

# St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

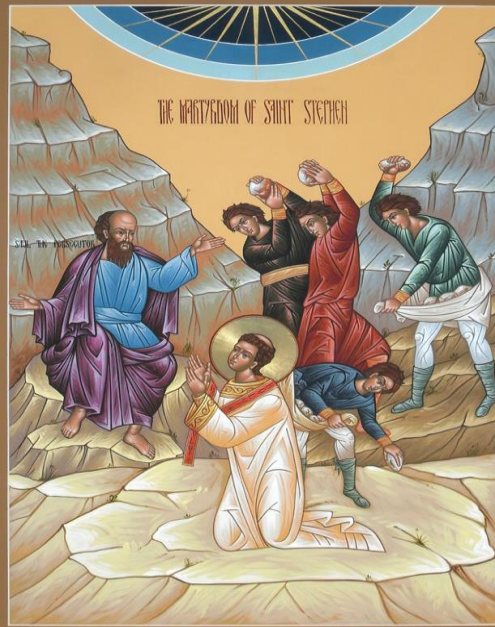
## ***Pastoral Staff***

**Reverend Daniel M. Rocco**  
Pastor

**Mrs. Suzanne Underwood**  
Coordinator of  
Religious Education

**Parish Trustees**  
Keith Knight  
Earl Nolte

**Rectory Office Hours**  
Monday - Friday  
9:00am - 4:30pm



## ***Contact Info***

**Rectory Phone**  
(856) 662-9338

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

**Parish Email**  
[ecclesia@comcast.net](mailto:ecclesia@comcast.net)

**Parish Website**  
[StStephensPennsauken.com](http://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 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 17, 2019***

**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 2020 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 17, 2019</b>
9:00am	William Blumenstein (100 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Remembrance) r/b The McHugh Family
10:30am	-Juana Xiomwa Kenney r/b Anthony Midili & Lisa Medio -Frances Vocale r/b Kathy Brown -Frank Pigliacelli (96 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Remembrance) r/b Daughter Nanci Sinclair and the Pigliacelli Family
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>November 18, 2019</b>
9:00am	All Souls Listed on Our Envelopes on the Altar
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>November 19, 2019</b>
9:00am	Roswell D. Holmes Sr. (Birthday Remembrance) r/b Priscilla Handy
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>November 20, 2019</b>
9:00am	All Souls Listed on Our Envelopes on the Altar
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>November 21, 2019</b>
9:00am/Novena	Robert T. Hansen, Jr. r/b People of the Parish
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>November 22, 2019</b>
9:00am	All Souls Listed on Our Envelopes on the Altar
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>November 23, 2019</b>
4:30pm	All Souls Listed on Our Envelopes on the Altar
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>November 24, 2019</b>
9:00am	Dominic Caruso r/b Jim Pennestri
10:30am	Gertrude V. Cavallo r/b Donald Mignone Rosina Midili r/b The Midili Family Frank & Susie Furlano r/b The Midili Family



**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.

<b>November 9/10 Offertory Collection:</b>	<b>\$4,587</b>
<b>2019-2020 Weekly Offertory Target:</b>	<b>\$4,500</b>
<b>Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving:</b>	<b>\$3,821</b>

**Next Special Collection:**

**November 24<sup>th</sup>: "Collection for National Needs"**  
(Includes Catholic Communication, Catholic University, Black & Native American Missions, and Military Services)

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**Stonegate II Applications Available!**  
**See Page 4 for Details!**

## 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:

- Ted Anderson, Ralph Baylor, Grace Becker, Mary Bumbalow, Anna Buono, Patrick Carr, John Christy, Edmund Ciccarone, Melissa Connelly, Athan Criaris, Fanny DiBenedetto, Joseph Gerst, Pat Gruber, Priscilla Handy, Ronald Heck, Wayne Hocking, Donna Kane, James Kelly, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Rosemarie Leonardo, Sandra Lippi, Katelyn Lum, Nancy Loperfido, Ken Maminski, Tom McFadden, Larry Miller, John Moffett, Joy and Ed Morrisson, Yvonne Mulhern, Rich Passaro, Rich Pilla, Dean & Mary Russell, Nancy Sonnie, Bill Spicher, Rick Taylor, Peggy Tepper, Adelaide Travia, Rita Vogt, Barbara Weingard, Tom Weingard, Emily Wilson.

### Ministry Schedule – November 23/24

**Saturday, 4:30pm**

**EM's:** A. Knight, A. Cirullo, V. Thibault  
**Lectors:** J. Gerst, D. Steinmetz

**Sunday, 9:00am**

**EM's:** E. Nolte, L. McHugh, R. Davis, L. D'Alessandro  
**Lectors:** M. McHugh, Joan Rivera

**Sunday, 10:30am**

**EM's:** D. Urgo, T. Scavuzzo, S. Underwood, T. Urgo  
**Lector:** J. Messina



### **Thanksgiving Liturgy Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>**

On Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm, we will celebrate our annual Thanksgiving Liturgy. This regular event in our parish over many years is a wonderful experience of prayer, singing and celebrating all for which we have to thank Almighty God. Loaves of bread will be blessed as a way of extending the blessing of the Eucharist to your Thanksgiving tables.

