

Nov. 21 & 22 our special collection is for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Forty million people in the United States live in poverty, including many in our diocese. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring positive change to their communities. 25% of the collection stays in our diocese to fund local community and economic development projects in economically challenged areas. Richland County CEO, one of our local CCHD grant recipients, teaches youth the skills needed to start their own local businesses and to build a healthy local economy. Schools and PSRs in our diocese also received grants totaling \$3096 for Catholic Social Teaching and poverty education. The remaining amount of the collection goes to the CCHD national office to fund large grants throughout the nation. This past year, over \$135,000 in national funding was given to groups in our diocese to create long lasting economic and community improvements. You may give in person in the special CCHD envelope or you may give by debit or credit card at <https://stclarechurch.weshareonline.org/ws/opportunities/CCHD>. All funds collected at this site are forwarded on to the diocesan collection.

All are invited to the **Diocesan Fall Harvest Blessing**, which will be held on Wednesday, November 11, at 2:00 P.M. at the Melvin and Louise Kabat Family Farm. The Farm is located at 2510 N. Scheller Lane, Scheller, IL 62883. One heads North of Sesser on IL-148 approximately 4 miles and turn left (West) onto County Road 250N (E. Flagg Rd.); go approximately 3 miles (road will curve twice); farm will be on your right at the intersection with N Scheller Lane. The “Farm Blessing” signs will guide you, too. Those attending are invited to bring harvested grain, fruit and vegetables and garden produce in sealed, marked containers along with animals and farm machinery to be blessed. Pandemic health and safety protocols will be place. *You are encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the local food pantry. We look forward to having you join us!*

A Prayer for COVID-19 Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake. May we who have no risk factors. Remember those most vulnerable. May we who have the luxury of working from home remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent. May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close, remember those who have no options. May we who have to cancel our Trips remember those that have no safe place to go. May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market, remember those who have no margin at all. May we who settle in for a quarantine at home remember those who have no home. As fear grips our country, Let us choose love. During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors.

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

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.
Saturday, 6:00pm
Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance -- Friday, 8:30 a.m.

Parish Office: Peggy Garrison, Office Hours Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8 a.m. to noon.
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
Altar Sodality – As announced
Youth Ministry 3rd Sunday—5:30pm,
Food Pantry Distribution 2nd Saturday, 8 a.m.

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, 8:00 a.m.
Thursday, 8:00 a.m.
Saturdays 4:30 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance (Reconciliation)
Sunday 8– 8:20 am. or by appointment

Parish Office: Trudi Herdes, Secretary,
Office Hours Monday, 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,
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

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 8, 2020

ST. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 7, 4:30 p.m. mass – Diane (Martin) Heath+

Sunday, November 8, 8:30 a.m. mass -William & Dorothy Freesmeier+

Tuesday, November 10, 6:30 p.m. mass – James Croy+

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 8:00 a.m. mass- For All Our Veterans

Thursday, Nov. 12, 8:00 a.m. mass –

For the living & deceased of the parish

Saturday, November 14, 4:30 p.m. mass – David Graham Sulsberger+

Sunday, Nov. 15, 8:30 a.m. mass – Kenny & Evelyn Myers+

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 8 am Sundays or by request. Adoration on Tuesday from 7 pm until midnight and Fridays from 8:30 am until 3:15 pm with Servite Rotary at noon and Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3 pm.



