



*He who knew us before time began,
who loves us and willed us into being,
and who will be waiting for us
at the moment of our last breath,
is the same One looking upon us from the Sacred Host.*

*God is as really present in the consecrated Host
as He is in the glory of Heaven.
-St. Paschal Baylon*

From: Manual for Eucharistic Adoration of the Saint Joseph Adoration Monastery

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Stephen Parish:
Tuesdays from 7:00pm-12:00midnight
Fridays from 8:30am-3:15pm



Eucharistic Revival: Let's Make it Matter at our Sister Parishes

The American Catholic Church is engaged in a multi-year Eucharistic Revival. 2023-2024 is the second year and focuses on grassroots "Year of Parish Revival." In this spirit, Deacon David Mills invites parishioners of St. Edward-Fairfield and St. Stephen-Flora to participate in an 8 month book study of "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist" by Brant Pitre leading up to Easter next March. Meetings will take place on Sunday afternoons from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. It will begin with Eucharistic Adoration set to the Liturgy of the Hours in the church and transition to a group discussion in the parish hall. Book Study Schedule: 2/25 at St. Stephen, 3/24 at St. Edward, 4/28 at St. Stephen.

St. Edward and St. Stephen Catholic Churches

Third Sunday of Lent

March 3, 2024

Rev. Father Charles Anyaoku, Pastoral Administrator

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Deacon David Mills, Permanent Deacon

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Fairfield, IL 62837

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stedwardfairfield.com

New Parishioners register at Parish Office
Please send bulletin information to the parish office
by noon on Wednesdays.

Parish Secretary: Libby Pond
PSR Coordinator: Jen Wellen
RCIA Co-Coordinator: Ginny Barrett
Music Director: Linda Keck

Trustees: Don Zurliene
Jay Fyie

Finance Council: David Cavanaugh
Jay Fyie
Don Zurliene
Teresa Williams
Jen Wellen
Ken Nordmann

Parish Council: Diana Zurliene
Linda Keck
David Cavanaugh
Tim Schoenborn
Libby Pond
Kent Ochs
Mike Oppenheimer
Scott Merkle

In Case of Emergency Contact:

Father Charles: 618-641-8978
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Rectory: 618-662-6261 Office: 618-662-8121

ststephen_flora@yahoo.com

ststephenflora.com

*Bulletins and special reminders can be sent to
your cell phone or email via Flocknote.
Contact the parish office to sign up.*

New Parishioners register with Fr. Charles,
Parish Office or Dorothy Uebinger (662-3711)

Prayer Requests: Contact Trudi Herdes

Parish Office Contact Information

Laura Anderson, Secretary

618-599-6786 (cell) or 618-662-8121 (office)

laura.whitehead.91@gmail.com or ststephen_flora@yahoo.com

Submit bulletin information in email by Wednesday at noon.

Wednesday:

10:15am-12:15pm

Thursday:

9:00am-12:00 noon

Hours are either in parish office or remote.

Contact via cell or email if you need to visit office.

PSR Coordinator: Paul Duquaine
RCIA Co-Coordinator: Cheryl McCarty
Music Director: Diane Briscoe

Trustees: Randy Wells
Susan Schroeder

Finance Council: Jesse Harvey
Trudi Herdes
Dorothy Uebinger
Krista Weidner
Deb Zimmerman
Ted Zimmerman

Parish Council: Cory Anderson
Laura Anderson
Justin Fleener
Pat Greenwood
Mary Beth Lancaster
Andrew Vahling

St. Stephen Liturgical Schedule

Third Week of Lent

Saturday, March 2:	4:00pm	Confession
	4:30pm	Mass + <i>Helen & Violet Powless</i>
Sunday, March 3:	8:00am	Rosary & Confession
	8:30am	Mass <i>For the living & deceased of the parish</i>
Tuesday, March 5:	6:00pm	Rosary
	6:30pm	Mass <i>Special Intention</i>
	7:00pm	Adoration until midnight
Wednesday, March 6:	7:30am	Rosary
	8:00am	Mass <i>Special Intention</i>
Thursday, March 7:	7:30am	Rosary
	8:00am	Mass <i>Father Charles & all priests & seminarians</i>
Friday, March 8:	8:30am	Adoration until 3:15pm
	12:00noon	Servite Rosary
	3:00pm	Chaplet of Divine Mercy
	6:00pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 9:	4:00pm	Confession
	4:30pm	Mass + <i>Eliza Argenbright</i>
Sunday, March 10:	8:00am	Rosary & Confession
	8:30am	Mass <i>For the living & deceased of the parish</i>

