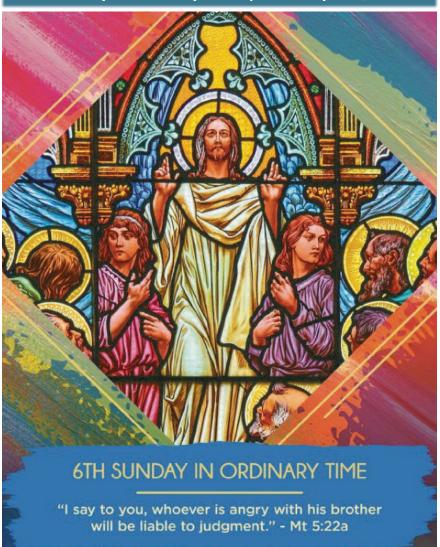
## ST. STEPHEN DEACON & MARTYR

CATHOLIC CHURCH



6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023



17500 84th Avenue Tinley Park, IL 60487 708-342-2400

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

#### **Mass of Anticipation**

5pm Saturday (English) Live-streamed weekly through parish website.

#### **Sunday Masses**

7:30am, 9am, 11:00am (English) 12:30pm (Polish)

#### **Daily Mass**

Monday-Friday at 8am (English)

#### **RECONCILIATION**

#### Saturdays

4pm to 5pm (English and Polish)

#### **First Fridays**

6pm to 7pm (English and Polish) And by appointment.

## FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

**Adoration & Reconciliation** 

6pm to 7pm (English and Polish)

#### Mass

7pm (Polish)

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Monday - Thursday

8:30am to 7pm

#### **ROSARY**

**Monday - Friday** 

8:30am

**Second & Fourth Tuesdays** 

5:30pm

#### Pastoral Staff

To reach or leave a message for pastoral staff, please contact the Parish Office at 708-342-2400.

#### Rev. Michael Wyrzykowski—Pastor

frmichael@ststephentinley.com

Rev. Robert Stuglik—Associate Pastor

rstuglik@archchicago.org

Rev. James (Jay) Finno—Pastor Emeritus

**Deacon Bob Conlin** 

RFConlin@comcast.net

**Deacon Chuck McFarland** 

ctm728@aol.com

**Deacon Pete Van Merkestyn** 

pvanmerkestyn@yahoo.com

#### **Parishioner Registration**

We warmly welcome new members to St. Stephen. To register, please stop by the Parish Office during regular business hours.

#### **Active Parishioner Status**

In order to be considered as a godparent for the Sacraments of Baptism and/or a sponsor for the Sacrament of Confirmation, a person must be verified as an "active member" of a Catholic parish. While assessments of the inquiry will be made individually, the following factors are considered when making the determination of whether or not a person is an active parishioner. Is the person:

- Properly registered and supporting the Church?
- Faithfully attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days?
- Participating in parish activities when possible?
- Using the parish envelope system or electronic giving system in support of our parish?

Adult children living at home are required to register separately from their parents as parishioners.

#### Sacrament of Baptism

New parishioners are required to register and a baptism preparation class is required. Start the inquiry process at <a href="https://www.ststephentinley.com/baptism-prep">www.ststephentinley.com/baptism-prep</a>

- English baptisms are celebrated at 2:30pm on the first and third Sunday of every month.
- Polish baptisms are celebrated at 2:00pm on the second Sunday of the month and during the 12:30pm Polish Mass on the fourth Sunday of the month.

#### Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples interested in the Sacrament of Matrimony can start the process by completing the Marriage Inquiry form found on our parish website:

ststephentinley.com/sacrament-of-marriage

#### **Religious Education**

St. Stephen offers a First through Eighth grade religious education program. We also offer a Pre-K program called Growing with God. Please see our parish website for details. The RE Office can be reached at 708-342-1544.