Ministers for November

Saturday, November 14, Lector Jim Fehrenbacher

Ushers Tony Holkenbrink, Jim Klein

Sunday, Nov. 15, Lector Mary Beth Lancaster Commentator

Ted Whitehead Usher Justin Fleener, Alan Huff

Saturday, November 21, Lector Cheryl McCarty

Ushers Mike Winka, Don Talmant

Sunday, November 22, Lector Andrew Koester

Commentator Phil Fancher Usher Ted Whitehead

Weekly Contribution

November 1

Envelopes \$ 2,157.00

Loose \$ 120.00

Total \$ 2,277.00

We need \$ 1,731.00

World Mission - \$20

Cemetery Fund - \$50

Cemetery Fence Fund \$50

Food Pantry - \$313

Attendance: Saturday 52

Sunday

PRAYER INTENTIONS: Linda Griffy, Bill Marks, Nicole Wheaton, Velma Oliver, Clara Wilson, Ray Vaughn, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience McKnight, Mildred Garrison, Pat Venable, Irene Winka, Clarice Schweighart, Steve Dudzik, Ruth Mary bWilson, Roger Wells, Rhonda Ryker, Don Bunnell, Marilyn Wheaton, Lois Houlihan, Cory Britton, Ed Perk, Georgia Klingler, Celeste Replogle, Luke Miller, Georgianna Weber, Helen Powless, Marie Elwat, Cindy Bloemer, Kennah Hiestand, Claire Karasch, Judie Powless, Claire Fopay, Harrison Hilliard, Becky Dulaney, Jean Quinn, Maria Pemberton, Joyce Heuerman, Mary Patridge, Clara Keys, Connie Schlabach, Nursing home residents, Karen Foster, Beth Sulsberger, Collin Price, Bruce Cook, Ralph Weber, Diana Fleener, Chris Niebrugge

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

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8, 2020

ST. EDWARD MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 7, 6:00pm—The living & deceased of St. Edward

Sunday, November 8, 10:30am—Larry McClure+

Thursday, November 12, 6:30pm—Blessings Received

Friday, November 13, 8:00am—Erwin Manns+

Saturday, November 14, 6:00pm—Alice Zurliene+

Sunday, November 15, 10:30am—Garland Keck+

Contribution 11/01

Envelopes(30) \$2,333.00

Loose 36.00

Total \$2,369.00

We need \$1,887.00

Building Fund \$253.54

Donations 225.00

All Saints Day 120.00

PRAYER INTENTIONS: 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, Robyn Meagher, Homer and Shirley Clark, Tim Dittmer, Terri Venturelli, Linda States, James Rawls, Cathy Newville, Luke Dewees, Ruth & Ralph Langhauser, Teresa Williams, Randy White, Raymond Garrison, Noah Gollner, Rusti Grogan, Ed Nelson, Mark Fleming, Ginny Barrett, Ernie Sork, Donna Turner & all priests who are sick.

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Mon: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Jn 2:13-22

Tues: Saint Leo the Great, Pope

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14 Lk 17:7-10

Wed: Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Ti 3:1-7 Lk 17:11-19

Thur: Saint Josaphat, Bishop

Phlm 7-20 Lk 17:20-25

Fri: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

2 Jn 4-9 Lk 17:26-37

Sat: Weekday

3 Jn 5-8 Lk 18:1-8

Sun: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 1 Thes 5:1-6 Mt 25:14-30

N November Lectors:

Nov. 7: Jay Fyie

Nov. 8: Jen Wellen

Nov. 14: Mike Oppenheimer

Nov. 15: Tom Konopasek

Nov. 21: Don Zurliene

Nov. 22: Myrtle Snodgrass

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

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

November is the month dedicated to all souls departed. Your deceased loved ones can be remembered by entering their names in the Remembrance Book on the stand next to the baptistry in the front of church.

St. Stephen Parish and Guadalupe Project are holding a Fundraising Raffle. The winner will go home with a **2021 Can-Am Defender, HD5, 44, including top, windshield, street legal kit, tax and title.** The prize is worth well over \$12,000. Only 2,000 tickets will be sold. \$20 a ticket or 6 for \$100. Extra tickets are available in the social room. Tickets and money can be put in the collection basket or give to Paul Duquaine or Laura Anderson. Proceeds will be split evenly between St. Stephen's Church general operating fund and Guadalupe Project. So help us sell these tickets. **The drawing will be held on December 5.**



St. Stephen Parish and Guadalupe Project Annual Basket Raffle Winners will be announced on December 5. Please bring baskets in by Nov. 1 – 15, or donate towards one of the baskets listed on forms available in the social room or from Laura. Place donation in the collection basket, marked for Basket Raffle. Check with Laura Anderson about the different ways you can help with this fundraiser.



