

# St. Stephen Parish

6306 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109

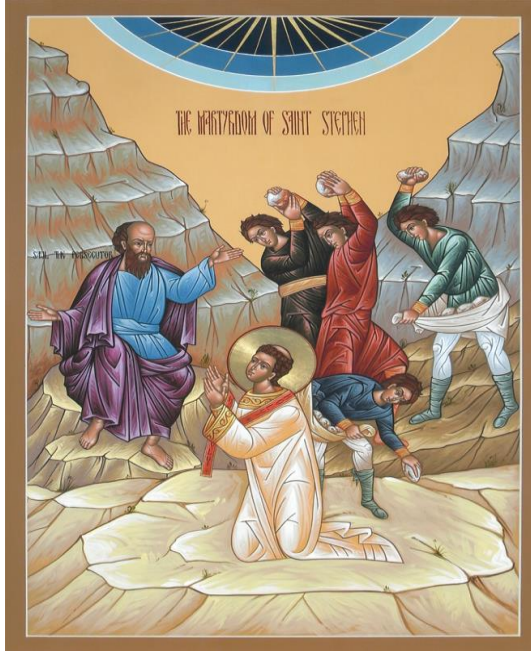
## Pastoral Staff

**Reverend Daniel M. Rocco**  
Pastor

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

**Parish Trustees**  
Keith Knight  
Earl Nolte

**Rectory Office Hours**  
Monday - Friday  
9:00am - 4:30pm



## 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 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 1, 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>September 1, 2019</b>
9:00am	Timothy England r/b The McHugh Family
10:30am	Edward F. Lukasiewicz (Birthday Remembrance) r/b Debra Gagnier Salvatore Messina r/b Immaculate Conception Council 3512
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>September 2, 2019</b>
9:00am	People of the Parish – Living & Deceased
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>September 3, 2019</b>
9:00am	For All Students & Teachers as they begin the new School Year
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>September 4, 2019</b>
9:00am	For All Parish Ministries as they begin a new Season of Service
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>September 5, 2019</b>
9:00am/Novena	Luke Weronic r/b People of the Parish
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>September 6, 2019 (First Friday Adoration)</b>
9:00am	Tilda Lamaina r/b Lucille Buffington
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>September 7, 2019</b>
4:30pm	Marie C. Miller r/b Joseph & Jeanne Gerst
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>September 8, 2019</b>
9:00am	Edward F. Lukasiewicz r/b Frank & Rita Miller
10:30am	Pascuala Cotto r/b Her Daughter, Esther Nunez Salvatore Messina r/b Mike & Renee



**The Sanctuary Candle  
this week is in memory of  
*The Unborn Children***

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>August 24/25 Offertory Collection:</b>	<b>\$3,647</b>
<b>2019-2020 Weekly Offertory Target:</b>	<b>\$4,500</b>
<b>Year-To-Date Weekly Average w/ E-Giving:</b>	<b>\$3,828</b>

Next Special Collection: September 29 – "Pro Life"

## 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 Ciccarone, Athan Criaris, Dave Croge, Fanny DiBenedetto, Joseph Gerst, Pat Gruber, Pricilla Handy, Ronald Heck, Wayne Hocking, Donna Kane, James Kelly, Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ, Sandra Lippi, Katelyn Lum, Nancy Loperfido, Ken Maminski, Larry Miller, Joy and Ed Morrisson, Yvonne Mulhern, Rich Passaro, Dean & Mary Russell, Nancy Sonnie, Rick Taylor, Peter P. Tepper, Adelaide Travia, Frances Vocale, Barbara Weingard, Tom Weingard, Emily Wilson.

## Ministry Schedule - September 7/8

### Saturday, 4:30pm

EM's: A. Knight, V. Thibault, C. Pandola, A. Cirullo

Lectors: J. Gerst, B. Mattia

### Sunday, 9:00am

EM's: L. D'Alessandro, T. Modzier, R. Leone, R. Davis

Lector: P. Nolte

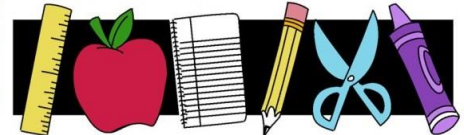
### Sunday, 10:30am

EM's: S. Underwood, M. Meloni, J. Messina, T. Scavuzzo

Lector: R. Aleszczyk



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



**Registration for the 2019-2020  
Wednesday CCD Classes 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 Mass will be celebrated on  
Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm.**

## ANYONE NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

The **Missionary Discipleship Committee** is sponsoring a volunteer program to give people who need it a free ride to church as often as needed. If interested, please call **(856) 662-9339, Ext. 6.**

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

9/2-Monday-9am Mass, Rectory Closed Labor Day  
 9/3-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary  
 9/4-Wednesday-9am Mass  
 9/5-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion Club  
 9/6-First Friday-9am Mass, Adoration until 7:00pm  
 9/7-Saturday-3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass  
 9/8--Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass

### ***Tuesday Night Rosary***

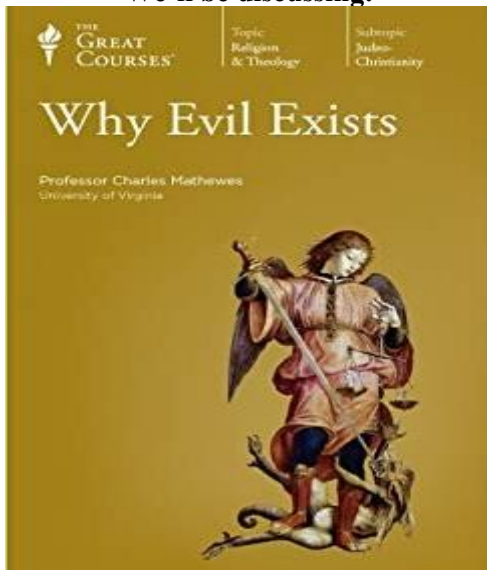
To Jesus through Mary 7:00-7:30pm @ Church  
 "Some people are so foolish that they think they can go through life without the help of the Blessed Mother. Love the rosary, for the rosary is a weapon against the evils of the world today. All graces given by God pass through the Blessed Mother." -St. Padre Pio