**Dee Zvejnieks** - Religious Education Coordinator.

dee@ststephentinley.com

#### **Religious Education Office Hours:**

Monday through Thursday: 8:30am—4:30pm (closed daily for lunch from 12:30pm-1pm)

Friday: 8:30am-12:30pm

#### Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Parish School (CJB)

St. Stephen is a co-sponsor of CJB School in Orland Hills, along with St. Francis of Assisi (Orland Park), St. Julie (Tinley Park), and St. Elizabeth Seton (Orland Hills). Our school is located at 9250 West 167<sup>th</sup> Street, Orland Hills, IL 60487

Phone: 708-403-6525 website: <u>cjbschool.org</u> **Kelly Bourrell** - Principal <u>kbourrell@cjbschool.org</u>

Cynthia Devlin - Enrollment Director

cdevlin@cjbschool.org

#### Anointing of the Sick

If you or a loved one needs the holy sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Office.

#### Funerals

Please contact the Parish Office to make funeral arrangements. Funeral dates and times are dependent upon clergy and church availability.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Please stop by the Parish Office during regular business hours to secure a date. Intentions can be requested for a deceased person or offered for a special intention, anniversary blessing, birthday blessing, good health, etc. for a living person.

#### Ministry of Care

Holy Communion for homebound parishioners can be arranged by calling Barbara Black in the Parish Office at x137.

#### **Prayer List**

To be added to our bulletin prayer list, please contact Patrick Sheehan at 708-342-2400 ext.122

#### Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

is a spiritual journey of faith for adults who would like to become Catholic. If you are interested in starting this faith and education process, please contact Barbara Black in the Parish Office at x137.

#### Scripture Study

Fridays from 8:45am until 10am - Room 153

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, February 13 - 8:00 AM		
+ Howard Kuzelka	Wife	
+ Joseph and Mary Ann Green	Megan and Evan Hann	
Tuesday, February 14 - 8:00 AM		
+ Don Daley Bern Daley		
+ Sam LaMargo	Lucy	
Wednesday, February 15 - 8:00 AM		
+ Pauline Cotrano	Noreen Galvin	
+ Carmella Carlson	Jackie Cimino	
Thursday, February 16 - 8:00 AM		
S.I. Wedding Anniv. of Paul and Arlene Belsky		
+ Gregory Persin	Deacon David Prete	
Friday, February 17 - 8:00 AM		
+ Shirley Rasmussen	Janet Kaminski	
+ Linda Conrad	Keith and Mary Kramer	
Saturday, February 18 - 5:00 PM		
+ Dorothy and Ted Kowal	Family	
+ Patricia Savage	Family	
+ Joe Pumo	Daughter and Grandson	
+ Theresa Manikowski	Family	
+ Gladys Mikos	Janet Kaminski	
Sunday, February 19 - 7:30 AM		
S.I. For The Parishioners of St. Stephen		
S.I. For the Souls in Purgatory		
+ Jerome (Jerry) Lewitke	Debbie Grober	
9:00 AM		
+ Jozef Sopiarz	Family	
+ Margaret Collins	Bob and Nancy Belling	
11:00 AM		
+ Pauline Cotrano	Dan and Pam Meteisis	
S.I. Blessings for Natalie and Vince	A Friend	
12:30 PM (po polsku)		
S.I. Intencje Zbiorowe		
S.I. Henry and Harriet Czajewski		
S.I. Fr. Bob Stuglik	Jackie Hojnacki	
+ Jan Kowalkowski	The Janicki Family	
+ Joseph Gargas	Meghan Gargas	
+ Clem Hojnacki	Jackie Hojnacki	
+ Francisek, Felix and Michalina Lesnicki Family		
+ Chester, Jan and Alexandra Grela	Family	
+ Jozef, Maria and Jan Kadlub	Family	
Stanislaw, Stas, Leopold & Maria Komperda Family		
+ Jan, Aniela, Franciszek and Maria Mateja	Family	
+ Stefania, Ludwik and Mieczyslaw Bryja	Family	
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#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Deacon Bill Engler, Laura Barajas, Michael Clavio, Terry Harris, Gerald Gernson, Karen Opyd, Kris Opyd, Janet Sullivan, Jacob and Jaxon Rivera, Mary Eichhorn, Bob Meyrick, John Kelley, Patricia McNulty, Jamie Hitz, Jim O' Donnell, Patricia Yanko, Ted & Carolyn Glaser, Thomas Hitz, and the sick of our parish.

