

St. Stephen News

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.

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

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.

January 5, 2020

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.

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

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. 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

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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, January 4, NO MASS

Sunday, January 5, 8:30 a.m. Mass – Jim Stanford+

Tuesday, January 7, 6:30 p.m. Mass – James Croy+

Wednesday, January 8, 6:30 p.m. Mass – Bernard & Kathryn Dunnigan+

Thursday, January 9, 8:00 am Mass – Regina Buckleh+

Saturday, January 11, 5:00 p.m MASS – Maurine Maher+

Sunday, January 12, 8:30 a.m. Mass – For the living & deceased of the parish

1st Friday of Each Month Adoration 5 to 6 p.m. Mass 6 p.m.

Weekly Contribution- December 29

Envelopes.....\$1239.00 (37)

Loose.....\$ 197.00

Total.....\$1,436.00

We Need - \$1,731.00

Attendance: Saturday: 89 Sunday: 80

Christmas Envelopes ...\$2262.00 (36)

Loose... \$368.00 Total: \$2630.00

Annual Christmas Collect. For Poor \$204

Weekend Ministers

Saturday, January 11, 5 p.m. MASS

Lector: Jim Fehrenbacher EM: Krista Weidner, Pat Ridgeway, Cheryl McCarty

Servers: Pierces family Ushers: Don Talmant, Mike Winka

Sunday, January 12, 8:30 a.m. Mass

Lector: Ted Whitehead Commentator: Beth Sulsberger EM: Emily Milner, Deb Zimmerman, Dennis Holkenbrink Servers: Nolan & Max Duquaines Ethan Milner Ushers: Alan Huff, Ted Zimmerman

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

St. Stephen Upcoming Activities

Saturday, January 4, NO MASS

Sunday, January 5, 8:30 a.m. Mass, PSR and Adoration Food Pantry Collection

Tuesday, January 7, 6:30 p.m.. Mass

Wednesday, January 8, 6:30 .m. Mass

Thursday, January 9, 8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, January 10, Divine Mercy Chaplet 8:30 a.m. to 3:15 pm. Servite Rosary noon, Chaplet to Divine Mercy 3pm

Saturday, January 11 5 p.m. MASS

Sunday, January 12, 8:30 a.m. Mass, PSR and Adoration

PRAYER INTENTIONS: Linda Griffy, Bill Marks, Nicole Wheaton, Velma Oliver, Clara Wilson, Ray Vaughn, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience McKnight, Mildred Garrison, Joe Falica, Pat Venable, Chris Boyd, Clarice Schweighart, Irene Winka, Steve Dudzik, Ruth Wilson, Roger Wells, Bob Bluhm, Rhonda Ryker, Don & Mary Bunnell, Paul Weidner, Marilyn Wheaton, JR Means, Lois Houlihan, Cory Britton, Ed Perk, Georgia Klingler, Celeste Replogle, Georgianna Weber, Luke Miller, Helen Powless, Nick Compton, Marie Elwat, Cindy Bloemer, Pat Like, Kennah Hiestand, Jean Quinn, Betty Greenwood, Claire Karasch, Judie Powless, Beth Reagan Snyder, Claire Fopay, Steve Feldhake, Harrison Hilliard, Larry Hagen Maria Pemberton

ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 4, 5:00pm—Jim Turner+

Sunday, January 5, 10:30am—Larry McClure+

Thursday, January 9, 6:30pm—Blessings Received

Friday, January 10, 8:00am—St. Edward Parishioners

Saturday, January 11—NO MASS

Sunday, January 12, 10:30am—“Blessings the Father has given”

Weekly Contribution 12/29

Envelopes(23) \$1,160.00

Loose 340.00

Total \$1,500.00

We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$115.00

Christmas 50.00

Solemnity of Mary 145.00

First Offering 25.00

Attendance: Sat-0 Sun- 60

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, 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, Rusti Grogan, Ed Nelson, Wallace Hart, Mark Fleming, & all priests who are sick.

. Sat, January 11-NO MASS

Lector:

E. Mins:

Ushers:

Gifts:

Servers:

Sun, January 12—10:30am

Lector: Tom Konopasek

E. Mins: Peg Garrison, Ginny Barrett

Ushers: Don Zurliene, Craig Zurliene

Gifts: Carlito & Fe Pacubus

Servers: Gabby Zurliene, Cali Bunting

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Mon: Saint Andre Bessette

1 Jn 3:22—4:6 Mt 4:12-17,23-25

Tues: Saint Rymond of Penyafort

1 Jn 4:7-10 Mk 6:34-44

Wed: Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 4:11-18 Mk 6:45-52

Thur: Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 4:19—5:4 Lk 4:14-22a

Fri: Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:5-13 Lk 5:12-16

Sat: Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 5:14-21 Jn 3:22-30

Sun: The Baptism of the Lord

Is 42:1-4,6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Mt 3:13-17

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Are you a subscriber to The Messenger? Thank you! You’ve made a smart decision to receive enlightening and absorbing articles from prominent thinkers and local news all designed to give you new insights and hope. The Messenger.

