

St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

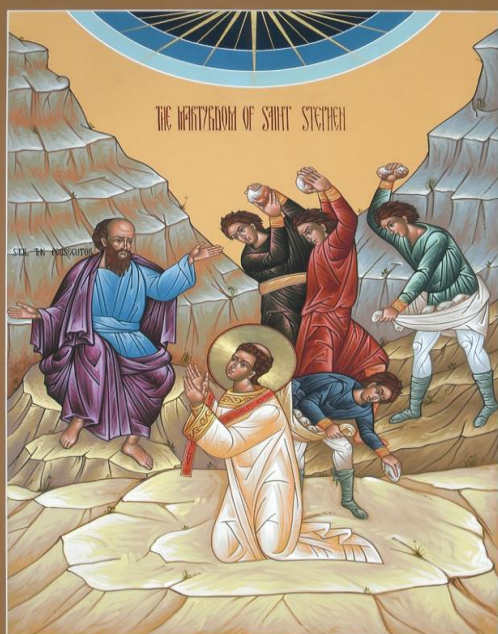
Pastoral Staff

Reverend Daniel M. Rocco
Pastor

Mrs. Suzanne Underwood
Coordinator of
Religious Education

Parish Trustees
Keith Knight
Earl Nolte

Rectory Office Hours
Monday–Friday 9am-4:30pm
*Closed All Holy Days of Obligation
and Holidays except Veterans Day*



Contact Info

Rectory Phone
(856) 662-9339

Rectory Fax
(856) 662-4679

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

Parish Email:
ecclesia@comcast.net

Parish Website:
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.*

The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 7, 2018

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 2019 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

SUNDAY	October 7, 2018
9:00am	Paul & Rita Pennestri r/b Jim Pennestri
10:30am	Edie Ryan r/b Bill & Suzanne Underwood
MONDAY	October 8, 2018
9:00am	Ida Petulla (Birthday Remembrance) r/b M/M/ Charles Gugliotta
TUESDAY	October 9, 2018
9:00am	Carmella Greene r/b Sam & Nancy Loperfido
WEDNESDAY	October 10, 2018
9:00am	Clorina L. Hernandez (1 st Anniversary) r/b Dora Perez
THURSDAY	October 11, 2018
9:00am/Novena	People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
FRIDAY	October 12, 2018
9:00am	Chris Picciano (Birthday Remembrance) r/b Nick Picciano
SATURDAY	October 13, 2018
4:30pm	Leo Russell Gerst r/b Joseph & Jennifer Woolston
SUNDAY	October 14, 2018
9:00am	Ann Kershner r/b Anthony & Rosemarie Leone
10:30am	William Sauer r/b His Family Vincent Barone r/b Virginia DiLaurentis

	<p>The Sanctuary Candle this week is <i>In Memory of</i> The Unborn Children</p>
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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.

September 29/30, 2018 Offertory Collection: \$4,241
2018-2019 Weekly Offertory Target: \$4,600
Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving: \$4,097

Upcoming Special Collections / Envelopes:

October 7: "Pro-Life" (Diocese)
 October 21: "World Mission Sunday" (Diocese)

STONEGATE II Hotline

If you are interested in filling out an application for the new Stonegate II apartments, you may call (856) 342-4187 and leave your NAME, ADDRESS and PHONE NUMBER. A Diocesan Housing representative will then return your call with additional instructions & information.



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:

Raymond Amatrudo, Jr., Alice Jean Baylor,
 Anna Buono, Edmund Ciccarone, Carol Cranmer,
 Joseph Gerst, Pat Gruber, Pricilla Handy,
 Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Sandra Lippi, Katelyn Lum,
 Sam & Nancy Loperfido, Ken Maminski,
 Joy and Ed Morrisson, Sue Ott, Rich Passaro,
 Andy Salmonsens, Nancy Sonnie, Callum Steinmetz,
 Rick Taylor, Frances Vocale, Barbara Weingard.

Ministry Schedule for October 13/14

Saturday, 4:30pm

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

Lectors: D. Steinmetz, B. Mattia

Sunday, 9:00am

EM's: R. Davis, R. Leone, E. Nolte, T. Modzier, L. D'Alessandro

Lectors: Joan R., Jared R.

