

# St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

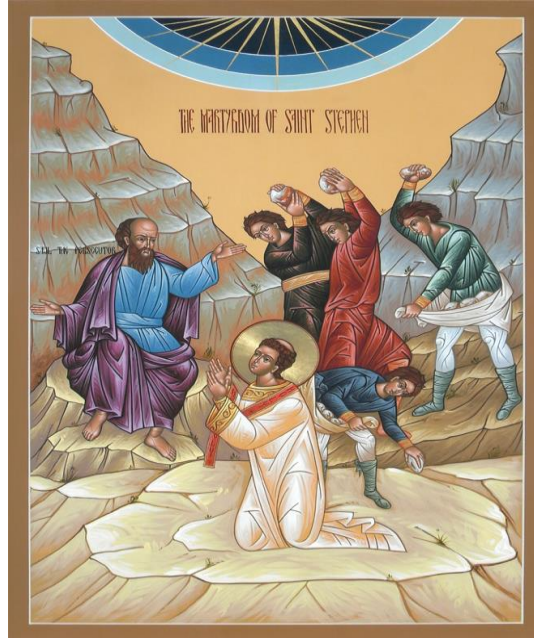
## Pastoral Staff

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) 662-9339

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 Fourth Sunday of Easter – May 12, 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> 9:00am	<b>May 12, 2019 (Mother's Day)</b> Josephine Buondonno r/b Her Daughter
10:30am	Rosina Midili r/b Anthony & Susan Midili Susie Furlano r/b Anthony & Susan Midili William Sauer r/b His Family Walter Kittel r/b Rich & Elaine Faunce
<b>MONDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>May 13, 2019</b> Louise Cirullo r/b Her Daughter
<b>TUESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>May 14, 2019</b> Anthony Patrone r/b Maria & Joe Haas
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>May 15, 2019</b> People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
<b>THURSDAY</b> 9:00am/Novena	<b>May 16, 2019</b> In Honor of Kathy Capps' Birthday r/b The Rocco Family
<b>FRIDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>May 17, 2019</b> Reynold Caramiello r/b The Rocco Family
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:30pm	<b>May 18, 2019</b> Jean Burns & Kathleen Fagan r/b Barb & Ed Weingard
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>May 19, 2019</b> John Papiano r/b Jim Pennestrì
10:30am	William Doherty r/b Leni Zinicola



**The Sanctuary Candle  
this week is in Memory of  
*Our Deceased Mothers***

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.

**May 4/5 Offertory Collection: \$4,233**  
**2018-2019 Weekly Offertory Target: \$4,600**  
**Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving: \$4,309**

Next Special Collection / Envelope:  
**July 7: "Holy Father/Peter's Pence"**

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## 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 & info.



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:  
Dee Afilani, Ted Anderson, Mary Bumbalow, Anna Buono, Patrick Carr, John Christy, Edmund Ciccarone, Carol Cranmer, Fanny DiBenedetto, Joseph Gerst, Pat Gruber, Pricilla Handy, Donna Kane, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSI, Sandra Lippi, Katelyn Lum, Nancy Loperfido, Ken Maminski, Larry Miller, Joy and Ed Morrisson, Sue Ott, Rich Passaro, Nancy Sonnie, Callum Steinmetz, Rick Taylor, Adelaide Travia, Frances Vocale, Barbara Weingard, Tom Weingard, Emily Wilson.