#### **BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**

Submissions for Bulletin Articles, Facebook Posts, Website Inclusion and Flocknote must



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for review before publishing. Any submission is due by Thursday noon one week prior to publication. For holiday schedule please call parish office. We are requesting this of all parishioners to assure consistency and accuracy in our social media posts and bulletin. Please do not send any of these materials to individual employees. We thank you all for your cooperation.

#### PARISH OFFICE

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#### **REGULAR PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday – Thursday 8:30am to 7:00pm Friday 8:30 am to 4:30pm Closed daily for lunch from 12:30pm until 1pm.

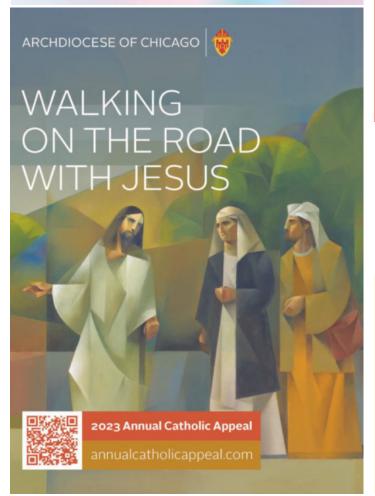
#### **FUNERALS**

- † Maria Sekula
- † Edward Skuta





We will be collecting old palms for our Palm Burning Service which will be held after the 8:00 AM Mass on Tuesday, February 21. The ashes created from the burned palms will be used on Ash Wednesday. Donation boxes for old palms will be in the narthex from Saturday, February 4 through Sunday, February 19. Please do not put plastic bags in the boxes.



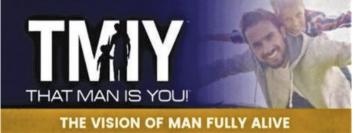
## St. Stephen Scripture Study

Our Scripture Study Group will begin the Book of Ruth in the next couple weeks. Ruth begins in tragedy but ends on a wonderful note. Ruth turns out to be a faithful daughter-in-law to Naomi. She is the epitome of loyalty.

In the Book of Ruth, the word "hope" is first used in the Bible. A lesson found in Ruth is that there is hope even in the most devastating times of our lives. Ruth is listed in Matthew's genealogy of Jesus. Please join us as we explore this short, four chapter, very interesting book of the Bible. We meet on Friday mornings in the RE wing from 8:45 AM until 10 AM.

You can join Scripture Study any time. There is no cost and you can use any Bible you have. Notes/commentaries are provided. We are a very welcoming group. We learn from each other and from our facilitator, and have meaningful, interesting and at times fun discussions. This class is for you whether you are new to Scripture or not. If you would like more information please contact, Tom Mitus at 708-479-6980, or e-mail: tomsfo@comcast.net.





#### **CALLING ALL MEN 18 & OLDER!**

TMIY! Returns Saturday - January 21st
And Runs Through April 22<sup>nd</sup>
For Presentations & Discussions
About the Roles of Christian Men
Join Us for Breakfast – 6:30 to 8:00 am
O'Connell Hall at St. George School
Contact: Gary at (708) 614-1734 or
ghendzell@msn.com



Collections January 14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup>		21 <sup>st</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Sunday Collection	14,358.23	15,898.00
Immaculate Conception	10.00	
Solemnity of Mary	23.00	20.00
Christmas Collection	845.00	170.00
Angel Fund	25.00	75.00
Latin America	10.00	641.00
Religious Retirement	2.00	
Capital Improvement	534.00	65.00
Mass Attendance	1803	1605

#### **Year End Tax Statements For 2022**

All tax statements for 2022 to all who have requested them or had them sent to them last year. If you have not received a statement, and would like to receive one, please email Jay Castrogiovanni at <a href="mailto:castro@ststephentinley.com">castro@ststephentinley.com</a>.

Please put "2022 tax letter requested" in the subject line and, in the body of the email, please put your name as it appears on your envelope and a phone number where you may be contacted.

