

# St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109



*Different Histories...*

*One Faith...*

*Different Ages...*

## *Pastoral Staff*

Reverend Daniel M. Rocco, Pastor  
Permanent Deacon Ernest Picknally  
Permanent Deacon Anthony Cioe  
Mrs. Patricia Higgins, Principal

**Emergencies: (856) 261-9336**  
*(Accidents, Dying or Death)*



## *Contact Information*

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## *January 27, 2013 – The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### Mass Schedule

**Daily:** Monday thru Friday – 9:00am

**Weekend Obligation:**

Saturday – 4:30pm (**Reconciliation 3:45pm-4:15pm**)

Sunday – 9:00am & 10:30am

**Children's Liturgy:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ 9:00am

**Holy Days:** 9:00am & 7:00pm – 7:00pm Vigil

**Miraculous Medal Novena** – Every Thursday after 9am Mass.

**Eucharistic Exposition** – First Friday from 9:30am-7pm.

**Baptism** – Call the Rectory for arrangements.

Required Preparation is 1 class, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday @ Noon.

Baptism – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month @ Noon.

**Anointing of the Sick/Eucharist** –

**Upon request after the 4:30pm Mass in the Chapel.**

Prior notification is necessary by calling the rectory Monday-Friday. Also call the Rectory if someone is sick or housebound.

**Marriage** – arrangements must be made with a priest 1 year in advance. Only individually registered parishioners of one year or more are eligible to be married here and includes anyone still living at home with parents who should register individually.

**Tribunal Parish Advocate**-Dc. Anthony Cioe- (856) 227-2145

**Rectory Office Hours**-Monday thru Friday 9am-4:30pm  
*(Closed all Holy Days of Obligation & National Holidays)*

### Our Mission Statement

*Saint Stephen Parish is a Catholic Faith Community called by God through Baptism. Our mission is to live the Gospel by loving and serving all our brothers and sisters.*

**Parish Membership** – Moving INTO the parish all are asked to register as soon as possible.

Moving WITHIN or OUT – kindly notify rectory of changes.

**Please consider remembering St. Stephen's in your Will or Estate Planning.** There are financial benefits to do so while still alive and, in death, the spiritual reward of helping to continue the Church's mission of preaching Jesus Christ.

**R.C.I.A.** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Anyone interested in becoming Catholic is invited to become part of the RCIA. This process begins with a journey of faith that culminates in full communion with the Church through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. This process is open to those who are not baptized, to those who have been baptized in other Christian denominations, or to baptized Catholics who have never received catechetical instruction or received Confirmation and First Communion. Further information is available by calling the Rectory.

**Our Parish Family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life.**

# Mass Intentions for the Week

**Family or Friends** having a weekend Mass celebrated for a loved one are encouraged to participate by bringing the gifts of bread and wine to the Priest at Mass. Please be in church 10 minutes prior to Saturday/Sunday Mass and identify yourselves to one of the Ushers.

**Per Diocesan Policy:** One (1) Mass Intention limit per Mass except for 10:30am on Sunday, which now has a maximum of four (4) intentions.

The 2014 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:30pm	<b>January 26, 2013</b> Ricardo Taylor, Sr. r/b Family
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>January 27, 2013</b> Charles Bearint r/b Joseph & Jeanne Gerst
10:30am	Catherine & Charles Magee r/b Family Brian Reese r/b Joe & Maria Haas Evelyn Capocetta r/b Joe & Bev Fitzpatrick Judith Ann Gormley r/b People of the Parish
<b>MONDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>January 28, 2013</b> Marie Zinicola r/b Rose Davis
<b>TUESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>January 29, 2013</b> Rev. Gerald J. Fitzpatrick r/b Virginia Licata
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>January 30, 2013</b> Rheta Phillips r/b Linda Gruber
<b>THURSDAY</b> 9:00am+Novena	<b>January 31, 2013</b> Evelyn Capocetta r/b Joe & Pat DeLorenzo
<b>FRIDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>February 1, 2013 (First Friday Adoration)</b> People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:30pm	<b>February 2, 2013</b> Leo Thivierge r/b Family
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>February 3, 2013</b> Victoria Steinmetz r/b The Knight Family
10:30am	Jennie Farmer r/b Richard Beyer Joan R. Snyder r/b The Haas Family John Bui r/b The Bui Family Richard Schreiber r/b The Faculty & Students of St. Stephen School

## The Sanctuary Candle this week is in Memory of The 67 Camden Victims of 2012.

If you would like to contribute to the burning of a Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one, you may call the Rectory. Cost is \$10.

