

St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

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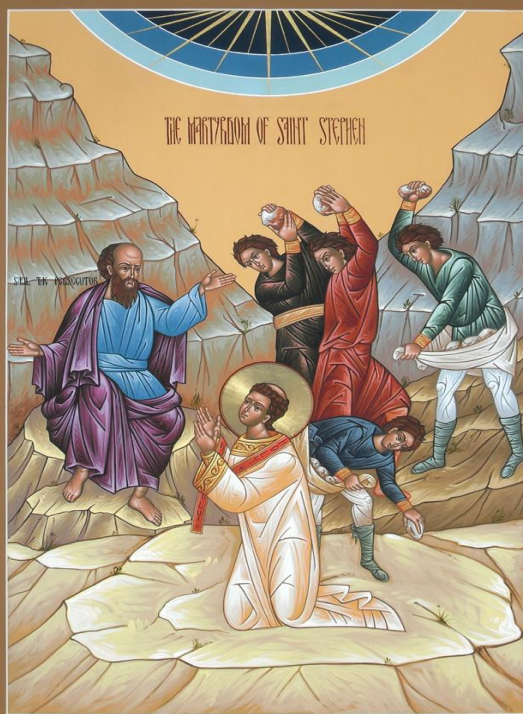
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Rectory Office Hours

Monday thru Friday
9:00am-4:30pm



Contact Info

Rectory Phone

(856) 662-9339

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(856) 662-4679

Emergencies

(856) 261-9336

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(856) 227-2145

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www.StStephensPennsauken.com

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 5, 2014 – The 27th 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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 2015 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

MONDAY 9:00am	October 6, 2014 A Special Intention r/b Family
TUESDAY 9:00am	October 7, 2014 Sebastian & Adeline Canalichio r/b Loretta & Dan Steinmetz and Dr. James Canalichio
WEDNESDAY 9:00am	October 8, 2014 Louis & Josephine Buondonno r/b Daughter, Rose Marie
THURSDAY 9:00am+Novena	October 9, 2014 People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
FRIDAY 9:00am	October 10, 2014 Salvatore Laino r/b Catherine Broome
SATURDAY 4:30pm	October 11, 2014 Ida Fanelle r/b Carmel Naples & Phyllis Mignogna
SUNDAY 9:00am 10:30am	October 12, 2014 George Pims r/b The McHugh Family Joseph Bui r/b The Bui Family William Sauer r/b His Wife, Theresa Rose Miozzi (20 th Anniversary) r/b Anthony, Phyl & Children Deceased Members of the Rocks & Magee Family r/b Family

The Sanctuary Candle this week is for the Good Intentions & Healing of Pat Avis.

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.

Sept. 27/28, 2014 Attendance/Collection	452/	\$4,661
Sept. 28/29, 2013 Comparison	465/	\$4,694
Actual Y-T-D Weekly Average		\$4,800

Special Diocesan Collections:
10/5/14: "Pro Life"
10/19/14: "Mission Sunday"

Prayer Pavers to Our Lady

Congratulations and Thank You to Joan Rhodes for ordering a paver. 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.

First Friday Adoration

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be

Friday, November 7th, 9:45am-7:00pm.



Remember Our Sick

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:

Dolores Afilani, Joy Bowman, Mary Caruso, Yolanda Colafrancesco, Dot Corbett, Joe DeLorenzo, Esther DeMarco, Doris Denuel, Fanny DiBenedetto, Fred Dickson, Patricia Domer, Diane Fesko, Joe Flacco, Nicole Franklin-Sonnie, Joanna Galdo, Richard Gentile, Jr., Richard Gentile, Sr., Thomas Holmes Sr., Margaret Hughes, Marie Kaminski, Debra Knapp, Donna Krawchuk, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Marge Leone, Wanda Loperfido, Maureen Lukasiak, Joann Lunsford, Harry & Mary Ellen Mayer, Cecilia McGonigle, Dorothy McPeak, Debbi Morrissey, Neal Norris, Esther Nunez, Florence O'Connor, Jennifer Osborn, Savaelina Perez, Frank Pigliacelli, Rosemarie Rosolia, Dean & Marie Russell, Loretta Stayton, Kathleen Stehm, Steven Stepanavage, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, John Vindick, Mary Vivello, Anthony Vocale, Dolores VonAlex, Barbara Weingard.

