



**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 10, 2019**

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:30, 11:00 & 5:30 PM
Reconciliation: Fridays 9:00-10:00 AM
Saturdays 3:00-4:00 PM
Eucharistic Adoration See Calendar pg 2

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...he is not God of the dead, but of the living

Jesus proclaims what we as Catholics call the "communion of the saints". Souls of the dead don't die. They live forever in one place or another, either heaven, purgatory (eventually heaven), or hell. We pray to go "up" to heaven in order to be happy forever.

The journey up begins here, especially through the Holy Eucharist. I was asking during my homily this past weekend three examen questions:

- 1) How have I sought the Lord this past week? (Like Zacchaeus who sought to see the Lord)
- 2) How am I seeking the Lord during this Holy Mass?
- 3) How do I plan to seek the Lord this coming week?

The second question relates immediately to my relationship with heaven, as Jesus said "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life..." (John 6:54) I emphasize the "has" in this sentence because it is present tense, meaning that it is when we say "amen" to the Sacred Host coming into me, I'm receiving eternal life within me. Jesus is simultaneously in heaven and in me. That connects me directly with heaven. That eternal life principle endures forever. I remain in His presence, which Jesus also affirms a few verses later, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." At my bodily death, my body fades into dust while my soul remains in His presence, the God "of the living".

The practice of these three examen questions around seeking the Lord could be very helpful. I also gave in my homily three spiritual direction questions:

- 1) What am I thinking?
- 2) What am I feeling?
- 3) What am I desiring?

These three questions can give a very good indication of what the Holy Spirit is trying to tell us, especially, but not restricted to, our prayer life. Like Zacchaeus from last week's Gospel, we need to get in touch with the deepest desire of our hearts. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to us this desire. Knowing it, we are in a better position to follow it.

Amazon Synod

People are asking my opinion of the Amazon Synod, as much confusion and concern is flying through Catholic circles. I'll say briefly, given a lack of time, the basics. If I get the chance, I'll write more.

The Holy Spirit is the guarantor of the Church. The gates of hell, no matter how much Peter is sifted, shall not prevail. No pope or bishop can change the essentials of our Catholic faith. One must also distinguish between doctrine and discipline. Doctrine can never change in its essence, though how we express it may develop and nuance over time. Discipline (ie. the marriage of priests) could change today if the bishops approved. I trust the Holy Spirit to guide and guard the Church of Jesus Christ.

Fr. Ed

Weekly Readings

November 10 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16-3:5; Lk 20:27-38

November 11 Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Wis 1:1-7; Ps 139:1b-10; Lk 17:1-6

November 12 Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

Wis 2:23-3:9; Ps 34:2-3, 16-19; Lk 17:7-10

November 13 Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Wis 6:1-11; Ps 82:3-4, 6-7; Lk 17:11-19

November 14 Thursday of the Thirty-second Week in Ordinary

Time Wis 7:22b-8:1; Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Lk 17:20-25

November 15 Friday of the Thirty-second Week in Ordinary Time

Wis 13:1-9; Ps 19:2-5ab; Lk 17:26-37

November 16 Saturday of the Thirty-second Week in Ordinary

Time Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43; Lk 18:1-8

November 17 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98:5-9; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Nov 11

8:30a – 9:00a
 8:30a – 10:30a
 10:00 – 11:45a
 11a – midnight
 3:00p – 3:30p
 6:00p – 8:00p
 6:30p – 7:00p
 6:30p – 8:00p
 7:15p – 8:30p

Nov 12

8:30a – 9:00a
 3:00a – midnight
 9:20a – 11:45a
 1:00p – 3:00p
 3:00p – 3:30p
 6:30p – 7:00p
 6:00p – 8:30p

Nov 13

12:00a – 12:00a
 8:30a – 9:00a
 1:00p – 3:00p
 3:00p – 3:30p
 4:00p – 5:45p
 6:30p – 7:00p
 7:30p – 8:30p
 7:30p – 9:00p
 7:00p – 7:45p

Nov 14

3:00a – 12:00a
 8:30a – 9:00a
 8:30a – 12:00p
 3:00p – 3:30p
 6:30p – 7:00p
 7:00p – 8:30p
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 7:15p – 7:45p

Nov 15

6:00a – 7:15a
 8:30a – 9:00a
 9:00a – 10:00a
 3:00a – midnight
 10:00 – 11:45a
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Nov 16

