

# St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109



*Different Histories...*

*One Faith...*

*Different Ages...*

## *Pastoral Staff*

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

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



## *Contact Information*

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## *April 21, 2013 – The Fourth Sunday of Easter*

### 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>MONDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>April 22, 2013</b> Deacon Ernest F. Picknally r/b Alex Rende
<b>TUESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>April 23, 2013</b> Salvatore & Catarina Pigliacelli r/b Son, Frank
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>April 24, 2013</b> Deacon Ernest F. Picknally r/b St. Stephen's Nursing Home Ministry
<b>THURSDAY</b> 9:00am+Novena	<b>April 25, 2013</b> Frances Blumenstein r/b The McHugh Family
<b>FRIDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>April 26, 2013</b> Deacon Ernest F. Picknally r/b M/M John Messina
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:30pm	<b>April 27, 2013</b> Joseph Carter r/b Eileen Tharrington & Family
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9:00am 10:30am	<b>April 28, 2013</b> Michael Szalagiewicz r/b Joseph & Jeanne Gerst William C. Sonnie (Birthday Remembrance) r/b The Miller Family Rev. Paul M. O'Connor r/b People of the Parish Rev. Donald F. Trinkle r/b People of the Parish

## The Sanctuary Candle this week is In Memory of William "Bill" Sauer.

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>April 13/14, 2013 Collection</b>	<b>\$5,771</b>
<b>April 15/16, 2012 Comparison</b>	<b>\$6,070</b>
<b>Budgeted Weekly Collection:</b>	<b>\$5,500</b>
<b>Actual Y-T-D Weekly Average:</b>	<b>\$5,542</b>

### Special Collections:

- 4/21/13: "Star Herald" (St. Stephen's)
- 4/28/13: "Catholic Home Missions" (Diocese)
- 5/12/13: "Catholic Communication" (Diocese)

## 2013 House of Charity Appeal

<b>2013 House of Charity y-t-d</b>	<b>\$19,537.50 (37%)</b>
<b>2013 House of Charity Goal</b>	<b>\$52,250.00</b>

Let a gift to the House of Charity allow the fire of love to grow in you. Your donation helps ensure that vital programs continue, which not only give financial support but also teaches others how to improve their difficult situations and become more independent.

**Thank you to the 74 families that have given generously thus far. If you have not pledged as yet, extra pledge cards are available in the lobby of our church outside the Sacristy.**



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, Richard Gentile, Jr., Richard Gentile, Sr., Thomas Holmes Sr., Donna Krawchuk, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Wanda Loperfido, Maureen Lukasiak, Joann Lunsford, Harry & Mary Ellen Mayer, Dorothy McPeak, Marie Melchiorre, Debbi Morrissey, Freda Novak, Jennifer Osborn, Frank Pigliacelli, Rosemarie Rosolia, Loretta Stayton, Kathleen Stehm, Steven Stepanavage, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Lillian Tomarchio, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, Paul Tryson, Cyrol Valentino, Gloria Vendetti, John Vindick, Mary Viviello, Anthony Vocale, Ronald Wybranski.**

## Ministry Schedule for April 27/28

(Monthly Schedules are also posted on our website)

### Saturday, 4:30pm

**Altar Servers:** K. Coar, Z. Marlin, T. Mason  
**EM's:** Sr. Eleanora, B. Taylor, T. Veneziani, P. Petronis, \*T. Scavuzzo  
**Lectors:** W. Mattia, R. Taylor

### Sunday, 9:00am

**Altar Servers:** B. McHugh, C. Hearn, M. Conway  
**EM's:** S. Marano, R. Davis, M. Miller, R. Mufalli, \*R. Leone  
**Lectors:** J. Messina, D. Steinmetz

### Sunday, 10:30am

**Altar Servers:** J. Bui, C. Hughes, N. Hughes  
**EM's:** Geo. Tutwiler, Gail Tutwiler, T. Link, L. Solano, L. D'Alessandro  
**Lector:** J. Bowman, C. Otto

## **Catholicism Adult Study Program**

**Continues this Wednesday, April 24, 2013**

St. Stephen Parish presents CATHOLICISM, a study program that has been created so all adults can come to a deeper understanding of the Catholic Faith.

This program explains not only what Catholics believe and why, but also displays, in magnificent visual detail, the richness of the Church's global culture, using art, architecture, literature, music, and all the treasures of the Catholic tradition to illuminate the timeless teachings of the Church.

