Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 10, 2025



St. Stephen the Martyr

St. Anthony

Pastor: Fr. Bryan Dolejsi

Parochial Vicars: Fr. Marlo F. Abad, Fr. Joseph Tapia-Beeman

ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR CATHOLIC CHURCH www.ststephenslife.com

Weekend Masses: Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 PM Sunday 8:30,11:00 AM and 7:00* PM *Summer Mass Time

ST. ANTHONY CATHOLIC CHURCH www.st-anthony.cc

Weekend Masses: Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 PM 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 5:00 PM (English) Noon, 1:30 PM (Spanish)

Words from Fr. Bryan

This past weekend in the readings, Jesus calls us to a life of holiness because it is a way of witnessing to our faith of God's grace in us and the best way to try to help build the kingdom of God on earth. We ask Jesus to help us, especially through the sacraments of the church, and then we can cooperate with God's grace by forming ourselves in virtue. It is not enough just to try to stop a vice, we need to replace the habits with virtues. The foundations of these are the theological virtues of faith, hope, and love and the Cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. Below is a list of seven lively virtues and the seven deadly sins they replace.



Humility: Combats pride. It involves recognizing one's limitations and dependence on God, fostering a sense of modesty and selflessness.

Charity: Combats greed. It is a selfless love that extends to all, including one's enemies, and motivates acts of generosity and compassion including stewardship.

Chastity: Combats lust. It involves controlling one's sexual desires and using them appropriately, maintaining purity in thought, word, and deed.

Diligence: Combats sloth/laziness. It is a commitment to fulfilling one's duties and responsibilities with enthusiasm and perseverance also known as fortitude.

Kindness: Combats envy. It involves showing genuine care and concern for others, rejoicing in their successes and offering support during difficult times.

Patience: Combats wrath/anger. It involves enduring difficulties and provocations with a calm and forgiving spirit, avoiding rash reactions.

Temperance: Combats gluttony. It involves moderation and self-control in all things, especially those that offer immediate gratifications, such as food and drink.

Often people think of moral theology and the teachings of the church simply as a list of 'do nots', which is part of our instruction to be sure such as the ten commandments. However, virtue ethics focus on building character and virtues as the foundation of ethical behavior. To be moved out of love, not fear. It focuses on what a virtuous person would do in each situation, rather than on the rules or consequences. A virtuous person will be happy, fruitful, and fully free, growing in holiness in all they do in accordance with God's will. It takes effort to pursue a life of holiness and virtue, Follow the teachings and life of Jesus, rely on the Holy Spirit, ask others to help you and let us always lift each other up as members of the Body of Christ.

Your servant in the Risen Christ,

Fr. Bryan Dolejsi, Pastor

Weekly Readings

August 10 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48

August 11 Memorial of Saint Clare, Virgin Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

August 12 Tuesday of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time Dt 31:1-8; Dt 32:3-4ab, 7-9, 12; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

August 13 Wednesday of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time Dt 34:1-12; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

August 14 Memorial of Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21–19:1

August 15 Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rv 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

August 16 Saturday of the Nineteenth Week in Ordinary Time Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

August 17 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary TimeJer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

Parish Calendar

Sunday August 10th 8:30 am - 9:30 am Mass (Fr. Doleisi)

11:00 am - 12:00 pm 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Monday August 11th

9:00 am - 10:30 am Darling Dusters

10:00 am – 11:45 am 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Food Pantry (Drive by only) Divine Mercy Chaplet St. Vincent de Paul Evening Prayer Mass (Fr. Marlo)

Tuesday August 12th

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Evening Prayer 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm **Mass** (Fr. Dolejsi)

Wednesday August 13th

 10:00 am 10:45 am
 Rosary Group

 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm
 Divine Mercy Chaplet

 4:00pm - 5:45 pm
 Food Pantry (drive by only)

5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Evening Prayer 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm **Mass** (Fr. Joseph)

7:15 pm- 7:45 pm Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena 7:15 pm- 8:30 pm Adoration & Reconciliation (Fr. Joseph)

Thursday August 14th

8:30 pm – 12:00 pm 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Campus Crew Divine Mercy Chaplet Evening Prayer Vigil Mass* (Fr. Dolejsi)

7:00 pm – 7:30 pm Devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus

Friday August 15th The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

6:30 am - 7:30 am Men's Prayer/Reflection (Doors open at 6:15)
9:00 am - 10:00 am Mass (Fr. Marlo)
10:00 am - 11:45 am Food Pantry

10:00 am – 12:00 pm Rosary Makers Group 3:00 pm- 3:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation (Fr. Marlo)

5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Evening Prayer 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Mass (Fr. Marlo)

Saturday August 16th

7:30 am - 8:30 am Exodus 90 8:30 am - 9:00 am Mass (Fr. Joseph)

9:15 am -10:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation (Fr. Joseph)

3:00 am - 3:30 pm 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Vigil Mass (Fr. Marlo)

Food Pantry Needs - Thank you!

