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# SAINT STEPHEN

CATHOLIC CHURCH



September:  
Month of Our  
Lady of Sorrows

THE 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
31 AUGUST 2025

CONTACT OUR  
PARISH OFFICE

ststephenberwick.org

Hours Mon-Wed: 9am-noon, 1-3pm  
Thursday: Closed, Friday: 9am-noon

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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

"PRAY TO OBTAIN PEACE FOR THE WORLD..."

- Our Lady of Fatima, May 13, 1917

Dear Parish Family,

### PRAYING FOR MINNEAPOLIS

#### Supporting Our US Catholic Brothers and Sisters

This Wednesday, the world was shocked to learn of the horrific attack on Annunciation Catholic School in Minneapolis. The attacker intentionally targeted children in a school Mass at the parish church. The grieving families of Annunciation school are our brothers and sisters in the US Catholic Church.

When confronted with this kind of evil and hatred, how do we respond as people of Faith? *We pray for and support our brothers and sisters who are hurting in Minneapolis. We pray for the repose of the souls of the two children who were murdered, and for the consolation of their families. We pray for the pastor of Annunciation Church, who will be working around the clock to support families. And we resolve to pray for peace and conversion, just as our Lady begged us, in her apparitions at Fatima.*

### "THEOLOGY IN A BOTTLE" DATES:

#### "POP & POUR"

##### Fatherhood and Masculinity



Fr. Blake Dubroc  
Vocation Director,  
Lafayette

August 14, 6:30 pm

#### "REWIND & REVINED"

##### Helping Adult Kids



Back to the Faith  
Mathew Ardoin,  
Campus Minister,  
UL Lafayette

September 4, 6 pm

#### "SIPPING & SERVING"

##### Living Lives of Service



Dr. Denise Benton  
UL Lafayette,  
Professor

October 14, 6 pm

#### "PRUNING THE VINE"

##### Digital Overload & Toxicity



Fr. Jamin David  
Vicar General,  
Baton Rouge

November 13, 6 pm  
at One80 Downtown

## AROUND THE PARISH

### SECOND "THEOLOGY IN A BOTTLE"

#### This Thursday Night

Our second "Theology in a Bottle" Night is this Thursday night. I'm grateful to Lee and Claire Guarisco for hosting this month's gathering. Our presenter is Matthew Ardoin, campus minister at Our Lady of Wisdom, the Catholic Student Center at UL Lafayette. He'll be speaking on helping adult kids back to the practice of the Faith.

### NEW PLAQUES FOR STATUES OF ST. JOSEPH AND ST. ANTHONY

#### Given in Memory of Bob Radtke

This week, two new cast-metal plaques were installed under the statues of St. Joseph and St. Anthony. Each plaque identifies the statue above and includes a traditional prayer asking the intercession of the saint. The prayer plaques around church invite us to pause and spend a few moments with the saints.

### FRESH FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR

Each week at St. Stephen's, we see arrangements of fresh flowers placed on either side of the Tabernacle. In the tradition of the Church, fresh flowers are used to honor the Living Presence of the Lord in the Tabernacle. Maintaining fresh flowers week after week requires a great deal of dedication. I'm grateful to our "Flower Czars": Mary Etta Taylor, Tiffany Stansbury, and Dr. Carla Thurston, for honoring our Lord with fresh blooms every week.

## FAITH FORMATION

### CATECHISM CLASSES BEGIN THIS WEDNESDAY

We're looking forward to a great new year! Thank you to our students, our dedicated teachers, and to our Faith Formation Director, Christine Henry.

### OCIA CLASSES BEGIN THIS WEEK

#### 14 Candidates Enrolled in Program

Prayerful best wishes to our 14 OCIA candidates who are seeking to become Catholic or to receive their sacraments as adults. Thank you to Janea Giroir, our Parish Council President, who will be leading the class.



## THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

### 1 September - Votive of the Trinity

J.P. Morella fly. (L&D), Onesime & Hazel Richard, Asa & Aline Stewart, Frank Russo, Jr. fly. (L&D), Thanksgiving to St. Joseph, In Honor of Our Blessed Mother

### 2 September - Votive of Holy Angels

Pat Robbins, Cliff & Joan Journey fly. (L&D), Stella Robideaux

### 3 September - Saint Gregory the Great

Thanksgiving to St. Therese of Lisieux, Thanksgiving to St. Maximilian Kolbe

### 5 September - Votive of the Sacred Heart-First Friday

The Poor Holy Souls in Purgatory, Steve Doiron, Jr. fly. (L&D), Kimberly Duncan, Mother Teresa, Laura Larive, Annalee Daigle, Dot Bella, Thanksgiving to St. Anthony of Padua, Thanksgiving to St. Padre Pio, Thanksgiving for a blessed marriage, Thanksgiving for miracle prayer answered

### 6 September - 8 am First Saturday

Laura Larive, Annalee Daigle

### 6 September - 4 pm Anticipatory Mass

Louis Boudreaux, Wade J. Landry, Sr., Miles Liner fly (L&D), E.J. & Gerry Lemoine fly. (L&D), Herman Pellerin fly. (L&D), Hazel Richard, Leroy Gray, John Tholen, Leroy & Mercedes Naquin, Anatole & Marcelite Naquin, Tommy Naquin, Bobby Naquin

### 7 September - 7am Mass

Deanna Sampey, Kenneth Garber, Sr., Ray & Chaille Rasberry,, Calvin Leleux fly. (L&D), Amy & Bill Barstow, Dot Bella

### 10 am Solemn Mass

Pro Populo, Laura Magee Larive fly. (L&D), Eljean Chauvin Nesmith, Bob Radtke, Annalee Daigle, Don Lasseigne fly. (L&D)

### 6:30 pm Mass

Craig Nini

## ST. STEPHEN EARLY LEARNING CENTER

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This week, Father Istre blessed our students and teachers to mark the beginning of a new school year. May God watch over and protect our students!

## LOOKING AHEAD

### PARISH CATECHISM BEGINS (For Grades 1-9)

Wednesday, September 3

Grades 1-5 meet in the Hall from 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Grades 6-9 meet in the Hall from 6 pm - 7 pm

### SECOND "THEOLOGY IN A BOTTLE" NIGHT

Thursday, September 4 at 6 pm

"Helping Adult Kids Back to the Faith"

### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday September 5 - following 12:10 pm Mass, concluding with Benediction at 5:30 pm

### FIRST SATURDAY MASS OF OUR LADY

Saturday, September 6 at 8 am

### HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP BEGINS (Grades 9-12)

Wednesday, September 10, at 6 pm

Youth Group will meet every other Wednesday on the first floor of the Parish Hall, at 6pm

### ALL SOULS CANDLES AVAILABLE

Wednesday, October 1, in the Parish Office

### SAVE THE DATE for NOEL NIGHT

Thursday, December 11, 2025,  
6 pm at the Petroleum Club



## SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory	\$ 9,333
Building & Maintenance	\$ 25
<b>Total Weekly Giving</b>	<b>\$ 9,358</b>

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