

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
Mrs. Suzanne Underwood, CRE

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October 27, 2013 – The Thirtieth 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: 3rd Sunday @ 9:00am

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

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, 2nd Sunday @ Noon.

Baptism – 3rd 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".

MONDAY 9:00am	October 28, 2013 Anayo Acholonu & Family r/b His Siblings
TUESDAY 9:00am	October 29, 2013 Michael J. Dolceamore, Sr. r/b The Starts Family
WEDNESDAY 9:00am	October 30, 2013 Thomas John Maher r/b Arlene LaFreda
THURSDAY 9:00am+Novena	October 31, 2013 People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
FRIDAY 9:00am 7:00pm	November 1, 2013 (All Saints Day/First Friday) People of the Parish – Living & Deceased People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
SATURDAY 4:30pm	November 2, 2013 (All Souls' Day) All Souls r/b People of the Parish
SUNDAY 9:00am 10:30am	November 3, 2013 (Daylight Savings Time Ends) Thomas W. Ash r/b Jim Pennestri All Souls Mass of Remembrance

The Sanctuary Candle this week is In Memory of The Unborn Children.

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 19/20, 2013 Attendance/Collection	577/ \$5,415
October 20/21, 2012 Comparison	695/ \$5,937
2013-2014 Budgeted Weekly Collection:	\$5,588
Actual Y-T-D Weekly Average:	\$4,876

Next Special Collection: 11/24/13: "Human Development"

All Saints Day Mass Schedule

Friday, November 1st Masses @ 9am & 7pm

All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation.

The Rectory & all Diocesan Offices will be closed Nov. 1st.



In Loving Memory of

**Lillian
Tomarchio**

October 9, 1920-
October 19, 2013



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, Milton Burns, Mary Caruso, Yolanda Colafrancesco, Dot Corbett, Patricia DeLorenzo, Esther DeMarco, Fanny DiBenedetto, Patricia Domer, Diane Fesko, Joe Flacco, Joanna Galdo, Richard Gentile, Jr., Richard Gentile, Sr., Thomas Holmes Sr., Donna Krawchuk, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Marge Leone, Wanda Loperfido, Maureen Lukasiak, Joann Lunsford, John Maggioncalda, Harry & Mary Ellen Mayer, Dorothy McPeak, Marie Melchiorre, Debbi Morrissey, Freda Novak, Esther Nunez, Jennifer Osborn, Betty Picciano, Frank Pigliacelli, Rosemarie Rosolia, Theresa Sauer, Loretta Stayton, Kathleen Stehm, Steven Stepanavage, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, John Vindick, Mary Vивиello, Anthony Vocale.

Ministry Schedule for November 1/2/3

(Monthly Schedules are also posted on our website)

* Designates Alternate Server

Friday, 7:00pm All Saints' Day

Altar Servers: M. Conway, K. Fagan

EM's: L. Solano, R. Davis, E. Nolte, R. Leone, L. D' Alessandro

Lectors: J. Melfi, P. Nolte

Saturday, 4:30pm

Altar Servers: H. Atchison, T. Mason, S. Caban

EM's: A. Cirullo, T. Angstman, A. Knight, J. Heiningner, *L. Heiningner

Lectors: D. Heck, R. Taylor

Sunday, 9:00am

Altar Servers: O. Graff, J. Bui, M. Conway

EM's: S. Marano, L. Monaco, L. McHugh, R. Leone, *S. Mufalli

Lector: M. Corbett

Sunday, 10:30am

Altar Servers: D. Hughes, C. Hughes, N. Hughes

EM's: P. Cioe, D. Urgo, T. Urgo, W. Delfin, *T. Link

Lectors: J. Messina, J. Scavuzzo



Sunday, November 3rd @ 10:30am

"BY NAME I HAVE CALLED YOU"

St. Stephen's Mass to honor the families of our deceased members will take place **next Sunday, November 3rd 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 Week @ St. Stephen Parish

10/28-Monday-9am Mass, 1pm Bible Study, 7pm Liturgy Board
 10/29-Tuesday- 9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
 10/30-Wednesday-9am Mass, 6:15pm CCD
 10/31-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion Club
 11/1-First Friday-9am & 7pm All Saints Day Masses,
 Adoration from 9:45am – 6:45pm, Rectory Closed
 11/2-Saturday-9am Men’s Group, 3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass
 11/3-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass of Remembrance



Monday Ladies’ Bible Study

1-2:30pm in the Stonegate Conference Room.

To Jesus Through Mary Tuesday Night

Rosary 7:00-7:30pm @ Church

Your devotion to the Blessed Mother was expressed by the response to the Knights’ “Prayer Pavers to Our Lady”.

Continue your devotion – Come pray with us!

“To recite the Rosary is nothing other than to contemplate with Mary the face of Jesus.”

Blessed John Paul II, Apostolic Letter on the Rosary

Wednesday Night CCD Classes

Continue this Wednesday, October 30th @ 6:15pm.