Sunday, 10:30am

EM's: J. Messina, G. Tutwiler, T. Angstman, S. Underwood, W. Delfin

Lectors: M. McHugh, M. Miller

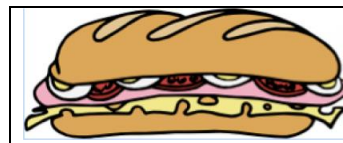
LIFE CHAIN October 7th

Annual Life Chain will be held on Respect Life Sunday October 7 in Cherry Hill at 1014 Haddonfield Road and Sherwood Avenue from 1:30 to 3:00 PM. We peacefully pray and hold signs for life. Come and go as time allows. Families are welcome.

DIOCESAN MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

Saturday, October 13, 2018

The cost is \$25.00 per person. The bus leaves Mary Queen of All Saints parking lot at 7:00am and arrives in Washington, D.C. about 10:00am. Lunch and confessions will take place from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Mass is at 3:00pm. We will leave Washington, D.C., 4:00pm to return back to the Parish. **Please call Mary Queen of All Saints rectory at 856-662-2721 for tickets.**



Knights of Columbus,
Council 3512
Hoagie Sale

As a charity fundraiser, our Knights of Columbus council will be selling fresh hoagies @ \$5.00 & \$6.00 each after all Masses the weekend of **October 13 & 14.**

For info call 856-227-4980.

This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 10/8-Monday-9am Mass, Rectory Closed Columbus Day**
- 10/9-Tue-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary, 7pm Liturgy, 7:30pm Councils**
- 10/10-Wednesday-9am Mass, 6:15pm CCD Classes**
- 10/11-Thurs.-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion Club**
- 10/12-Friday-9am Mass**
- 10/13-Saturday-3:45pm Confessions, 4:30pm Mass**
- 10/14-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass**

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 this Wednesday @ 6:15pm.

Thursday Night Discussion Club
Continues this Thursday @ 7:00pm.

We'll be discussing:
"The Catholic Theological Union Lecture Series: Rediscovering Vatican II"

First Friday Adoration

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be
Friday, November 2nd
9:45am-7:00pm.



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 (856) 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 rejoin their parents. We hope that you will allow your children to participate in this religious education experience.

Choir – New Members Welcome!

St. Stephen's Music Ministry cordially invites you to consider joining our Music Ministry family. Choir gathers in the church on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm, with rehearsals lasting 60-90 minutes. If you want to share your talents, please contact Mrs. Nancy Werner-Kaiser through the Rectory Office.

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 Maryann:
856-333-6525.



On Monday October 8th we will observe Columbus Day, a national holiday. The Rectory and all Diocesan offices will be closed.

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Paul VI High School Events

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 27th**. 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 27th. For more information, and to register for the test, please visit our website, www.pvihs.org/Admissions.

Paul VI presents Tours & Touchdowns on Friday Oct. 19th. 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. For more information, 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 15th**. 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

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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Plants need fertilizer to grow healthy and strong and so too does your marriage. Without some nurturing and care it will remain weak and unfulfilling. Spread a little fertilizer on your relationship. Make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and watch your love for each other grow. The next weekend dates are **Oct 19-21 and Dec 7-9, 2018**. Call 609-741-8012 for information or email applications@wwme-southjersey.org. Visit our website: wwme-southjersey.org.

Camden Catholic High School Events

Designer Bag Bingo: October 12

Pisa Dining Hall @ CCHS. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. First game begins at 7 p.m. \$25 in advance. \$35 at the door. Purchase tickets www.camdenatholic.org or email noemi.merenyi@camdenatholic.org to reserve tickets. Tickets include 10 games and 50/50. One purse winner each game! And door prizes! One special purse will be raffled off. Bring your own appetizers and refreshments.

Camden Catholic High School Open House

Thursday, **October 25** at 6:30 p.m. 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 learn more about our "Strong Ties. Inspiring Journeys."

RSVP online: www.camdenatholic.org/admissionsevents.

Camden Catholic High School Scholarship & High School Placement Test

Saturday, **November 3** 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.

