

# St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

## *Pastoral Staff*

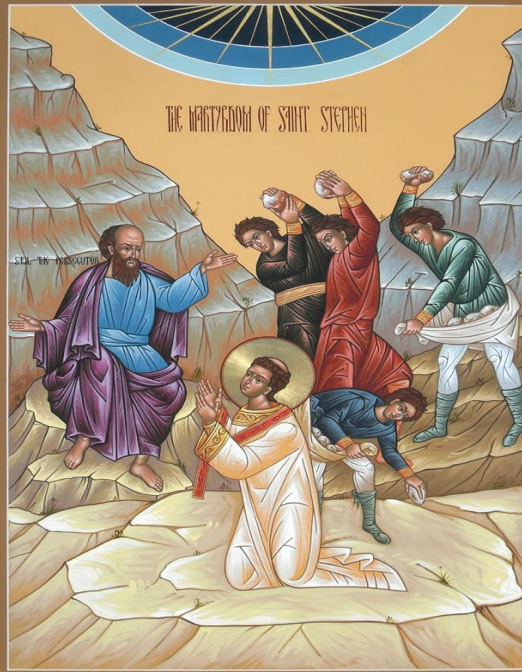
**Reverend Daniel M. Rocco**  
Pastor

**Rev. Mr. Anthony R. Cioe**  
Permanent Deacon

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

**Parish Trustees**  
Rose Marie Davis  
Keith Knight

**Rectory Summer Hours**  
Monday – Thursday: 9:00am-4:30pm  
Friday: 9:30am-3:00pm



## *Contact Info*

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

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

**Tribunal Parish Advocate**  
Deacon Anthony R. Cioe  
(856) 227-2145

**Parish Email:**  
[ecclesia@comcast.net](mailto:ecclesia@comcast.net)

**Parish Website:**  
[www.StStephensPennsauken.com](http://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.*

## *August 28, 2016 – The 22<sup>nd</sup> 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, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday @ Noon.

Baptism – 3<sup>rd</sup> 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".

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>August 28, 2016</b>
9:00am	Benito Ciarrocchi r/b M/M Robert DiGiovanni
10:30am	Robert Hanna r/b Jim & Agnes Madden Nestor & Fermina Nicdao r/b The Nicdao Family Victor & Aurelia Dungca r/b The Dungca Family
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>August 29, 2016</b>
9:00am	Communion Service
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>August 30, 2016</b>
9:00am	Rev. John F. Bourke r/b People of the Parish
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>August 31, 2016</b>
9:00am	Dorothy Clothier r/b Earl & Pat Nolte
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>September 1, 2016</b>
9:00am/Novena	Rev. Joseph H. Burns r/b People of the Parish
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>September 2, 2016 (First Friday Adoration)</b>
9:00am	Frank Guld r/b Nick Picciano
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>September 3, 2016</b>
4:30pm	Dallas Rehm r/b Vickie Thibault
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>September 4, 2016</b>
9:00am	Victor Gerst, Sr. r/b Joseph & Jeanne Gerst
10:30am	Neal Norris r/b Harry & Mary Ellen Mayer



The Sanctuary Candle this week is  
**In Memory of**  
**Vito & Adelina Meloni**

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.

August 20/21, 2016 Offertory Collection:	\$4,867
2016-2017 Weekly Collection Target:	\$4,600
Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving:	\$4,354

Next Special Collection:

**September 11<sup>th</sup>: "Holy Father/Peter's Pence" (Diocese)**  
*(Posted as a courtesy to our 20+ E-Givers)*

Bulletin articles should 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, Sr., Michael Lopez, Joann Lunsford, Ken Maminski, Darlene Marcinczyk, Harry, Mary Ellen & William Mayer, Cecilia McGonigle, Dorothy McPeak, Rosemary Murray, Florence O'Connor, Margie Ogden, Jennifer Osborn, Savaelina Perez, Tanya Robinson & Son Joseph, Rosemarie Rosolia, Dean & Marie Russell, Nancy Sonnie, Steven Stepanavage, Rick Taylor, Mary Terzini, Shannon Teuber Myles, Esther Tillinghast, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, Rita Vitacolonna, Mary Vивиello, Doreen Warble, Lily Warble, Barbara Weingard.