12:00a – 1:00a
 6:00a – 8:00a
 8:30a – 9:00a
 5:00a – 4:30p
 1:00p – 3:00p
 3:00p – 4:00p
 5:00p – 6:00p
 6:00p – 8:00p

Nov 17

6:00a – 8:00a
 8:30a – 9:30a
 9:45a – 11:00
 11:00 – 12:00p
 12:00p – 1:00p
 5:00p – 5:30p
 5:30p – 6:30p
 7:00p – 8:15p

Monday

Morning Prayer & Rosary
 Darling Dusters
 Food Bank
 Eucharistic Adoration
 Divine Mercy Chaplet
 Library
MASS
 Fil-Am Choir Practice
 Legislative Advocacy

Tuesday

Morning Prayer & Rosary
 Eucharistic Adoration
 Scripture Study
 Library
 Divine Mercy Chaplet
MASS
 Scripture Study

Wednesday

Eucharistic Adoration
 Morning Prayer & Rosary
 Library
 Divine Mercy Chaplet
 Food Bank
MASS
 St. Vincent de Paul
 Parish Council
 Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

Thursday

Eucharistic Adoration
 Morning Prayer & Rosary
 Thursday Crew
 Divine Mercy Chaplet
MASS
 Venture Scouts
 RCIA & Adult Confirmation
 Most Precious Blood of Jesus Devotion

Friday

Men's Prayer & Reflection
MASS
 Reconciliation
 Eucharistic Adoration
 Food Bank
 Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday

Eucharistic Adoration
 Eucharistic Adoration
MASS
 Eucharistic Adoration
 Library
 Reconciliation
Vigil MASS
 Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday

Eucharistic Adoration
MASS
 Library
MASS
 Eucharistic Adoration
 Library
MASS
 FAQ Apologetics



Make Your Faith Come Alive in Your Life!

Come to an Evening with Fr. Ed! Come for the Fellowship and Small Group discussions, for Prayer, a DVD about our Catholic Faith, and a Teaching by Fr. Ed White!

When: Friday, November 22, 6:30-8:30 PM; In the Narthex and Church.

Food: NO Cost **Please bring a potluck item.** Drinks provided.

RSVP at <https://ststephenslife.com/living-faith-fellowship>

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Childcare is available. Please contact Maria no later than Monday, Nov. 18th at 253-631-6175 ext 115.

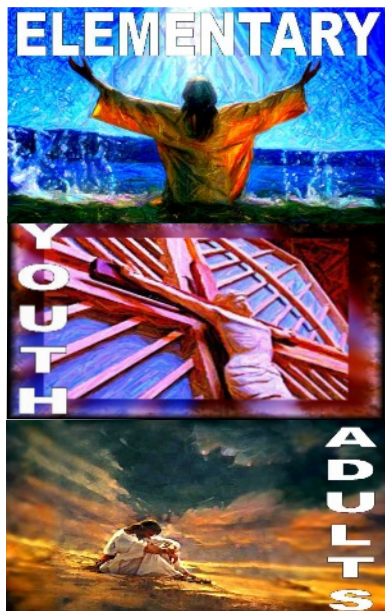
Questions/Info: Contact Anne Merklin at sstmassociate@gmail.com, 253-631-1940 ext 126



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FORMED provides amazing content 24/7 for you to grow in your faith. Enjoy a free subscription to formed.org - an incredible online gateway to the best Catholic content, all in one place! Described as a *Catholic Netflix*, FORMED features a huge library of video programs, books, recorded books and audio programs, all designed to challenge, inspire and inform Catholics in their faith. **It's FREE and now EASIER THAN EVER to Register!** Simply visit <https://formed.org/>, search for St Stephen the Martyr in the parish locator and create your account!

Faith Formation Programs



K thru 5th Grade: Wednesday Nights, 6:00-7:15 pm

Nov 13 (Wed) Religious Ed, 1st Eucharist & Connections Classes
 Nov 20 (Wed) Religious Ed, 1st Eucharist & Connections Classes

EDGE, 6th thru 8th Grade: Monday Nights, 6:00-7:45 pm

Nov 11 (Mon) NO EDGE Class Night
 Nov 16 (Sat) **First EDGE Theme Night, Saturday, 4:30 to 9:00 pm!**
(Meet in the Narthex and includes the 5:00 pm Mass)

Confirmation, 9th thru 12th Grade: Sunday Nights, 6:45-8:30 pm

Nov 10 (Sun) Confirmation Class and Parent Class
 Nov 17 (Sun) Confirmation Class / Service Night - Thanksgiving Bags

Adult Programs

Nov 16 (Sat) Next Infant Baptismal Class (See Details Below)

REGISTRATION UPDATE: K - 12th Grade Programs

Please note: All registration forms and payments should all be submitted now to the Faith Formation office so we can ensure a space for your child. Especially, since some of our classes are now full.

