

Sunday, July 14, 10:30am—Larry McClure+

Weekly Contribution 6/30

Envelopes(34) \$1,449.00

Loose 60.00

Total \$1,509.00

We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$261.00

Peter’s Pence 30.00

Attendance: Sat- 0 Sun-59

**Please submit bulletin information to Peggy Garrison at the Parish Office by noon on Wednesdays.**

Saturday, July 13—NO MASS

**Lector:**

**E. Min:**

**Ushers:**

**Gifts:**

**Servers:**

Sunday, July 14—10:30am

**Lector:** Jen Wellen

**E. Min:** Jeff & Mary Murphy

**Ushers:** Don Zurliene, Kent Ochs

**Gifts:** The Bunting Family

**Servers:** Jedd Wellen, Cali Bunting

**PRAYER INTENTIONS:** Garland Keck, Kim Buchanan, Lanora Neavill, Leon Chamness, Jack Ciesielczyk, Jalain Thompson, Kurt Wiseman, Nanette Williams, Julie Griffith, Gina Williams, Emilee Stanley, Maddox Oppenheimer, Sara Kerchner, Charles Drechsel, Eva Decker, Matthew Rorban, Andrew Mayo, Robyn Meagher, Sheila Zurliene, Sandra Henson, Andrew Luna, Elaine Jeffers, Homer and Shirley Clark, Alice Zurliene, Tim Dittmer, Terri Venturelli, Linda States, James Rawls, Glory Almon, Cathy Newville, Luke Dewees, Adam Reyling, Ruth & Ralph Langhauser, Teresa Williams, Randy White and all priests who are sick.

**Our Daily Scripture Readings:**

**Mon: Weekday**

Gn 28:10-22a Mt 9:18-26

**Tues: Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest**

Gn 32:23-33 Mt 9:32-38

**Wed: Weekday**

Gn 41:55-57;42:5-7a,17-24a Mt 10:1-7

**Thur: Saint Benedict, Abbot**

Gn 44:18-21,23b-29;45:1-5 Mt 10:7-15

**Fri: Weekday**

Gn 46:1-7,28-30 Mt 10:16-23

**Sat: Saint Henry**

Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a Mt 10:24-33

**Sun: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Dt 30:10-14 Col 1:15-20 Lk 10:25-37

## ST. EDWARD NEWS

REMINDER: NEXT SATURDAY, JULY 13<sup>th</sup>—There will be no mass at St. Edward.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please mark your calendars now the dates are July 15<sup>th</sup> thru 18<sup>th</sup>. The times will be 5-7pm. Snacks will be served each night with a dinner on the last night of the event. Just a reminder any adult wanting to help will need to be in compliance with the Diocese/Child Protection Policy. If you have not completed your annual refresher course you will need to have it done by July.

Here is a list of a few items they are needing: Potting soil, seeds (flower or veg.), small plastic containers/lids, beans. There is a complete list on the bulletin board in the hall. Thank-you in advance. Any questions contact Laura Zurliene.

ANYONE AVAILABLE TO HELP DECORATE....ON SUNDAY, JULY 14<sup>TH</sup>—5PM—10:00PM.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING COUPLES

*Sebastian & Angie DiMaggio (7-2-77) 42 yrs.      Jay & Lisa Fyie (7-25-81) 38 yrs.*  
*Jeff & Teresa Angle (7-1-19) 40 yrs.      Kent & Christine Ochs (7-23-94) 25 yrs.*

### MASS INTENTIONS

If anyone would like to have a mass for a loved one who has passed, a special intention, or just for blessings received. Please place name and \$10 per mass in an envelope and drop into the collection basket. Thank-you.

### ANOINTING

JULY 6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup> THERE WILL BE ANOINTING AFTER MASS FOR ANYONE WHO WISHES TO RECEIVE THE BLESSING.