St. Stephen's Prayer Line Belongs to You



We are here to pray for you.
Prayer requests for the month of **October**, please contact Betty @ (856) 662-6928.

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.

Ministry Schedule for October 11/12

* Designates Alternate Server

Saturday, 4:30pm

Altar Servers: J. Bui, S. Surgner
EM's: B. Taylor, C. Pandola, J. Heining, L. Heining
Lectors: J. Heining, L. Heining

Sunday, 9:00am

Altar Servers: O. Graff, M. Conway, Q. Nguyen
EM's: E. Nolte, L. McHugh, L. D'Alessandro, T. Scavuzzo, *S. Marano
Lectors: P. Nolte, W. McHugh

Sunday, 10:30am

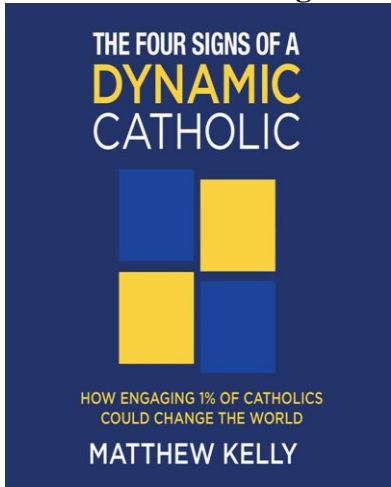
Altar Servers: The Hughes Boys
EM's: L. Solano, Geo. Tutwiler, T. Link, M. Meloni, *T. Mattered
Lectors: P. Cioe, J. Messina

This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 10/6-Monday-9am Mass, 1pm Bible Study
- 10/7-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary,
- 10/8-Wednesday-9am Mass, 6:15pm CCD Classes
- 10/9-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 6pm Wedding Rehearsal, 6:30pm Choirs, 7pm Discussion Club
- 10/10-Friday-9am Mass
- 10/11-Saturday-6:45am Pilgrimage Departure, 9am Men's Group, 2pm Wedding, 3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass
- 10/12-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass, Noon Baptismal Training

Thursday Night Discussion Club Continues this Thursday, October 9th.

We are discussing:



ALL ARE WELCOME TO CONTINUE OUR PARISH DISCUSSION IN PLANNING THE FUTURE OF ST. STEPHEN PARISH.

During our discussion on **PRAYER**, the following prayer was submitted by one of the attendees:

**“O Lord God, Our Father,
Please grant us the blessing
that the bells of
our St. Stephen Church
never be silenced.
We ask this through
Christ our Lord. Amen.”**

During our discussion on **STUDY**, the beginnings of a **Lending Library in the Parish Center** was developed and will be in effect within the next month.

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) 662-9339 or Loretta Steinmetz, RCIA Team Leader at (856) 227-4980 for more information about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

MARIAN Prayer Request for Mary, Undoer of Knots. Offer Mass Intentions for Pilgrimage. Post Now!

Submit Knots!

All are welcome to “submit knots” to Our Lady, Undoer of Knots for the Mass on **October 11th** in Washington, DC (whether you’re going or not). Simply log on to our church website and click on this graphic on the home page.

We would like to invite parishioners who do not have computers to submit their "KNOTS" by writing their prayer intentions and placing the intentions in the basket in the church vestibule. The intentions will be brought to the Shrine and placed in front of an image of Our Lady.

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**.