Your support of our parish through time, talent,
And treasure makes a difference to our parish and
to our community. Would you please consider making
an online donation if you do not regularly use an
offertory envelope? Even a small donation
can make a big difference. To make an online donation

via <u>GiveCentral.org</u> Text "SUPPORT" to 708-435-2910 or Scan the QR Code with your smart phone camera. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!





St. Stephen parishioners are invited to participate and support the multi-parish Home Build project. This year marks the fourth annual multi-parish outreach build. This is a project we are working on as a parish along with St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Julie, St. George, and St. Michael parishes.

St. Stephen Parish is the home parish for the project this year, which will be held on the weekend of June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, and 25<sup>th</sup>. More information will be forthcoming concerning how our entire St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr Parish community can help in this great project, so please SAVE THE DATE!



## LENTEN MISSION

# NO GREATER LOVE REFLECTING ON THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST

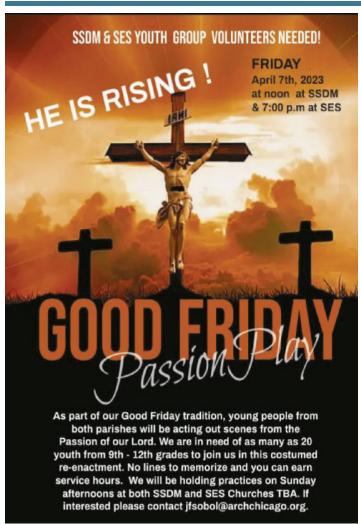


Friar Johnpaul will lead us in a reflection on the seven last words of Jesus in his engaging and informative style. His storytelling and humor bring to life the message of Jesus' words to us, his disciples today.

Sunday, February 26 - 7:00 PM

Monday, February 27 - 7:00 PM

Tuesday, February 28 - 7:00 PM





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## **Seniors Young at Heart**

**Upcoming Events** 

- ► **Feb 12**<sup>th</sup> The Big Game Chili Cook-off and Party: 4 pm 9 pm
- ► Feb 28<sup>th</sup> Line Dance Instructions
  Parish Life Center 11 am until Noon
- Wed March 1<sup>st</sup> Gaelic Park Luncheon With Live Entertainment. Doors open at Noon. Lunch -1pm. \$20.00 per person includes Tax & Tip. Potato Soup, Chicken Marsala, Potato, Carrots, Dessert and Coffee. Cash Bar. Transportation on you own. Gaelic Park is located at 6119 W 147<sup>th</sup> St., Oak Forest. If anyone needs a ride, we will have car pools at St. Stephen Parish at 11:30 am. Please notify Theresa if you need a ride. Please see Theresa for payments.
- March 11<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph Dinner & Fund Raiser following the 5 pm Mass. Tickets: Adults- \$20.00, Children 12 & under \$10.00.
  Children 4 & under Free.
- March 12<sup>th</sup> The Center for Visual Performing Munster, Ind., Brunch, and Show. A Salute to the Andrew Sisters. Brunch, Bus and Performance \$90.00. per person. Seniors Meeting with Bingo Cash prizes split the pot. \$5.00 per sheet includes all games.
- June 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Branson, Mo Trip. \$829.00 Double Occupancy. \$1,058.00 . Single . Includes Bus transportation, Hotel with Breakfast, all shows and restaurants Tax and Gratuity.

Payment Plan is available for this trip.

Theresa@ststephentinley.com 708 342 2400 ext 145.

### Duszpasterstwo w Parafii pw. św. Szczepana Diakona i Męczennika w Języku Polskim

#### MSZA ŚWIĘTA W JĘZYKU POLSKIM:

w każdą niedzielę o godz. 12:30pm

#### **SAKRAMENT POKUTY I POJEDNANIA**

soboty od godz. 4-5pm oraz w pierwsze piątki miesiąca od godz. 6-7pm

#### ADORACJA NAJŚWIĘTSZEGO SAKRAMENTU

od pon. do czwartku od 8:30am (po zakończeniu Mszy świętej) do 7pm w kaplicy oraz w pierwsze piątki miesiąca od 6-7pm

#### NABOŻEŃSTWO PIERWSZYCH PIĄTKÓW MIESIĄCA

Wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu od godz. 6:00pm. Sakrament Pokuty i Pojednania 6:00pm - 7:00pm Litania do Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa Msza Święta w języku polskim 7:00pm

#### ODWIEDZENIE CHOREGO ORAZ SAKRAMENT NAMASZCZENIA CHORYCH

Prosimy o kontakt z biurem parafialnym. W każdym przypadku poważnej choroby lub wypadku należy wezwać księdza. Komunia Święta oraz/lub oleje święte zostaną udzielone chorym na żądanie.

