

St. Edward and St. Stephen News

Coordinator for Respect Life Ministry The Diocese of Belleville is seeking a part time (20 hours per week) Coordinator for Respect Life Ministry. The Coordinator works to promote the Catholic Church's position on life issues including but not limited to abortion, euthanasia, capital punishment, human rights and dignity. This office collaborates with others in the areas of prison ministry, immigration, human trafficking, marriage preparation and natural family planning. The Coordinator works with parishes, schools, national organizations, ecumenical organizations, and legislators to emphasize a respect for life from conception, through every developmental stage, to natural end, and to affect positive change. Essential qualifications include a Bachelor's Degree; professional knowledge, training or certification needed plus 1 – 3 years experience. Practicing Catholic required with thorough knowledge and understanding of Catholic teachings, practices and organizational structure.

To apply send cover letter, resume and preferred salary range to Human Resources, Diocese of Belleville, 222 S. 3rd St., Belleville, FAX to 618-722-5020; email to humanresources@diobelle.org. **Deadline: July 22, 2019**

Stringtown Picnic, St. Joseph Church, Olney.
Sun., July 21, Smorgasbord 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Beef, ham, homemade noodles, etc. Fun
and Games and Entertainment all day.

Guadalupe Summer Cash Raffle Updates

WINNERS: Jill Fehrenbacher, Ailene
Anderson, Kelly Welch, Adam
Dickerson, Ava Fleener, Jacquie Lueking,
Joann Stanford and Jim Sulsberger

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

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.

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.*

St. Edward Weekend and Daily Mass Schedule

Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Friday, 8:00 a.m.

1st and 3rd Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) Friday, 8:30 a.m.

1st and 3rd 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 – 3rd Thursday, Men's Club – As announced

CYO Meeting – as announced,

Food Pantry Distribution 2nd 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**

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.

2nd and 4th Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation) Wed. after mass,
2nd & 4th 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 - 4th Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Food Pantry Collection - First Weekend

ST. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 13, 5:00 p.m. MASS - Robert & Agnes Feldhake+
Sunday, July 13, 8:30 a.m. Mass – For the living & deceased of the parish
Tuesday, July 16, 6:30 p.m. mass – Bill & Mary Handley+
Wednesday, July 17, 6:30 p.m. mass – Sharon Pierce+
Thursday, July 18, 8:00 a.m. mass – Catholic Extension Donors
Friday, July 19, 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 20, NO MASS

Sunday, July 21, 8:30 a.m. Mass – Bernard Dunnigan+

Weekly Contribution July 6 & 7

Envelopes.....\$1,830.00 (44)
Loose..... \$ 178.00
Total.....\$2,008.00

We Need - \$1,731.00

Peters Pence - \$125
Food Pantry - \$298

Attendance: Sat. – 0 Sun. - 112

Weekend Ministers

Saturday, July 20, NO MASS

Sunday, July 21– 8:30 a.m. Mass
Lector: Deb Zimmerman Commentator:
Ted Zimmerman EM: Cheryl McCarty,
Dennis Holkenbrink, Beth Sulsberger
Servers: Nolan & Max Duquane
Ushers: Justin Fleener, Jacob Whitehead

Please submit bulletin information to
Beth Fancher bafancher@wabash.net
or call 618-676-4292 by noon on
Wednesdays.

St. Stephen Upcoming Activities

Saturday, July 20, NO MASS
Sunday, July 21, 8:30 a.m. Mass
Tuesday, July 23, 6:30 p.m. mass
Wed., July 24 6:30 pm. mass, Adoration 7 p.m.-
midnight, Pastoral Council
Thursday, July 25, 8 a.m. mass
Friday, July 26, 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 27, 5:00 p.m., MASS
Sunday, July 28, 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 Kuenstler, Jean
Quinn, Betty Greenwood, Claire Karasch, Judie Powless, Beth
Reagan Snyder, Claire Fopay, Steve Feldhake.

ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, July 13—NO MASS

Sunday, July 14, 10:30am—Larry McClure+
Thursday, July 18, 6:30pm—St. Edward VBS kids & teachers
Friday, July 19, 8:00am—Catholic Extension Donors
Saturday, July 20, 5:00pm—Blessings Received
Sunday, July 21, 10:30am—For the living & deceased of St. Edward

Weekly Contribution 07/07

Envelopes(32) \$2,300.00
Loose 122.00
Total \$2,422.00
We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$162.00
Donations 25.00
Attendance: Sat- 34 Sun- 35

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

Weekend Ministers

Saturday, July 20—5:00pm

Lector: Jay Fyie
E. Min: Tim & Jackie Schoenborn
Ushers: Don Zurliene, Diana Zurliene
Gifts: Jim & Margaret Thompson
Servers: volunteer

