

St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr

Catholic Church



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

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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)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday - Thursday

8:30am to 7pm

ROSARY

Monday - Friday

8:30am

Second & Fourth Tuesdays

5:30pm

July 30th, 2023

| www.ststephentinley.com

Pastoral Staff

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

Rev. Michael Wyrzykowski—Pastor

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Rev. Robert Stuglik—Associate Pastor

rstuglik@archchicago.org

Rev. James (Jay) Finno—Pastor Emeritus

Deacon Bob Conlin

RFConlin@comcast.net

Deacon Chuck McFarland

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Deacon Bill Schultz

dcnbills@ststephentinley.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 www.ststephentinley.com/baptism-prep

- 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 167th Street, Orland Hills, IL 60487 Phone: 708-403-6525

website: cjb.school.org

Jeanne Pagliaro - Principal

jpagliaro@cjb.school.org

Cynthia Devlin - Enrollment Director

cdevlin@cjb.school.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, July 31 - 8:00 am

- + Shirley Kelley - *Bern Daley*
- + Kenney Koester - *Bill and Kay Farley*

Tuesday, August 1 - 8:00 am

- + Barbara Radziwon - *Janet Kaminski*
- + Peter and Mary Tunney - *The Tunney Family*

Wednesday, August 2 - 8:00 am

- + Noe Garcia - *The Graziano Family*
- + Theresa Szczepanik - *Kathy Szczepanik*

Thursday, August 3 - 8:00 am

- + Marion and Norman Lundin - *Daughters*
- + William Cody - *Ed and Rita Slechter*

Friday, August 4 - 8:00 am

- + Howard Kuzelka - *Wife*
- + Rose Pantano - *Rox and Tony Pantano*

Saturday, August 5 - 5:00 pm

- + Paul Dietz - *Family*
- + Robert Haynes - *Sons*
- + Patricia Savage - *Family*
- + Sam Baiamonte - *Wife and Son*
- + Maria Luce Rivera - *Son*
- + Theresa Manikowski - *Family*

Sunday, August 6 - 7:30 am

- S.I. For The Parishioners of St. Stephen
- + Debbie and Tony Zajac - *Allan and Judy Dressel*
- + Charles Grande - *Family*

Sunday, August 6 - 9:00 am

- + Douglas J. Joyce - *The Joyce Family*
- + Douglas P. Joyce - *The Joyce Family*

Sunday, August 6 - 11:00 am

- S.I. Jay and Donna Castrogiovanni – 35th Wedding Anniversary
- S.I. The Jacobson Family - *Family*

Sunday, August 6 - 12:30 pm - Msza w języku polskim

- S.I. Intencje Zbiorowe
- + Patrick Gąsienica - *Annette Walkosz*
- + Kazimiera Szymańska - *Janusz Działakiewicz*
- + Natalia and Piotr Zialakiewicz & Family
- + Heather Mollenhouse - *Family*
- S.I. Grace Olivia
- + Anna Pucci - *Dana Nosek*
- + Maureen Miller - *Fisher Family*

† DECEASED

S.I. SPECIAL INTENTION

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Helen Agresti, Carole Holding,
Marianna Ścisłowicz, Dean Thompson,
Kathy Yonker and the sick of our parish.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

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

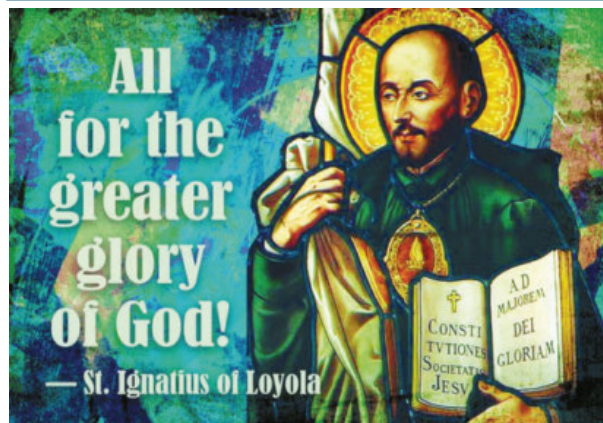
Submit Content to
the Weekly Bulletin 

Ststephen@ststephentinley.com

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.

FUNERALS

† John M. Wozniak



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.



WE'RE HIRING

ST. STEPHEN IS LOOKING FOR A PART TIME MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAN EMPLOYEE TO JOIN OUR STAFF.

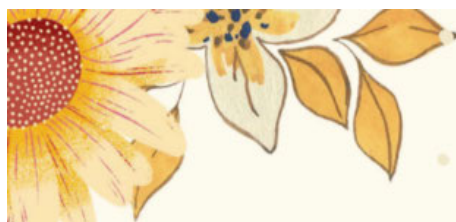
DUTIES INCLUDE:

- Cleaning of church, offices, bathrooms, and classrooms
 - Setups for special events
- Landscaping - cutting grass, trim bushes and trees. All require the use of power equipment
 - Snow removal
- Building Repairs - HVAC, plumbing, electrical, painting, stripping and waxing floors

POSITION REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be able to use hand and power tools
- Must have a good work ethic and be reliable
 - Flexible hours, but a set schedule
- Team player that is polite and respectful
 - Other duties as needed

Please contact Jay Castrogiovanni at 708-342-2400 ext. 130 or castro@ststephentinley.com



The Transitus of St. Clare & Feast of St. Clare

On Thursday, August 10, the evening before the Feast of St. Clare, the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart recall her last days and hours with a Transitus Service 4:15 p.m. to 4:50 p.m. in the motherhouse chapel.

The following day, August 11, at 9:30 a.m., the Feast of St. Clare is celebrated with Mass in the motherhouse chapel.

All are welcome!