This is a 10-week DVD series by Fr. Robert Barron, and will be held at the **Sr. Bernadette Parish Center**, on **Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m.** For further information or to register, please call Lily at (856) 786-0567.

## **Knights' Breakfast Buffet April 28<sup>th</sup>**

The Knights of Columbus Spring Breakfast Buffet will be next Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> in our School cafeteria. Adults \$8.00, Kids 12 and under \$5.00, and the new Family Plan of up to 6 persons for \$25.00!! Thank you for your support.

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

4/22-Monday-9am Mass, 1pm Bible Study, 7pm Liturgy Board  
 4/23-Tuesday- 9am Mass, 7pm Rosary  
 4/24-Wed-9am Mass, 6:15pm CCD, 6:15pm Catholicism Series  
 4/25-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 6&7pm Choir, 7pm Discussion  
 4/26-Friday-9am Mass  
 4/27-Saturday-9am Men's Group, 3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass,  
 5:30pm Sr. Bernadette Parish Center Dedication & Reception  
 4/28-Sunday- 9am Mass & 10:30am Mass



God values you, and has a plan for your life!

As women, we all have unique circumstances, difficulties, hopes and dreams. But no matter where you are in your journey, God's Word can always offer inspiration, comfort, and support.

### ***St. Stephen Ladies Monday Bible Study***

Meeting times: Mondays 1:00-2:30pm

Location: Stonegate Conference Room

Questions? Contact Eileen at (856) 662-8046 or email [heides@comcast.net](mailto:heides@comcast.net).

### ***Tuesday Night 7pm 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 And Catholicism DVD Series***

Continue April 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6:15PM

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

Series: "What is Faith?"

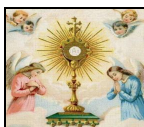
7pm in the Parish Center



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

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be

**Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9:30am-7:00pm.**



"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 Parish Center Meeting Room. Info: Joe Fagan-662-5908.

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

### ***A Special Thank You***

It is very special to have our parishioners come forward to help with the high liturgical seasons. I want to express a special thank you to all the parishioners, our school staff, St. Stephen's school students, Knights of Columbus, Building and Ground Ministry, Pastoral Council Members, Father Rocco, Deacons Anthony and Al for all your help during the Lenten and Holy Week seasons. Your dedication to St. Stephen's is amazing!!

I will keep all of you in my prayers and wishing everyone a blessed Easter Season.

Fondly,

**Maria Haas, Art & Environment Ministry**

### ***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 Meetings***

(All 7pm in the Parish Center)

April 22

Liturgy Board

May 13

Finance Council

May 20

Pastoral Council

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

Congratulations and Thank You to

Mary Jane Salmonsens, Anna Cirullo, John Zagone, Elaine Connor, Pam Heck on behalf of the Choir,

Joseph Conway, Patricia and Richard McLaughlin, Maureen Dombrowski, The Tutwiler Family,

Art and Deb Brown, Susan Johnson and Frank Pigiacci on purchasing their pavers.

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.

**GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY MAY 5<sup>TH</sup>!!!**

**SUBMIT ALL FORMS & PAYMENTS TO THE RECTORY**

### ***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 Prayer Line Belongs to You***



**We are here to pray for you.**

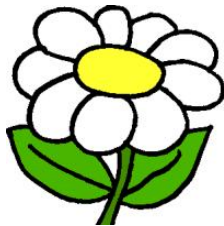
Prayer requests for the month

of April, please contact

**Bernice @ 662-4641.**

### Calling All Bulbs & Plants!

Please don't discard your Easter plants—we'll re-plant them on our church grounds! All plants may be dropped off at the rectory from 9am-4:30pm Monday thru Friday.



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**St. Stephen's PTO**

### Upcoming & Ongoing Events

Patronize the Penn Queen Diner & mention St. Stephens at the register for us to receive credit



### St. Stephen's Night at the Riversharks

Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, with Fireworks after the game!

The link to purchase tickets is on our website.

Tickets only \$11 (\$5 of which is donated to our school)

Please help support our Wonderful School!!!!

