

# St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

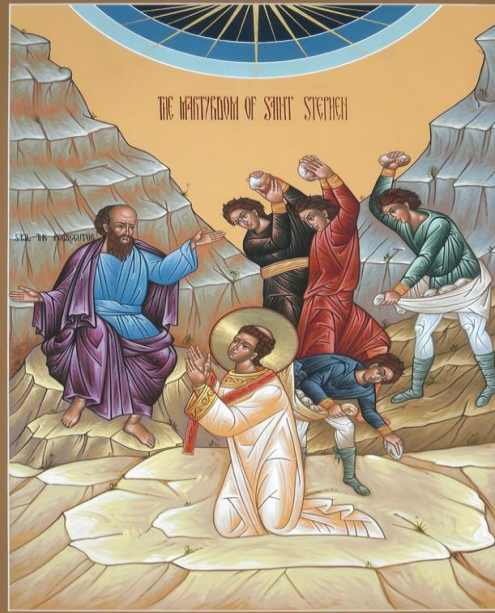
## Pastoral Staff

**Reverend Daniel M. Rocco**  
Pastor

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

**Parish Trustees**  
Keith Knight  
Earl Nolte

**Rectory Summer Hours**  
Monday–Thursday 9am–4:30pm  
Friday 9:30am–2:00pm  
(Through August 30)



## 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 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 30, 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>June 30, 2019</b>
9:00am	Eleanor R. Tartamosa r/b Rita Vogt & Family
10:30am	Rosina Midili r/b The Midili Family Angel Morales, Jr. r/b The Morales Family
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>July 1, 2019</b>
9:00am	For the Healing of Father David Klein
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>July 2, 2019</b>
9:00am	For the Healing of our Parishioners who are currently on Hospice Care
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>July 3, 2019</b>
9:00am	People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>July 4, 2019</b>
9:00am/Novena	The Deceased Members of the Marano Family r/b Sal Marano
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>July 5, 2019 (No Adoration due to Holiday)</b>
9:00am	Yolanda Reitano r/b Nick Picciano
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>July 6, 2019</b>
4:30pm	Sebastian Patten r/b The Midili Family
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>July 7, 2019</b>
9:00am	John & Marie Pennestri r/b Jim Pennestri
10:30am	Rosina Midili r/b The Joie 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.

<b>June 22/23 Offertory Collection:</b>	<b>\$3,441</b>
<b>2018-2019 Weekly Offertory Target:</b>	<b>\$4,600</b>
<b>Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving:</b>	<b>\$4,276</b>

**Next Special Collection:**

July 7 - Holy Father/Peter's Pence  
(See page 5 for details)

## 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, Ralph Baylor, Mary Bumbalow, Anna Buono, Patrick Carr, John Christy, Edmund Ciccarrone, Athan Criaris, Fanny DiBenedetto, Joseph Gerst, Pat Gruber, Pricilla Handy, Ronald Heck, Donna Kane, James Kelly, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSI, Sandra Lippi, Katelyn Lum, Nancy Loperfido, Ken Maminski, Larry Miller, Joy and Ed Morrisson, Yvonne Mulhern, Rich Passaro, Nancy Sonnie, Callum Steinmetz, Rick Taylor, Peter P. Tepper, Adelaide Travia, Frances Vocale, Barbara Weingard, Tom Weingard, Emily Wilson.

## Ministry Schedule for July 6/7

**Saturday, 4:30pm**

EM's: A. Knight, V. Thibault, C. Pandola, A. Cirullo  
Lectors: Joan Rivera, Jared Rivera

**Sunday, 9:00am**

EM's: L. Monaco, M. Monaco, R. Davis, R. Leone, E. Nolte  
Lectors: D. Steinmetz, P. Nolte

**Sunday, 10:30am**

EM's: J. Messina, G. Tutwiler, T. Angstman, T. Scavuzzo  
Lectors: R. Aleszczyk, M. Miller



On Thursday July 4<sup>th</sup> we will observe Independence Day, a national holiday. The rectory office will be closed.