Weekly Contribution: 2-25-24		Attendance: 2-25-24	
Envelope:	\$2,050.00	Saturday:	49
Loose:	\$ 334.00	Sunday:	90
Online:	\$ 150.00	Total:	139
TOTAL:	\$2,534.00	Weekly Budget	\$2,270.00

Ministers for March

<u>Saturday, March 9:</u>	
Lector: Cheryl McCarty	Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Ridgeway, Krista Weidner, Volunteer
Servers: Volunteers	Ushers: Mike Winka & Don Talmant

<u>Sunday, March 10:</u>	
Lector: Susan Schroeder	Commentator: Ted Whitehead
Eucharistic Ministers: Jonathan Akers, Emily Milner, Andrew Vahling	
Servers: Ethan & Landon Milner	Ushers: Jerod Fleener & Dennis Holkenbrink

Happy Birthday:

Father Charles: February 24	Ted Zimmerman: February 24	Alison Harvey: March 7
Jean Quinn: March 12	Pat Quinn: March 17	Heather Greenwood: March 22

Prayer Intentions

Linda Griffy, Bill Marks, Nicole Wheaton, Velma Oliver, Clara Wilson, Ray Vaughn, LaVonne Kemmerer, Patience McKnight, Mildred Garrison, Irene Winka, Mary Wilson, Celeste Repogle, Luke Miller, Ralph & Georgianna Weber, Marie Elwat, Kennah Hiestand, Harrison Hilliard, Becky Dulaney, Mary Patridge, Chris Niebrugge, Margaret Bateman, Helen Wilkins, Fern Ketzner, Paul Birk, Gerald Klein, Dale Jennings, Bob Porter, Lisa Schimp, Jane Henson, Tammy Lough, John D., Bobby Wilkin, Emma Winslow, Justin Traub, Lois Lewis, Galen Gill, Matt Kuenstler, Sydney Knott, Shallon Booth, Smitty, Robert Tatman, Josh Winka, repose of the souls in the Troksh family, Rodney Keck, Michael Persinger, Linda Martin, Sierra Roberts, Bill Casolari, & nursing home residents. *Please let the parish office know if names can be added or removed.*

St. Edward Mass Intentions for the Week
Sunday, March 3, 10:30 AM – Marilyn Dooling+
Thursday, March 7, 6:00 PM – Al Detmer+
Friday, March 8, 8:00 – John Robison III+
Sunday, March 10, 10:30 AM – Marcielle Oppenheimer+

Weekly Contributions
2/25/2023

Envelopes	\$ 2203
Loose	\$ 450
Total	\$ 2653
We Need	\$ 2032
Mass Stipends	\$ 60
Building Fund	\$ 244
Black & Indian Mission	\$35

Candles \$6

Attendance-

Sunday 10:30 AM 92

Prayer Intentions

Kim Buchanan, Lanora Neavill, Robyn Meagher, Donna Turner, Marilyn Butler , CeCe Coorapi, , Margaret Thompson, Richard Rennie, Lee Bouldin, Fr. Ray, Marty Hawkins, Spencer Meagher, Judy Maguire, Dick Hibbetts, Donna Williams, Teresa Keyser, Shirley Miller, Glory Almon, Teresa Walker, Bill Arndt, Tony Evans, Norah Pickens
Let the office know if names need to be added or removed from our prayer list.

