

St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

Pastoral Staff

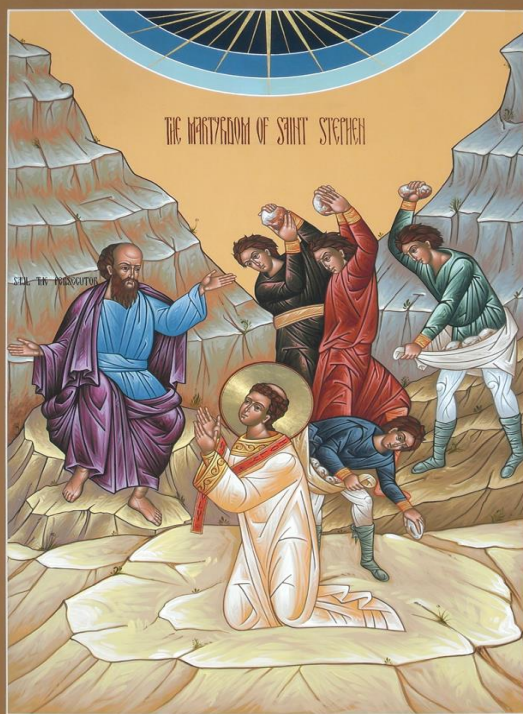
Reverend Daniel M. Rocco
Pastor

Rev. Mr. Anthony R. Cioe
Permanent Deacon

Mrs. Suzanne Underwood
Coordinator of
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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

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(856) 261-9336
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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.*

May 24, 2015 – Pentecost Sunday

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 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. 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 2016 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

MONDAY 9:00am	May 25, 2015 (Memorial Day) Our Military Troops – Living & Deceased
TUESDAY 9:00am	May 26, 2015 (All Ordained May 26, 1990) For the Good Intentions of Fathers Daniel Rocco, David Klein, and Joseph Adamson
WEDNESDAY 9:00am	May 27, 2015 Mary Leone r/b Anthony & Rosemarie Leone
THURSDAY 9:00am+Novena	May 28, 2015 People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
FRIDAY 9:00am	May 29, 2015 Rev. Msgr. Patrick S. Chiarilli r/b People of the Parish
SATURDAY 4:30pm	May 30, 2015 Nicola & Rosa Picciano r/b Nick Picciano
SUNDAY 9:00am	May 31, 2015 John Papiano r/b Jim Pennestri
10:30am	Fred & Georgette Rocco r/b Their Son, Daniel William R. Moffa (Birthday Remembrance) r/b Aunt Phyl Mignogna & Cousin Carmel Naples Deceased Members of the Rocks & Magee Family r/b Family

The Sanctuary Candle this week is In Memory of Our Deceased Military.

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 16/17, 2015 Collection:	\$5,135
2014-2015 Weekly Collection Target:	\$5,000
Actual Y-T-D Weekly Collection Average:	\$4,970

Next Special Collection:

June 14, 2015: "Brazilian Missions" (Diocese)
(Posted as a courtesy to our 20+ E-Givers)

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## 2015 House of Charity Appeal

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| 2015 House of Charity y-t-d | \$22,175 (42% ) |
| 2015 House of Charity Goal  | \$53,295        |

Let a gift to the House of Charity allow the fire of love to grow in you. Your donation helps ensure that vital programs continue, which not only give financial support but also teaches others how to improve their difficult situations and become more independent.

**Thank you to the 95 families that have given generously thus far.**

If you have not pledged as yet, extra pledge cards are available in the lobby of our church outside the Sacristy.



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, Eleanor Becker, Joy Bowman, Yolanda Colafrancesco, John Coyle, Dot Corbett, Joe DeLorenzo, Esther DeMarco, Doris Denuel, Fanny DiBenedetto, Fred Dickson, Patricia Domer, Joseph Fagan, Joe Flacco, Nicole Franklin-Sonnie, Joanna Galdo, Richard Gentile, Jr., Richard Gentile, Sr., Joseph Gerst, Gregory Hayes, Thomas Holmes Sr., John Howard, Marie Kaminski, Debra Knapp, Donna Krawchuk, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Marge Leone, Wanda Loperfido, Joann Lunsford, Harry & Mary Ellen Mayer, Cecilia McGonigle, Denise McHugh, Dorothy McPeak, Neal Norris, Esther Nunez, Florence O'Connor, Margie Ogden, Jennifer Osborn, Savaelina Perez, Frank Pigliacelli, Tanya Robinson & Son Joseph, Rosemarie Rosolia, Dean & Marie Russell, Steven Stepanavage, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, Donna Jean Vinciquerro, Mary Viviello, Dolores VonAlex, Doreen Warble, Barbara Weingard.**

## Ministry Schedule for May 30/31

Monthly schedules are also available on our website.