### ADOPT A SPOT

*Just a reminder if you adopted a spot last year, please take a few minutes to check on it for weeds, limbs, or trash. Thank-you.*

### FOOD PANTRY

NEXT WEEKEND IS FOOD PANTRY. SET-UP WILL BE FRIDAY, JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> AT 8:30AM. DISTRIBUTION WILL BE SATURDAY, JULY 13<sup>TH</sup> AT 8:00AM. PLEASE BE HERE AT 7:30AM TO HELP. THANK-YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATES IN THIS VERY IMPORTANT MINISTRIES. REMEMBER "YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF"

## ST. STEPHEN NEWS

REMINDER: There will be mass at St. Stephen's on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>.

We are in need of additional altar servers, lectors, commentators and Eucharistic ministers. Please contact Father Charles, Beth Fancher or Diane Briscoe if you would like to serve or would like more information about these ministries. **Please consider helping with one of these important and wonderful ministries. Extra bulletins are in the mailbox on the south entrance door.**

Anonymous Angel of the Altar

St. Ann's Altar Society is inviting members of the parish to join in caring for the needs of our parish by becoming an "Anonymous Angel of the Altar." A parish member can become an angel simply by making a yearly donation to St. Ann's to help with the charitable projects for which we are responsible.

St. Ann's purchases altar breads, altar cloths, flowers for the altar and votive candles. They provide the funeral dinners for parish families or families of those buried in St. Stephen's Cemetery. Also, supplies for the kitchen and contribute towards First Communion, Confirmation and graduation students and gifts for new mothers and newly married from our parish.

If you decide to become an Anonymous Angel, you may do so by putting your donation in an envelope labeled "Angel of the Altar" and put in the collection basket or mail to St. Stephen's.

Make any payments by check out to St. Ann's Altar Society, a receipt will be provided for you. Members of St. Anne's will keep the Anonymous Angels and their intentions in their prayers.

### **Special Events**

#### Wedding Anniversaries

\* Donald & Trudi Herdes – July 1

Our Church will be selling the partial lots we own on Holly Lane, Flora. If anyone is interested in purchasing this property or has any questions concerning this matter please contact Trudi Herdes, at the church office.

### **ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS**

Altar Society: The next three rotating chairmen are: Berenice Mary Brown, Beth Fancher, Jill Fehrenbacher

Thanks to the ladies who have returned their surveys. 44 of the 100 surveys have been turned in. If you haven't yet turned yours in it is not too late. We hope to present the results at the next Altar Society meeting.

From Fr Charles' desk

Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time.

Praise be to Jesus now and for ever , Amen .

In today's Gospel reading , the seventy-two disciples returned from their mission works rejoicing and said , " Lord , even the demons are subject to us because of your name ."

Doing the work of the Lord can be joyful and very rewarding but sometimes , it may be difficult and even fatal. We know that a lot of people were put to death from the earliest days of the Church until the present time for responding to God's call to serve him . The story is meant to encourage us to pray for people to help spread the gospel ( which we do in the prayer for vocations).

More so , one of the things where I want you to focus your attention is the disciples were told to heal the sick. Jesus even gave us a special sacrament called the sacrament of the sick . Every once in a while I make this sacrament available after mass , which I shall do today . Most of us older people called it Extreme Unction (meaning the last anointing ) , and it served the purpose of preparing a person to meet their God. But the sacrament was also meant as a prayer for healing . I have great faith in this prayer and sacrament . If anyone wishes to be anointed , just stay after Mass for a few minutes . I will anoint anyone who wishes to be anointed.

Moreover, Jesus said to his disciples after they had given their progress reports , " Do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you , but rejoice because your names are written in heaven".

He said that to prevent them of having spiritual pride. Rather ,they rejoiced because they permitted themselves to be chosen to do the work of God. No longer do they live for themselves, but for God who keeps their names as his own in heaven.

## St. Stephen News

Please let Beth Fancher or Trudi Herdes know when you are celebrating a birthday, anniversary or any special event (i.e. births, graduations, marriage, etc.). We would like to pass this information on to everyone, so that we can pray & celebrate with you.

**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](mailto: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](http://shopwithscrip.com).

**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.

*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.*

**WELCOME VISITORS ATTENDING MASS**  
**Welcome to our church. Come visit us again.**

