

Happy Birthday – October 2 – Matthew Winka, October 24 – Lois Hout & Jesse Harvey

Please let Beth Fancher or Trudi Herdes know what dates you are celebrating birthdays, anniversaries or any special events (i.e. births, graduations, marriage, etc.). We would like to pass this information on in the bulletin.

MASS INTENTIONS If you would like to have a mass intention said for a loved one who has passed, special intention or blessings received, please place name of intention and \$10 in an envelope and drop in the collection basket. If you would like specific date, try to get the information to Trudi as soon as possible, a couple weeks ahead or more before the date.

SERVERS 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 these important and wonderful ministries.

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.
That should be our daily prayer. That should be our daily desire. That should be our daily wish.*

St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches

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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 united 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. 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 Diana Zurliene, RCIA Coordinator Ginny Barrett, Music Director Denise Zurliene
Pastoral Council – 3rd Thursday, Men's Club – As announced Youth Ministry 3rd Sunday—5:30pm,
Food Pantry Distribution 2nd Saturday, 8 a.m.

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

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) Wednesday after mass, 2nd & 4th Sat. 4:20– 4:40 pm.,
Sun 8– 8:20 am. or by appointment

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 Fr. 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, October 12, 5:00 p.m. Mass – Robert & Agnes Feldhake+

Sunday, October 13, 8:30 a.m. Mass – Al Winka+

Tuesday, October 15, 6:30 p.m. Mass – Bill & Mary Talmant+

Wednesday, October 16, 6:30 p.m., Mass – Maureen Maher+

Thursday, Oct. 17, 8:00 am Mass –For the living & deceased of the parish

Saturday, October 19, NO MASS

Sunday, October 20, 8:30 a.m. Mass – St. Ann’s Altar Society

Weekly Contribution- October 6

Envelopes.....\$856.00 (27)

Loose..... \$140.00

Total.....\$996.00

We Need - \$1,731.00

Food Pantry - \$259

Attendance: Sat.-NM Sunday - 84

Weekend Ministers

Saturday, October 19,
NO MASS

Sunday, October 20

Lector: Emily Milner

Commentator: Ted Whitehead

EM: Dorothy Uebinger,

Beth Sulsberger, Sam Pierce

Servers: Nolan & Max Duquaine,
Kehlen Crawford

Ushers: Jerod Fleener, Tony
Holkenbrink

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

St. Stephen Upcoming Activities

Saturday, October 12, Mass, 5 p.m., Rosary Rally noon

Sunday, October 13, 8:30 a.m. Mass, PSR and Adoration

Monday, October 14, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Guadalupe Prayer

Tuesday, October 15, 6:30 p.m. Mass

Wednesday, October 16, 6:30 p.m. Mass, Adoration 7 pm-
12am, Finance Committee 7 p.m.

Thursday, October 17, 8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, October 18, Divine Mercy Chaplet 8:30 a.m. to 3:15
p.m. Servite Rosary 12 noon, Chaplet to Divine Mercy 3p.m.

Saturday, October 19, NO MASS

Sunday, October 20, 8:30 a.m. Mass, PSR & Adoration after
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, 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,
Harrison Hilliard

ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 12—NO MASS

Sunday, October 13, 10:30am—David Mills & all gentlemen in
Deacon Formation

Thursday, October 17, 6:30pm—Catholic Extension Donors

Friday, October 18, 8:00am—Blessings Received

Saturday, October 19, 5:00pm—Dennis Milligan+

Sunday, October 20, 10:30am—Andrew & Joan Kubacki+

Weekly Contribution 10/06

Envelopes(33) \$1,866.00

Loose 182.00

Total \$2,048.00

We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$162.00

Donation 30.00

Attendance: Sat- 29 Sun- 54

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

Saturday, October 19—5:00pm

Lector: Mike Oppenheimer

E. Min: Diana Zurliene, Sally Conley

Ushers: Jay & Lisa Fyie

Gifts: Tim & Jackie Schoenborn

Servers: volunteer

Sunday, October 20—10:30am

Lector: David Mills

E. Min: Peg Garrison, Ginny Barrett

Ushers: Scott Merkle, Rick Rennier

Gifts: Kent Ochs Family

Servers: Jackson Mills, Hayden F.

