

St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

Pastoral Staff

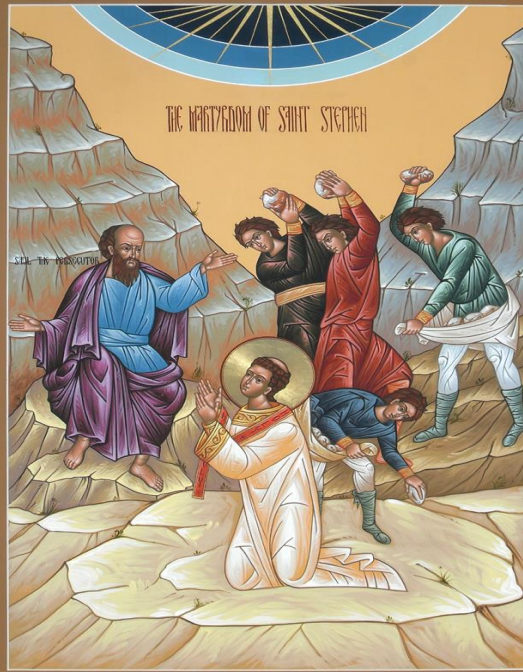
Reverend Daniel M. Rocco
Pastor

Rev. Mr. Anthony R. Cioe
Permanent Deacon

Mrs. Suzanne Underwood
Coordinator of
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Rose Marie Davis
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Rectory Summer Hours
Monday – Thursday: 9:00am-4:30pm
Friday: 9:30am-3:00pm



Contact Info

Rectory Phone
(856) 662-9339
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(856) 662-4679

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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.*

June 19, 2016 – The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Communion Service: Monday - 9:00am
Daily Mass: Tuesday 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 2017 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

SUNDAY	June 19, 2016 (Father's Day)
9:00am	Louis Buondonno r/b His Daughter
10:30am	Norman & Phyllis Pennestri r/b Jim Pennestri James Ackley r/b People of the Parish William Sauer r/b His Family Frank Rosolia r/b His Family
MONDAY	June 20, 2016
9:00am	Communion Service
TUESDAY	June 21, 2016
9:00am	Jacqueline Catino r/b Her Loving Husband, Carl
WEDNESDAY	June 22, 2016
9:00am	Helen Stella r/b Frank Pigliacelli
THURSDAY	June 23, 2016
9:00am/Novena	People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
FRIDAY	June 24, 2016
9:00am	Patrick Corcoran r/b Joseph & Maureen Pomante & Family
SATURDAY	June 25, 2016
4:30pm	Paul Tryson (3 rd Anniversary) r/b The Tryson Family
SUNDAY	June 26, 2016
9:00am	Kathy Keller r/b The McHugh Family
10:30am	Thomas Clyde r/b Joanne Sofia MarySue Link r/b The Haas Family



The Sanctuary Candle this week is In Memory of Our Deceased Fathers

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.

June 11/12, 2016 Offertory Collection:	\$4,086
2015-2016 Weekly Collection Target:	\$5,000
Actual Year-To-Date Weekly Average:	\$4,678

Upcoming Special Collections:

- July 17th:** "Pastoral Solidarity Fund" (Diocese)
 - July 31st:** "Air Conditioning Fund" (St. Stephen)
- (Posted as a courtesy to our 20+ E-Givers)

Bulletin articles must be received by Noon on Monday to be reviewed, approved, and formatted for publication. For best results, please submit 10 days before bulletin date.



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, Arthur Alessandrone, Ray Amatrudo, Jr., Eleanor Becker, Anna Buono, Jackie Cardwell, Edmund Ciccarone, Yolanda Colafrancesco, Jenny Cowan, John Coyle, Joe DeLorenzo, Esther DeMarco, Doris Denuel, Fanny DiBenedetto, Fred Dickson, Joseph DiFrank, Michael DiVito, Patricia Domer, Joseph Fagan, Joe Flacco, Joanna Galdo, Richard Gentile, Jr., Richard Gentile, Sr., Joseph Gerst, Pat Gruber, Pricilla Handy, Gregory Hayes, Mary Ann Hoffacker, Thomas Holmes Sr., Debra Knapp, Donna Krawchuk, Janet LaFreda-Hopkins, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Rosemarie Leonardo, Sam Loperfido, Jr., Wanda Loperfido, Joann Lunsford, Ken Maminski, Darlene Marcinczyk, Harry, Mary Ellen & William Mayer, Cecilia McGonigle, Dorothy McPeak, Florence O'Connor, Margie Ogden, Jennifer Osborn, Savaelina Perez, Tanya Robinson & Son Joseph, Rosemarie Rosolia, Dean & Marie Russell, Mary Sonnie, Nancy Sonnie, Steven Stepanavage, Rick Taylor, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Esther Tillinghast, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, Rita Vitacolonna, Mary Viviello, Doreen Warble, Barbara Weingard.

