

St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

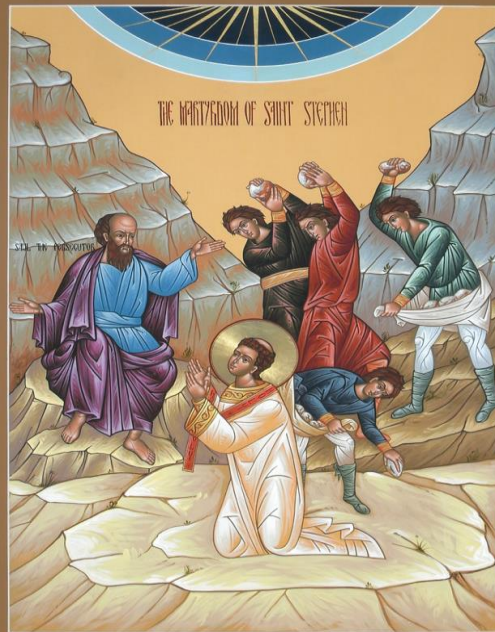
Pastoral Staff

Reverend Daniel M. Rocco
Pastor

Mrs. Suzanne Underwood
Coordinator of
Religious Education

Parish Trustees
Rose Marie Davis
Keith Knight

Rectory Summer Hours
Monday–Thursday 9am-4:30pm
Friday 9:30am-2:00pm
(Through August 31)



Contact Info

Rectory Phone
(856) 662-9339

Rectory Fax
(856) 662-4679

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

Parish Email:
ecclesia@comcast.net

Parish Website:
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.*

The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 22, 2018

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 2019 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

SUNDAY	July 22, 2018
9:00am	Gennaro Leone r/b Bob & Bonnie Leone
10:30am	Ada Barbarito r/b Jim Pennestri
MONDAY	July 23, 2018
9:00am	People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
TUESDAY	July 24, 2018
9:00am	Peter Colangelo, Jr. r/b Michael Veneziani
WEDNESDAY	July 25, 2018
9:00am	Peter Colangelo, Jr. r/b Frank Pigliacelli
THURSDAY	July 26, 2018
9:00am/Novena	Gennaro Leone r/b Bob & Bonnie Leone
FRIDAY	July 27, 2018
9:00am	Josephine Buondonno r/b Her Daughter
SATURDAY	July 28, 2018
4:30pm	Mary Ellen Gerst r/b Joseph & Jeanne Gerst
SUNDAY	July 29, 2018
9:00am	Gloria Vendetti (5 th Anniversary) r/b Her Husband, Anthony
10:30am	The Deceased Members of the McGovern and Underwood Families r/b Bill & Suzanne Underwood



The Sanctuary Candle this week is
In Memory of
Debbi Morrissey

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.

July 14/15, 2018 Offertory Collection: \$4,359
2018-2019 Weekly Offertory Target: \$4,600
Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving: \$3,984

Upcoming Special Collections / Envelopes:

August 15: "Feast of the Assumption" (St. Stephen)
September 9: "Catholic University" (Diocese)
(Posted as a courtesy to our 20+ E-Givers)



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:
Raymond Amatrudo, Jr., Alice Jean Baylor,
Anna Buono, Edmund Ciccarone, Carol Cranmer,
Joseph Gerst, Pat Gruber, Pricilla Handy,
Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ,
Sam & Nancy Loperfido, Ken Maminski,
Nancy Sonnie, Rick Taylor,
Frances Vocale, Barbara Weingard.

Ministry Schedule for July 28/29

Saturday, 4:30pm

EM's: A. Knight, C. Pandola, Sr. Eleanora, L. D'Alessandro
Lectors: J. Gerst, J. Melfi

Sunday, 9:00am

EM's: E. Nolte, R. Davis, T. Modzier, R. Leone, M. Conway
Lectors: D. Steinmetz, W. McHugh

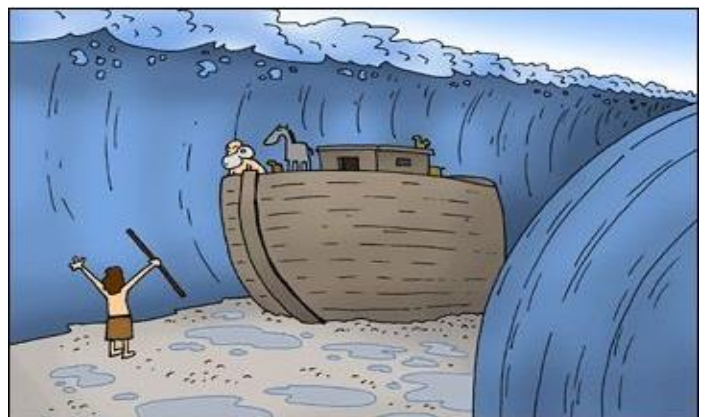
Sunday, 10:30am

EM's: T. Angstman, J. Messina, W. Delfin, S. Underwood, J. Fagan
Lector: D. Heck

"Stewards Pray"

"...come away by yourselves to a lonely place and rest awhile." (Mark 6:31)

Do you live *Stewardship* spending time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some "alone" time with God.