## Ministry Schedule for May 18/19

### Saturday, 4:30pm

EM's: A. Knight, V. Thibault, A. Cirullo, Sr. Eleanora

Lectors: R. Taylor, B. Mattia

### Sunday, 9:00am

EM's: M. Conway, L. McHugh, R. Leone, E. Nolte

Lectors: Jared Rivera, Joan Rivera

### Sunday, 10:30am

EM's: J. Fagan, T. Scavuzzo, S. Underwood, G. Tutwiler, W. Delfin

Lectors: R. Aleszczyk, M. Miller

## Knights of Columbus Immaculate Conception Council 3512

is holding an

## Open House/Social Evening \*INVITATION\*

### WHERE:

**Knights Room**

**Mary Queen of All Saints Parish Rectory  
4900 Camden Avenue  
Pennsauken, NJ 08110**

### WHEN:

**Monday night, May 20, 2019**

### TIME:

**7:30 PM to 8:30 PM**

Open to all Catholic Men ages 18 and up

**For further information contact:**

**George B. Tutwiler at 609-634-3631**

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

- 5/13-Monday-9am Mass
- 5/14-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
- 5/15-Wednesday-9am Mass
- 5/16-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion Club
- 5/17-Friday-9am Mass
- 5/18-Saturday-3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass
- 5/19-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass

### ***Tuesday Night Rosary***

**To Jesus through Mary 7:00-7:30pm @ Church**

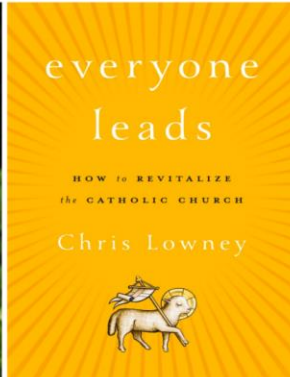
“Some people are so foolish that they think they can go through life without the help of the Blessed Mother. Love the rosary, for the rosary is a weapon against the evils of the world today. All graces given by God pass through the Blessed Mother.” -**St. Padre Pio**

### ***Wednesday Night CCD Classes***

Will Resume in September

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

**Continues May 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm. We'll be discussing:**

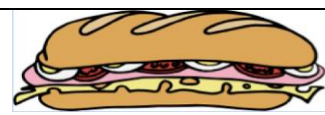


### ***First Friday Adoration***

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be **Friday, June 7, 2019 9:45am-7:00pm.**



### ***Knights of Columbus, Council 3512***



**Next Hoagie Sale: June 8 & 9**

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 **June 8 & 9.**  
**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***



### **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](mailto: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 May contact **Bernadette @ 609-220-6359**

## Paul VI High School News

Paul VI High School Summer Programs are open for registration now! Offerings include

- High School Programs for Sat Prep & College Planning
- Middle School Programs for Creative Writing, Robotics, Computer Coding & HSPT Prep
- Sports Camps for Baseball, Field Hockey, Softball, Golf and Girls' Basketball

For more information, please visit [www.pvihs.org](http://www.pvihs.org), under the STUDENT LIFE tab, or email Mr. Matt Screnci, [mscrenci@pvihs.org](mailto:m screnci@pvihs.org)

**Paul VI High School Girls Basketball Junior Skills Camp** will be held at the school **July 15-18**, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Girls entering grades 6 – 9 will have the opportunity to focus on skill development, basketball fundamentals and “IQ”, all while cultivating a healthy team attitude. Full 4-day camp rate is \$150 per athlete, or \$100 per athlete if registering 3 or more. For more information, contact Paul VI Head Varsity Girls Basketball Coach Lisa Steele, [lsteale@pvihs.org](mailto:lsteale@pvihs.org).

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## Memorial Day Mass Schedule

*Remembering Those Who Have Served  
and Who Have Gone Before Us*

Memorial Day Masses are held in most of our Catholic cemeteries to honor those who have served our country and paid the ultimate sacrifice. Please join us on May 27. For a complete listing of locations and times, please visit us at [SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org](http://SouthJerseyCatholicCemeteries.org).

*“I command you: be strong and steadfast!  
Do not fear nor be dismayed,  
for the LORD your God, is with you wherever you go.”*



**SOUTH JERSEY CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**

*Your Choice † Your Privilege † Your Right*

## Gloucester Catholic H. S. News

Become a “Ram for the Day”. Schedule a shadow day by visiting [www.gchsrams.org](http://www.gchsrams.org) and click on the Ram for a day link. You can also email Mr. Tom Flynn in the Admissions office [tflynn@gchsrams.org](mailto:tflynn@gchsrams.org).