#### SAKRAMENT CHRZTU ŚWIĘTEGO

W drugą niedzielę miesiąca o godz. 2pm oraz w czwartą niedzielę miesiąca podczas Mszy świętej. Prosimy o kontakt z biurem parafialnym w celu rejestracji i wypełnienia potrzebnych form.

#### SPOSOBY WSPIERANIA DUSZPASTERSTWA PARAFII ŚW. SZCZEPANA DIAKONA I MĘCZENNIKA

**GiveCentral** - przez <u>www.GiveCentral.org</u> parafianie mogą dokonywać automatycznych darowizn w wybranym przez siebie czasie i częstotliwości. Rejestracja zajmuje tylko kilka minut. Wejdź na naszą parafialną stronę internetową <u>www.ststephentinley.com</u> i przeczytaj instrukcję jak się zarejestrować lub zeskanuj kod QR za pomocą aparatu w smartfonie.

Koperty tygodniowe - Zarejestrowani parafianie otrzymują pocztą specjalne kopertki, w których ofiarowują swoje donacje. Pakiety kopert są wysyłane co drugi miesiąc.
Bóg zapłać za wszelkie formy wsparcia.
Świętemu Szczepanowi powierzamy nasze rodziny i naszą parafialną wspólnotę.



#### INTENCJE NA MSZE ŚWIĘTE

Zachęcamy Państwa do składania intencji na Msze Święte. Prosimy o kontakt z biurem parafialnym

#### **BIULETYN**

Aby umieścić ogłoszenie na ostatnich stronach biuletynu dzwoń do Nancy Krzystek lub wyślij jej email: krzystekn@jspaluch.com

Wszystkie materiały do biuletynu proszę przesyłać na email: ststephen@ststephentinley.com

#### SPOTKANIA GRUPY AA W JĘZYKU POLSKIM

Czwartki o godz. 7pm

#### **DRUGA SKŁADKA**

W każdą pierwszą niedzielę miesiąca zostanie zebrana druga składka przeznaczona na konserwację i naprawy oraz utrzymanie budynków parafialnych.
Bóg zapłać za hojność.

#### BŁOGOSŁAWIEŃSTWO URODZINOWE ORAZ Z OKAZJI ROCZNICY MAŁŻEŃSTWA

Zachęcamy do otrzymania błogosławieństwa z okazji rocznicy ślubu, które jest udzielane w drugi weekend miesiąca oraz do błogosławieństwa z okazji urodzin w czwarty weekend miesiąca.



### Rozważania do Niedzielnej Liturgii

#### O co proszę? O wierność Prawu Bożemu w każdej sytuacji życia

Będę kontemplował Jezusa nauczającego na Górze. Słowa padające z Jego ust są stanowcze i bezkompromisowe (ww. 17-20). Dotyczą przestrzegania i zachowaniu Bożego Prawa. Zaznacza, że przyszedł je wypełnić, a nie znieść.



Co mogę powiedzieć o mojej wierności Prawu Bożemu na co dzień? Czy potrafię jak Jezus jasno opowiedzieć się po stronie wypełniania Bożych przykazań tam, gdzie inni usiłują je znosić lub ośmieszać? Czy nie ulegam moralnym kompromisom?

"Każdy, kto się gniewa na swego brata, podlega sądowi..."

(w. 22-26). Czy nie noszę w sercu gniewu? Czy jestem szczerze otwarty na przebaczenie wobec każdego, kto sprawił mi ból lub wyrządził krzywdę? Jeśli w tej chwili moje serce jest zamknięte na jakąś osobę, będę prosił usilnie Jezusa, aby je otworzył, uzdrowił z gniewu i nauczył przebaczać.