For program start dates and events: please continue to check the bulletin and watch for emails. We are adjusting programming along with the opening of the Parish Hall, and we may have more changes coming.

For payments: we can only accept payments by cash or check. You can mail in a check to: St. Stephen the Martyr Church, Attn: Faith Formation Office, 13055 SE 192nd ST, Renton, WA, 98058. Please make checks payable to: St. Stephen the Martyr. Or, stop by, and drop off your payment at the Faith Formation office.

We still need Volunteers for children's ministry! Join us and make a difference! Below are ways you can help:

- Teacher or Co-Teacher
- Help a teacher during class
- Safety check/walk-around
- Organize supplies
- Welcome parents at Sign-in
- Leadership and Office Support

To sign-up contact Shannon or Maria in the Faith Formation Office at **(253) 631-6175, ext. 115** or at sstm.yfmooffice@gmail.com.



Our Next Infant Baptismal Class is Saturday, November 16, 2019.

From 9:00 am to 12:30 pm in classrooms 128-129. Please take class 3 months prior to desired month of baptism. A \$10.00 donation per family is appreciated. For questions contact Teresa Wright via email at: sstm.baptism@gmail.com



Thanksgiving Food Bags

St. Stephen's High School Youth will again put together Thanksgiving Food Bags for Catholic Community Services to distribute to the elderly in our area. And, to provide this service, we need the help of the entire parish! Please remember to pick up a grocery bag in the Narthex. There is a suggested donation list by first initial of last name attached to each bag. Please fill it with your donation and return it to the Narthex by Sunday, November 17th before the 5:30 pm Mass. And, after the 5:30 pm Mass, the teens will put together the bags of food so they can be delivered to Catholic Community Services in Kent. **Please note: we seriously need Drivers and Volunteers to make this happen!** Our parish is extremely generous in donating food items but we don't always have enough help with loading and delivering the food bags. We need volunteers who can help load and deliver the bags to Catholic Community Services on Monday morning, November 18th. If you can help please contact Debbie Blomquist at **(253) 631-6175, ext. 113** or at sstm.youth@gmail.com or the Faith Formation office at **(253) 631-6175, ext. 115**.

Human Life and Justice



If you are a pregnant mother in distress or know someone facing a crisis pregnancy, our Gabriel Angels are trained volunteer mentors who walk beside Mom with spiritual, emotional, & practical support. Call 1-888-926-ANGEL to connect with an Angel. Questions? Contact Roberta Jorgensen: robertajorgensen@comcast.net

Pregnant & Need Help? Call 1-800-395-HELP or 1-877-NOT-ALONE to talk with someone 24/7 or visit www.optionline.org for information. Call Prepares, 206-737-9264, <http://preparesforlife.org> Homeless & Pregnant? Call Good Counsel Homes, 1-800-723-8331, www.goodcounselhomes.org. Find women's healthcare services at 3W Medical Clinic www.3wmedical.org/ in the U-District (206-588-0311). Find local pregnancy centers at www.911babies.com, including Pregnancy Aid in Kent (253-852-1201), Des Moines (253-878-3770), and Next Step in Lynnwood (866-892-5125).



Legislative Advocacy - Did you know Washington state laws allow a minor child to obtain an abortion without her parents' knowledge? The Catholic Bishops of Washington state strongly support and encourage gathering signatures for Initiative 1004 (I-1004). I-1004 is an initiative to the Washington state legislature to institute a "parental notification" law that will require physicians to notify parents or guardians before performing abortions on minors. Only with enough verifiable signatures of registered voters, will Initiative 1004 will be added to November 2020 ballots. Voters of Washington state will then have opportunity to vote FOR or AGAINST a "parental notification" law. See <https://parentsandstudentsprotectingminors.org/> for additional information regarding Initiative 1004.

Your signature is needed to enable voters to decide whether a minor child may obtain an abortion without her parents' knowledge. Please stop to sign the petition at the Legislative Advocacy table in the narthex TODAY!

Reminder: Legislative Advocacy meets November 11th, 7:30pm in the Conference Room. All are welcome!