<b>Jan. 19/20, 2013 Attendance/Collection</b>	<b>586/</b>	<b>\$5,761</b>
<b>Jan. 21/22, 2012 Comparison</b>	<b>493/</b>	<b>\$4,470</b>
<b>Budgeted Weekly Collection:</b>		<b>\$5,500</b>
<b>Actual Y-T-D Weekly Average:</b>		<b>\$5,513</b>

### Special Diocesan Collection:

January 27, 2013: "Mission Membership Sunday"



Please call the Rectory to let us know if your family member is in the hospital or homebound so that we may bring them Communion. This week remember to pray for:

- Dolly Angelastro, Edith Bielinski, Milton Burns, Mary Caruso, Yolanda Colafrancesco, Dot Corbett, Patricia DeLorenzo, Esther DeMarco, Fanny DiBenedetto, Marie DiFrank, Patricia Domer, Diane Fesko, Joe Flacco, Joanna Galdo, Donato Gallicchio, Richard Gentile, Jr., Richard Gentile, Sr., Thomas Holmes Sr., Rev. David Klein, Donna Krawchuk, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Wanda Loperfido, Mourn Lukasiak, Joann Lunsford, Harry & Mary Ellen Mayer, Dorothy McPeak, Marie Melchiorre, Debbi Morrissey, Freda Novak, Jennifer Osborn, Frank Pigliacelli, Rosemarie Rosolia, William Sauer, Kathleen Stehm, Steven Stepanavage, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Lillian Tomarchio, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, Cyrol Valentino, Gloria Vendetti, John Vindick, Mary Viviello, Anthony Vocale, Ronald Wybranski.**

## Ministry Schedule for February 2/3

(Monthly Schedules are also posted on our website)

### Saturday, 4:30pm

**Altar Servers:** S. Surgner, T. Mason, H. Atchison  
**EM's:** A. Cirullo, Sr. Eleanora, T. Scavuzzo, \*alternate B. Taylor  
**Lectors:** R. Taylor, D. Heck

### Sunday, 9:00am

**Altar Servers:** C. Hearn, B. McHugh, O. Graff  
**EM's:** S. Marano, L. Monaco, E. Nolte, L. D'Alessandro  
**Lectors:** J. Scavuzzo, M. Corbett

### Sunday, 10:30am

**Altar Servers:** J. Mack, N. Hughes, C. Hughes  
**EM's:** T. Urgo, D. Urgo, L. Solano, C. Otto  
**Lectors:** M. Turan, E. Mattera

## Stewardship Reflection

### "Stewards Share Blessings"

**"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..."**

*(Nehemiah 8:10a)*

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. However, He expects us to share our blessings in **Stewardship** with those who are in need.

## Special Hearing Loss Gathering

Gathering for Persons with Hearing Loss, **Saturday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>**, from 1 to 3 pm, McDaid Hall, 15 Virginia Avenue, Westmont. Join us for a discussion of coping strategies that will help ease your Earitating Situations. All are welcome, especially friends and families of persons who rely on hearing aids for everyday communication. For more info please contact: **Sister Bonnie McMenamin, SSJ** at [bmcmenamin@camdendiocese.org](mailto:bmcmenamin@camdendiocese.org) or **856-583-6111**.

### ***This Week @ St. Stephen Parish***

**Catholic Schools Week: January 27 – February 2**

1/28-Monday-9am Mass, 1pm Bible Study, 7pm Liturgy Board

1/29-Tuesday- 9am Mass, 7pm Rosary

1/30-Wednesday-9am Mass, 6:15pm CCD, 7pm Spiritual Life

1/31-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 6pm Children/Ensemble Choir,  
7pm Adult Choir, 7pm Discussion Club

2/1---First Friday-9am Mass, Adoration until 7pm

2/2---Saturday-9am Men’s Group, 3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass

2/3---Sunday-RCIA, 9am Mass & 10:30am Mass

### ***Monday Afternoon Bible Study***



1:00-2:30pm - Stonegate  
Any questions, please call  
Eileen at (856) 662-8046  
or email me at  
[heides@comcast.net](mailto:heides@comcast.net).  
Please feel free to join us!