\* Designates Alternate Server

### Saturday, 4:30pm

Altar Server: J. Bui

EM's: A. Cirullo, Sr. Eleanora, B. Taylor, V. Thibault, \*L. Heining

Lector: R. Taylor

### Sunday, 9:00am

Altar Servers: B. McHugh, M. Conway

EM's: E. Nolte, T. Modzier, L. D'Alessandro, M. Miller, \*S. Marano

Lector: D. Steinmetz

### Sunday, 10:30am

Altar Servers: C. Aleszczyk, T. Albert

EM's: T. Angstman, T. Scavuzzo, T. Link, M. Meloni, \*J. Messina

Lector: M. Turan

## Memorial Veterans' Service

### Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

### After the 10:30am Mass

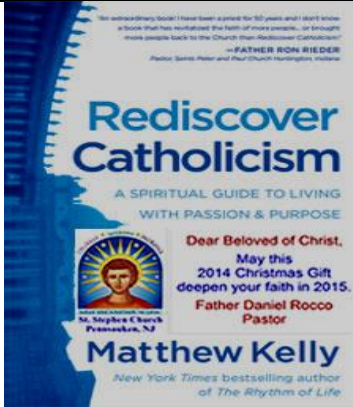


All are welcome to join us in front of the Sr. Bernadette Parish Center by the War Memorials for a Memorial Veterans' Service.

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

5/25-Monday-9am Mass, Rectory Closed Memorial Day  
 5/26-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary  
 5/27-Wednesday-9am Mass  
 5/28-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion Club, 7pm Choir  
 5/29-Friday-9am Mass  
 5/30-Saturday-3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass  
 5/31-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass

### *Thursday Night Discussion Club* Concludes May 28, 2015 @ 7pm.



Please join us as we conclude our discussion on "Rediscover Catholicism" by Matthew Kelly, the book we were generously gifted with this Christmas. Let's continue learning more about God's love and the gift of our Catholic faith. A good goal for 2015 can be "to become a better version of myself" and help others as they journey to become all God calls us to be. The discussion club needs your voice, see you Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> in the Sr. Bernadette Parish Center.

Extra copies of "Rediscover Catholicism" are available in the Rectory. They are free to all Parishioners and \$5 if you'd like to purchase one for a friend.

### *Parish Library*

The Parish Library is now open in the Parish Center for all your Spring reading needs! We have a wide variety of books and CDs for all ages, which are available to be borrowed. Please stop by after Masses.

**Hours: Saturday, 5:30-6:00pm**  
**Sunday, 10:00-10:30; 11:30-12:00**

If you would like to donate spiritual and religious books to the collection, please drop them off at the Parish center in the Library. If you would like to volunteer in the library, please contact Gail Tutwiler (gtutg@aol.com), Beth Picknally Camden (bethcorkabi@gmail.com) or Mary Sharon Monaco (monacofamily4@comcast.net; 609-238-1968).

### *First Friday Adoration*

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be **Friday, June 5, 2015, 9:45am-7:00pm.**



### *Art & Environment*

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.

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



We are here to pray for you. Prayer requests for the month of May, contact Betty @ 856-662-6928.

### *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**



### **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.

### *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).



# Our Lady of Fatima

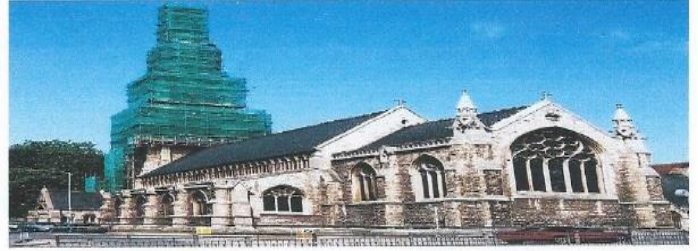
“Will you offer yourselves to God, and bear all the sufferings He sends you? In atonement for all the sins that offend Him? And for the conversions of sinners?”  
-Our Lady of Fatima to Jacinta, Francisco and Lucia

Let us rejoice and thank Our Lord for the honor given to His Mother during the recent visit of the International Virgin Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

Parishioners, their families and friends along with people from other parishes came to honor Our Lady and were blessed by Her graces.