Pancake Syrup, White Rice, Peanut Butter, Canned Fruit

The Outreach Program and Food Pantry extend our heartfelt thanks to the youth, volunteers, and staff who **collected an incredible amount of goods during Vacation Bible Camp!** Your generosity has made a meaningful impact and will help support many families in need. Thank you for your dedication and compassion!

The Gabriel Project Thank you for your continued support. We are in need of unscented wipes and size 3 to 6 diapers.



Annual Catholic Appeal: Thank you to everyone who has pledged to the Annual Catholic Appeal this year! To date we have surpassed our Goal by \$10,000. Everything above our goal will be given back to the parish. It's not too late to give and help support St. Stephens and be recognized as having contributed to the Annual Catholic Appeal. All additional pledges made will come back to the parish.

You can pledge by completing a pew pledge card, scanning this QR Code, or visiting: https://archseattle.org/give-serve/giving-

opportunities/annual-catholic-appeal/aca-2025/



Adoration Invitation - At St.

Stephens we enjoy Perpetual Adoration of Jesus in the chapel/church. That means Jesus is exposed in the Monstrance 24 hours 7 days (except during scheduled Masses). At this time we find ourselves with open hours needing to be filled by committed adorers. Is Jesus calling you to Come and Adore Him? Please go to the Adoration sign up table in the narthex and find up-to-date information on what



hours are available and/or need to be filled or visit

https://ststephenslife.com/ eucharistic-adoration or contact coordinator Bernie 206-427-6085 or Tina 206-715-8462.

	July 21- July 27, 2025	July 14- July 20, 2025	FY To date July 1 2024-June 30, 2025
Collections-actual	13,217	20,796	1,063,489
Collections-Budget	14,333	18,907	1,181,991
Variance	(1,116)	1,889	(118,502
*EFT-Actual	4,864	9,838	477,311
*EFT-Budget	7,088	7,436	516,239
Variance	(2,224)	2,402	(38,928
Total Collections Variance	(3,340)	4,291	(157,430

Outreach Collections						
Outreach Assistance		360		855		33,642
Food Pantry		246		2,134		64,127

New Fiscal Year began 7/01/2025

*EFT= Electronic Funds Transfer (Online Collections)

Faith Formation Programs

Faith Formation This is for children and teens through 12th Grade, as well as Adult Scripture Study. Check out your areas right away, as things are happening fast! If you have questions, we're happy to help. Join us, build community, and grow in our Lord!

Children/Family Classes and Activities: Wednesday Nights (some Friday night activities)

For Registration Please Visit https://ststephenslife.com/fall-2024-registration-children-and-teens



Baptism Preparation Classes - Parents and Godparents must take a Baptism preparation class before scheduling the child's Baptism. Please see our website for detailed information and requirements for Baptism preparation, including dates for our upcoming Baptism prep classes. Call or email Ellen Hecht with any questions at ehecht@ststephenslife.com or 206-480-7106. You can also scan the QR code here to RSVP to an upcoming class!





August 10: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - In this Gospel, Jesus says "Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy." Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are in need of utility assistance, so they can find relief from the summer heat, and you will indeed find "an inexhaustible treasure in heaven!"



Girlfriends - Please join the Girlfriends Lit and Latte Group. All women (age 18+) are invited! New members are welcome! We meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month. The Lit & Lattes group is meeting on **Tuesday**, **August 12th** at 7:00 p.m. to discuss Lilac Girls by Martha Hall Kelly We will be meeting in Classroom #130 and have a Zoom option. Please RSVP to Vicki Kennerud at vkennerud@comcast.net or to request Zoom link



Safe Environment Training - Our next class date at St Stephen the Martyr will be **Tuesday, August 19th, 6:00 PM.** To register click the image above to visit www.virtusonline.org. Required for all adults working with children and vulnerable adults. Great information for all. For more information contact Beth Nieva 253-480-7105, bnieva@ststephenslife.com