"Każdy, kto pożądliwie patrzy na kobietę, już się w swoim sercu dopuścił z nią cudzołóstwa" (ww. 27-28). Jezus przestrzega mnie przed pożądliwością wzroku. Równa ją z cudzołóstwem. Co mogę powiedzieć o czystości mojego spojrzenia? Jakich spojrzeń wstydziłbym się najbardziej przed Jezusem?

Zwrócę uwagę na stanowczość i bezkompromisowość słów Jezusa, w których przestrzega przed grzechami namiętności (ww. 29-30). "Wyłup oko", "odetnij rękę" – niezwykle ostre stwierdzenia Jezusa, przez które chce ukazać szpetotę grzechu.

"Niech wasza mowa będzie: Tak, tak; nie, nie" (w. 37). Jezus zwraca mi uwagę na uczciwość i prawdomówność. Co mogę powiedzieć o mojej prawdomówności?

W serdecznej rozmowie z Jezusem przeproszę Go za wszystkie grzechy języka. Poproszę Go, aby uczył mnie prostolinijności.

Krzysztof Wons SDS/Salwator

#### Liga Katolicka Pomocy Religijnej Polsce i Polonii

#### Stypendia Świętego Papieża Jana Pawła Wielkiego

Czas nadsyłania aplikacji stypendialnych kończy się niebawem.

Liga Katolicka Pomocy Religijnej Polsce i Polonii po raz piąty w swej 79-letniej historii oferuje w tym roku dwadzieścia \$5000 każde, stypendiów akademickich I formacyjnych dla Polonii w USA z regionu Illinois, Indiana i Wisconsin.

Polonijna młodzież akademicka, aktywnie zaangażowana w życie lokalnego parafialnego Kościoła Rzymskokatolickiego, albo w współpracującymi z Ligą organizacjami Polonijnymi, ma możność ubiegania się o odnawialne stypendium im. Świętego Jana Pawła Wielkiego na rok akademicki 2023 - 2024. Termin składania aplikacji i dokumentów upływa z dniem 31 marca 2023 roku.



Po więcej informacji o warunkach, kryteriach przyznawania stypendiów i pobrania aplikacji zapraszamy na stronę internetową Ligi: <a href="https://www.catholicleaguepolonia.org">www.catholicleaguepolonia.org</a>

Nie wahaj się, razem z nami możesz rozpocząć nowy rozdział historii Polonii w Ameryce!



#### **Cardinal Joseph Bernardin Catholic School is a**

#### **Christ-centered**

#### **TWICE Recognized National Blue Ribbon School of Academic Excellence**



#### WE ARE YOUR PARISH SCHOOL!

CJB is a cutting-edge "regional" (sponsored by multiple parishes) Catholic school (3-year old Pre-K through Grade 8). Our sponsoring parishes are: St. Francis of Assisi, St. Julie Billiart, St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr, and St. Elizabeth Seton. We also welcome children from other parishes or households whose parents are seeking a Christ-centered, excellent educational environment. Our address is 9250 W. 167<sup>th</sup> Street in Orland Hills. We are adjacent to St. Elizabeth Seton Parish. CONTACT US FOR A PRIVATE TOUR!

#### Do you offer Pre-K and Kindergarten in addition to Grades 1-8?

Yes! We offer half-day and full-day 3PK and 4PK! Kindergarten is full-day. Half-day 3PK is Monday-Thursday (7:40a-10:40a.) Half-day 4PK is Monday-Friday (7:40a-10:40a). Our full-day PK and Kindergarten programs are Monday-Friday. Full-day hours are 7:40a until 2:40p (however, on Tuesdays, we dismiss at 2p).

#### Is there a "Before and After School" Program?

Yes! Our Extended Day Program opens at 6:30a and closes when the school day begins; it re-opens at dismissal and closes for the night at 6:00p. The hourly-rate (\$8/hr for one child; \$10/hr for two or more children) is invoiced monthly. All registered students may attend.

