

St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

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Pastor

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday – Friday
9:00am - 4:30pm



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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.*

October 22, 2017 – The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daily Mass: Monday thru Friday - 9:00am

Weekend Obligation:

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

Sunday – 9:00am & 10:30am

Holy Days: 9:00am & 7:00pm

Miraculous Medal Novena – Thursday after 9am Mass.

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

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

Moving WITHIN or OUT – kindly notify rectory.

Baptism – Call the Rectory for arrangements.

Anointing of the Sick/Eucharist –

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

Prior notification is necessary by calling the rectory.

Also call the rectory if someone is sick or housebound.

A Priest should be called if death is imminent.

Sponsors – Must be a Confirmed Catholic of at least 16 years of age in good standing and active. If married, must have been married in the Catholic Church.

Funerals – Arrangements must be made directly with a Funeral Home after notifying the Parish. All viewings should take place in the Funeral Home. Funeral planning brochures are available in the Rectory Office.

Marriage – arrangements must be made with a priest one 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.

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.

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 2018 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

SUNDAY 9:00am	October 22, 2017 Robert Gaurnier r/b Debbie Share & Michael Vogt
10:30am	Theresa Cavaliere r/b Gary & Peg Kaiser Carmen J. Rotondo (2 nd Anniversary) r/b Family
MONDAY 9:00am	October 23, 2017 Rev. William S. Vandergrift r/b People of the Parish
TUESDAY 9:00am	October 24, 2017 Albert Corroda r/b M/M Charles Gugliotta
WEDNESDAY 9:00am	October 25, 2017 Elmer Mattioli r/b People of the Parish
THURSDAY 9:00am/Novena	October 26, 2017 In Thanksgiving for Our Nursing Home Ministry
FRIDAY 9:00am	October 27, 2017 People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
SATURDAY 4:30pm	October 28, 2017 Milton Burns r/b Ed & Barb Weingard
SUNDAY 9:00am	October 29, 2017 John McGrath, Sr. r/b The Pandola Family
10:30am	Martin P. Newell (17 th Anniversary) r/b Susan Newell Deceased Knights of Columbus of the Past Year



**The Sanctuary Candle this week is
In Memory of
Tom DiLaurentis**

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.

October 14/15, 2017 Offertory Collection:	\$4,702
2017-2018 Weekly Offertory Collection Target:	\$4,600
Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving:	\$4,239

Special Collections:

- October 22nd: "Mission Sunday" (Diocese)
- November 1st: "All Saints Day" (St. Stephen)
- November 2nd: "All Souls Day" (St. Stephen)
- November 19th: "Human Development" (Diocese)

(Posted as a courtesy to our 20+ E-Givers)



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:

Joseph & Dolores Afilani, Raymond Amatrudo, Jr., Eleanor Becker, Barbie Brown, Anna Buono, Jackie Cardwell, Lina Ciarrocchi, Edmund Ciccarone, Yolanda Colafrancesco, Jenny Cowan, John Coyle, Carol Cranmer, Joe DeLorenzo, Esther DeMarco, Fanny DiBenedetto, Fred Dickson, Joseph DiFrank, Biagio Dinoto, Michael DiVito, Patricia Domer, Joe Flacco, Joanna Galdo, Antonio Genovese, Richard Gentile, Jr., Joseph Gerst, Pat Gruber, Pricilla Handy, Gregory Hayes, Mary Ann Hoffacker, Thomas Holmes Sr., Debra Knapp, Donna Krawchuk, Janet LaFreda-Hopkins, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Rosemarie Leonardo, Sam Loperfido, Sr., Michael Lopez, Joann Lunsford, Ken Maminski, Harry, Mary Ellen & William Mayer, Stella McCarthy, Cecilia McGonigle, Dorothy McPeak, Rosemary Murray, Florence O'Connor, Margie Ogen, Jennifer Osborn, Savaelina Perez, Linda Petrilli, Rosemarie Rosolia, Patricia Ruhl, Dean & Mary Russell, John S., Helen Setzer, Nancy Sonnie, Steven Stepanavage, Keri Ann Taxis, Rick Taylor, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, Mary Vивиello, Frances Vocale, Doreen Warble, Lily Warble, Arlene Webb, Barbara Weingard.