The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal... Blessed to receive, chosen to give.. On behalf of the ministries and programs funded by The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal and those they serve, we thank you for your prayers and continued generosity to the 2019 campaign. May you and your families feel the warmth of God’s love and the comfort of His peace at Thanksgiving and always.

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 .

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

*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.*



WELCOME VISITORS ATTENDING MASS THIS WEEK AND WEEKEND
Come visit us again.

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

There will BE mass at St. Stephen’s on Saturday, January 11

We extend our sympathy to the family of Ray Winka. Ray passed away December 29. His funeral was Saturday, January 4, at St. Stephen Church, with internment in St. Stephen Cemetery. May his soul rest in peace.



Plans are being made for a new fence at St. Stephen’s cemetery. IF you would like to contribute to this effort, please enclose your gift in an envelope marked “Cemetery Fund” and put it in the offertory basket. Thank you.

****There will be classes for Lectors/Commentators and Eucharistic Ministers on Monday January 13, 6:00 p.m., Thursday, January 16, 6:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 18, 10 a.m. If interested in serving or would like more information about these wonderful ministries please call Beth Fancher at 618-676-4292 or email her at bafancher@wabash.net.****

Congratulations to those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in January

Birthdays: Jessica Vahling - Jan. 6; Jean Guerrettaz - Jan. 9; Deb Zimmerman - Jan. 12; Tom Lancaster - Jan. 16; Joan Stanford - Jan. 17, Marilyn Stanford - Jan. 19
Anniversary: George Ryan & Julie Harris, January 20

FYI: Remember there are current bulletins in the mailbox on the south door.

Thank you to Frank and Bright Funeral Home for the 2020 calendars. Please pick them up in the back of church. There are 2020 envelopes on the table too.

The next three Altar Society rotating chairmen are Erin/Emma Pierce,

The high school/young adult PSR class is being revised to a group for young adults in high school and college. Each class will be a stand-alone event. We would love to have any young people, in high school or college join us. Gatherings will include videos & discussion on topics of faith. 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.
January 5 – Class January 12 – Class January 19 – Class January 26 – Class
February 2 - Class February 9- Class February 16 – Class February 23 – Class
March 1 – Class March 8 – Class March 15 – Class March 22 - Class March 29 – Class



REMINDER: NEXT SAT., January 11th—There will be no mass at St. Edward.

PSR SCHEDULE

January 2020	February 2020	March 2020	April 2020
5 th —No class	2 nd —PSR	1 st —PSR	5 th —No class
12 th —Resume classes	9 th —PSR	8 th —PSR	12 th —No class
19 th —PSR	16 th —PSR	15 th —PSR	19 th —PSR
26 th —PSR	23 rd —PSR	22 nd —PSR	26 th —PSR (Last Class)
		29 th --PSR	

YOUTH MINISTRY

The next Youth Ministry meeting will be Sunday, January 18th at 5:30pm.

BIBLE STUDY

BIBLE STUDY WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 5TH AT 6:00PM IN THE PARISH HALL. ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT KEN OR THERESA NORDMANN.

ANOINTING

January 4th & 5th there will be Anointing after both masses for anyone wishing to receive this sacrament.

FOOD PANTRY

Friday, January 10th is set-up date for Food Pantry at 8:30am. Distribution will be Saturday, January 11th at 8:00am. Anyone wanting to help would greatly be appreciated.

OUR CONDOLENCES

OUR CONDOLENCES GO OUT LORRAINE LOWERY AND HER FAMILY WITH THE PASSING OF HER DAUGHTER, TAMMY IVERSON. MAY TAMMY AND ALL WHO HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP WITH THE LORD HAVE PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM. AMEN

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. Thank-you.

2020 Schedule: Jan. 16th; Feb. 4th & 22nd; Mar. 12th; Apr. 1st & 18th; May 6th & 23rd; June 11th & 29th.

In the event a priest is not available to perform the Liturgies, we asked Don Zurliene to attend the diocesan program "The Ministry of Presiding at Prayer for Deacons and Lay Leaders" He has completed his initial training and has agreed to minister in our parish. Today and in the future, we ask you to support these leaders of prayer and to pray for them in their ministry.