## Ministry Schedule for September 3/4

\* Designates Alternate Server

**Saturday, 4:30pm**

Altar Server: J. Bui

EM's: A. Knight, V. Thibault, A. Cirullo, Sr. Eleanora, \*C. Pandola

Lectors: R. Aleszczyk, B. Mattia

**Sunday, 9:00am**

Altar Servers: J. Vales, Q. Nguyen

EM's: L. D'Alessandro, L. Monaco, M. Monaco, R. Davis, \*E. Nolte

Lectors: D. Heck, J. Gerst

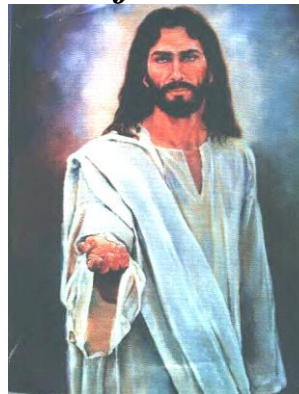
**Sunday, 10:30am**

Altar Servers: M. Conway, K. Fagan, M. Daniels

EM's: D. Urgo, T. Urgo, T. Mattered, G. Tutwiler, \*J. Messina

Lector: M. Miller

## A SPECIAL INVITATION Just for You!



You are cordially invited to come into the silence and spend one hour with Our Lord during our **First Friday Adoration September 2, 2016.**

Jesus said to His Apostles, "Could you not watch one hour with me?" He is asking us the same question today. Won't you say "YES" to His invitation?

RSVP to Rosemarie Leone @ 856-662-0035.

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

8/29-Monday-9am Communion Service  
 8/30-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary  
 8/31-Wednesday-9am Mass  
 9/1-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena  
 9/2-First Friday-9am Mass, Adoration until 7pm  
 9/3-Saturday-3:45pm Confessions, 4:30pm Mass  
 9/4-Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass

### *The Ladies Bible Study will resume September 12<sup>th</sup>. 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**

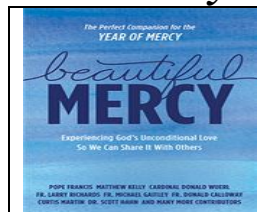
The Holy Name of Mary is powerful. The tradition of the Church and the teachings of the Magisterium urge us to frequent recitation of the Hail Mary and the rosary. By keeping the name of Mary on our lips, we show our devotion to her. Mary's mantle is always present to protect those who are her own. The 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 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:15pm.**

### *Thursday Night Discussion Club*



Will Resume  
**September 8<sup>th</sup>** in the  
 Sr. Bernadette Parish Center  
 with the  
**Spiritual Works of Mercy.**

### *Apartment for Rent*

1-bedroom apartment in Pennsauken on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, front and back entrance, private, call 856-665-0788 for details and more information.

### *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](http://www.StStephensPennsauken.com) to set up your account.

### *Children's Liturgy of the Word*

(On Summer Hiatus, will tentatively resume on September 25<sup>th</sup>)

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  
**August, contact Linda - 856-661-8045.**  
**In Sept. contact Maryann - 856-333-6525.**

### *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 Summer 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](mailto:Ciarrocca@juno.com).

## 2016 House of Charity Appeal

2016 House of Charity y-t-d: \$32,310 (61%)

2016 House of Charity Goal: \$53,295

Thank you to the 98 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.

### FIRST MOTHER FAMILY OUTREACH

Women from our diocese have formed a compassionate outreach for mothers who have not raised their firstborn children. In this Year of Mercy we, as ordinary women, offer you our comfort and support because we understand that time does not erase the pain of adoption loss.

Contact us at: [FirstMotherFamily@gmail.com](mailto:FirstMotherFamily@gmail.com)

"This is my commandment:

Love one another as I have loved you." -John 15:12

<http://catholicstarherald.org/birth-mothers-find-support-in-shared-experience/>

### Pennsauken Property Meeting Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>

Ms. Tracy Howarth, recently hired by Pennsauken township to deal with the abandoned and foreclosed property problem in Pennsauken, will give a presentation on Thursday, September 8, at the Pennsauken Public Library, beginning at 7:00 pm, followed by a question and answer session. Mr. John Kneib, mayor of Pennsauken, will also attend to answer any questions regarding the township. All are invited to attend.

### Grandparents as Spiritual Guides

On Wednesday September 21st 7:00PM at Saint Thomas More Parish, Michael La Corte will speak to the theology of how God calls grandparents to the vocation of passing on the faith. Mr. La Corte is the US Director of the Catholic Grandparents Association. Call the parish office (856-424-3212) for more information and to register for this presentation.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Bells are ringing for married couples! Not church bells, not school bells, not wedding bells, but faith, knowledge and married love WILL grow if you hear the wake-up bell reminding you to go on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The next weekends are Sep 30-Oct 2 and Dec 9-11, 2016. Questions? Need more information? Call our application couple at 609-741-8012 or email [applications@wwme-southjersey.org](mailto:applications@wwme-southjersey.org).