### ***Wednesday Night CCD Classes***

**Opening Mass September 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:15pm**

### ***Thursday Night Discussion Club***

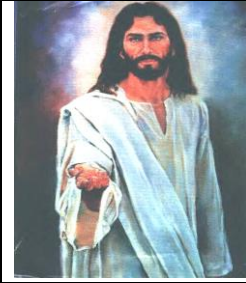
**Begins September 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Rectory**  
 We'll be discussing:



### ***Knights of Columbus, Council 3512***

	<h2><b><i>Hoagie Sale!</i></b></h2>
<p>As a charity fundraiser, our Knights of Columbus council will be selling fresh hoagies @ \$5.00 &amp; \$6.00 each after all Masses the weekend of <b>September 7 &amp; 8</b>.          For info call 856-227-4980.</p>	

## ***First Friday Adoration***



**September 6, 2019**  
**9:30am – 7:00pm**  
*"Come to beauty, silence, prayer. Come to Me."*  
**RSVP to Rosemarie Leone**  
**@ 856-662-0035.**

### ***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.

### ***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 September contact **Lois @ 856-665-1221.**





## GOOD COUNSEL'S 13TH ANNUAL BANQUET

Thursday, September 26, 6:00-9:00pm

LUCIEN'S MANOR, 81 W White Horse Pk, Berlin, NJ

YOU are invited to attend our Annual Fund Raising Banquet to benefit the homeless, pregnant mothers and babies of our South Jersey Home. Our keynote speakers are **Joe & Ashley Garecht**, "*Standing up for Life, one Baby, one Mother, one Clinic at a Time*". Come and hear one of the many success stories of a Good Counsel mom and how, through your financial support, she now has hope for her future.

**Reservations are required.** Please contact Michael Phelps at michael\_phelps@goodcounselhomes.org or call 609.221.5603 or visit [www.goodcounselhomes.org/sj](http://www.goodcounselhomes.org/sj). Ask friends to join you and we will reserve a table of 10-12 just for you! The event is free, but opportunities to give will be presented during the evening. Program sponsorships are also available. Come celebrate the miracles of our Riverside home with us!

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### Diocesan Victim Compensation Program

#### NJ 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.njdiocesesisivcp.com](http://www.njdiocesesisivcp.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.



## First Ever Polish American Festival



Benefitting St. Peter Parish

Date: Saturday, September 28, 2019

Time: 6:00 – 10:00 PM

Place: St. Peter Pastors' Hall

Cost: \$40/ Ticket

Entertainment to include music by "Polkadelphia,"

Janosik Polish Dance Ensemble and

Guest Appearance by the Aqua String Band

Polish Food  Beer & Wine  Polka Dancing  
and TONS of FUN!

Tickets will be on sale beginning August 24, 2019 after the 5 PM Mass and will be sold after all weekend Masses (7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 AM, 7:00 PM) up to and including September 21, 2019

For further information or questions, please contact Bobbie @ 856-662-7577 .




# VITALity

Catholic Healthcare Services

*Celebrating Life to the Fullest*

### A Special Mass for Nonagenarians and Centenarians

 We invite all Nonagenarians (90 years and beyond) and Centenarians (100 years and beyond) and their families, friends and caregivers to join us for a special Mass to recognize this milestone of life of 90 years and beyond. Mass will be followed by a light reception and fellowship.

**Sunday, September 15, 2019 at 3pm**  
**Annunciation Church (St. Joachim Parish)**  
**601 West Browning Road, Bellmawr, NJ**

To attend please RSVP by September 6<sup>th</sup>  
Anne Marie Pirillo at 856-583-6121  
or [annemarie.pirillo@camdendiocese.org](mailto:annemarie.pirillo@camdendiocese.org)





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## RADICAL HOSPITALITY: A WAY OF LIFE FOR THESE TIMES

With Stephen Michael Tumolo

Border walls. Denying climate change. Judging others. Staying busy. Avoiding painful feelings. These are all examples of protective structures—ways that we, personally and societally, try to stay safe and in control. Yet these very ways can leave us less safe and less connected to our true life and the world around us.

There's a way of living that Heart to Heart brings to jails and prisons throughout the Delaware Valley. It is a way of being radically rooted in oneself and one's own experience and deeply committed to welcoming the Other. It can benefit all of us, especially in these times. Learn more about and experience this way of life by joining us for this workshop.



**Saturday, September 14, 2019**  
**10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Apartments at Saint Thomas  
621 Mercer Street, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

Three ways to register:  
[bit.ly/H2HSeptemberWorkshop2019](http://bit.ly/H2HSeptemberWorkshop2019)  
[susanweiss@heart2heartinc.org](mailto:susanweiss@heart2heartinc.org)  
(856) 406-6153

### About the Facilitator

Stephen Michael Tumolo, M.A., is Secretary of the Board of Directors of Heart to Heart, an adjunct faculty member at Eastern Nazarene College, and the principal at the Center for Receptive Communication. His teachings are based on Robert Gonzales's Living Compassion and Marshall Rosenberg's Nonviolent Communication.

This workshop is open to everyone regardless of prior experience. A contribution of \$40 helps Heart to Heart deliver this transformative education. However, any amount will support this important work.