**YOU DID IT FOR ME**



**2019 House of Charity y-t-d \$11,525 (23.6%)**  
**2019 House of Charity Goal \$48,739**

Thank you to the 43 families that have given generously thus far. If you have not pledged as yet, extra pledge cards are available in the rectory and church vestibule.

### Rectory Office Summer Hours

Monday thru Thursday: 9:00am – 4:30pm  
Friday: 9:30am – 2:00pm



### This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 7/1-Monday-9am Mass
- 7/2-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
- 7/3-Wednesday-9am Mass
- 7/4-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, **Rectory Closed 4<sup>th</sup> of July**
- 7/5-Friday-9am Mass, **No Adoration due to Holiday**
- 7/6-Saturday-3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass
- 7/7-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

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### First Friday Adoration

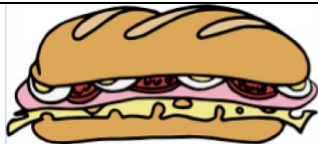
The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be **Friday, August 2 - 9:45am-7:00pm.**



**Due to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Holiday weekend, there will be no Adoration on First Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.**



### Knights of Columbus, Council 3512



### Hoagie Sale July 6 & 7

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 **July 6 & 7.**  
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

Will Resume in September



### Choir – New Members Welcome!

St. Stephen's Music Ministry cordially invites you to consider joining our Music Ministry family. Our Choir will begin to gather in the church this Fall 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 July contact **Betty @ 856-662-6928.**





## *Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!*

**Is your marriage going down the right road . . .  
or is it a little off track?  
Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges  
you face in marriage.  
Retrouvaille can help get your relationship  
back on track.**

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? *Retrouvaille* (retro-VIE) can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes all married couples.

**Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA August 9 - 11.** For more information, or to register, visit our web site at: [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org) or call 1-800-470-2230.

All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

### **Post-Abortion Support Group**

Catholic Charities is currently organizing a support group for people who have been impacted by abortion and desire healing, hope, and forgiveness. If you are interested in information, contact us at 856-342-4135.

### **FOR SALE**

Cherrywood headboard with built-in book shelves, matching cedar chest, 2 marble-top end tables and matching coffee table, glass desk with drawers. **If interested, please call Rosemarie at 856-725-1543.**

## **New Jersey Independent Victims Compensation Program**

The Diocese of Camden – along with the other Roman Catholic dioceses in New Jersey, has established an Independent Victim Compensation Program (IVCP) to compensate those who, as children or young adults, were sexually abused by a priest of the Diocese.

The IVCP is independently administered by experienced victim compensation experts Kenneth R. Feinberg and Camille S. Biros.

The IVCP will handle the submission, evaluation and resolution of individual claims, and operates independently of the Diocese or any church-affiliated institution.

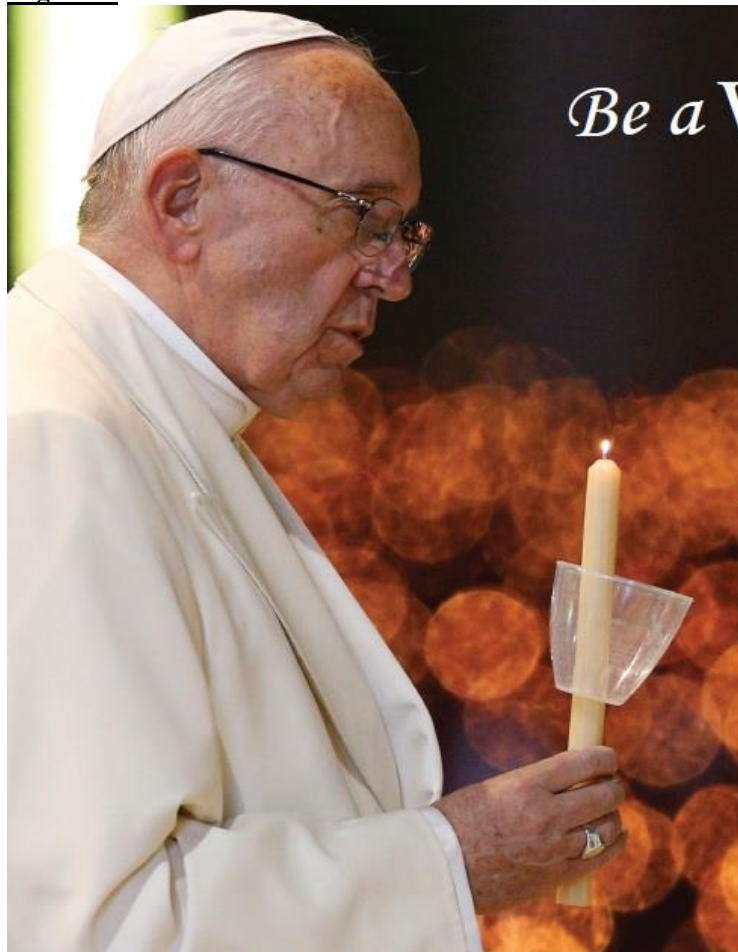
The administrators of the IVCP have complete autonomy to determine the eligibility of a claim with the guidelines of the established Protocol.