### ***Tuesday Night Rosary***

Please join us every **Tuesday at 7:00pm** in the church in response to Our Lady of Fatima’s request to pray the rosary for peace in the world.

### ***Wednesday Night CCD Classes***

Continue January 30<sup>th</sup> @ 6:15PM

### ***Thursday Night Discussion Club***

7pm in the Parish Center



### ***First Friday Adoration***

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be **Friday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:30am-6:45pm.**



“The worship given to the Trinity of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...must fill our churches also outside the timetable of Masses...Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation of the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease.” -**Blessed John Paul II**

### ***Saturday 9am Men’s Prayer Group***

Please join us for our **Men’s Scripture/Prayer Group**. We meet every Saturday morning at **9am** for one-half hour in the Rectory Basement Meeting Room. **Info: Joe Fagan-662-5908.**

### ***St. Stephen’s Prayer Line Belongs to You***

If you need someone to pray for you, you are at the right place.

**Contact Betty @ 662-6928 for January requests**

**Contact Linda @ 661-8045 for February requests**

“Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to GOD.”

-*Philippians 4:6*

### ***Art & Environment Ministry***

Anyone interested in donating flowers for the altar to mark an Anniversary, Christening or Memorial Mass is asked to contact our A&E Chairperson **Maria Haas at 665-8393**. Anyone who would like to make a donation for a tree to honor a deceased loved one or would like to join the A & E Ministry may call Maria at the number above.

### ***Bereavement Committee***

The Bereavement Committee is seeking volunteers to help minister to those who’ve recently lost loved ones in our community of faith. To join this special ministry, please call **Joy Bowman at 662-4803**.

### ***Council, Board & Ministry Meetings***

(All 7pm in the Parish Center)

January 28	Liturgy Board
January 30	Spiritual Life Board
February 11	Finance Council
February 18	Pastoral Council

### ***Prayer Pavers to Our Lady***

All Paver Orders placed through December 31, 2012 are being completed by our engraver. Look for a display sometime next month!! Congratulations to William and Elizabeth McWilliams on purchasing their paver.

Pavers to form a concrete path from our church to the Blessed Mother are available in 3 sizes: 4”x8” \$100, 8”x8” \$175, and 12”x12” \$500. Samples are available after weekend Masses and in the school office, order forms are on our website and in the rectory office.

Info is available @ [www.ststephenspennsauken.com](http://www.ststephenspennsauken.com) or by calling Michael Ciarrocca at 856-425-4799.

### ***RCIA Ministry***

#### ***Interested in Becoming Catholic?***

- Have you been worshipping with us, but never officially took the step to become Catholic?
- Have you been away from the church...and have now returned, but want to know more?
- Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism; Confirmation; and Eucharist?
- Have you joined us from a different background and would now like to find out more about the Catholic Church.

Please contact **Father Daniel Rocco at (856) 662-9338** or **Loretta Steinmetz, RCIA Team Leader at (856) 227-4627** for more information about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

### ***Scrip Fundraising Program***

Scrip is available for purchase at the Scrip Table after all weekend Masses and at the rectory during regular business hours, Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm (excluding Holy Days & Holidays). Scrip orders may also be submitted to the school and will then be processed via the rectory for later delivery.



# St. Stephen's Mardi Gras Night PTO Beef & Beer

Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup> from 7-11pm



\$20 per person includes dinner, wine, beer, soda, BYOB, raffles & dancing. **For tickets & info call Kim Cianciotti Hiller @ 856-938-7075.**

THE ARTS ACADEMY AT CCHS



Camden Catholic High School presents the musical  
**"Once On This Island."**  
March 8, 9, 15 and 16 at 7:30 PM.  
March 10 and 17 at 2:00 PM.

Visit [www.cchsarts.com](http://www.cchsarts.com) for the student produced commercial, tickets, more show information and our exciting events schedule. **ONCE ON THIS ISLAND** is a one-act musical, with a book and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and music by Stephen Flaherty. Based on the 1985 novel "My Love, My Love", it also includes elements of "Romeo and Juliet" and the fairytale "The Little Mermaid." Enjoy the sites and sounds of this Caribbean-flavored family musical with almost non-stop song and dance.