Visit our website [wwme-southjersey.org](http://wwme-southjersey.org)

## Congratulations!

Congratulations to our very own Rick Taylor, Deputy Mayor of Pennsauken, whose achievements will be honored on September 15<sup>th</sup> at Catholic Charities' Annual Justice for All Awards Dinner. Rick will be receiving the 2016 Individual ACTION Award!

### Join St. Stephen's New Health & Wellness Team!

Are you interested in improving your health? Do you want to help others live the abundant life? Do you see a connection between care of the spirit and health and wellness of the body? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then we need you! Whether you are a healthcare professional, such as a physician, paramedic, dietician, nurse, etc., a professional in another field with an interest in health care, or a lay person with a desire to promote wholeness of the body and spirit, your help is needed. Please consider becoming a part of the Health and Wellness Team here at St. Stephen. Some of the functions of this team will be to plan health programs for the faith community, listen to the faith community's health concerns, and to work with the existing ministries of the parish to identify and address the health needs of the parish community.

Please contact the Rectory at 856-662-9339 or [ecclesia@comcast.net](mailto:ecclesia@comcast.net) and provide your name, telephone number, and email address. Then watch this bulletin for more information coming soon! Thank You!

Joanne DiBraccio, RN, CCM - Parish Nurse

### Deluxe Ham Dinner

Saturday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

5:30pm to 8:00pm

St. Cecilia School Hall



\$12 Adults, \$5 Children under 12 yrs. old,

Free for Children under 5 yrs. old.

EAT IN OR TAKE OUT

# Welcome

We've noticed many new visitors attending Mass who've generously contributed to our church. Please consider registering as there are many benefits to being officially registered at St. Stephen's:

- To Arrange for the Reception of the Sacraments
- To Receive Certificates of Eligibility to act as a Sponsor
- To Become more intimately involved in our Parish Ministries
- To Begin receiving Offertory Envelopes to track contributions

## St. Stephen Parish Registration Form

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

(This form may be mailed OR placed in the Offertory Basket at Mass)

Family Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Current Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Husband's 1st Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's Name (1<sup>st</sup> & maiden): \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Religion: \_\_\_\_\_

Marriage: Priest\_\_\_ Special Permission\_\_\_ Divorced\_\_\_

Separated\_\_\_ Single\_\_\_ Widowed\_\_\_ Co-Habit\_\_\_

Other\_\_\_\_\_

<b>Children at Home Name:</b>	<b>Date of Birth:</b>
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DIOCESE OF CAMDEN

# Mother Teresa Day of Service

## Saturday, Sept. 10 2016

### 9 a.m. Mass 10:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Service Sites



Celebrate Mother Teresa's canonization and honor her legacy with a day of community service.

2 Communities • Dozens of Service Sites

**Atlantic City:**  
The Parish of Saint Monica  
Our Lady Star of the Sea Church  
2651 Atlantic Avenue  
Atlantic City, NJ

**Camden:**  
Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Parish  
St. John Church  
809 Park Avenue  
Collingswood, NJ

[CamdenDiocese.org/MotherTeresa](http://CamdenDiocese.org/MotherTeresa)



## 28TH ANNUAL CAMDEN DIOCESAN CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

October. 7, 8 & 9, 2016

Wildwood Convention Center Boardwalk and Burke Ave., Wildwood, NJ.

**Adult Track – Our Team of Evangelist Speakers, Authors & Radio Show Hosts:**

- Master of Ceremonies: Father Ariel Hernandez
- Jesse Romero
- Sister Miriam James Heidland, S.O.L.T., ~ Volleyball Coach to Nun
- Mark Houck: Co-Founder of The King's Men
- Kathleen McCarthy

**Music:** Bethany Music Ministries

**Senior High Track:** Speaker: Catholic FX

**Junior High Track:** Track leader: Norberto Cruz & Music by Tommy Doyle

**One day Confirmation Retreat/Track for Camden**

**Diocesan Groups only**, all groups must register in advance.

To register contact Jim Scheiner (856)-428-1319.

Speaker: Rebekah Hardy ~ Music: TBA

**Cost:** Adults \$40 Jr High and Senior Youth Tracks \$35

**Registration:** Forms available on our website

[www.camdencharismatic.org](http://www.camdencharismatic.org) or at the door.

For more information call (609)522-5010