Mass of Anointing and Healing

Saturday, **October 18, 2014, 10:30 am**, a complimentary Hot Lunch will follow in the Hall. Mass will be celebrated by Msgr. Michael T. Mannion at St. Cecilia Church, (Mary Queen of All Saints Parish), 4824 Camden Avenue, Pennsauken. This Mass is sponsored by The Order of Malta, American Association, Discovery Ministries and several other organizations.

Those experiencing physical, emotional or spiritual issues are especially welcome as well as caregivers, friends and family. For further information please contact: Alberta Peters, 856-665-1385 or Alberta_steph@Comcast.net. (Volunteer help is greatly appreciated in all ministerial areas of Mass)

16th Annual White Mass

On Sunday, **October 19th** we will be celebrating the White Mass for Healthcare Workers and their families in the Chapel of Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center in Camden. The St. Luke Awards for outstanding service in Catholic healthcare within the Diocese of Camden are presented during the Mass. This year’s honorees are Joseph W. Devine, President, Kennedy Health Systems, Saints Peter & Paul Parish, Turnersville, Rev. James J. Durkin, St. Mary’s Catholic Home, David Haggerty LCSW, St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Haddon Twp. Reception will follow Mass. Our keynote speaker will be Rev. Terry Odien and the topic will be “Spiritual Issues in End of Life Care”. If you would like to attend the White Mass, please call 856-342-4150 or Email Katherine.boyer@camdendiocese.org to RSVP.



The Knights of Columbus are looking for vendors for our Christmas theme Craft Fair on Friday and Saturday, November 28th and 29th, at St. Cecilia’s school auditorium. Home-made crafts, baked goods, Christmas decorations and ornaments, sports memorabilia, and whatever else your specialty might be are welcome. **For more information, please call Lonnie Monaco at 609 238-9512.**

BEGINNING MONDAY, OCTOBER 6

Ladies Bible Study

Come and join the St. Stephen Ladies' Bible Study for reflections in God's word, lively discussions, and fun!

When: Mondays from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Where: Stonegate Main Conference Room

Please contact Eileen Heide with any questions.

Phone: 662-8046 email: heides@comcast.net

"The woman who walks with God always reaches her destination"

Bishop Eustace News

Open House and Scholarship/Entrance Exam Information

Bishop Eustace Preparatory School invites students and parents to our Open House on **Sunday, October 19, 2014** from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Experience firsthand our commitment to academic excellence, spiritual development, and personal growth, while touring our college style, 32-acre campus.

We also encourage interested 8th grade students to sit for our Scholarship/Entrance Exam on **Saturday, October 25, 2014** at 8:00 a.m. The fee for the exam is \$25. The eight highest scorers will be offered an academic scholarship. To prepare for scholarship and entrance exam season, we will offer a practice test on **Saturday, October 11, 2014** at 8:30 a.m. It will provide experience with the testing format and identify opportunities for improvement. For more information, please call the Admissions Office at (856) 662-2160, ext. 240, or visit our website at www.eustace.org.

Camden Catholic News

Open House

For 6th, 7th and 8th Graders: **Thursday, October 30 at 6:30 p.m.**

Join us to learn more about our college prep academics, Leadership Academy, championship athletics, and renowned performing, fine and digital arts curriculum. Register online at www.camdenatholic.org/openhouse or call 856-663-2247 ext. 136

Irish Synergy: Girls Leadership Event

For girls in 6th, 7th, and 8th Grades: **Sunday, October 19**

Featuring guest speaker Vice Admiral Nanette DeRenzi '79 JAG USN and workshops to help build your leaderships skills in the classroom, on the stage, and on the field. Details at www.camdenatholic.org.

Paul VI High School News

Paul VI Tours & Touchdowns will be offered on **October 24** (PVI vs. Triton) at 6 PM. Arrive at the PVI football gate by 6 o'clock for a student-guided tour of our beautiful facility, and stay for Friday night football under the lights. Students must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations are appreciated but not required. For more information, please visit our website, www.pvihs.org/Admissions.