Our Scripture Readings

Sun – Third Sunday of Lent
Ex 20: 1-17 1 Cor 1: 22-25
Jn 2: 13-25
Mon – Lenten Weekday
2 Kgs 5: 1-15b Lk 4: 24-30
Tues – Lenten Weekday
Dn 3: 25, 34-43 Mt 18: 21-35
Wed – Lenten Weekday
Dt 4: 1, 5-9 Mt 5: 17-19
Thurs – Saints Perpetua and Felicity
Jer 7: 23-28 Lk 11:14-23
Fri – Saint John of God Religious
Hos 14: 2-10 Mk 12: 28-34
Sat – Saint Frances of Rome, Religious
Hos 6: 1-6 Lk 18: 9-14
Sun – Fourth Sunday of Lent
2 Chr 36: 14-16, 19-23 Eph 2: 4-10
Jn 3: 14-21

St. Edward News

Finance Committee – There will be a meeting of finance committee on Thursday, March 7 after the 6:00 PM mass. Your agendas are on the bulletin board.

Stations of the Cross – Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 6:00 PM during Lent.

Save the Date – The St. Edward Men’s Club will be having the annual Sausage Dinner on Sunday, April 14. There will be a mass on Saturday, April 13 at 6:15 PM so that workers are able to attend mass.

St. Patrick’s Day Dinner is scheduled for March 16 at 6:00 PM.

Food Pantry – The next St. Edward food pantry will be March 16.

Lent, Holy Week and Easter – The schedule for both St. Edward and St.Stephen Lent, Holy Week and Easter services and masses is on the back of the bulletin.

CSMA- Thank you to the **18** households that have pledged to support the CSMA. So far **\$4170.00** has been pledged. Our goal this year is \$6180. We are at 67% of our goal. If you did not receive a pledge card, envelopes are on the table in the hall. Please be as generous as you are able, no gift is too small.

As many know, Sarah Pickens’ daughter was involved in an accident. There is a Go Fund Me account on Facebook and we are sure she would enjoy hearing from members of her St. Edward Family. Her address is
Norah Pickens
437 12th Street
Tell City, IN 47586

LEARN MORE ABOUT BECOMING A PRIEST

Bishop Michael McGovern will host a St. Andrew Dinner for young men interested in learning more about the Catholic priesthood on Sunday, March 10. The St. Andrew Dinner will be held at Gibault Catholic High School in Waterloo. All young men ages 14-32 are invited to attend; parents or guardians are also welcome to join us. The event will begin at 4:30 PM with gathering and introductions and Evening Prayer and will be followed by dinner and conversation. This is a terrific opportunity to gather information for discerning a call to the priesthood; there will also be time for questions and conversation with Fr. Joel Seipp, Vocation Director. Please contact Judy Hoffmann at (618) 722.5003, or email to: jhoffmann@diobelle.org **by March 5** to RSVP or obtain more details.

St. Stephen News

This weekend we will take nominations cast by all members of the parish, 18 years of age and older, for the Pastoral Council. Please consider parish members who you think might be an asset to the council. You may nominate 4 people who are 18 years of age and older.

The present council consists of – Justin Fleener, Mary Beth Lancaster, Laura Anderson, Andrew Vahling, Cory Anderson, Pat Greenwood, and trustees Randy Wells and Susan Schroeder

Justin is ending his second consecutive term and is not eligible for another term at this time

Laura is ending her first term but is eligible for another term

March 9 & 10 - Names of nominated will be posted in the Church bulletin and announced

March 16 & 17 - Vote on candidates at Mass

March 23 & 24 - Newly elected members will be posted in the Church bulletin and announced

There will be a Cemetery Committee meeting Wednesday, March 6 at 5:00 p.m. in the Social room.

The Messenger: Please remember to turn in your subscriptions to the Diocesan Newspaper *The Messenger*. Envelopes are available in your contribution envelope set. Thank you!

CSMA: Thank you to the 20 households that have already pledged to support the mission of the Church to teach, preach, minister, and serve in the name of Jesus through their financial support of The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal. So far \$3,773.44 has been pledged by our parish members. If you have not yet responded, please make every effort to do so. Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

We are scheduled to deliver Meals on Wheels in March. Delivering meals is in Flora on Monday thru Friday, and only takes about an hour. Please consider helping with this wonderful ministry, by signing up on the sheet outside the Social Room. Most times there is a team of two people. Please call Beth Fancher, 618-676-4292, if you have questions about delivering meals or would like information about the program. Thank you for your support. Our church delivers meals in March and in September.