The Fr. Sullivan Golf Tournament will be held at the Pitman Golf Club on **Monday, June 17th**. Registration will begin at 12 noon. A putting contest will precede the 1:30 shotgun start. As usual, our format will be best ball of foursome. This golf tournament is named for Rev. John Sullivan who spent over twenty years of his life serving the Gloucester Catholic community. “Sully” was a friend to all who came in contact with him. We name the tournament in his honor to carry on the spirit of commitment that he gave to Gloucester Catholic. Profit from this tournament help fund Alumni Scholarships and the Athletic Department. For more information please contact Pat Moughan 609-970-1822 or via e-mail at [patrickmoughan@gmail.com](mailto:patrickmoughan@gmail.com)

Congratulations to the following students from our parish who achieved honor roll status for the third quarter:

**Nathaniel Arroliga & Michael Schmid**

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## Catholic Business Executives: Legatus is for you!

The Camden Diocese Chapter of Legatus is looking for Catholic business leaders who would like to strengthen their faith in their business, professional, and personal lives with their spouses alongside their peer Catholic executives.

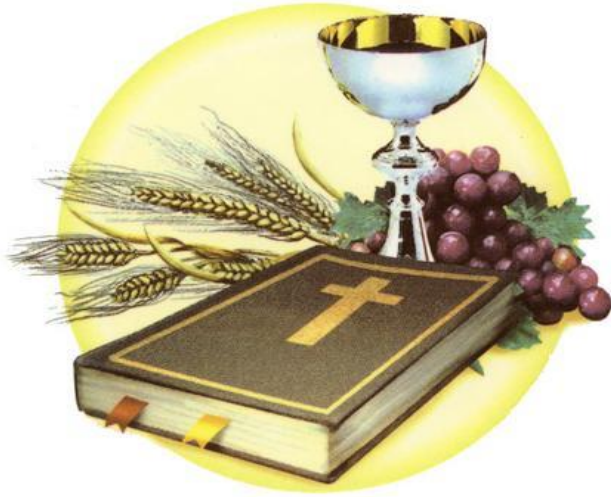
Founded by Tom Monaghan in 1987, Legatus is the only organization in the world designed specifically by and for Catholic business leaders. The Providence Chapter has flourished since 2006 and is a very special community. Members meet monthly for unforgettable events that feature Mass, dinner, and an inspiring presentation from a guest speaker.

For more information on the Legatus membership criteria and the Providence chapter, contact John Knowles at (215) 262-3832 or [jknowles@legatus.org](mailto:jknowles@legatus.org).



**Ambassadors for Christ in the Marketplace**  
[www.legatus.org](http://www.legatus.org)

## ***Congratulations to our First Communicants!***



The following students of St. Stephen Parish received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on May 5<sup>th</sup>. We wish to thank our CRE **Mrs. Suzanne Underwood**, our Sacramental Prep teacher **Mrs. Terry Scavuzzo**, and all those who helped make this celebration a blessed day. Please keep these children in your prayers:

***Maura Aaron  
Justice Balmes  
Zoey Cooks  
Benjamin Filachek  
Shelby Jensen  
Elijah Rivers  
Miles Romen  
Shayla Umansky  
Enjalyse Saenz  
Eric Saenz  
Mireina Saenz***

## ***Happy Mother's Day!***

We're pleased to present  
this wonderful Mother's Day Mug  
to all Mothers and Mothers-to-be this year.



### **Gracious God,**

We thank you for adopting us into your family through the miracle of your grace, and for calling us to be brothers and sisters to each other.

### **Today, loving God,**

#### **we pray for our Mothers:**

- who cared for us when we were helpless.
- who comforted us when we were hurt.
- whose love and care we often took for granted.

#### **Today we pray for:**

- those who are grieving the loss of their mother.
- those who never knew their biological mother, and now yearn for her.
- those who have experienced the wonder of an adopted mother's love.
- those families separated by war or conflict.

Lord, give them special blessings.

Keep us united with you and with each other, so that we can be and become all that we are meant to be.  
**Amen.**