Camden Catholic High School's Class of '73

Will be holding their 45th class reunion

On Saturday October 20, 2018

7-11 pm at the CCHS Dining Hall

Dinner Buffet, DJ & Cash Bar

For more information please email

gloria.maccaroni@verizon.net by 10/6

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Good Counsel's 12th Annual Banquet

THURSDAY, October 25, 6:00-9:00pm

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YOU are invited to attend Good Counsel 12th Annual Fund Raising Banquet to benefit the homeless, pregnant mothers and the babies of our South Jersey Home. Our key note speakers are John and Donna Kurtz, "hearts for a family as big as the world." There will be a special tribute to William Klatt, co-founder of the Riverside Home. Come and hear one of the many success stories of a Good Counsel mom and how, through your financial support, she now has hope for her future. **Reservations are required.** Please contact Silvana Cowden at banquet@goodcounselhomes.org or call 201.795.0637 or register online at www.goodcounselhomes.org/sj. Ask friends to join you and we will reserve a table of 10 just for you! The event is free but opportunities to give will be presented during the evening. Celebrate the miracles of our Riverside home with us. We look forward to seeing you.



The Following Campaign Chairpersons are Needed:

2 Campaign Co-Chairpersons, 1 Campaign Secretary
1 Leadership Gifts Chairperson, 1 Major Gifts Chairperson
1 Advance Gifts/Reception Chairperson

If interested, please call the Rectory Office @ 856-662-9339, x6.

The Campaign chairperson(s) plays an integral role in the success of the campaign by overseeing the campaign in partnership with the pastor or pastoral administrator. It is recommended that a parish recruit two individuals or families to co-chair the campaign. The campaign chairperson(s) should: Be a demonstrated leader who is identified with success. Know the parish well. Have excellent donor potential. **Duties & Responsibilities:** The campaign chairperson(s) should be willing to dedicate three to four hours each week to the campaign. For the initial weeks of the campaign timetable, additional time may be required. The campaign chairperson(s) may have the following weekly campaign obligations: Coordinate the *Catholic Strong Campaign* in his/her parish in conjunction with the pastor or pastoral administrator and the campaign director. Make a personal commitment to the campaign and consider a pace-setting, leadership gift. Assist in identifying and visiting with Leadership and Major gifts families. Assist with the implementation of the Leadership and Major Gifts Phases with the pastor or pastoral administrator and Major Gifts Phase chairpersons. Assist in leading the program and motivating others to work for the campaign. Encourage all volunteers to follow the procedures outlined in the campaign plan. Participate in the weekly planning meeting with the pastor or pastoral administrator, campaign director and other Campaign Leadership Committee members, as necessary. Lead the weekly report and/or training meeting with parish volunteers. Serve as a visible lay leader for the campaign through recruitment efforts.

The Leadership Gifts chairperson(s) plays an integral role in the success of the campaign by overseeing the Leadership Gifts Phase (\$50,000+) of the campaign in partnership with the pastor, pastoral administrator and campaign chairperson(s). It is recommended that a parish recruit one to two individuals or families to chair the Leadership Gifts Phase.

The Major Gifts chairperson(s) plays an integral role in the success of the campaign by overseeing the Major Gifts Phase (\$25,000+) of the campaign. It is recommended that a parish recruit two individuals or families to co-chair the Major Gifts Phase.

The Advance Gifts chairperson(s) plays an integral role in the success of the campaign by overseeing the Advance Gifts Phase (\$10,000) of the campaign. It is recommended that a parish recruit two individuals or families to co-chair the Advance Gifts Phase.

The Campaign Secretary is a well-organized and detail-oriented person who is comfortable adding and tracking figures. This person should be an enthusiastic supporter of the campaign case and plan, and should have a thorough knowledge of the parish. The campaign secretary should be willing to dedicate three to four hours each week to the campaign, and may have the following weekly campaign obligations: Provide the campaign office with changes/updates to the parish roster to ensure accurate campaign related materials for the parish, including the pledge cards. Make a sacrificial gift to the campaign. Assist in coordinating lists as they relate to Leadership, Major, Advance, and Special gifts prospects. Maintain parish records for the campaign. Audit completed pledge cards and initial checks for accurate gift and payment information. Prepare the Weekly Transmittal Report and submit it to the campaign office by email, telephone, or fax by 1pm every Thursday. Coordinate with the parish secretary to send completed pledge cards and initial payment checks to the campaign office on a weekly basis. Attend weekly parish campaign meetings. Participate in one weekly report and/or training meeting with campaign volunteers during all phases of solicitation. Participate in the weekly planning meeting with the pastor or pastoral administrator, campaign director, and other Campaign Leadership Committee members, as necessary.