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SAINT STEPHEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH



POPE LEO XIV
THE FIRST AMERICAN POPE

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
11 MAY 2025

CONTACT OUR
PARISH OFFICE

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Hours Mon-Wed: 9am-noon, 1-3pm
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THE HOLY SACRIFICE
OF THE MASS

Saturday (Anticipatory) – 4 pm
Sunday – 7 am, 10 am, & 6:30 pm
Mon, Tues, Wed, & Fri – 12:10 pm

Confessions

Saturday – 3 pm to 3:50 pm
+ Half an hour before other Masses

FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR

“HABEMUS PAPAM!”

– “We have a Pope!”

Dear Parish Family,

This week, the world welcomes Pope Leo XIV, the first American pope:

POPE LEO XIV:
THE FIRST AMERICAN POPE

After just four votes, the cardinals elected Cardinal Robert Prevost to be the 267th pope. Cardinal Prevost appeared on the central balcony of St. Peter’s Basilica, and took the name Leo XIV.

Pope Leo XIV is the first American pope in the 2,000 year history of the Church. He is originally from Chicago, Illinois. As an Augustinian Father (the religious order to which he belonged), Cardinal Prevost spent many years of ministry in Peru. He now serves as the Successor of Peter and Shepherd of the Universal Church, an office which requires great courage and sacrifice—we join the whole world in praying for him.

MOTHERS’ DAY FLOWERS
DONATED IN MEMORY OF

SALLY FREIA, FREDa TRANCHINA, LUCILLE RICHARD, GERTRUDE HEPLER, EDITH PERCLE, ALINE STEWART, JENNIE AUCOIN, MARY CROCHET, HILDA VERRETT, BEATRICE FRANCIS, DEANNA SAMPEY, BETTY P. LANDRY, CINDY B. LANDRY, SADIE B. PRINCE, OLLIE RAE BERTRAND, MARY STELLY, WINNIE MENARD, AMELIA CLEMENTS, ALINE ADAMS, BONNIE MARTIN, MARY J. HAUSMAN, ALICE S. CZAJKA, LILLIAN CANCIENNE, BRENDA WHITE, IVY ADAMS, CONNIE ROBICHAUX, SYLVIA CARTER, BETTY GIANDELONE, GERRY LEMOINE, SPECIAL INTENTION, DEBBIE ZORN, EMMA NAQUIN, KATE MASEK, BONNIE DAVIS, HILDA S. MICHEL, BERNICE KELLER AUCOIN, DEANNA WELLS, LINDA FORGEY

IN HONOR OF:

ELIZABETH ADAMS, ALAINA DOZAR, KATHY LABOUE, LINDA V. THOMAS, LAURA DOZAR, VERA JUDYCKI, CHARLENE MCCANN, MARGUERITE SUMMERALL, KAREN LISTI, CHARLOTTE MAHFOUZ, ALLISON DUFFY, ANGELA STELLY, CONNIE RADTKE, SHEILA RICHARDSON, ASHTON ADAMS, SHELI MCGONAGILL, AZA RICHARD, MARGARET WATSON

HONORING OUR BLESSED MOTHER
AND ALL MOMS THIS WEEKEND

Happy Mothers Day to all moms! Every year on Mothers’ Day weekend, we also honor our Blessed Mother. You are invited to bring flowers to Our Lady at any Mass this weekend. At the 10 am Mass this Sunday, all young children are invited to join the entrance procession and bring flowers to Our Lady before she’s crowned.

BULLETIN ADVERTISEMENT RENEWALS

The advertisements on the back of each bulletin help support the cost of weekly in-house printing. Bulletin ad renewal letters were mailed out this week. If you are interested in featuring your business or a message on the bulletin, please call Lisa at 385-1280.

MOTHERS DAY TREAT
AFTER ALL MASSES

Homemade cookies will be available for moms after all Masses this weekend in front of church. Thank you to Angie Sampey for preparing this special treat!

BRING FLOWERS OF
THE FAIREST

Why do we bring flowers to Our Lady?

It’s a long-standing tradition to bring flowers to Our Lady in the month of May. The blossoms represent Mary’s beauty and virtue.

Why do we crown Our Lady? Fulton Sheen said, “As Christ is surely King – so Mary is the Queen Mother.” Mary is the Mother of God, therefore she is rightly called Queen of Heaven. The yearly tradition of crowning Our Lady reminds us of this truth.



THE HOLY SACRIFICE
OF THE MASS

12 May - Monday of Easter, Week IV

In devotion to our Blessed Mother, Monica Mancuso, Mrs. Ethel Hedrick, In thanksgiving to St. Padre Pio

13 May - Tuesday of Easter, Week IV

Calvin Leleux

14 May - Wednesday of Easter, Week IV

In devotion to our Blessed Mother

16 May - Friday of Easter, Week IV

In devotion to our Blessed Mother, The Poor Holy Souls in Purgatory, L.P. Lipari

17 May - 4 pm Anticipatory Mass

Louis Boudreaux, Wyanette Monceaux, Wade J. Landry, Sr., Miles Liner fly (L&D), John Tholen, E.J. Lemoine fly. (L&D), Herman Pellerin fly. (L&D), Dave Thomas fly. (L&D), Byron A. “Red” Adams, Sr., Don Lasseigne fly.

18 May - 7am Mass

Kenneth Garber, Sr., Calvin LeLeux, Mr. Red & Mrs. Yvonne Adams

10 am Solemn Mass

Laura Magee Larive fly. (L&D), Eljean Chauvin Nesmith

6:30 pm Mass

Craig Nini, Joed Robichaux

KEEPING YOU INFORMED (2ND NOTICE):
UPDATE ON THE RECTORY PROJECT

Last week, we finally received a legal document from the diocese, which allowed me to sign the contract with our architect Josh Hoffpauir and move forward with the rectory project. I will be meeting again with Josh and his team to see their progress on drawings. I hope to come to you soon with a concrete timeline and further details.

LOOKING AHEAD

BRING FLOWERS FOR OUR LADY – May 10, 11

END OF YEAR CEREMONIES FOR EARLY
LEARNING CENTER – Monday, May 19

FATHERS DAY WEEKEND, June 14, 15

FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI – June 21, 22

Eucharistic Procession at 4pm and 10 am Masses

- Trumpet at 4pm Mass this weekend

ONGOING MAINTENANCE
AT ST. STEPHEN’S

Completed this Spring:

- ✓ All church exterior doors refinished
- ✓ Bats professionally removed from Parish Hall
- ✓ Awning installed over bridge-side exterior door
- ✓ Two leaking church windows replaced with donated stained glass windows

To be completed this Summer:

- Two damaged doors on parish hall to be replaced with fiberglass doors (doors nearest rectory garage)
- Repairs will be made to sections of gutters after damage from snow storm
- Repairs will be made to Parish Hall A/C system

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory	\$ 9,643
Building & Maintenance	\$ 3,645
Total Weekly Giving	\$ 13,288

ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is a safe, easy way to support your parish. Go to ststephenberwick.org and click on the “give” tab, Or scan the code, at right.