PRAYER INTENTIONS: Garland Keck, Kim
Buchanan, Lanora Neavill, Leon Chamness, Tom
Colvin, Jack Ciesielczyk, Jalain Thompson, 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, Raymond Garrison, Noah Gollner, Mary
Jean Ochs, and all priests who are sick.

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Mon: *Saint Callistus I, Pope*

Rom 1:1-7 Lk 11:29-32

Tues: *Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin*

Rom 1:16-25 Lk 11:37-41

Wed: *Sts. Hedwig(Religious), Margaret Mary Alacoque*

Rom 2:1-11 Lk 11:42-46

Thur: *Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop*

Rom 3:21-30 Lk 11:47-54

Fri: *Saint Luke, Evangelist*

2 Tim 4:10-17b Lk 10:1-9

Sat: *Sts. John De Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests*

Rom 4:13, 16-18 Lk 12:8-12

Sun: *Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Ex 17:8-13 2 Tm 3:14—4:2 Lk 18:1-8

St. Edward and St. Stephen News

All Guadalupe Project visitors, volunteers, and supporters local community and beyond are invited to join in prayer at St. Stephen Catholic Church in Flora, on Monday, Oct. 14. The church will be open for quiet prayer from 5:30-6:30pm. You may come and go as you please. Plan to join with the Guadalupe Project family and spend some time with Our Lord in prayer.

It's not too late to Honor your Loved Ones on All Souls Day 2019, with your personalized All Souls Tribute in The Messenger. Tributes will appear in the October 31st publication of The Messenger. Please send clearly printed names of your deceased loved ones with a \$10 donation for each name to The Messenger, 2620 Lebanon Ave., Belleville, IL 62221. Deadline is Oct 17th. For questions call 722-5047. To subscribe to The Messenger, go to www.bellevillemessenger.org

The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal..... Blessed to receive, chosen to give **YOUR GIFT** to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps Gerry Hasenstab and the staff of **Catholic Urban Programs (CUP)** provide food, clothing, shelter and assistance of every kind to people who lack the basic necessities of life to survive – 30,400 individuals and 4,213 families were served just last year!! If you haven't yet done so, consider making a gift today to The Appeal and enable Catholic Urban to continue their important work.

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.

St. Joseph Church, Olney will hold their Annual Smorgasbord, Bazaar and Raffle on Sunday, October 20. Mass will be at 8:30 a.m. Dinner served 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Ham, roast beef, homemade noodles, corn, green beans, mashed potatoes & gravy, rolls, pies and cakes. Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cash & quilt raffle, bingo, country store, etc.

TO ALL PARISHIONERS: Someone is sending emails with my name on it. In case you receive any strange mails bearing my name, first verify its authenticity from me by calling this number 618-641-8978 before responding. Thank you - Fr. Charles

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

WELCOME VISITORS ATTENDING MASS THIS WEEKEND
Welcome to our churches. Come visit us again.

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

REMINDER: There will NOT BE mass at St. Stephen's on Saturday, October 19.

Don't forget to give to World Mission Sunday on October 20.

A BIG thanks to all those who helped with the Chicken Dinner. Some rain and power outage but otherwise it was a great day. Thanks to all those who put so much time into making this a success.

The choir will be learning a new mass setting to teach the congregation. Practices are on the following Mondays: October 21, and 28, 7 p.m. New members are most welcome.



There will be Eucharistic Adoration each Sunday during PSR classes in the Adoration Chapel after Mass Everyone welcome.

The next Altar Society meeting will be November 3, after mass. This will be a working meeting. All women of the parish are invited.

The Parish Council is investigating a possible kitchen remodel. If you have any comments or suggestions please contact Paul Duquaine at paulduquaine@icloud.com

It's Basket Raffle Time! Preparations are underway for the 2019 Basket Raffle. We would love to feature this year's baskets at the Chamber of Commerce Moonlight Madness and other events throughout the next few months. If you could help out by having your basket ready early, that would be great! Baskets or items for baskets can be placed in the social room. Basket display and tickets available after weekend Masses in November. Drawing will be held December 7, noon at St. Ann's Altar Society Cookie Walk. Proceeds from the Basket Raffle will benefit both St. Ann's Altar Society and Guadalupe Project