#### How do I register for CJB School?

"Open registration" is happening NOW! Our online application is available at <a href="www.cjbschool.org">www.cjbschool.org</a> To register, submit the online application, then mail or drop off an *original* birth and baptismal certificate (*originals will be returned*), and a one-time family registration fee of \$250. For Grades 1-8, include a copy of the 2022-23 first semester report card and standardized test results.

#### How much is tuition? Is there Financial Aid?

Tuition for next school year will be announced once budget meetings are finalized. Parishioner tuition for the current school year is as follows: K-8 is \$6,074. Out-of-parish tuition for 2022-23 is \$7,104. Full-day Pre-K 3 and Pre-K 4 is \$6,606. Half-day 3PK is \$3,617. Half-day 4PK is \$4,262. Financial aid is available (K-8). When you complete the online application, you will have an opportunity to complete the financial aid application.

Registration for new families is happening RIGHT NOW.

Questions may be directed to the Enrollment Director, Cynthia Devlin, at 708-403-6525 ext. 127 ...or via email at <a href="mailto:cdevlin@cjbschool.org">cdevlin@cjbschool.org</a>

## JOIN THE PARISH CHOIR

For the past couple of weeks, you have heard in the Mass announcements that the choir is seeking more members, especially in the men's section. This is ever so true! At the present time, we are fortunate to have an Adult Choir of nearly thirty people, however our numbers are unbalanced. We currently have eighteen women and eight men. You may have noticed that the adult choir sings in unison for most of the Mass. Choral music is generally in four-part harmony: soprano, alto, tenor and bass). In order to sing our literature in the proper fashion, we need to have the men's section evenly balanced.

There are no age restrictions to participate in the choir. Young gentlemen from high school age to senior citizens are welcome.

As a member of the choir, you will learn bits and pieces of music theory to enhance your personal music-reading skills and how to sing with a group of people.

Please contact Music Director Patrick Sheehan if you are interested. You may call the parish office or send an email to <a href="mailto:patrick@ststephentinley.com">patrick@ststephentinley.com</a>.

## Ministry of Care Training

Saturday, March 4 & 11 9:00 AM until 2:00 PM

St. Patricia School Hall 9000 S. 86th Avenue Hickory Hills, IL

Participation in both sessions meets Archdiocesan requirements.

Topics discussed include Spirituality of the Minister, Experience of Suffering, Pastoral Listening Skills, Procedures, Sacraments and Prayers.

Bottled water will be provided but you are requested to bring your own brown bag lunch.

Please contact Barbara Black in the Parish Office if you would like to become a Minister of Care.



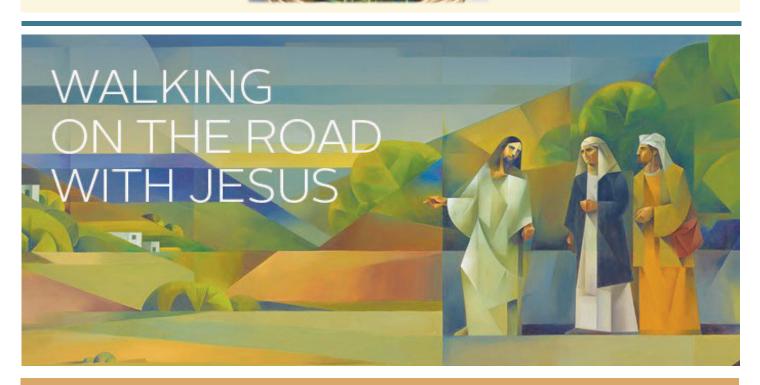
On Tuesday, **February 21**, 2023 at 10:00AM we invite you to join the Ladies Social Club for our February meeting. Don't forget, this is the last day to eat goodies before Lent.

We will be creating candy filled Easter Eggs that we will donate to the Teen group so they can distribute them to children of St. Stephen parish. Please bring the following supplies to the meeting to make your creations.

- 1 dozen plastic Easter Eggs
- ▶ 1 bag of candy (No Peanut candy)



We will have a list of the items you will need to create a Blessing basket available for you to take home, so you can gather all of the items you will need. It also explains the meaning for these items and how they relate to Easter.



The Annual Catholic Appeal is an invitation for every Catholic family to respond with a generous heart.