## This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 11/18-Monday-9am Mass
- 11/19-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
- 11/20-Wednesday-9am Mass, 6:15pm CCD Classes
- 11/21-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion Club
- 11/22- Friday--9am Mass
- 11/23--Saturday-3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass
- 11/24--Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass

### Tuesday Night Rosary

**To Jesus through Mary 7:00-7:30pm @ Church**  
 "Some people are so foolish that they think they can go through life without the help of the Blessed Mother. Love the rosary, for the rosary is a weapon against the evils of the world today. All graces given by God pass through the Blessed Mother."  
 -St. Padre Pio

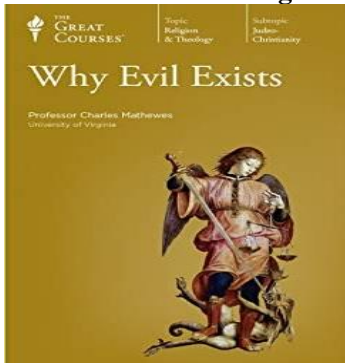
### Wednesday Night CCD Classes

Continue November 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm

### Thursday Night Discussion Club

Continues November 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm in the Rectory

We'll be discussing:

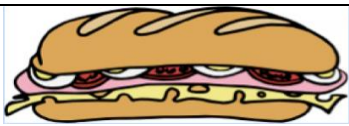


### First Friday Adoration

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be **Friday, Dec. 6 - 9:45am-7:00pm.**



### 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 **December 7 & 8.**  
 For info call 856-227-4980.

## 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](http://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.

## Choir – New Members Welcome!

St. Stephen's Music Ministry cordially invites you to consider joining our Music Ministry family. Our Choir meets 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](mailto:Ciarrocca@juno.com).

## St. Stephen's Prayer Line Belongs to You

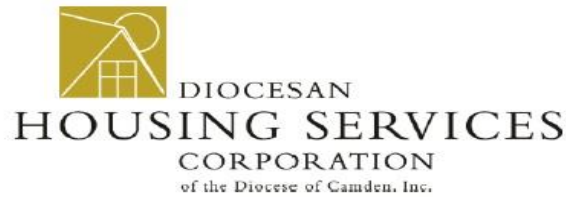


**We are here to pray for you.**  
 For Prayer Requests in November contact **Diane @ 856-308-8224.**



**Need a Ride to Church?**

The Missionary Discipleship Committee is sponsoring a volunteer program to give people who need it a free ride to church as often as needed. If interested, please call **(856) 662-9339, Ext. 6, Monday-Friday 9am-4pm.**



## Stonegate at St. Stephen – Phase II

Stonegate at St. Stephen - Phase II will soon be accepting applications for occupancy at the newly constructed 68-unit, one bedroom and two bedroom apartment building located at 6312 Browning Road, Pennsauken, NJ 08109.

Applications are currently available for **weekday** pick-up from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Diocesan Housing Services Corporation, 1845 Haddon Avenue, Camden, NJ 08103. Interested parties may also call (856) 342-4187 to request applications by mail. We will begin accepting applications on **November 18, 2019**.

To be eligible the head of household must be 55 years of age or older and household income may not exceed \$37,860 for a one-person household and \$43,260 for a two-person household. Rent for a one-bedroom unit is \$843.00 per month and rent for a two-bedroom unit is \$1025.00 per month. Two-bedroom units are restricted to households consisting of at least two persons and/or individuals with a live-in aide.

Typical one-bedroom layout:



**Completed applications must be submitted by mail or hand delivery to the address below. Applications will not be accepted by Fax.**

**Diocesan Housing Services Corporation  
ATTN: Katherine Boyer  
1845 Haddon Avenue  
Camden, New Jersey 08103 Telephone: 856-342-4187**



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# CONNECTING THE DOTS..... WRITING AND SHARING YOUR OWN FAITH STORY

## WHY SHOULD I ATTEND?

*Jesus commissions us to "go therefore and make disciples of all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." Mt 28:19-20*

Have you ever found yourself in a situation where you were asked a question about your Catholic faith, and you felt uncomfortable answering? Have you ever wished that you could speak easily with others about the amazing gifts God has brought into your life?

For most of us it's easy to talk about a comfortable subject; like a movie or a restaurant. But when it comes to sharing our faith with others we seem to lose our voice!

Leading others to Jesus is easier than you think, and this short workshop can provide you with the tools you need to become an effective evangelizer. Writing your own faith story is a great starting point!

By the end of the workshop, you will have developed, written, and practiced sharing your own personal journey of faith. You will be guided to reflect on key moments in your life and to recognize how the Holy Spirit, family, friends, and complete strangers may have been influencers in your journey.

*"No matter how ordinary, may seem, each of us has a faith story to tell, and we will never know how it can help others until we get the courage to tell it."*

### WHEN:

**Monday, November 18  
7:00pm—9:00pm**

**Light Refreshments Served**

### WHERE:

**Saint Stephen's Church  
6306 Browning Road  
Pennsauken, NJ 08109**

**PRESENTED BY:  
Deacon Anthony Cioe**

**TO REGISTER, OR  
FOR MORE  
INFORMATION:**

**Saint Stephen's  
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