Ministry Schedule for October 28/29

Saturday, 4:30pm

Altar Server: J. Bui

EM's: A. Knight, R. Davis, V. Thibault, C. Pandola, A. Cirullo

Lectors: B. Mattia, J. Melfi

Sunday, 9:00am

Altar Servers: Q. Nguyen, M. Conway, Mi. Conway

EM's: M. Miller, T. Modzier, M. Conway, R. Leone, L. D'Alessandro

Lectors: W. McHugh, Jared Rivera

Sunday, 10:30am

Altar Servers: C. Nicdao, M. Daniels, Ma. Daniels

EM's: S. Underwood, T. Urgo, D. Urgo, M. Meloni, T. Mattera

Lectors: R. Aleszczyk, D. Steinmetz



ST. STEPHEN'S FALL HARVEST MASS AND RECEPTION SATURDAY OCTOBER 28th

4:30PM MASS, Refreshments & Fellowship to follow in St. Stephen's Parish Center.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 10/23-Monday-9am Mass, 11am Ladies Bible Study
- 10/24-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
- 10/25-Wednesday-9am Mass, 6:15pm CCD Classes
- 10/26-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 6pm Liturgy Board, 7pm Discussion Club
- 10/27-Friday-9am Mass
- 10/28-Sat-3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Harvest Mass / Reception
- 10/29-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass

Ladies Bible Study

We are all on a journey, and God's word is a light to our path. Stop in and join us at the St. Stephen Ladies' Bible Study for reflections in scripture, lively discussions and fun!

When: Mondays from 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Where: St. Stephen Parish Center (next to the church)

Please contact Eileen Heide with any questions.

Phone or text: 610-805-5363 email: heides@comcast.net

*The woman who walks with God
Always reaches her destination!*

Tuesday Night Rosary

To Jesus Through Mary - 7:00-7:30pm @ Church

Come join us as we ask Our Lady to pray with us and for us. The tradition of the Church and the teachings of the Magisterium urge us to frequent recitation of the Hail Mary and the rosary. By keeping the name of Mary on our lips, we show our devotion to her. Mary's mantle is always present to protect those who are her own. The Blessed Virgin Mary is the pinnacle of God's creation. She is the most perfect, the greatest, the holiest human being ever to live. When we repeat her name, we greatly honor God her Creator. Mary never keeps any glory for herself. Her soul magnifies the Lord. (Lk 1:46)

Wednesday Night CCD Classes

Continue October 25th @ 6:15pm

Thursday Night Discussion Club

Continues Oct. 26th @ 7pm in the Parish Center.

We'll be discussing Prof. William R. Cook's
"The Catholic Church: A History"



All Are Welcome to Join Us!

Art & Environment Ministry

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

Automatic E-Giving

St. Stephen Parish continues to provide Electronic Giving, or eGiving, as a simple, secure & convenient method for making contributions. E-Giving is being used by churches throughout the country and works similar to online bill paying. You may logon to www.StStephensPennsauken.com to set up your account.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

During the 10:30 AM Mass, children between the ages of 4 and 7 are invited to participate in the Liturgy of the Word for Children. Before the 1st Reading, children will be called forward. Led by adults they will process to the Parish Center where they will hear the readings and participate in activities that will help them to begin to better understand the meaning of God's Word. At the Offertory Procession, the children will be led back to Mass where they will rejoice their parents. We hope that you will allow your children to participate in this religious education experience.

Parish Library

The Parish Library is now open in the Parish Center for all your Fall reading needs! We have a wide variety of books and CDs for all ages, which are available to be borrowed. Please stop by after Masses.

Hours:

Saturday, 5:30-6:00pm

Sunday, 10:00-10:30; 11:30-12:00

Prayer Pavers to Our Lady

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 order forms are on our website and in the rectory office. If there is a particular place, possibly near a loved one already on the walkway that you'd like a paver to be placed, please contact Michael Ciarrocca at 856-425-4799 or Ciarrocca@juno.com.

St. Stephen's Prayer Line Belongs to You

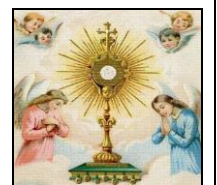


We are here to pray for you.

For Prayer Requests in the
month of October contact
Diane @ 856-308-8224.

First Friday Adoration

The next Exposition & Adoration
of the Blessed Sacrament will be
Friday, November 3, 2017
from 9:45am-7:00pm.



Stewardship Reflection “Stewardship Essence”

“Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.”

- MATTHEW 22:21 \

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “Stewards” of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of *Stewardship*. God should be our first priority in everything. All else comes second.

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Good Counsel Events



**PLEASE JOIN US AT GOOD COUNSEL’S BANQUET
THURSDAY, October 26, 6:00-9:00pm
THE MERION, 1901 US ROUTE 130, CINNAMINSON**

YOU are invited to attend Good Counsel’s Eleventh Annual Fund Raising Banquet to benefit the homeless, pregnant mothers of our Riverside home. Our key note speaker is Father Andrew Apostoli, CFR, Founding Father of Franciscan Friars of The Renewal. Come and hear one of the many success stories of one of Good Counsel’s moms and how, through your financial support, she now has hope for her future. Reservations are required. Please contact **Mary Ann Lorimer** for information: **#215-989-0021** or **lorimerma@aol.com**. Ask friends to join you and we will reserve a table of 10 just for you! A free will offering will be taken during the dinner. Celebrate the miracles of our Riverside home with us.

BINGO FOR BABIES FUNDRAISER!!!