Your gift will provide inspiration, education and services to the less fortunate in our Archdiocese,
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## THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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02/12/23	Sunday	NGL Participant Blessing - All Masses Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment - All Masses 10:00am –11:00am RE Classes Super Bowl Party Marriage Blessing - All Masses
02/13/23	Monday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 4:30pm –8:15pm CJB Volleyball 10:00am Seniors Young @ Heart Monthly Meeting - Parish Life Center 4:15pm –5:30pm RE Classes 6:00pm –7:15pm RE Classes
02/14/23	Tuesday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 9:00am –10:30am NGL Small Group Meeting 11:00am –12:00pm Line Dance Instructions 5:00pm –8:30pm CJB Basketball 5:30pm Evening Rosary 6:30pm –8:00pm NGL Small Group Meeting
02/15/23	Wednesday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 11:00am –12:30pm NGL Staff 4:15pm –5:30pm RE Classes 4:35pm –7:00pm CJB Basketball 6:00pm –7:15pm RE Classes 6:30pm –8:00pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm Wedding Rehearsal
02/16/23	Thursday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 3:00pm –8:15pm CJB Boys Basketball Practice 6:30pm –8:00pm NGL Small Group Meeting 7:00pm Finance Council 7:00pm Polish AA
02/17/23	Friday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 8:30am Scripture Study 10:00am –1:00pm Special Needs Game Day 3:00pm –6:00pm Meals Program 6:30pm –8:00pm NGL Small Group Meeting 7:00pm English AA
02/18/23	Saturday	Annual Catholic Appeal Follow Up - All Masses 8:00am –2:00pm First Communion Retreat 1:00pm Wedding



Parish Registry and Communications—When you register as a parishioner of St. Stephen Deacon and Martyr, you can elect to receive offertory envelopes in the mail. Important parish communication is sent out via mail and email, in addition to your weekly envelopes. Please help us to keep our records up to date. If you are moving out of the parish or out of state and will become inactive, please contact the parish office. Also, please let the parish office know if your mailing address, email address, or phone number has changed. This simple act reduces returned mail and saves the parish money on mailings.

E-giving: Parishioners are encouraged to make automatic donations through GiveCentral.org Donations through GiveCentral are processed via your credit card or bank card at the time and frequency you choose. Visit our website ststephentinley.com and click on the "Support" tab, select "Sunday Giving" then "Donate Now with Give Central."

ACH Bank Transfers—St. Stephen accepts ACH Bank Transfer donations through Byline Bank. To proceed, you can pick up an authorization form at the parish office or find it online under the support tab. You will need to return the signed authorization form along with a voided check to the parish office. Offertory Envelopes-Registered parishioners can elect to receive offertory envelopes. Envelope packets are mailed out every other month. If you would like to receive envelopes, please contact our business manager, Jay Castrogiovanni, in the parish office.

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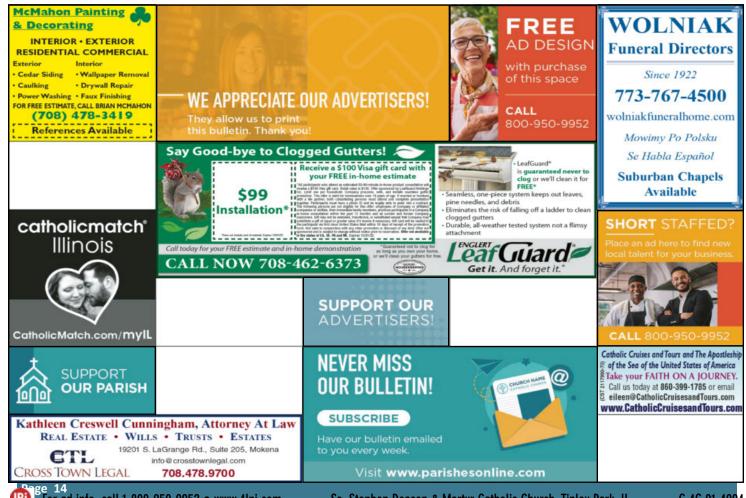
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