ANNUAL Senior++ Picnic BBQ - The St Stephen 50+ Club is now the Senior++ Club
If you listened to the Rat Pack, Perry Como & Elvis, watched Howdy Duty, Buck Rogers and Lassie, then join St.
Stephen & St Anthony Seniors, Widows & Widowers, Knights, Filipino-Americans, Women's Guild & Others for
our ANNUAL Senior++ Picnic BBQ! Saturday, AUG 16th 2025, at 2:00 PM at Tansey-Gardner Home
PS: Maybe Fr. Marlo will make a Musical Appearance Wear your RED, WHITE, & BLUE and Come!
Burgers, Hot Dogs, Buns, Condiments, Paper Provided Please, tell us what you will bring by Wed. Aug.13th:

A. A Salad or A Side

C. Cash \$5

B. Beverage or Chip Bag

D. Dessert

Please text/Call Kathleen 253-653-6074 or psj1350@comcast.net Sorry, we had to make a date change due to schedule conflict. - *Kathleen*



Screen Operators

This important ministry helps people to participate in the liturgy prayerfully and with ease. Screen Operators serve once a month. The current openings are on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 5:00 PM, the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 8:30 AM, and the 4th Sunday of the month at 5:30 and 7:00 PM. For more information contact Janet at jstewart@ststephenslife.com.



The Renton Day of Service is an annual event where community members can volunteer to improve their local area. The event will be held on Saturday, September 6th, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Volunteers can participate in various projects, including storm drain marking and park beautification at Thomas Teasdale Park. Lunch will be provided at noon. https://www.rentonwa.gov/Activities-Events/Get-Involved

For information about helping **install Red Cross Smoke Detectors**, please contact Beth Nieva bnieva@ststephenslife.com

Attention Knitters and Crocheters: St. Stephen's will be hosting a Knit-In for the Renton Day of Service. We will be making lap blankets, scarves, etc, for our neighbors in need. For more information, contact Beth Nieva at bnieva@ststephenslife.com



Everything we do at St. Stephen's flows from - and points back to - the Sunday Experience of celebrating Mass. Music is a powerful part of that encounter with God, and we invite **you** to help lead our community in joyful praise!

We are looking for **volunteer choir members, cantors, pianists, and** (occasionally) instrumentalists to join one of our groups:

SATURDAY 5:00 PM CHOIR (Rehearsal before Mass)

A small, dedicated group leading a blend of traditional and contemporary hymns.

SUNDAY 8:30 AM SATB CHOIR (Rehearsal 7:20 PM Tuesday) Offering a mix of sacred hymns, chant, choral octavos, and select contemporary Catholic music.

SUNDAY 11 AM CHOIR

(Independent learning plus Rehearsal 10 AM Sunday) Similar music to Saturday night. Musicians at this Mass can prepare independently and require little direction.

SUNDAY 5:30 / 7 PM CONTEMPORARY BAND (Rehearsal before Mass) Led by piano, vocals, and guitars - offering energetic, modern praise music. This group is looking for musicians that are experienced in contemporary music.

Contact Patty Swedberg at pattyswedberg@gmail.com or 206-779-7727 to arrange for an audition.

Whether you're a seasoned musician or new to singing at Mass, we'll help you find your place. We especially invite those with experience, but we encourage everyone to join!



Fill out an interest form at our website: www.ststephenslife.com/music

Contact Janet Stewart at JStewart@ststephens.com or stop by the piano after Mass.

Parish Family PICNIC

Join St Anthony and St Stephen for a parish family picnic!
Food, drinks, and desserts will be provided. Please bring your
own camping chairs and or picnic blanket for seating.

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11 AM - 2 PM

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Grief Support - 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**, **August 17th at 1:00pm**. The meeting will be held in the Chapel as well as on Zoom. Our topic will be "Guilt—If Only....". For more information and to register, please contact Sharon Rasmussen at srasmussen910@yahoo.com. He will wipe every tear from their eyes...for the old order has passed away. - Revelation 21, 4

Mattress Donation Needed - St. Stephen Housing is in desperate need of twin, full and queen size mattresses (no box springs or frames needed). They should be new or gently used, with some life left in them! Please email us at office@ststephenhousing.org or call 253-638-9798 if you have a mattress to donate. We will come to you and pick up. Thank you!

Exodus 90 Observes Saint Michael's Lent - To all men at St Stephen the Martyr parish: Exodus 90 is reviving the Lost Tradition of Saint Michael's Lent. Beginning on August 15th we began a 40-day program to take up the spiritual disciplines of prayer, asceticism and fraternity. Join over 100,000 men all over the world, right here at St. Stephen's. Our Exodus 90 fraternity meets every Saturday morning, starting with Holy Hour and Adoration in the chapel at 6:30am, followed by our weekly meeting right after in the downstairs parish hall. We usually wrap up just in time for 8:30am mass. Please come join us! Contact Rob Pacleb at 206-226-7442 or rpacleb2000@hotmail.com for more information.