For additional information or any questions, please contact Denise Mc Hugh 609-315-1929 [denise.mchugh15@verizon.net](mailto:denise.mchugh15@verizon.net) or any PTO Board Member

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**Part-time Maintenance Position**

**St. Stephen School**  
**8am-12Noon**

Some basic knowledge of electricity, plumbing and heating helpful, but not necessary. Light duties include filter changes, light bulb replacement, grounds policing, window cleaning, etc. No benefits. **For interview appointment, please contact Jim at the Rectory at 856-662-9338, ext. 6.**



## Camden Catholic News

### 41st Annual CCHS Fashion Show

Hosted by the CC Parents Association. **Friday, May 3 at 6 p.m.** at Lakeside Manor in Gibbsboro, NJ. Fashions by Macy's, student models, dinner and wonderful raffle prizes! \$45 ticket includes buffet dinner with wine and beer; for tickets contact Liz McHugh 856-486-4787 or Debbie Rodgers at 856-428-3517 or go to [www.camdencatholic.org](http://www.camdencatholic.org).

### Attention 7th Graders: Camden Catholic Open House

**Monday, May 6 at 7 p.m.** Tour the school and enjoy getting to know our students and faculty. Details regarding admissions dates and procedures for next year will be shared. RSVP 856-663-2247 ext. 49.

**CCHS Class of 1963** is holding its **50th class reunion** on **October 19, 2013** at the Wyndam Hotel in Mt. Laurel.

For more information go to [www.CCHSclassof1963.com](http://www.CCHSclassof1963.com) or call Jim Bigley at 856 816 6907.

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**Justice for All Dinner April 25<sup>th</sup>**

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Camden, is pleased to announce to you the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Justice for ALL Awards Dinner to be held on April 25, 2013, at the Adelpia Ballroom, Deptford, NJ.

**Keynote Speaker: Mr. John L. Allen, Jr.,**

**Senior Correspondent for the National Catholic Reporter**

For tickets or sponsor information visit [www.catholiccharitiescamden.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescamden.org)

Any questions-email: [justiceforalldinner@camdendiocese.org](mailto:justiceforalldinner@camdendiocese.org)

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**Spirituality Workshop April 27<sup>th</sup>**

### "Beholding the Face of God"

*Presented by The Institute for*

*Christian Spirituality at Seton Hall University*

**"Beholding the Face of God in Scripture"**

**"Beholding the Face of God in People Who Are Difficult to Love"**

**"Beholding the Face of God in the Mirror"**

**"Beholding the Face of God in Your Work"**

Saturday, April 27, 2013 - 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

St. Pius X Spiritual Life Center, Blackwood

*Cost: \$20 (includes lunch)*

Register by Wednesday, April 24, 2013

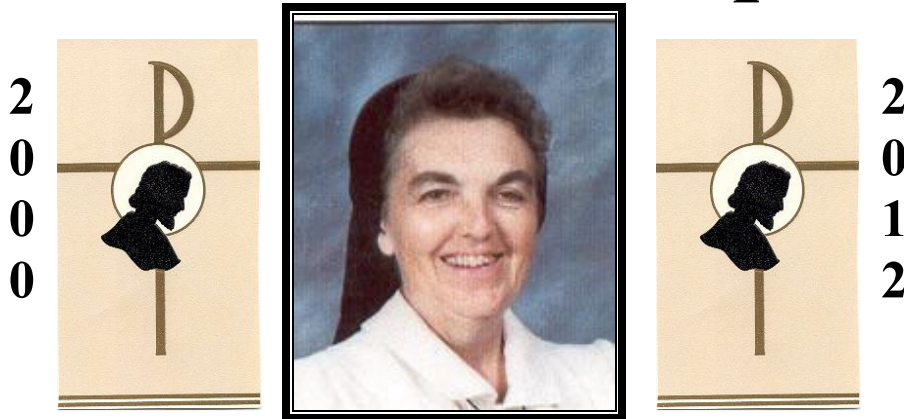
For more information contact us:

856-583-6135 / [kathia.arango@camdendiocese.org](mailto:kathia.arango@camdendiocese.org)

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**SSJ Golf Tourney May 13<sup>th</sup>**

The Sisters of Saint Joseph, Philadelphia will be hosting their 9th Annual Golf Tournament at the Atlantic City Country Club on Monday, May 13, 2013. Breakfast, Lunch and Golf Fees included in the entry price of \$150.00 per person, or \$600.00 for a foursome. Sponsorship opportunities are available from \$200-\$5,000. Contact the Development Office with any questions-[development@ssjphila.org](mailto:development@ssjphila.org) or 1-800-482-6510.

# *Sister Bernadette Parish Center Dedication & Reception*



**Next Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> following the 4:30pm Mass.  
All are welcome to join Sister Bernadette & Family  
in the School Gym afterwards!**