Moses & Noah having an argument.

This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 7/23-Monday-9am Mass
- 7/24-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
- 7/25-Wednesday-9am Mass
- 7/26-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena
- 7/27-Friday-9am Mass
- 7/28-Saturday-3:45pm Confessions, 4:30pm Mass
- 7/29-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass

Monday Ladies' Bible Study

Will Resume in September

Tuesday Night Rosary

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

Come join us as we ask Our Lady to pray with us and for us. 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

Will Resume in September

Thursday Night Discussion Club

Will Resume in September

We'll be discussing:

**“The Catholic Theological Union
Lecture Series: Rediscovering Vatican II”**

***First Friday
Adoration***

The next Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be

**Friday, August 3
from 9:45am-7:00pm**



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 to set up your account.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Will Resume in September

Music Ministry Notes



The St. Stephen Music Ministry would like to thank you for all of the support and encouragement that you offer us each year. We especially want to offer our gratitude to Father Rocco for his leadership and inspiration. The Adult Choir will be taking their summer break, but will be back the weekend after Labor Day. We will still provide music for all of our liturgies and we ask you to, please, welcome a few “guest cantors/musicians” this summer. As always, we invite you to consider joining our Music Ministry family. If you want to share your talents, please contact Mrs. Nancy Werner-Kaiser through the Rectory Office. Thanks again, and see you in September.

Mrs. Nancy Werner-Kaiser, Music Ministry Director

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.

St. Stephen's Prayer Line Belongs to You



We are here to pray for you.

For Prayer Requests in the month of July contact

Bernadette @ 609-220-6359



House of Charity Appeal

2018 House of Charity y-t-d \$37,785 (78.7%)
2018 House of Charity Goal \$48,018

Thank you to the 70 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

Tennis Coach Needed

Merion Mercy Academy High School is looking to hire a Varsity & assistant varsity tennis coach, assistant soccer coach & assistant volleyball coach. Please contact Athletic Director Barbara Clarke – bclarke@merion-mercy.com

3rd Annual Johnny Gaudreau Scholarship Golf Tournament Friday, July 27

The Johnny Gaudreau Scholarship Golf Tournament will take place on Friday, July 27, 2018 at the Blue Heron Country Club in Egg Harbor, NJ and will provide families with financial need the opportunity to give their sons and daughters a Gloucester Catholic High School education. All proceeds directly fund scholarships and tuition assistance.

Please visit www.johnnyhockeygolf.com for: Golf Registration, Sponsorship Opportunities and On-Line Auction Items

You may also contact
Michele Lugiano at (856) 207-0120
or Pat Murphy pmurphy@gchsrams.org.

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 & information.

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### Christmas in July 5K Run / 1 mile walk

St. Thomas More Parish 50th Anniversary Event  
1439 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003  
Wednesday evening, July 25, 2018 7:00PM

Parish grounds. All ages of Runners and Walkers invited.

To register:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/CherryHill/ChristmasinJuly5K1Mile>

Or E-mail Co-Chair Chris Betson-Smith at [cbetsonsmith@comcast.net](mailto:cbetsonsmith@comcast.net)

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Man-Up South Jersey: A Men's Spirituality Conference

On November 10, 2018, Catholic men from across South Jersey will come together for a spirituality conference at the Paul VI Conference Center in Haddon Heights, NJ.

Through inspirational talks and discussions, these men will leave equipped to become better sons, fathers, and husbands....better men.

The day-long event, includes powerful speakers, time for Adoration, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and will conclude with Mass celebrated by our Bishop, Dennis Sullivan.

If you desire to become the man that God intended you to be, join us on November 10th.

Register now and save!
www.manupsouthjersey.com

From the Church Bulletin Archives

These sentences actually appeared in (other) church bulletins or were announced at church services.

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus'.

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.

Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church.
So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.

The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.

Pot-luck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM - prayer and medication to follow.

The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

This evening at 7 PM there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church.
Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the Congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.

Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM. Please use the backdoor.

Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.

And this one just about sums them all up ...

The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday:
'I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours!'