The high school/young adult PSR class is being revised to a group for young adults in high school and college. The group will have gatherings October 13, in the library annex (the room west of the library). Each class will be a stand-alone event, with no homework and no need to have been at the previous meeting. We would love to have any young people, in high school or college, to join us as often as they can- and bring a friend! Gatherings will include videos & discussion on topics of faith as well as fun games and food. See Paul Duquaine or Laura Whitehead with any questions. laura.whitehead.91@gmail.com or text 618-599-6786

St. Stephen Parish School of Religion 2019-2020 Calendar Sunday Class Time 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.
October 13 – Class October 20 – Class October 27 – class November 3 – Class
November 10 – Class November 17 – Class November 24 – Class
December 1 – No Class – Thanksgiving December 8 – Class & Christmas program/dinner
(tentative)

Importance of thanksgiving and showing gratitude. Showing gratitude is a wonderful virtue.

In today’s gospel, Jesus said in reply, “ Ten were cleansed , were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God? ” (Luke 17:18)

All ten lepers had their skin cured and cleansed by Jesus but only one of them , the Samaritan , a stranger and a pagan in the sight of the Jews turned back to look for Jesus to thank him and offer him gratitude . He was cured in his soul because the gift of healing and his gratitude for it brought him back to Jesus to express thanks. Jesus was delighted by the gratitude of the Samaritan but at the same time he was dismayed and disappointed at the absence of the other nine.

Our lives should be continual acts of thanksgiving and gratitude to God. We should frequently bring to mind the many natural gifts and graces the Lord has granted us. When we live by faith, we will find many reasons for thanksgiving .

We easily lose a sense of gratitude for the blessings we have been given. We come to Church with our needs and burdens, as we should , but we forget to thank the Lord for the blessings we have received in our life. We fail to notice the blessings of God in our everyday lives. We take God’s gifts and blessings for granted.

The prayer of gratitude , of thanksgiving , widens our vision to see God in our everyday life. It enables us to see the presence of God in every event in our life. St Teresa of Avila once wisely said somewhere that the memory of a favor received can bring a soul more readily to God than many sermons on hell. After all , the prayer of thanksgiving benefits us and not God.

Let us pray: Heavenly Father, give us the grace to always show appreciation, to always show gratitude and thanks to you for all your giftedness to us . Give us the grace to equally appreciate our fellow men and women whom we are indebted to in so many wonderful ways through you. Amen!

ST. EDWARDS NEWS

REMINDER: NEXT SATURDAY, October 19th —There will be mass at St. Edward 5:00pm

FALL HARVEST PARTY

Sunday, October 27th (5-7pm), we will once again hold our Fall Harvest Party. There is a sign-up chart in the hall for anyone that would like to help. There will be a lot of activities going on. Hayride, costume judging, cake walk....just to name a few. All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend. If you have any questions please contact Laura Zurliene.

OCTOBER COUNTS

Ushers could you please keep counting number of parishioners also, count how many receive communion. There is a sheet in the back to fill out. This will need to be done through the whole month of October.

SERVER TRAINING

On Sunday, October 20th (following 10:30am mass) Mike Oppenheimer will be holding another Server Training to help the children feel more comfortable performing this ministry. If you have any questions please call Mike.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will resume November 10th at 6:00pm in the hall. The group will meet every other weekend. If interested or have questions please contact Ken & Theresa Nordmann.

CLOTHESLINE VOLUNTEERS:

If anyone is interested or available to volunteer at The Clothesline please contact Leslie Robison (842-9602--even if you are not sure but just have questions). Morning shift is 9-12:30 and afternoon shift is 12:30-4pm. Here are the dates for the rest of the year: Oct. 23rd, Nov. 11th, Dec 3rd, & Dec. 21st (9-1pm....Saturday). Please check your calendars and give Leslie Robison a call. Thank-you.

CONGRATULATIONS

Alexander & Joan Black 10-9-1971 (48) Tim & Jackie Schoenborn 10-10-1975 (44)
Don & Denise Zurliene 10-27-1979 (40) Bob & Debra Simmers 10-25-1986 (33)
Richard & Beverly Rennie 10-18-1996 (23) Darin & Jenalyn Wellen 10-28-2007 (12)

On Sunday, September 13th there will be a Kitchen Remodel meeting at 6:00pm in the hall.