St. Stephen Housing Association - Great news! A new date for St. Stephen Housing Association's Hope for Housing fundraiser has been set! Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 1, 2020 for this fun event! There will be great food, wine, music and a fantastic silent auction! So save the date now!



Girlfriends - Please join the Girlfriends at our upcoming events. All women (age 18+) are invited! The Lit & Lattes group is reading At Home In Mitford by Jan Karon. Please join us for conversation and fun on Tuesday, November 12th at 7 pm in the St. Stephens Room. Please contact Vicki at vkennnerud@comcast.net to RSVP or for any questions.

The Holy Trinity Catholic Charismatic Community (HTCCC) invites everyone to experience the Holy Spirit, who opens us to a life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ, and the love of the Father. HTCCC meets at STTM every Friday evening from 7:00 PM-8:30 PM, in rooms 128 & 129. We praise God with enthusiasm through spontaneous Praise and Worship, Sharing the word of God, Prayerful Intercession, and Personal Testimonies from those who have experienced God working in their lives. Please email us at holytrinityccc3@gmail.com for any inquiries. Please come and experience the love and joy! All are welcome. For more details, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/sstmholyltrinity>



WIDOWS/WIDOWERS: Save the date for our Christmas dinner. Thursday, 12/12/19, at Golden Steer Restaurant, Kent



Are You or Someone You Know Thinking of Returning to the Catholic Church? Contact Bill Swedberg at billswedberg@gmail.com or 253-631-1940 ext 121 to learn more.

Friday Men's Prayer and Reflection All men are invited to join our weekly time of prayer and reflection from 6:00 – 7:15 AM in the Narthex. Donuts are served at 6:00 with morning prayer at 6:15. The upcoming Sunday Gospel reading is then read and discussed.



Praying For Sick

Marie Peacock Albers, Nela Pacleb, Irene Bauman, JoAnna Bailey, Jim Dougherty, Brian W. French, Lydia Franada, Chad Horky, Mary Byersdorf, Leila Abada, Kelley Chazes, April Sedall, Nicole Paulsen, Shelby Talley, Christina Rafferty, Antonio San, Nicolas Nenita, San Nicolas, Rolf Ju, Emelita Joyosa, Leonora Bernabe, Roselyn Corpuz, James Vaccaro, Marlene Hill, Teresa Wright, Precilla Del Rosario, Yvonne (Dawn) Kunkle, Jesse Boyovich, Jan Sykes, Phyllis Beaver, Joel Rivera, Julie Fernandez, Saksithan Hak, Lan Buck, Joshua Hecox, Charito Rubis Galindo, Rose Herlya, Manny Gutierrez, JJ Conavad, Jim Steckler, Cam-Tu Fulong, Ngan Nguyen, Adam Bynum, Xavier Mascaren, Ester Hansen, Jesusa Cadalina, Henry de Guzman, Dolores Dela Cruz, Nicomedes Rodriguez, Molly Dinsmore, Baby Nyhla Wallace, Angelina Rivera, Alexander Diachenko, Adrian Abada, Art Condes

Serving in the Military

Major Patrick Warfel, Captain Philip Clay LT Luke Carpenter (deployed) Stephen Snelling, Zachary Cullers, (Japan) Jack Cullers in US, Zenaida Roth, Sydney Munn

Deaths July - August

July: Keith Atherton
August: Chuck Koppes

To add names to the box, please e-mail ourbulletin@gmail.com, or contact Betty Mencke, 253-631-1940. To contact the Prayer Chain please see Teresa Wright, at 425-255 0301 or teresa2pray@gmail.com



Outreach Ministry

Under the Patronage of Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Contact: Darlene Simpson

Office Phone: 253-631-1940 ext 127 Email: darsimpson@gmail.com

"It is not how much we give, but how much love we put in the giving." St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Food Bank In Outreach Building Mon's & Fri's 10am - 11:45am Wednesday's 4pm - 5:45pm

Needed this week: Tooth brushes, Syrup, Hamburger Helper, Tuna, Spaghetti Sauce, Instant Oatmeal, Coffee, Canned meat-Chicken-Chili, Snack Crackers, Granola Bars, Juice Boxes and White Rice **Number of families served 14**

St. Stephens' Medical Closet - The St. Stephen's Medical Closet provides free and easy access to medical equipment for St. Stephen's parishioners and their families. Parishioners can borrow donated equipment for as long as they need it, returning it when the need is no longer there. There are no fees. We run solely on charitable community giving. If you are in need of medical equipment or would like to donate medical equipment, please contact one of the following team members: Donna Williamson 253-854-1290 Willi3_5@q.com or Jennifer Walker 253-985-0109.

