

St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

Pastoral Staff

Reverend Daniel M. Rocco
Pastor

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday – Friday
9:00am - 4:30pm



Contact Info

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(856) 261-9336
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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 29, 2017 – The 30th 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	October 29, 2017
9:00am	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
MONDAY	October 30, 2017
9:00am	Rev. William S. Vandergrift r/b People of the Parish
TUESDAY	October 31, 2017
9:00am	Joseph M. Fagan, Sr. r/b The Page Family
WEDNESDAY	November 1, 2017 (All Saints Day--Holy Day)
9:00am	Theresa Cavaliere r/b Anthony & Rosemarie Leone
7:00pm	People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
THURSDAY	November 2, 2017 (All Souls Day)
9:00am/Novena	All Souls r/b People of the Parish
FRIDAY	November 3, 2017 (First Friday Adoration)
9:00am	All Souls r/b People of the Parish
SATURDAY	November 4, 2017
4:30pm	All Souls r/b People of the Parish
SUNDAY	November 5, 2017
9:00am	All Souls r/b People of the Parish
10:30am	All Souls Mass of Remembrance



**The Sanctuary Candle this week is
In Memory of
Debbi Morrissey**

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 21/22, 2017 Offertory Collection: \$3,350
2017-2018 Weekly Offertory Collection Target: \$4,600
Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving: \$4,186

Special Collections:

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

Roses for Life Fund Drive

The Knights of Columbus will have a Roses for Life fund drive on **November 4th and 5th** after all Masses. All monies will be donated to local pro-life agencies. Thank you in advance for your continued, generous support of all of our fundraisers!



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 Crammer, 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 Ogden, 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 Viviello, Frances Vocale, Doreen Warble, Lily Warble, Arlene Webb, Barbara Weingard.

Ministry Schedule for November 1/4/5

Wednesday, 7:00pm

EM's: E. Nolte, R. Davis, T. Scavuzzo, L. D'Alessandro, M. Conway
Lectors: B. Mattia, J. Melfi

Saturday, 4:30pm

Altar Server: TBD
EM's: A. Knight, C. Pandola, A. Cirullo, Sr. Eleanora
Lectors: J. Gerst, D. Heck

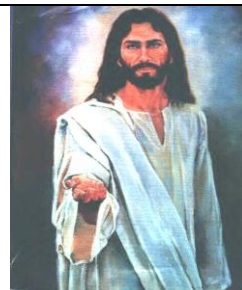
Sunday, 9:00am

Altar Servers: TBD
EM's: L. Monaco, M. Monaco, R. Davis, R. Leone, E. Nolte
Lectors: Jared Rivera, P. Nolte

Sunday, 10:30am

Altar Servers: TBD
EM's: J. Messina, T. Mattera, M. Conway, T. Angstman, M. Meloni
Lectors: W. McHugh, M. Miller

A SPECIAL INVITATION



"O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine."

First Friday Adoration November 3, 2017

"A Genius conceives a masterpiece... He is delighted with it; he will realize it by every possible means and at the cost of any sacrifice.

He is dominated by his masterpiece; he sees it continually.

Well, (in like manner) fix your mind on our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament and ponder on his love."

Saint Peter Julian Eymard
RSVP to Rosemarie Leone
@ 856-662-0035.

This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 10/30-Monday-9am Mass, 11am Ladies Bible Study
- 10/31-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
- 11/1-Wed-All Saints Day-9am Mass, 6:15pm CCD, 7pm Mass
- 11/2-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion Club
- 11/3-First Friday-9am Mass, Adoration until 7pm
- 11/4-Saturday-3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass
- 11/5-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass of Remembrance



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 November 1st @ 6:15pm

Thursday Night Discussion Club

Continues Nov. 2nd @ 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

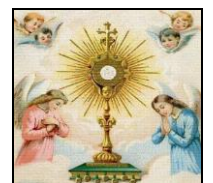
Diane @ 856-308-8224.

In November: **Betty @ 856-662-6928.**

First Friday Adoration

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be

**Friday, November 3, 2017
from 9:45am-7:00pm.**





Colin Aleszczyk, a 2012 graduate of St. Stephen School, and 2016 graduate of Paul VI High School, completed 8 weeks of intensive basic training at Great Lakes, Illinois as one of 705 recruits in his training group on August 4, 2017. While in basic training, Seaman Recruit Aleszczyk learned many valuable skills to become a sailor. After graduation, he reported to Naval Submarine School at Naval Submarine Base New London in Groton, CT. He graduated from Basic Enlisted Submarine School in Groton, CT on October 13, 2017 as one of 75 in his BESS class. Basic Enlisted Submarine School is a 6 week introduction to basic theory, construction and operation of nuclear powered submarines. In preparation for an assignment, Sailors receive instruction on shipboard organization, submarine safety and escape procedures. He continues with his training at the Naval Submarine Base in Submarine Electronics Computer Field. He is currently in Apprentice Technical Training, which will be followed by SECF A school studying Electronics Technician - Navigation.

All Saints Day Schedule

On **Wednesday November 1st** we will observe All Saints Day, a Holy Day of Obligation. **Mass times will be 9am & 7pm.** The Rectory and all Diocesan offices will be closed on All Saints Day.

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## Good Counsel Homes

### 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](mailto:Joann_dinoia@goodcounselhomes.org). Thank you for supporting our mothers and babies and hope you win a designer bag ... again!!!

**Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> Barna Hall, St. Joseph's Church 805 Warren St. Beverly, NJ 1pm -5pm**

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Camden Catholic High School News

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.

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## Paul VI High School News

**Paul VI Eagle-for-a-Day** visits are available for 8<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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 9<sup>th</sup>**. 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](http://www.pvihs.org/Admissions).

**Questions may be directed to Mrs. Kathleen Stewart, Paul VI Director of Admissions, [kstewart@pvihs.org](mailto:kstewart@pvihs.org)**

# Mass of Remembrance

**Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> @ 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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*

## Special 3<sup>rd</sup> Collection?

It was brought to our attention that many of you leaving church last weekend encountered a needy family on our property at the end of the driveway at Browning Road.

Please call **856-261-9336** to report this activity and encourage the family to contact the rectory during normal business hours. You do not have to feel the least amount of guilt for doing this. The Diocese and Township do not condone this ever-increasing trend in recent months. Thanks to your regular Offertory stewardship, we have a budget, a screening process, and the proper methods of giving assistance to needy families. **The Browning Road toll booth is not an appropriate method.** Thank you.

# 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 31<sup>st</sup>

FAX 856-966-5957; E-mail [spatullo@camdendiocese.org](mailto: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.**