Sunday, July 21—10:30am

Lector: David Mills
E. Min: Laura Titzer, Peg Garrison
Ushers: Scott Merkle, Rod Garrison
Gifts: David Mills Family
Servers: Jackson Mills, Stella Zurliene

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: Saint Bonaventure, Bishop
Ex 1:8-14, 22 Mt 10:34-11:1
Tues: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Ex 2:1-15a Mt 11:20-24
Wed: Weekday
Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Mt 11:25-27
Thur: Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest
Ex 3:13-20 Mt 11:28-30
Fri: Weekday
Ex 11:10—12:14 Mt 12:1-8
Sat: Saint Apollinaris, Bishop
Ex 12:37-42 Mt 12:14-21
Sun: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gn 18:1-10a Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42

ST. EDWARD NEWS

REMINDER: NEXT SATURDAY, JULY 20th—There will be mass at St. Edward—5:00pm

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Please mark your calendars now the dates are July 15th thru 18th. 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 14TH—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.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council will not meet on Thursday, July 18th, due to that is the last night of Vacation Bible School. We will hold the meeting the following Thursday, July 25th at 7:00pm.

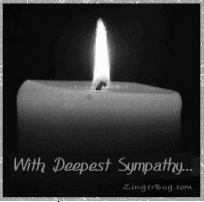
Also, we are still in need of a parishioner to fill a position on the Council. Please give this some prayer & thought. Anyone interested please contact Father Charles, Dave Cavanaugh, or the church office. Thank-you.

Zurliene Sweet Corn Gala will be held on Saturday July 27th at the Wayne County Fair Floral Hall at 6:00pm. All parishioners are invited. Please bring a covered dish.

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

REMINDER: There will NOT be mass at St. Stephen’s on Saturday, July 20th.

We express our sympathy to the family of Bernard A. Dunnigan, 83, who passed away June 27, at his home. A funeral mass was celebrated July 2, at St. Stephen Church. Interment followed in St. Stephen Cemetery with the presentation of military funeral honors.



May Bennie’s soul rest in peace.

Please remember in your prayers Tim Stuerzenberger who passed away June 30, 2019. Tim grew up as a child here at St. Stephen but has lived in Texas ever since the family moved there in 1965. He was preceded in death by his parents Bob & Bettifriend and is survived by a son and daughter and his brother, Paul Allen

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.

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, all youth and adults are invited to serve.

Please consider helping with one of these important and wonderful ministries.

Special Events

*Donald & Trudi Herdes anniversary July 1

*Jim Fehrenbacher birthday –July 17

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 contact Trudi Herdes, at church --

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

Today the Church celebrates the Fifteenth Sunday in ordinary time of the year .(Dt.30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-35)

Who is my Neighbor ?

In today’s Gospel reading , the lawyer posed a profound and challenging questions to Jesus and said , “what must I do to inherit the eternal life? And also ” who is my neighbor “.

In the last Sunday ‘s Gospel Jesus encouraged his disciples who were rejoicing that demons were subject to them that they preached in the name of Jesus , he said to them , “ do not rejoice that demons are subject to you but rejoice because your names are written in heaven”. The way to eternal life is in the Gospels for everyone to read , to love God and to love neighbor. To love God has never been a problem ,but it has been so difficult to love our neighbor as we have loved ourselves. It has been a summary of God’s commandments. Jesus left this commandment with his disciple , he said , “ People will know you are my disciples , Love one another as I have loved you , and my father will give you eternal life “.

In the book of the Leviticus, the neighbor was one who loved . in the Gospel , Jesus extended the notion of neighbor beyond the earlier Jewish concept it of one’s countryman or one of the same race and religion. For Jesus , my neighbor ‘ is a man or woman , any person whoever has need of me . Our neighbor is anyone who is close to us and has need of help .

As we go through life , we come across many cases of people who have been similarly injured and left destitute and half dead in body and soul .Our concern to help such people must spring from our closeness to Jesus. In many instances we discover people who have been hurt by misunderstanding and loneliness , or by the absence of the most basic human necessities; people humiliated in their dignity and person. Christian men and women should never pass by on the other side, as some of the individuals in the parable did.

The parable of the Good Samaritan has a profound and challenging truth for our society to survive . It teaches us that for one to inherit the kingdom of God he needs to show compassion , mercy and love to people on the other side (Mt 25:32).He must go beyond his works , destination , prestige , and becomes all things to all men . We should avoid procrastination and excuses . Priest and Levites should not be in a hurry to render services, but charity and love should be considered their priority .

Our neighbor is anyone who is close to us and has need of help .the need that crosses our path. That need may be for money , for our time , our compassion , our advice .

Therefore , brothers and sisters be a neighbor to the person in need who crosses your path ,that person is our neighbor in God’s sight . Jesus was our neighbor , he died for us when we were sinners , so we must be that to others .

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.

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.

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.