Paul VI Scholarship Test will be conducted at Paul VI, on Saturday **October 25th**. 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 25th. 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 the Paul VI website at 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 13, 2014**. Middle school students and their families are invited to meet our faculty, coaches and students, and enjoy special performances by our performing arts groups. Reservations are welcome, but not required. 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.



CHILDREN'S Liturgy of the Word

Beginning on Sunday October 5th at the 10:30 AM Mass, children between the ages of 4 and 7 will be 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 rejoin their parents. We hope that you will allow your children to participate in this religious education experience.

Emotions Anonymous

Emotions Anonymous (EA) announces the beginning of a new chapter. EA is a twelve-step program for emotional wellness and learning to live with unsolved problems. It started on September 11, 2014, and is meeting each week thereafter. **Meetings will be held on Thursday at 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm at 2395 Route 70 West, Cherry Hill, NJ (Bishops View Clubhouse).** Everyone is welcome. For further information call Dave at 856-701-7805.

Collegium Center for Faith & Culture

Join us for these Exciting Events at the newly opened Collegium Center for Faith and Culture at 301 S. White Horse Pike, Haddon Heights, NJ 08035. **For more information Contact Brenda Quinn at olvbquinn@aol.com or 856-534-0400. Events are free of charge. (No children under 14).**

Oct. 5, 2014, 7:00PM - "Ask a Priest Night"

Have you ever wanted to know something about the Catholic Faith, but didn't know who to ask or maybe were too embarrassed to ask? This will be your chance to learn the answers. Or maybe you just want to see if you can stump our Priest panel!

Oct. 18, 2014, 8:00PM - Coffee House

Come and be entertained and inspired by the musical talent of Natalie Acciani while sipping coffee and enjoying the company of new and old friends.

Oct. 24, 2014, 7:00PM - "The Persecuted Church in England"

The Truth Behind Bloody Mary and Queen Elizabeth"
Presented by Fr. Joseph Szolack

Nov. 7, 2014, 7:00PM - "Meet the Saints Nights"

Where you will not only be able to venerate relics, but learn about some amazing people who were close friends to God. What are some of the virtues that we should be emulating in order to grow closer to Our Lord? Hosted by Fr. Fred Link

Nov. 21, 2014, 7:00PM - "Spiritual Jiu-Jitsu"

Using the enemy's tactics of distraction and temptation against him."
Presented by Fr. Kevin Mohan

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has asked that parishes throughout the world pray for the success of the Extraordinary Synod that will meet in Rome October 5-19:

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendor of true love,
to you we turn with trust.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic Churches.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again
experience violence, rejection and division:
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.*

*Holy Family of Nazareth,
may the approaching Synod of Bishops
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability
of the family,
and its beauty in God's plan.*

*Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
graciously hear our prayer.*

Amen.



October CAP Dates

The 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 *CAP's Bullying Prevention Program* 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 cybersphere. **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 **October**:

CAP Phase 1

Friday, October 17, 2014, 1:30pm, St. Joseph Regional School, Somers Point

Saturday, October 18, 2014, 10:00am, Newman House, Glassboro

Monday, October 20, 2014, 7:00pm, Our Lady Star of the Sea School, Atlantic City

Thursday, October 23, 2014, 7:00pm, St. Mary, Cherry Hill, Parish Hall

CAP Phase 2 – Bullying Prevention

Wednesday, October 15, 2014, 7:00pm, Our Lady of Peace, Williamstown, Marion Hall

Monday, October 20, 2014, 7:00pm, Christ the Good Shepherd, Vineland, Sacred Heart Church Hall

CAP Phase 3 – Cyber Empowerment

Thursday, October 23, 2014, 7:00pm, Assumption School, Galloway, Cafeteria

Wednesday, October 29, 2014, 7:00pm, Our Lady of Peace, Williamstown, Assumption Hall

Thursday, October 30, 2014, 7:00pm, St. Katharine Drexel, Egg Harbor Twp. , Parish Life Center

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 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

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER PLEASE CALL THE LOCATION DIRECTLY.