## Calling Married Couples of All Ages!

As we begin the New Year, we often resolve to live out our most cherished values with more intentionality. **What would you name as the most important things in your life?** If marriage and family would be on your list, we invite you to invest a day and a half learning how to make the person who is most precious to you feel more "in love".

**When? Saturday, Feb. 9 thru Sunday, February 10, 2013**  
**Where? St. Charles Borromeo Parish, Sicklerville, NJ**

This is a joyful occasion to celebrate being a man and woman in love. We all know that there is a difference between just loving each other and being "in love" with each other. You only have today to live in love! Your children need your witness, and your faith community is counting on it. Please come, experience, and celebrate the freedom to love and strengthen the joy of being married in 2013.

For more information or to register on line go to [www.dioceseofcamden.org](http://www.dioceseofcamden.org) and select marriage enrichment or go directly to [www.livinginlove.org](http://www.livinginlove.org).

## TIME OUT!

### Gentlemen:

Give yourself a time out to Recharge your battery, Relax with friends, perhaps Resolve a problem on issues in your life. **Join us March 8-10 for a Men's Retreat at St. Joseph's in the Hills in Malvern, PA.**

Comments from recent new Retreatants: "That weekend really helped me relax", "That weekend helped me be a better husband and father", "The Malvern weekend changed my life".

For more info: Joe Fagan at (609) 471-0753 or email Joe at [jfagan1982@comcast.net](mailto:jfagan1982@comcast.net). Register at [www.malvernretreat.com](http://www.malvernretreat.com).

The Catholic Church of St. Mary, Cherry Hill  
Presents in Concert

## The Sicilian Tenors



**Sunday, February 10, 2013 at 2:00pm**  
**Call for tickets: (856) 424-1454 or (856) 424-4423**

## *Finance Council Meeting Notes* *Monday, January 14, 2013*

In Attendance: Fr. Daniel Rocco, Kathy Boyer, Rose Davis, Keith Knight, Deacon Anthony Cioe, and Lonnie Monaco. Fr. Rocco opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with a Scripture reading.

Fr Rocco began the evening with a discussion on placing ads in the Catholic Star Herald, one saying thank you and goodbye to Bishop Galante and the other welcoming Bishop Sullivan. The members voted to limit the size of each ad to a 1/8 page since this was not a budgeted expense. (A parishioner later anonymously donated enough money to increase the size of each ad to 1/2 page.)

School: Work will begin shortly on the school budget. Mrs. Higgins will continue to teach math classes to the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students until a suitable replacement can be found. The diocese has decided to replace SMART with FACT, making tuition payment more timely and efficient. Fundraising is doing very well, having reached 50% of the school's goal, versus 25%-30% of the goal this time last year. The Script program continues to do well, raising over \$10,000.00 since its inception. The money will be placed into the parish's revolving fund in order to earn 3% interest.

Solar: The finance council is still looking into having solar panels designed and installed at no cost.

Parish Finances: Members of the Finance Committee reviewed the parish financial statements, including the balance sheet as of December 31, 2012, the profit and loss statement for the months of July through December 2012, and the aging summary as of December 31, 2012. *Income:* Ordinary income for July through December 2012 was somewhat higher than projected in the budget. Ordinary income represents collections taken in at weekend and holy day Masses. *Expenses:* During the months of July through December 2012, the parish was \$12,784 over budget, mostly due to 2 capital expenditures. These were for the replacement of one of the A/C units at the rectory (\$6,125) and an asphalt-paving project behind the school (\$5,350). Utility costs were nearly on budget. *Assets and Liabilities:* As of December 31, 2012, the parish had \$11,681 in the operating account, \$83,354 in the reserve account, and \$31,181 in the Msgr. O'Connell Scholarship Fund (which may not be used for ordinary parish expenses). All parish accounts payable were current at the end of December.

Candidates are still needed for Finance Council positions.

Fr. Rocco closed the meeting with a prayer at 8:39 PM.

The next Finance Council meeting will take place on Monday, February 11, 2013 at 7:00 PM at the Parish Center meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lonnie Monaco  
01/17/13