The 2020 Cookie Walk has been cancelled. Help St. Anne's Altar Society by donating to the annual monetary fundraiser. When deciding on a donation please consider the amount you would have spent at the rummage sale, cookie walk and monetary donation fundraiser. We greatly appreciate all donations. Place donation in collection basket, marked for donation.

****PSR Parents...Keep up the good work, practice prayers with kids and check your mailbox. For information about PSR contact Paul Duquaine. 618.843.8508 paulduquaine@icloud.com, PSR Coordinator******



ST. EDWARD NEWS

PSR DATES

NOVEMBER

8th—9am

15th—9am

22nd—9am

29th—9am

DECEMBER

6th—9am

13th—9am

20th—9am

27th—NO CLASS

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Being with Jesus—or Not. The Parable today of the ten lamp bearers is about vigilance. Not an idle standing by merely looking and waiting. No, a waiting that is prepared (extra oil) for all that comes, a waiting filled with activity ready to accompany those who journey through doorways to heaven. ~How can I focus on the bridegroom, on Jesus, and all those he loves? ~How will I ready myself to do Kingdom of Heaven work this week? ~What will that work be? For whom will I do it?

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA, FEAST

CHURCH BUILDINGS AND THE CHURCH. We hold in honor today the cathedral church of the Diocese of Rome. That building is important, as are all churches, because they are places where the Church, the People of God, gather to hear Christ speak, to pray, and to be sent to do Christian work.

~When I next enter my parish church building, let me pray for all those who have gone before, those who enter now, and those who are yet to come.

Just a reminder: If anyone is wanting to do some volunteer work, the Clothesline has re-opened and we are needing volunteers to represent St. Edward Catholic Church. If you have any questions please contact Leslie Robison. Thanks

Advent Bags for St. Edward Shut-Ins:

Please don't forget to turn in your items for the Advent Bags for St. Edward. Will need all items by the weekend of November 14th-15th. Thank you to everyone who helps with this very important ministry for our parishioners.

There will not be a Pastoral Council meeting this month, the next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 17th at 7:00pm.

NEXT WEEKEND IS FOOD PANTRY: WE WILL NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP PACK THE BAGS ON FRIDAY AND TO HAND OUT ON SATURDAY. THANK YOU FOR EVERYONE WHO HELPS IN ANYWAY.

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

Prayer Chain: When a parishioner has an intention & requests prayers, Erin Pierce will initiate the prayer chain. She will contact Fr. Charles, who determines 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

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 Pierce or shopwithscrip.com.

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.

If you would like to contribute to the cemetery fence fund, please place your donation in an envelope marked 'cemetery fence' and drop it in the collection basket. Thank you.

We have begun a new RCIA session. Any and all are welcome. If you know someone who has expressed any interest in learning more about the Catholic faith, or would like a refresher course, please encourage them to contact either Father Charles or Cheryl McCarty, 815-343-1502

Happy Birthday to: Kathy Price – Nov. 2, Josh Winka – Nov.7, Jim Fleener – Nov. 8, Irene Winka – Nov. 9, Trudi Herdes – Nov. 12, Wyatt Harvey – Nov. 20.

Please let Beth Fancher or Trudi Herdes know of special dates, birthday, anniversaries or any special events.

Next three Altar Society chairmen are: Beth Fancher, Jill Fehrenbacher, Mary Beth Lancaster/Susan Schroeder.

Kyle Gaines would like a ride to mass on the weekends. He lives on Chestnut Street in Louisville, and his phone number is 618 508-1555. Please call if anyone can give him a ride.