A Wonderful Opportunity to Serve Homeless Women Dinner You can signup alone or with friends to provide dinner for up to 30 women. You decide the menu. Whatever you like to eat, they probably will too. KentHOPE helps homeless women and children. Sign up board is in the Narthax as well as more information about the program. We start November 1st. If you are willing to bring dinner, or for more information, please contact Darlene in Outreach ext. 127 or darsimpson@gmail.com.

Collection Counter Needed, running tapes, tabulating totals and preparing deposits. Requirements: Math aptitude, confidentiality and background check required. If interested contact the bookkeeper at sstmbookkeeping@gmail.com

Grief Ministry - If you are grieving the death of a loved one, come find strength and compassion with the St. Stephen's Grief Support Group on Sunday, November 17th from 1:00-2:30 pm in the Chapel. Our topic will be "Pathways Through The Holiday Season." For more info, contact Sharon Rasmussen at 425-228-1437. "Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted." Mt. 5, 4

Wednesday Evenings Food Bank Volunteers Needed: Need 3-4 volunteers for Wednesday evening shift. Hours are 3:45 to 6:15 pm. The position gives you an opportunity to meet with our guests and help them select the food they want. You would not be required to work every Wednesday. The positions alternate weeks. Contact Theresa Milette at tmilette@comcast.net

Veteran's Day Prayer Service - The St. Anthony Parent Teacher Club and school is hosting a Veteran's Day Prayer Service. The entire parish community is invited to attend. Please extend the invitation to any military veterans you may know. The service will be held Tuesday, November 12 at 2:00 pm. in the St. Anthony Gymnasium. If you have questions, contact Leesa Kofmehl at leesa.r.kofmehl@chase.com.

Seattle University Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture's fall Catholic Heritage Lecture is: **Black and Catholic Artists: Catholicism as Foundation and Inspiration.** Keynote speaker Dr. Cecilia Moore is the Associate Director of the Degree Program for the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at the University of Dayton. Her topic focuses on how Catholicism, a tradition rich in symbol and ritual and a great patron of art and music, provided a foundation for African American Catholic artists to enter secular and sacred worlds of art. The lecture is at 7pm on Thursday, November 14 in Student Center 160 (LeRoux Room) at Seattle University, and is free and open to the public. Please contact the ICTC with any questions (206-220-8270 or ICTC@seattleu.edu).



Fall Catholic Heritage Lecture
BLACK AND CATHOLIC ARTISTS:
Catholicism as Foundation and Inspiration
Dr. Cecilia Moore
University of Dayton
Thursday, November 14

Parish Communication With Flocknote!

Parish members are invited to sign up to receive news, reminders, special announcements, etc. by subscribing to one or more lists, specific to your interests. Each member gets to choose their own preferred mode of receiving messages such as email, text message, social networking sites etc. **To get started** use the easy direct link on the front-page of our parish website www.ststephenslife.com. Choose any or all of our ministries you'd like to hear from!



REGISTRATIONS DUE for The Footsteps of St. Paul Pilgrimage to Greece & Turkey (Including a 3-Night Mediterranean Cruise!) Join Bill & Patty Swedberg, Pilgrimage Hosts, Fr. Brooks Beaulaurier, Spiritual Director, and Dr. Timothy Mullner, Pathfinders' President, April 19-28, 2020, for the trip of a lifetime through Greece & Turkey. Follow in the footsteps of St. Paul & the early Church while visiting sites such as Corinth, Ephesus, Thessaloniki, Athens, Santorini, and MORE! Download the Brochure Register TODAY: <https://bit.ly/2TkqcoS> Questions? info@pathfinders.me



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Parish Information

New to St. Stephen's? Welcome! Learn more about our vibrant community by visiting our web site at www.ststephenslife.com or emailing us at WelcomeStStephens@gmail.com. Registration forms are online or may be obtained from the ushers and put in the collection basket or mailed in.

Parish Office Hours: Most weeks, Monday - Friday, 9 AM - Noon and 1-5 PM. **Bulletin Notices:** The **article deadline is 12:00 PM on the Friday** a week before the weekend you wish it to appear (8 days in advance). Notices about parish events or items of interest to the parish are welcome, however posting cannot be guaranteed. Email notices to: ourbulletin@gmail.com.