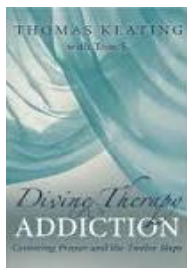
Thursday Night

Discussion Club

CONTINUES OCTOBER 31st
at 7pm in the Parish Center.

We are discussing

**“Divine Therapy & Addiction”
by Fr. Thomas Keating, OCSO**



First Friday Adoration

The next Exposition & Adoration
of the Blessed Sacrament will be
Friday, Nov. 1st, 9:45am-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 Parish Center Meeting Room. Info: Joe Fagan-662-5908.

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 Meetings

All at 7pm in the Parish Center unless otherwise noted.

Monday, October 28 Liturgy Board
Monday, November 11 Finance Council
Monday, November 18 Pastoral Council

Prayer Pavers to Our Lady

Paver Update:

All proofs have been corrected and processed.

All pavers are now available for viewing in the church vestibule.

Thank you for your orders and patience!!!

Knights of Columbus, Immaculate Conception, Council 3512

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
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 office hours, **Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm** (excluding Holy Days & Holidays).

St. Stephen’s Prayer Line Belongs to You



We are here to pray for you.

Prayer requests for the month of October, please contact

Maryann @ 856-235-1423.

For the month of November contact

Bernice @ 856-662-4641.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Could God be Calling You to the Priesthood?

Father Michael Romano, Director of Vocations, is hosting a "Young Adult Priesthood Discernment Group" at Our Lady of Peace Parish Offices, 32 Carroll Avenue, Williamstown, NJ. If you are currently a junior or senior in high school, college student or in the professional world (up to 39 years old), and feel the possible call to the priesthood, this group can help you discern and pray with others who are also considering the priesthood. All meetings are on Sundays from 2:00-3:30 P.M. The schedule is as follows:

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| Sunday, November 3, 2013 | Sunday, March 2, 2014 |
| Sunday, November 24, 2013 | Sunday, March 30, 2014 |
| Sunday, January 5, 2014 | Sunday, May 18, 2014 |
| Sunday, February 9, 2014 | |

For more information, please call the Office of Vocations at 856-583-2858 or email: michael.romano@camdendiocese.org

Holy Eucharist Parish Craft Fair

Sponsored by the Altar and Rosary Society
Saturday, November 9, 2013
Holy Eucharist Parish Center
344 Kresson Road, Cherry Hill, NJ
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Featuring:

Fun, Fabulous and Unusual Crafts for all ages
Gifts for men, women, children and pets
Refreshments/Lunch, Homemade Baked Goods

Raffles:

- 1st Prize: Handmade Doll House – Valued at \$600
- 2nd Prize: Visa Gift Card – Valued at \$200
- 3rd Prize: Visa Gift Card – Valued at \$100
- 4th Prize: Visa Gift Card – Valued at \$100

Drawing held at 3:00 pm!
Winner need not be present to win!

A Closer Walk with God

Silent Spiritual Meditation, Reflection & Adoration
Using the works of our great saints

Praying for the Infusion of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Presence of Jesus Christ

St. Rose of Lima Church (Main Church)
300 Kings Highway, Haddon Heights, NJ 08035

Sunday November 3, 2013, 2pm – 3:30pm
Presenter: Fr. Byerley
Meditation "God's Loving Touch"

Future Dates:
March 16, 2014, June 8, 2014 (Pentecost)

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Bishop Eustace Monte Carlo Night

Saturday, November 16

Riverton Country Club, Cinnaminson, New Jersey

Gaming tables open at 7:00 pm, \$75.00 per person includes: Open Bar, Fabulous Food and Prizes!!! (Price includes \$50.00 in gaming chips if purchased by October 31st. Tickets will be sold on a first come first serve basis until tickets are sold out.

For additional information and to purchase tickets e-mail:
Sheree Lantz lantz4all@verizon.net

Gloucester Catholic News

Gloucester Catholic Junior-Senior High will host an OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS on Thursday, **November 7, 7:00-9:00pm**. Interested sixth, seventh and eighth grade students and their families are invited to attend. The evening will showcase academic, athletic and extra-curricular offerings for both the junior and senior high. Faculty, staff and students will be on hand to discuss scholarships, financial aid, transportation and related concerns. For more information, visit the website, www.gchsrams.org, or contact Admissions Director, George Bakey, at gbakey@gchsrams.org or (856)-456-4400, ex 227. The Gloucester Catholic Admissions Office announces their "Ram for a Day" program! Take the opportunity to experience a day in the life of a Gloucester Catholic student and feel part of the GC family. Contact Admissions Director, George Bakey, at gbakey@gchsrams.org or (856)-456-4400, ex 227.

Holy Cross High School

5035 Route 130 South, Delran, NJ 08075

Open House Sunday October 27th–10am-1pm tours
A college preparatory education – You Belong Here!