Ministry Schedule for June 25/26

* Designates Alternate Server

Saturday, 4:30pm

Altar Server: J. Bui

EM's: J. Heininger, L. Heininger, Sr. Eleanora, V. Thibault

Lector: B. Mattia

Sunday, 9:00am

Altar Servers: Q. Nguyen, J. Vales

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

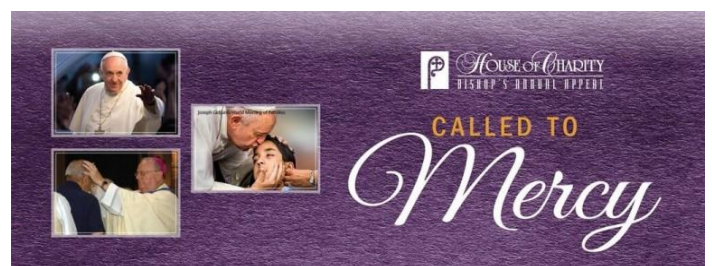
Lectors: D. Heck, Jared Rivera

Sunday, 10:30am

Altar Servers: C. Gardner, C. Nicdao, R. Gardner

EM's: D. Urgo, T. Urgo, T. Scavuzzo, J. Messina, *M. Miller

Lectors: C. Aleszczyk, R. Aleszczyk



2016 House of Charity Appeal

2016 House of Charity y-t-d: **\$16,910 (31.7%)**

2016 House of Charity Goal: **\$53,295**

Thank you to the 93 families that have given generously thus far. If you have not already made a pledge to this year's appeal, we ask that you prayerfully consider how you can support this very important effort. By answering the call to give, you help us to continue the mission that brings love and comfort to so many. Extra pledge cards are available in the lobby of our church.

This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 6/20-Monday-9am Communion Service
- 6/21-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
- 6/22-Wednesday-9am Mass
- 6/23-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena
- 6/24-Friday-9am Mass
- 6/25-Saturday-3:45pm Confessions, 4:30pm Mass
- 6/26-Sunday-9am Mass & 10:30am Mass

The Ladies Bible Study will resume September 12th. Have a wonderful summer!



Come and join the St. Stephen Ladies' Bible Study for reflections in God's word, lively discussions, and fun!

When: Mondays from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Where: St. Stephen Parish Center (next to the church)

Please contact Eileen Heide with any questions.
Phone: 662-8046 email: heides@comcast.net

*The woman who walks with God
Always reaches her destination*

Tuesday Night Rosary

To Jesus Through Mary - 7:00-7:30pm @ Church

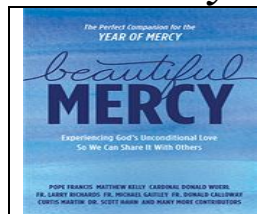
The Holy Name of Mary is powerful. The tradition of the Church and the teachings of the Magisterium urge us to frequent recitation of the Hail Mary and the rosary. By keeping the name of Mary on our lips, we show our devotion to her. Mary's mantle is always present to protect those who are her own. The 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

Registration for 2016-2017 is underway!

Registration forms may be found in the rectory, church vestibule, and on our website. The fee is **\$135 per family (\$10 late fee after Labor Day)**. Opening CCD Mass will be celebrated on **Wednesday, September 21st at 6:15pm.**

Thursday Night Discussion Club



Will Resume
September 8th in the
Sr. Bernadette Parish Center
with the
Spiritual Works of Mercy.

First Friday Adoration

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be
**Friday, August 5, 2016,
9:45am-7:00pm.**



Art & Environment Ministry

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.**

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

(This program will be on Summer Break during July & August)

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.

St. Stephen's Prayer Line Belongs to You



We are here to pray for you.

For Prayer Requests for the month of June, contact **Diane @ 856-308-8224.**

Parish Library

Our Cup Runneth Over!

Until further notice, we can't accept any more books!

The Parish Library is now open in the Parish Center for all your Winter 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 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).

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.

Biblical Humor

(from the archives)

Q. What kind of man was Boaz before he married Ruth?
A. Ruthless.

Q. What do they call pastors in Germany?
A. German Shepherds.

Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?
A. Noah He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

Q. Who was the greatest female financier in the Bible?
A. Pharaoh's daughter. She went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a Little phopet.