Main Office Phone: TEL 253-631-1940 / FAX 425-255-2943

Pastor	Fr Edward G. White	To contact Fr. Ed please contact his assistant, Betty Mencke	
Deacon	Dec. Carl Chilo		sstmdeaconcarlchilo@gmail.com
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Preschool Director	Abbie Nelson	ext 123	sstm.littlesaints@gmail.com
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Child Care Nursery	Liese Diachenko		StStephensChildCare@gmail.com
St Stephen Housing Association		253-638-9798	office@ststephenhousing.org
SVDP Help-Line		206-767-6449	
Custodial Support	Brian Guenther, Soo Kim		briang.sstm@gmail.com

Marriage: Couples seeking Marriage must contact the church 9 months before their wedding date. Some preparation and Parish Registration are required before a date can be set. Contact Teresa Wright for details concerning marriage at (253) 631-6175, Ext. 120.

Annulments: (for those who are divorced): For compassionate and confidential answers to your questions and for help through the annulment process, please contact our parish Tribunal Advocate, Veronica Smith-Casem, at vsmithcasem@gmail.com or 425-301-0356.

Baptism: Preparation and Parish Registration are required for both Parents and Godparents/Sponsors. Baptisms are held monthly. Contact the Faith Formation Office for details (253-631-6175).

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) For adults to become Catholic & be baptized. Contact Anne Merklin 253-631-1940 ext 126.

sstmassociate@gmail.com



Called to Serve as Christ Campaign

Our Parish Campaign Update To date, our parish has raised \$ 104,910.00 toward our campaign goal of \$ 1,905,411.00. Through the Called to Serve as Christ campaign, we are receiving 15 percent of the funds raised to accomplish. Thank you for helping us reach our goal! For more information about the campaign and its impact, visit: www.calledtoserveaschrist.org

Parish Stewardship Giving

October 19 & 20, 2019

To Our Parish:	Budget	Actual	Difference
Last Weekend	\$22,194	\$22,125	-\$69
Fiscal Year to Date	\$462,238	\$437,918	-\$24,320

Our Other Giving:

Maintenance Reserve	\$245
Christian Social Action	\$461



Rachel's Corner: Hope and Healing After Abortion Before the retreat my life was full of anger, my cross was heavy, and I was angry with myself; on retreat I went through detox because that is what it is like to be filled with pain, anger, and frustration. Now I am feeling my healing and my resurrection to this new life God has given me. He has fed me with His word, His Mass and His communion.

-Testimonial. Your healing after abortion can most certainly be a resurrection to a new life that you thought would never be yours again. Ask Him to give you the courage to take that step towards Him. He will do everything else. Rest in Him on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and come alive again. Call Aleah at 206-920-6413 Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services. www.ccsww.org/projectrachel

You are loved with an everlasting Love!

The Eucharistic Principles of the Spiritual Life

Spiritual Healing

Saint Stephen the Martyr Advent Mission

2 - 5 DECEMBER 2019

Monday through Thursday

Two Daily Options:

1. Morning Conference 9:00 - 10:00

OR

2. Evening Conference 7:00 - 8:00

Confessions Available 8:00-9:30

Daily Mass

8:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

Free Will Offering

There will be a snack after the morning Mass and a reception after the evening conferences.



Our Presenter: Fr. Emmerich Vogt is a priest of the Holy Name Province of the Dominican Order and is currently ministering with Western Dominican Preaching. For the past thirty-six years he has been involved in giving retreats to Mother Teresa's Priests and Sisters throughout the world. From a family with alcohol and drug addiction, Fr. Emmerich has studied the 12-Steps for his own healing and to help others to overcome obstacles and find peace. His series for EWTN is entitled *The Eucharistic Principles of the Spiritual Life*.

For Whom:

- This mission is for anyone who seeks the peace the world cannot give.
- Are your happiness and peace dependent on pleasing others?
- Do you freeze up emotionally when you are in conflict?
- Do you feel like you are the only one holding your family together?
- Do you have difficulty saying "No"?
- Do you work or eat compulsively?

If you can answer 'yes' to some of the above questions, then perhaps a Mission on Spiritual Healing can help you find that peace which the world cannot give—a peace that comes from a spiritual life led in union with Christ and according to Christian principles.

Before things go from bad to worse, come and learn more about yourself by discovering a practical, spiritual program which, if lived one day at a time, leads to that "peace beyond all understanding."

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