November 12, 2017 “TICKETS ON SALE NOW”

Good Counsel Homes is hosting our annual DESIGNER POCKETBOOK BINGO FUNDRAISER!

Tickets are \$30 **per person** which includes 15 games of bingo. Additional games can be purchased along with dabbers. Make your checks payable to Good Counsel- SJ. Tables are filling fast. Tickets will be sold until it sells out!! No tickets will be sold at the door. Tables of 6 can be reserved. Complimentary coffee and desserts- but feel free to bring your own snacks! 12 vendors will be present for your Christmas shopping. Doors open 12:00pm and bingo starts 1pm.

Call JoAnn DiNoia at 609-387-2928 OR email Joann_dinoia@goodcounselhomes.org. Thank you for supporting our mothers and babies and hope you win a designer bag ... again!!!

Nov. 12th Barna Hall, St. Joseph’s Church 805 Warren St.
Beverly, NJ 1pm -5pm

Camden Catholic High School News

Camden Catholic High School Open House

Thursday, **October 26** at 7 p.m. (check-in begins at 6:30). Learn how we empower today’s students to find their purpose through academics, arts and spirituality. Meet our faculty, students, coaches and administration, tour the campus, and “Catch the Spirit” of CCHS!

RSVP online: www.camdenatholic.org/openhouse.

Camden Catholic High School Scholarship & High School Placement Test Saturday, **November 4** at 8:30 a.m. Pre-Register online www.camdenatholic.org/admissionsevents. Students interested in competing for Merit and Arts Scholarships *must* take the test at Camden Catholic.

Irish Experience Guest Days for 8th grade students are being scheduled at Camden Catholic High School. Experience the tradition, feel the passion, catch the spirit of being a student at CCHS, the only school in South Jersey with a Leadership Academy.

Select your day

at www.camdenatholic.org/admissionsevents or contact Janet Indelicato to schedule: janet.indelicato@camdenatholic.org or 856-663-2247 ext. 136.

Girls Leadership Workshop

Hosted by the Leadership Academy of Camden Catholic High School on **Sunday, October 29** for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. Visit www.camdenatholic.org/irishsynergy for more info.

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Paul VI High School News

Are you ready to be a Paul VI Eagle? We’re ready to help you soar! - Paul VI High School is ready for you! Please join us this fall for Open House, our scholarship test, and more!

Paul VI Scholarship Test will be conducted at Paul VI, on **Saturday October 28th**. Paul VI High School annually awards academic scholarships to incoming freshmen. To enter the scholarship process, 8th grade students must take the HSPT at Paul VI on October 28th.

For more information, and to register for the test, please visit our website, www.pvihs.org/Admissions.

Paul VI Eagle-for-a-Day visits are available for 8th grade students throughout the fall admissions season. To see the schedule of available dates, and to make a reservation, please visit www.pvihs.org/Admissions. Experience a day in the life of a Paul VI Eagle!

Paul VI High School Open House will be held at 6:30 PM, **Thursday, November 9th**. Middle school students and their families are invited to meet our faculty, coaches and students, enjoy special performances by our performing arts groups, and see our beautiful school. Reservations are appreciated. For more information, please visit our website, www.pvihs.org/Admissions.

Questions may be directed to Mrs. Kathleen Stewart, Paul VI Director of Admissions, kstewart@pvihs.org

Mass of Remembrance



Sunday, November 5th @ 10:30am
“BY NAME I HAVE CALLED YOU”

St. Stephen's Mass to honor the families of our deceased members will take place on **Sunday, November 5th at the 10:30am Liturgy**. Our families will present flowers for a Memory Bouquet and they will be blessed and receive token angels in memory of their loved ones. Please plan to join us on this special day, and offer your love and condolences to our families. This year we will remember:

Joseph T. Allen
Raymond Amatrudo, Sr.
Theresa Cavaliere
Albert Corroda
Edward N. DiDomenico
Roseann Dinich
Pietro A. Faiola
Robert J. Fitzgerald, Jr.
Genevieve F. Gugliotta
James Maggioncalda
Barbara M. McHugh
Myrtle L. Meidt
Barbara A. Morrone
Salvatore Mufalli, Sr.
Raymond Steele
Liduvina Velazquez
Frederick S. Wesolowski

Mass of Remembrance for our
Deceased Bishops, Priests and Deacons

Tuesday, November 7, 2017
12:05 PM

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
642 Market Street, Camden

Followed by lunch in Cathedral Hall

We will remember in a special way those who have died this past year, namely:

Reverend Marjan L. Bober
Reverend Robert J. Dunphy
Reverend Joseph M. Hayden
Deacon Joseph J. Izzo
Reverend Henry J. McBride
Reverend Jerome C. Romanowski
Deacon John A. Schiavo

We need a count for Mass and Lunch.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, October 31st

FAX 856-966-5957; E-mail spatullo@camdendiocese.org or call 856-583-2855

Please invite your parishioners to attend the Mass.

Note: It is important that you respond since we have limited space for parking.