Choir Practice for Holy Week will begin Monday, February 19 at 7pm. All are welcome to join.

MINISTERS – Please sign up for Holy Week and Easter liturgies at the table outside the social room.

Envelopes for the Easter flower offering in memory of your loved ones are located at both doors. Thanks.

Parish School of Religion: Sunday, March 3 – Class Sunday, March 10 - Class

If any high school student has an interest in participating in the Catholic Youth Organization please contact Alison Harvey at 618-676-7750.

The next rotating chairmen are Berenice Mary Brown & Donna Myers.

SCRIP: During the upcoming weeks SCRIP cards will be available by contacting Linda Etchison (618 214 6768) or Karen Whitehead (618 572 8206) rather than in the social room after weekend Masses. Arrangements will be made for you to pick up your cards. Remember using SCRIP for your everyday purchases is a great way to support St. Anne’s Altar Society. See the complete list of available cards below.

SCRIP CARDS ON HAND			
Aeropostale	\$25	Panera	\$10, \$25, \$50
Amazon	\$10, \$25, \$50, \$100	Phillips 66	\$25
American Eagle	\$25	Pizza Hut	\$10
Buffalo Wild Wings	\$10, \$25	Sears	\$25
Casey's	\$25, \$50	Staples	\$25
CVS	\$25	Starbucks	\$5, \$10, 25
Dairy Queen	\$10, \$25	Subway	\$10, \$50
Los Tres Caminos	\$25, \$50	Taco Bell	\$10, \$25
McDonalds	\$10, \$25	Target	\$10, \$25, \$50
Menards	\$25, \$100	VISA	\$25, \$50, \$100
Old Navy	\$25	Walgreens	\$100
		Walmart	\$10
		Walmart/Sams	\$25, \$50, \$100



2024 Lent, Holy Week, & Easter Season Schedule

Stations of the Cross every Friday of Lent at 6:00pm

Penance Service:

St. Stephen Monday, March 11 6:00pm

St. Edward Thursday, March 14 6:00pm

Palm Sunday:

St. Stephen Saturday, March 23 4:30pm

St. Stephen Sunday, March 24 8:30am

St. Edward Sunday, March 24 10:30am

Chrism Mass

Belleville Tuesday, March 26

Holy Thursday

St. Stephen Thursday, March 28
6:00pm – Mass
7:30pm – Midnight: Adoration

Good Friday

St. Edward: Friday, March 29
4:00pm – Stations of the Cross
5:00pm – Good Friday Service

St. Stephen: Friday, March 29
3:00pm – Stations of the Cross
7:15pm – Good Friday Service

Holy Saturday

St. Stephen: Saturday, March 30 8:00pm – Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday

St. Stephen Sunday, March 31 8:30am

St. Edward Sunday, March 31 10:30am

Divine Mercy Sunday - St. Stephen

Confession: Saturday, April 6 10am-11am

Adoration in Church Sunday, April 7 After Mass – 4pm with Chaplet at 3pm

First Communion

St. Stephen Sunday, May 5 8:30am



Week of March 03, 2024



Liturgical Living | Catholic All Year at Home w/ Kendra Tierney

Join the Tierney family as they celebrate the feast of Saint Frances of Rome, patroness of homemaking! Learn about practicing the corporal works of mercy in the home, the very Catholic Lenten history of pretzels and beer, and watch Kendra and three-year-old Barbara make something they like to call "trash can soup." Find this episode's feature recipes and more about liturgical living in the home at Catholic All Year. <https://catholicallyear.com/at-home/>.



The Faithful Departed | Eternal Rest | Episode 4

What is left for the living to do after someone dies? In this session, we talk about the final ways in which those still living on earth care for the body and soul of the dead. We discuss the work that remains for the living to do as we grieve for the deceased and as we turn to the work of preparing for our own death, and the hope in which we live and die as Christians.



Death, Where is Your Sting? Sarah Kirchner's Story | Fearless | Episode 4

Despite our attempts to cheat it, we all must face death eventually. Listen as Chris shares the powerful story of Sarah Kirchner and her courageous battle against pediatric bone cancer. Who can bring us victory in the face of such significant trials? Find out in this lesson.

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