Pilgrimage to Fatima & Lourdes - NEW DATE 2- 12 NOV and NEW LOWER PRICE! - \$4999.00 Join Fr. Mark Kiszelewski, pastor of St. Cecilia and Kathleen Tansey, experienced group travel advisor from St. Stephen on a 11 day Pilgrimage with Avila, Loyola, Barcelona. To learn more contact Kathleen at 253-653-6074 or Kathleen@travelcenter4u.com We have room for 7 more pilgrims.

Respect Life - Monthly Prayer Guide - Pray Our Father, 3 Hail Marys, Glory Be

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary celebrates the Blessed Mother's entrance into heavenly glory. Mary's Assumption into heaven reminds us that life on earth is a pilgrimage to our ultimate destination. We prepare in hope for our own passage into eternal life by the choices we make today. When we choose to love and follow God in our daily lives, we strengthen our relationship with Him, and this relationship is the true meaning of heaven:.... For the full reflection visit https://www.respectlife.org/prayer-guides

Parish Information

New to St. Stephen's? Welcome! Learn more about our vibrant community by visiting our web site at www.ststephenslife.com. Registration forms are online or may be obtained from the ushers and put in the collection basket or mailed in. **Bulletin Notices:** The **content 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 Ten digit phone numbers listed below are direct lines.

Pastor	Fr. Bryan Dolejsi			frbryan@ststephenslife.com
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Parochial Vicar	Fr. Joseph Tapia-Beeman			frjoseph@st-anthony.cc
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Deacon	Dec. Sonny Ungco			DeaconSonny.Ungco@gmail.com
Deacon	Dec.lke Tarabi			ike.tarabi@outlook.com
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Youth Ministry	(See Shannon Battles abo	ve)	,	
Young Adult Ministry/Talents Ministry	Beth Nieva	253-480-7105 ((123)	bnieva@ststephenslife.com
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Marriage and Infant Baptism	Ellen Hecht	206-480-7106	,	ehecht@ststephenslife.com
Faith Formation Support Coordinator	Maria Trejo	253-631-6175 ((115)	MTrejo@ststephenslife.com
St Stephen Housing Association	,	253-638-9798 `	,	office@ststephenhousing.org
SVDP Help-Line		206-767-6449		amaa @aaaa paaamaaa mgaaag
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Marriage: Marriage: Couples preparing for marriage must contact us at least 9 months before their wedding date. Some preparation and parish registration are required before a date can be set. See contact information above to reach the staff person for marriage.

Annulments: (for those who are civilly divorced). For compassionate and confidential answers to your questions, please contact our Pastoral Associate, Anne Merklin, 253-480-7108 (ext. 126), AMerklin@ststephenslife.com.

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).

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) For adults desiring to become Catholic, including those needing baptism. Contact Anne Merklin 253-480-7108 (ext. 126), AMerklin@ststephenslife.com.

Praying For Sick

Mary Ann Belcourt, Al Lagmay, Erlinda David, Cánlas Ingraham, Angel M. Piol, Estrellita & Patrick Staeheli, Frank Ratajczyk, Cindy Lagmay, Rene Abella

Please note we are revising the list of those who are ill and in need of prayers. Names will be posted for 3 weeks unless we receive further notification.

If you or a loved one would like to be included in the bulletin listing please contact Laurie Manning at 253-631-1940.

Recent Deaths

Delia Dela Cruz Piol, Joseph H. Martirez, Sharon Ross, Jeff Tobin, Eleanor Bertagni, Jobel Dela Cruz Reyes Names will be posted for 3 months.

Serving in the Military

Captain Philip Clay, LT Luke Carpenter (deployed), Zenaida Roth, Joey Buslon Poland, Sergeant Anthony Vogeler, Fort Carson, Colorado.

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

Rachel's Corner: Hope and Healing After Abortion - Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: Project Rachel, Peace Starts Here.

If you are suffering from the experience of an abortion, you do not need to walk alone. Project Rachel offers a compassionate and confidential environment for those who suffer the effects of an abortion. October 10-12, 2025- English; October 31-November 2, 2025-Spanish; March 6-8, 2026- English For more information about the Project Rachel ministry or our healing retreats, please call Frances at (206) 920-6413 (English) or Alejandra at (206) 450-7814 (Spanish).







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