Q. What kind of motor vehicles are in the Bible?
A. Jehovah drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden in a Fury. David's Triumph was heard throughout the land. Also, probably a Honda, because the apostles were all in one Accord.

Q. Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?
A. Samson. He brought the house down.

Q. What excuse did Adam give to his children as to why he no longer lived in Eden?
A. Your mother ate us out of house and home.

Q. Which servant of God was the most flagrant lawbreaker in the Bible?
A. Moses. He broke all 10 commandments at once.

Q. Which area of Palestine was especially wealthy?
A. The area around Jordan. The banks were always overflowing.

Q. Who is the greatest baby-sitter mentioned in the Bible?
A. David. He rocked Goliath to a very deep sleep.

Q. Which Bible character had no parents?
A. Joshua, son of Nun.

Q. Why didn't they play cards on the Ark?
A. Because Noah was standing on the deck.

PS... Did you know it's a sin for a woman to make coffee? Yup, it's in the Bible. It says, 'He-brews'.

Caregiver Needed

Seeking Caregiver to stay overnights Sun – Thur 6:30PM to 8AM for elderly woman with special needs son. Primarily needed for light household needs, dinner and bedtime assistance. Please contact Donna at 610-724-3194.

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Do you or someone you love need care at home?
Contact the Diocese of Camden's Home & Parish Healthcare Services Resource and Referral Help Line

1-888-26 VITALity (1-888-268-4825)

A Free and simple Gateway to Help at Home for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities seeking to remain healthy, safe, and secure in their homes.

The VITALity HELP-LINE:

- + Provides information and access into Community, Health and Medical Services.
- + Arranges for Care Coordinators to visit you at your Home to help you navigate the complex healthcare insurance and provider system.

All this is provided at no charge through the charitable efforts of the Diocese of Camden.

Visit Vitality.camdendiocese.org for more information.

A Healthcare Ministry of the Camden Diocese
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Mass of Thanksgiving June 26th

A Mass of Thanksgiving for the Episcopal Ordination of the **Most Reverend James Francis Checchio** will take place on Sunday, June 26, 12 noon at Our Lady of Hope Parish (Saint Agnes Church), 701 Little Gloucester Road, Blackwood. Bishop Checchio, ordained a priest for the Diocese of Camden and now the bishop of Metuchen, will return home to celebrate this Mass with the priests, deacons, religious and lay faithful of the diocese. At this Mass the Diocese of Camden will have the opportunity to congratulate Bishop Checchio on his recent ordination. A light reception will follow in the Parish Center. All are welcome.

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Music Ministry Notes Summer 2016

Dear Parishioners,

As we look forward to the summer months, I wanted to update you on our Music Ministry plans for the future. The Adult Choir will be taking their break from Sunday, June, 12th until the weekend of September 10th and 11th. The Children's Choir will resume again with a rehearsal for current and new members on September 15th. More information will be published later in the summer. We will also be looking for new members for all of our musical groups. Please let me know if you are interested. You can reach me by way of the Parish Office. Our music ministry will continue to provide music for all Masses over the summer. You may see some new musical combinations and new faces. Please continue to join in praising God with our musicians and singers.

Thank you for your continuing support.
Nancy Werner-Kaiser/Music Director



Parish Bulletin Health Tips for June

This is the time of year when people begin to spend more time outside and in the sunshine. This however comes with certain risks, especially for over exposure to UV rays which can lead to skin cancer. The Center for Disease Control recommends these easy options for protection from UV radiation:

1. Stay in the shade as often as possible.
2. Wear clothing that covers your arms and legs when exposed to the sun for long periods of time.
3. Wear a wide brim hat.
4. Wear wrap-around sunglasses.
5. Use sunscreen, SPF of 15 or higher is recommended.
6. Avoid indoor tanning.

DID YOU KNOW . . .

- Protection from UV radiation is important all year round and that the sun can reach you on cloudy and hazy days as well as sunny days.
- UV rays can reflect off of surfaces such as water, cement, sand and snow.
- UV rays are strongest during the hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and during late spring and early summer.

Most of all, enjoy your time outdoors. And remember to follow the above tips for yourself and your children. We know that children are often resistant to follow these tips, but you'll be doing them a great service in monitoring their time in the sun and being insistent on following the necessary precautions. And remember, providing a good example is the most effective way to ensure their practice of these helpful tips.

These "Health Tips" are presented by VITALity Catholic Healthcare Services of the Camden Diocese.

**For more information on any health related questions,
call us at 888-26-VITALity (888-268-4825).**

We'll be happy to help you.