The amount of compensation for those who make a claim will be independently determined by the IVCP administrators.

All victims – no matter when the abuse occurred – are eligible to participate, and all matters will be handled confidentially. Victims of clergy sexual abuse of a minor can begin the process of utilizing the program by going to [www.njdiocesessivcp.com](http://www.njdiocesessivcp.com) and reviewing the protocol for submitting a claim.

Bishop Sullivan strongly encourages anyone who was sexually victimized by a priest of the Diocese to participate in the IVCP, and has asked that anyone who knows of someone who was abused to contact them so that they are aware of the IVCP and can participate in it.

*(To be published through December 29<sup>th</sup>)*



# Be a Witness of Charity

“A LITTLE MERCY MAKES THE WORLD  
LESS COLD AND MORE JUST.”

—Pope Francis, *Angelus*, March 17, 2013

## How You Can Help

### PRAY

Pray for the Holy Father as he reaches out compassionately to make the world less cold and more just, and pray for those suffering around the world who will benefit from this collection.

### SHARE

To spread the message of mercy and peace, share this flier with someone who might be interested, and tell others how Pope Francis supports the marginalized.

### GIVE

Please give generously to the collection to be a witness of charity and offer hope to those who suffer around the globe.

**T**he Peter's Pence Collection has ancient roots that reach all the way back to New Testament times. The early Christians provided material support that the disciples—those preaching the Gospel—could distribute to those in need (see Acts 4:34-35, 11:29). Today, the Peter's Pence Collection is the way we, as members of the Catholic Church, unite ourselves to the concerns of the Holy Father. Donations to this collection support the charitable works of Pope Francis for the relief of those most in need.

### *How Pope Francis Invites Us to Make the World Less Cold and More Just*

Pope Francis encourages us not to “fall into indifference,” but rather to “become instruments of God’s mercy” (General Audience, November 9, 2016). Each of us is called to be an instrument of God’s mercy and to be a witness of charity. For “it is precisely in the measure to which we open ourselves to others that life becomes fruitful, society regains peace and people recover their full dignity,” Pope Francis teaches us (General Audience, October 26, 2016).

### *How We Can Join Pope Francis and Be a Witness of Charity*

By supporting the Peter's Pence Collection, you assist the charitable works of Pope Francis. Your generosity witnesses to charity and helps the Holy See reach out compassionately to those who are marginalized.

For example, in the Dioceses of Embeder, Harar, and Mek in Ethiopia, people rely exclusively on subsistence farming and nomadic herding. The El Niño weather phenomenon worsened drought conditions in these regions, and the people fear a new famine that could be far worse than the 1984 famine that led to more than a million deaths in Ethiopia. But your support of the collection is helping the Holy Father to bring aid to the affected villages. Your donations have funded food and medicines that give the Ethiopian people a measure of relief and hope. Learn more by visiting [www.peterspence.va/opere](http://www.peterspence.va/opere).



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**This Special Collection will take place next weekend, July 6/7.**