

St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109



Different Histories...

One Faith...

Different Ages...

Pastoral Staff

Reverend Daniel M. Rocco, Pastor
Permanent Deacon Anthony Cioe
Mrs. Patricia Higgins, Principal

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



Contact Information

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May 26, 2013 – The Most Holy Trinity

Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday thru Friday – 9:00am

Weekend Obligation:

Saturday – 4:30pm (**Reconciliation 3:45pm-4:15pm**)

Sunday – 9:00am & 10:30am

Children's Liturgy: 3rd Sunday @ 9:00am

Holy Days: 9:00am & 7:00pm – 7:00pm Vigil

Miraculous Medal Novena – Every Thursday after 9am Mass.

Eucharistic Exposition – First Friday from 9:30am-7pm.

Baptism – Call the Rectory for arrangements.

Required Preparation is 1 class, 2nd Sunday @ Noon.

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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.

Tribunal Parish Advocate-Dc. Anthony Cioe- (856) 227-2145

Rectory Office Hours-Monday thru Friday 9am-4:30pm
(Closed all Holy Days of Obligation & National Holidays)

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.

Parish Membership – Moving INTO the parish all are asked to register as soon as possible.

Moving WITHIN or OUT – kindly notify rectory of changes.

Please consider remembering St. Stephen's in your Will or Estate Planning. There are financial benefits to do so while still alive and, in death, the spiritual reward of helping to continue the Church's mission of preaching Jesus Christ.

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.

Our Parish Family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life.

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 2014 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

MONDAY 9:00am	May 27, 2013 (Memorial Day) Our Deceased Military r/b People of the Parish
TUESDAY 9:00am	May 28, 2013 Deacon Raymond Ellis r/b Jack & Maryanne Merritt
WEDNESDAY 9:00am	May 29, 2013 Pete Sciliano r/b Lucille Buffington
THURSDAY 9:00am+Novena	May 30, 2013 Catherine Mauer r/b Grandson & Son-in-law
FRIDAY 9:00am	May 31, 2013 Deacon Ernest Picknally r/b Rose Marie Davis
SATURDAY 4:30pm	June 1, 2013 Frank Teuber r/b Elaine & Frank Teuber
SUNDAY 9:00am 10:30am	June 2, 2013 Sr. Ann Thomas Sullivan, SSJ r/b The Midili Family Catherine & Philip Pennestri r/b Jim Pennestri Deacon Ernest Picknally r/b Maryann Bufanio Margaret Clinton r/b Lucille, Gerry & Dolores Joyce Pinto r/b The Conway Family

The Sanctuary Candle this week is In Memory of Palma Keddie.

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 18/19, 2013 Attendance/Collection	487/ \$4,957
May 20/21, 2012 Comparison	498/ \$5,331
Budgeted Weekly Collection:	\$5,500
Actual Y-T-D Weekly Average:	\$5,542

Next Special Diocesan Collection:
6/9/12: "Brazilian Missions"

2013 House of Charity Appeal

2013 House of Charity y-t-d	\$30,922.50 (59%)
2013 House of Charity Goal	\$52,250.00

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 126 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:

Dolly Angelastro, Edith Bielinski, Milton Burns, Mary Caruso, Yolanda Colafrancesco, Dot Corbett, Patricia DeLorenzo, Esther DeMarco, Fanny DiBenedetto, Marie DiFrank, Patricia Domer, Diane Fesko, Joe Flacco, Joanna Galdo, Richard Gentile, Jr., Richard Gentile, Sr., Thomas Holmes Sr., Donna Krawchuk, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Wanda Loperfido, Maureen Lukasiak, Joann Lunsford, Harry & Mary Ellen Mayer, Dorothy McPeak, Marie Melchiorre, Debbi Morrissey, Freda Novak, Jennifer Osborn, Frank Pigliacelli, Rosemarie Rosolia, Loretta Stayton, Kathleen Stehm, Steven Stepanavage, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Lillian Tomarchio, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, Paul Tryson, Cyrol Valentino, Gloria Vendetti, John Vindick, Mary Vivello, Anthony Vocale, Ronald Wybranski.

Ministry Schedule for June 1/2

(Monthly Schedules are also posted on our website)

* Designates Alternate Server

Saturday, 4:30pm

Altar Servers: S. Caban, H. Atchison, T. Mason
EM's: T. Angstman, A. Knight, Sr. Eleanora, T. Veneziani, *B. Taylor
Lectors: D. Heck, R. Taylor

Sunday, 9:00am

Altar Servers: C. Hearn, B. McHugh, J. Mack
EM's: S. Marano, L. Monaco, E. Nolte, M. Bufanio, *R. Leone
Lectors: M. Miller, Rh. Aleszczyk

Sunday, 10:30am

Altar Servers: N. Hughes, C. Hughes, M. Conway
EM's: Geo. Tutwiler, Gail Tutwiler, T. Link, M. Meloni, *W. Delfin
Lectors: M. Turan, J. Scavuzzo

Stewardship Reflection for Trinity Sunday



"Holy Spirit Calling Stewards"

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth..." JOHN 16:13a

Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help us know the truth. So why not pray to the Holy Spirit about your **Stewardship**? Are you sharing your time and talent with God and others? Do you give a fair amount of your treasure to do the work of the Lord? Can you hear the Holy Spirit's answer to those questions in your heart now? What more is He calling you to do?