Scholarship Entrance Exam Saturday November 9th
9am-12pm (exam required for admission to Holy Cross)
More info at www.holycrosshighschool.org

Paul VI High School News

Paul VI Placement & Scholarship Test will be conducted at Paul VI, on **Saturday November 9 & Saturday November 23**. Paul VI High School annually awards 6 scholarships to incoming freshmen; awards range from 25 to 75 percent of tuition. To enter the scholarship process, 8th grade students must take the HSPT at Paul VI on one of the dates listed. Please visit our website, www.pvihs.org to register. The \$20 testing fee may be paid on the day of the test. Check-in is at 8:30 AM; testing lasts from 9 AM to approximately noon.

Paul VI High School Open House will be held at 6:30 PM, Thursday, **November 21, 2013**. Middle school students and their families are invited to visit our Academic Expo, meet our faculty, coaches and students, and enjoy special performances by our vocal ensembles and the cast of our spring musical. Reservations are not required; please join us for this informative evening in our sparkling school facility.

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

Mass of Remembrance

**For our Deceased Bishops, Priests & Deacons
Wednesday, November 6th at 12:05pm
Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
642 Market Street – Camden, NJ
Followed by lunch in Cathedral Hall**

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

- Deacon Carmen Bischer**
- Reverend Stephen Carey**
- Reverend Monsignor James A. Carr**
- Deacon Joseph Costello**
- Reverend William F. Eckert**
- Deacon Raymond V. Ellis**
- Reverend Michael P. Hegarty**
- Reverend Abbott J. Hope**
- Reverend Richard J. Lodge**
- Reverend Monsignor Paul M. O'Connor**
- Deacon Paul Parchinski**
- Deacon Frank Pepe**
- Deacon Ernest F. Picknally**
- Reverend Joseph A. Salerno**
- Reverend John P. Selleck**
- Reverend Monsignor Francis J. Spreccace**
- Deacon Timothy Sullivan**
- Reverend Thomas S. Tracey**
- Reverend Fred W. Voltaggio**

Please RSVP by October 30th by calling (856) 583-2855
or by Emailing spatullo@camdendiocese.org.

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### ***“A Holy Hour to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life”***

The Office of Vocations has scheduled Holy Hours for Vocations called First Thursdays throughout our diocese. Every month, a different deanery will host a Holy Hour to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Our deanery’s Holy Hour will be on **Thursday, November 7, 2013 at Holy Eucharist, Cherry Hill, beginning at 7:00 PM.** “Pray...pray...pray to the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.” Please come – your presence and your prayers are most important to this cause as we all work together in the work of vocations.

## *November CAP Schedule*

The Diocese of Camden’s Office of Child and Youth Protection is announcing CAP (Child Assault Prevention) sessions. CAP is the safe environment training program for adults who have regular contact with minors. Attendance is required in order to comply with the USCCB’s *Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People*. The policy of the Diocese of Camden is that adults will attend CAP once every five years.

**CAP 1** teaches attendees to recognize child abuse and neglect and how to report to the proper authorities. Adults are taught that children have the right to be safe, strong and free. CAP 1 is for new volunteers and employees.

**CAP 2** is called *No More Bullies, No More Victims* and is a workshop addressing bullying awareness and bullying prevention. Cyber-bullying is also presented.

**CAP 3** is called *Cyber-Empowerment* and is a workshop which promotes adults understanding of cyber activity of youth while teaching them realistic ways to help children keep their own rights and guard the rights of others in the cyber-sphere.

**Each presentation is 90 minutes.**

Adults who are new employees or volunteers should attend CAP 1 before attending CAP 2 or CAP 3. After five years, adults have the option of attending CAP 1 or 2 again if they prefer.

The following sessions will be offered in **November**:

#### **CAP Phase 1**

- Wednesday, November 6, 2013, 7:00pm, Our Lady of the Angels, Cape May Ct. House, St. Gabriel Hall
- Thursday, November 7, 2013, 7:00pm, St. Gabriel the Archangel, Carneys Point, Parish Center
- Wednesday, November 13, 2013, 7:00pm, Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, Collingswood, School
- Thursday, November 14, 2013, 7:00pm, St. Andrew the Apostle, Gibbsboro
- Wednesday, November 20, 2013, 7:00pm, Assumption School, Galloway, School Cafeteria

#### **CAP Phase 2 – Bullying Prevention**

- Tuesday, November 12, 2013, 7:00pm, Notre Dame Campus in Landisville, NJ

#### **CAP Phase 3 – Cyber Empowerment**

- Monday, November 4, 2013, 7:00pm, Incarnation, Mantua, Kernan Center
- Thursday, November 7, 2013, 7:00pm, St. Mary of Mt. Carmel, Hammonton, St. Anthony Site
- Thursday, November 21, 2013, 7:00pm, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Marmora, COTR Extension

To attend one of these classes, please call the CAP registration line in the Office of Child and Youth Protection at (856) 583-6165 or email [Diane.Diggons@camdendiocese.org](mailto:Diane.Diggons@camdendiocese.org) to register. **Please register at least five days before the session you would like to attend.**

**The CAP schedule, location, phone numbers and directions may be found on the diocesan website @ [www.camdendiocese.org](http://www.camdendiocese.org)**