Thank you to everyone who gave of their time, talent and treasure, to pray, plan and implement the visit.

Please Email your photos of the visit to the rectory at [ecclesia@comcast.net](mailto:ecclesia@comcast.net) to be added to our Fatima Web Page. We'll be happy to post them.



SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER WOMEN'S CLUB ALONG WITH FATHER LINK ARE SPONSORING A TRIP TO:

## THE NATIONAL SHRINE of OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

*JUNE 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2015*

*\$70.00 per person*

*Note: Donations NOT included*

*Includes transportation-----Tour of the Shrine upon arrival followed by a Mass at 11:30 a.m.*

*Luncheon at the Washington House in Sellersville, PA.*

*Bus will leave from St. Vincent Pallotti parking lot at 8:00 a.m.  
Return home at approximately 5:00 p.m.*

*Deposit of \$30.00 is required when making reservations  
Deposit is not refundable  
Final payment due by May 23, 2015*

*Make your reservation today----call*

*Father Link...856-858-1313*

*Ginny Farry...856-547-3413*

*Alma Zwick...856-858-6576*

*Make checks payable to: St. Joseph the Worker Women's Club  
Mail to: Ginny Farry, 7 MacArthur Blvd. Apt 203, Haddon Township, NJ 08108*

## Our Lady of Hope Family Festival

Little Gloucester Road, Blackwood

Come and Enjoy Rides, Raffles, Games, and Food

**May 28<sup>th</sup> – May 30<sup>th</sup> , Family Night May 28<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 PM – 10:00 PM Nightly**

## Still Single? Wonder Why?

Join us for a personal reflection as we journey through the book “*Would You Date You*” to uncover why you haven’t met your spouse. Saturday, **June 20<sup>th</sup>** from 1 pm to 4:30 pm at the Collegium Center for Faith and Culture. 301 White Horse Pike, Haddon Heights NJ 08035. Mass and social gathering to follow.

**The cost is \$20 (cash only, pay at the door)**

**Please RSVP to [Catholic.ssm@gmail.com](mailto:Catholic.ssm@gmail.com)**

# *Jubilee Celebration!*

## *Special 10:30am Mass May 31<sup>st</sup>*

Ordained on May 26, 1990, Father Daniel Rocco recently participated in the May 5<sup>th</sup> Diocesan Jubilee Mass with several other priests celebrating their Jubilees with Bishop Dennis Sullivan presiding. The Parish of St. Stephen will celebrate Father Rocco's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Jubilee at the 10:30am Mass on Sunday May 31, 2015.

**Refreshments will follow at the Parish Center.  
All are welcome to attend!**

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Do You Have the Gifts to Serve Christ as a Deacon?

The Office of the Diaconate is hosting "Information Meetings" throughout the Diocese. If think you are being called to serve Christ as a Deacon, please consider attending an information meeting.

The schedule is as follows:

Thursday June 18th 7:00 PM – St. Gianna Beretta Molla Parish, 1417 New Road, Newfield

Monday June 22nd 7:00 PM – Christ the Good Shepherd Parish, 1655 Magnolia Road, Vineland

Wednesday June 24th 7:00 PM – Incarnation Parish, 240 Main Street, Mantua

Thursday June 25th 7:00 PM – Our Lady of the Angels, 35 E. Mechanic Street, Cape May Court House

Tuesday June 30th 7:00 PM – Our Lady of Peace Parish, 32 Carroll Avenue, Williamstown

Wednesday July 8th 7:00 PM – St. Stephen Parish, 6306 Browning Road, Pennsauken

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

Knights Flea Market



The Knights of Columbus will be having their semi-annual flea market on Saturday, June 6, from 8:00am to 2:30pm at St Cecilia's School parking lot. Spaces are available. For further information, please call Lonnie Monaco at 856 662-6049.

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## *Knights Blood Drive*



The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the **Red Cross Summer Blood Drive** at St Stephen's Parish Center on Wednesday, June 17, from 1:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Appointments may be set up online at redcrossblood.org, by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS, or signing up in the back of the church after all Masses. For further information, please call Lonnie Monaco at 856 662-6049.

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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER *MARRIED COUPLES:*

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Spring-time. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is - call now!

The next weekends are May 29-31 and July 31-Aug 2.

**For more information call 609-742-4035
or email applications@wwme-southjersey.org
Visit our website wwwme-southjersey.org**