This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

5/27-Monday-9am Mass, School & Rectory closed Memorial Day
5/28-Tuesday- 9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
5/29-Wednesday-9am Mass, 6:15pm Catholicism Series, 7pm Choir
5/30-Thur-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion
5/31-Friday-9am Mass
6/1--Saturday-9am Men's Group, 3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass
6/2--Sunday- 9am Mass & 10:30am Mass

A Message for All the Ladies:



God values you, and  has a plan for your life!

As women, we all have unique circumstances, difficulties, hopes and dreams. But no matter where you are in your journey, God's Word can always offer inspiration, comfort, and support.

St. Stephen Ladies Monday Bible Study
Mondays 1:00-2:30pm in the Stonegate Conference Room
Questions? Contact Eileen at (856) 662-8046 or email heides@comcast.net.

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

Wednesday Night Catholicism DVD Series

This is a 10-week DVD series by Fr. Robert Barron, and will be held at the **Sr. Bernadette Parish Center**, on **Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m.** For further info, please call Lily at (856) 786-0567.

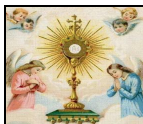
Thursday Night Discussion Club

Series: "What is Faith?"
7pm in the Parish Center



First Friday Adoration

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be **Friday, June 7th, 9:30am-7:00pm.**



"The worship given to the Trinity of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...must fill our churches also outside the timetable of Masses...Let us be generous with our time in going to meet Him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation of the great faults and crimes of the world. May our adoration never cease." -**Blessed John Paul II**

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.**

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 665-8393**. Anyone who would like to make a donation for a tree to honor a deceased loved one or would like to join the A & E Ministry may call Maria at the number above.

Bereavement Committee

The Bereavement Committee is seeking volunteers to help minister to those who've recently lost loved ones in our community of faith. To join this special ministry, please call **Joy Bowman at 662-4803**.

Council & Board Meetings

(Parish Center Meeting Room)

Finance Council **June 10th @ 7pm**
Pastoral Council **June 17th @ 7pm**

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 in the school office, order forms are on our website and in the rectory office.

Info is available @ www.ststephenspennsauken.com or by calling Michael Ciarrocca at 856-425-4799.

SUBMIT ALL FORMS & PAYMENTS TO THE RECTORY

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) 662-9338** or **Loretta Steinmetz, RCIA Team Leader at (856) 227-4627** for more information about the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**.

Scrip Fundraising Program

Scrip is available for purchase at the Scrip Table after all weekend Masses and at the rectory during regular business hours, Monday-Friday 9am-4:30pm (excluding Holy Days & Holidays). Scrip orders may also be submitted to the school and will then be processed via the rectory for later delivery.

St. Stephen's Prayer Line Belongs to You



We are here to pray for you.

Prayer requests for the month of **May**, please contact **Bernadette @ 854-2928**

**St. Stephen's PTO
Upcoming & Ongoing Events**

**Patronize the Penn Queen Diner & mention
St. Stephens at the register for us to receive credit.**



St. Stephen's Night at the Riversharks

Friday, June 7th, with Fireworks after the game!

The link to purchase tickets is on our website.
Tickets only \$11 (\$5 of which is donated to our school)

Please help support our Wonderful School!!!!

For additional information or any questions,
please contact Denise Mc Hugh 609-315-1929
denise.mchugh15@verizon.net or any PTO Board Member.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE
ENCOUNTER**

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a weekend full of fresh love, rebirth, and new beginnings. All married couples deserve a richer, fuller life together. Your family life can benefit, too. Our next weekend is June 21 – 23. For more information call 609-827-7117 or email mesjdooley@gmail.com. Visit our website: www.mesj.net

Walk-a-Thon June 1st

Good Counsel Homes of South Jersey Walk-a-thon

Come on out and support homeless mothers in need.

Cooper River Park - Columbus Statue Area

June 1st. Registration begins 8:30 am or register online, please visit: <http://www.gofundme.com/walk-for-moms-and-babies>

This is going to be a fun and special morning.

kid activities * goodie totes * tasty treats * walk/exercise

Questions? Please call Mary at (856) 616-1427 or

send email: marytroostemail@gmail.com

Job Opening

Christ the King Parish in Haddonfield, NJ is seeking a parish administrative assistant/receptionist [four days per week]. Duties include greeting and welcoming guests, answering phones, standard secretarial duties, and liturgical preparation. Proficiency in Word, Excel, Parish Soft and other essential computer programs necessary. Please forward a resume to: Christ the King Parish, 200 Windsor Avenue, Haddonfield, NJ 08033. No phone calls, please.

SCHOOL BUS DRIVER:

Catholic elementary schools seek PT driver for after school activities and local field trips. Needs a CDL Class B PS1. Perfect for retiree. To inquire call: 856-338-0966.

WORKSHOP:

ADDICTION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

In this workshop you will learn:

- The difference between substance use, substance abuse and addiction
- About different addictive substances
- The role of genetics and the brain in addictions
- How personal experiences with addiction impact our perception and choices
- How to have a conversation with someone about their substance abuse problem
- What is Motivational Interviewing and how to use it
- What the Catholic Church teaches about addiction

**Wednesday, June 12, 2013 - 9:00 AM (registration) – 2:30 PM
Church of the Holy Family-226 Hurffville Road, Sewell, NJ 08080**

Cost: \$20 (includes lunch) - Register by Monday, June 10, 2013

For more information contact us: 856-583-6135

kathia.arango@camdendiocese.org

<http://lmfp.camdendiocese.org>

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Eustace Advantage Program

Bishop Eustace Preparatory School will offer its Eustace Advantage Program this summer. Two three-week sessions in June and July are designed to review and strengthen academic skills for all students entering seventh, eighth and ninth grades. Please visit www.eustace.org/summer or email jmarquart@eustace.org for more information.

Bishop Eustace Athletic Camps

Bishop Eustace Preparatory School is hosting two athletic camps this summer:

- Our baseball team will hold the Scholastic Baseball Camp from June 24 to June 27 for students from the ages of 7 to 14, as well as hitting and pitching camps throughout the summer.
- The field hockey team will host an Elite Week camp from June 24 to June 27 for students going into ninth through twelfth grades. They will also offer an Instructional Camp for students entering sixth through twelfth grades from July 15 to July 18.

For more information, please call the Athletic Director's office at (856) 662-2160, ext. 248, or visit our website at www.eustace.org/summer.

Paul VI High School Summer Party

Saturday, July 20th

Alumni, parents, and friends of Paul VI are invited to the annual **Eagles in the WILD Summer Party** in North Wildwood. Proceeds will support student scholarships for incoming students to Paul VI High School.

When: Saturday, July 20, 2013

Where: Flip Flopz Bar & Grille, 300 New Jersey Avenue, North Wildwood

Time: 3 pm-7pm (PVI is welcome to stay after 7pm @ no cover)

Price: \$25.00 includes a full free buffet, free beer and house wine, plus discounted drinks until 7pm. Enjoy music from the Alumni Band "Screaming Matilda".

RSVP: Mary Anne Yeager, myeager@pvihs.org, or Dominic Vesper, vesperfamily@comcast.net, or register online @ www.pvihs.org and click on "Eagles in the Wild".

PRE- REGISTER ONLINE NOW AND YOUR NAME WILL BE INCLUDED IN A \$100 CASH DRAWING AND A PAUL VI GIFT BASKET! ** No one under 21 permitted

Congratulations to the Confirmation Class of 2013



The following students & candidates received the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 15, 2013 with the **Most Reverend Bishop Dennis J. Sullivan** presiding.

Please keep these Confirmandi in your prayers:

***Haleigh Atchison
Mercedes Boden
Kelly Coar
Alyssa Edelman
Paige Heenan
Krystianna Jalosjos
Kevin Lynch
Jasmine Magalong
Taylor Mason
Alexandra Messina
Christian Nicdao
Dante Osorio
Marion Roberts
Michael Taylor***

***Sarah Blum
Timothy Catrino
Sarah Conway
Jasmine Gonzalez
Megan Jaffe
Andrew Levito
Shannon Lynch
James Marchese
Zachary Mason
Matthew Messina
Madison North
Destiny Rivera
Tyler Roberts
Natalee Zapata***

We wish to thank **Deacon Anthony & Philomena Cioe**, **Mrs. Pat Higgins**, teachers **Mrs. Kara Chase** and **Mr. Earl Nolte**, our Ushers, and a special thank you to **Maria Haas** and her “Angels” for beautifying our church for both Confirmation and First Communion. With gratitude also to **Nancy Werner Kaiser**, **Choir Director**, and our **Pitch-Perfect Choir** for their contribution to our Confirmation celebration.

JUNE CAP SESSIONS

We can be sure that we love God’s children when we love God and do what He has commanded. 1 John 5:2

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 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 No More Bullies, No More Victims and is a workshop on bullying awareness and bullying prevention. Cyberbullying is also addressed. Both sessions are 90 minutes.

Adults must attend CAP 1 before attending CAP 2. After five years, adults have the option of attending CAP 1 again if they prefer.

The following sessions will be offered in **June:**
CAP Phase 1

Tuesday, June 4, 2013, 7:00pm, Christ Our Light, Cherry Hill, School Auditorium

Tuesday, June 4, 2013, 7:00pm, Our Lady of Sorrows, Linwood

Wednesday, June 5, 2013, 7:00pm, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lindenwold, St. Juan Diego Center

Tuesday, June 18, 2013, 7:00pm, Christ the King, Haddonfield, Lower Church

Thursday, June 27, 2013, 7:00pm, St. Mary of Mt. Carmel, Hammonton, St. Anthony Hall, Route 206

CAP Phase 2 – Bullying Prevention

NO CAP 2

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 ddiggons@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 of the CAP session you are attending.