Motherhouse Chapel
9201 W. St. Francis Road
Frankfort, IL



**THERE IS NO
BETTER WOOD FOR
FEEDING THE FIRE
OF GOD'S LOVE
THAN THE WOOD
OF THE CROSS**

St. Ignatius of Loyola

The St. Vincent DePaul Society of Chicago

provides a number of greatly needed services to needy families and individuals in our community, including the very basics for human dignity such as food, shelter, and clothing.

We have removed the boxes from our parking lot but there is a thrift store located at 7010 W. 159th Street in Orland Park.

If you would like to donate any eligible items, they have drop off boxes in back of the store and their hours are from 9:00am to 7:00pm.



Music Corner

I hope that you've had a pleasant Summer so far! We had some trying times recently dealing with periods without rain and the haze from the Canadian fires, but that is behind us now.

There are many hymn songs and responses that are well-known. Some of us could sing a couple of verses of "Amazing Grace" without having to open a book. We also sing The Lord's Prayer 'by rote' without having to look where it is printed in our Breaking Bread missal.

If you happen to be a person who is self-conscious about singing near or around others, think of this approach: Maybe someone sitting near you wants to sing but is shy about it. You may be the inspiration for another's faith and prayer. You may also offer consolation to them as they deal with internal struggles that we know nothing about.

When we gather as a congregation at Mass, there are roughly 400 to 500 people around you. Therefore, you could think of singing at Mass as social aspect. Singing together creates unity which reminds us that we together are the body of Christ, that we are One. Most people sing "Happy Birthday" at a function even for a one-year-old who doesn't yet understand, so why not sing to God who loves us more than we could ever know?

Singing is also educational, as it can quote scripture and use Church teachings as mentioned in last week's article.

Also, singing well can be a health benefit! Singing well involves deep breathing, getting oxygen going in your system and exercising the lungs.

As always, please feel free to make a connection with me. If you don't catch me after Mass, feel free to call the parish office or write me an email. Both your support and criticism are welcome.

Patrick Sheehan, Music Director
1-708-342-2400, x. 122
patrick@ststephentinley.com

MUSIC SCHEDULE for July 29 & 30 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY

5:00 p.m.	Dave Gorka & Mark Gorka
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SUNDAY

7:30 a.m.	[Silent Mass]
9:00 a.m.	Ethan Villasenor, cantor Eamon Allbee, trumpet Aidan Villasenor, violin Annie Villasenor, cello
11:00 a.m.	Jeannie Maciulewicz & Denise Wallace, cantors Adult Choir Tommy Shermulis, clarinet
12:30 p.m. Polish	Kamil Bundyra

Job Opening – School Nurse

Your parish school – Cardinal Joseph Bernardin School – is seeking a knowledgeable, caring SCHOOL NURSE to join our staff. This person would be responsible for helping students (Pre-K through 8th Grade) attain an optimum level of physical, social and emotional health through working closely with other staff, administration and families.

This could be a full-time, benefits eligible position...or if several applicants are interested, the school will consider hiring part-time, no benefits.

Please contact school Principal, Mrs. Pagliaro, at ipagliaro@cjbschool.org if interested.



Collections July 8th & 9th

Sunday Collection	19,092.00
Assumption	40.00
Ascension	15.00
Peter's Pence	276.00
Missionary CO-OP Plan	5.00
Priest Retirement	175.00
Capital Improvement	1,323.00
Mass Attendance	1286



Registration for Seniors Young at Heart for 2023 2024 year will take place throughout the summer. Stop by the Parish Office to fill out your forms. Registration will also take place after all Masses on August 19th & 20th. Dues are \$25.00 for the Year.

Our Seniors group has a variety of functions throughout the year with Luncheons and great Entertainment for all. Our Meetings are held on the second Monday of each Month at 10:am. Anyone who might be interested in joining, please accept an open invitation to come to our first meeting at no charge before you think about joining.

Upcoming Events:

Aug 16th - 6:30 pm . An evening with Father Michail Ford and St. Jude. Father Michail will be at our Parish with the Relic of St. Jude. The evening will start with the rosary, the novena to St. Jude , and the veneration of the relic.

Sept 5th Seniors Board Meeting 10 am

Sept 11th First Seniors Meeting at 10 am. Itinerary to follow.

Oct 3rd St. Stephen Deacon Martyr, and the Seniors Young at Heart will be presenting an evening with Kevin Matthews who was previously a radio announcer for the Loop and Author of his book titled Broken Mary . The evening is about his life and encounter with The Broken Mary Statue. There will be no charge for this event.



**Come spend an evening with
Fr. Michail Ford & St. Jude**

**Wednesday, August 16th
6:30 p.m.**

**Rosary
Homily**

St. Jude Novena

**Veneration of the St. Jude relic
Individual blessing with St. Jude oil**

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 www.GiveCentral.org parafianie mogą dokonywać
automatycznych darowizn w wybranym przez siebie czasie i częstotli-
wości. Rejestracja zajmuje tylko kilka minut. Wejdź na naszą parafialną
stronę internetową www.ststephentinley.com 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 przysyłać 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.

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO 

PORADNIA RACHEL

Przyjdź! Zakończ żałobę, wybacz sobie
i zapełnij puste miejsce po stracie dziecka.

1.773.656.7703
aborcjabolterapia.com
Prowadzi s. Maksymiliana Kamińska MChR, psycholog-terapeuta.

Projekt Rachel jest prowadzony przez Siostry Misjonarki Chrystusa Króla dla Polonii,
spotkania odbywają się w parafii św. Konstancji. Koordynatorem projektem jest
siostra Maksymiliana.

Poradnia pomaga kobietom z niechcianą ciążą a także rodzicom po utracie dziecka
na skutek aborcji, poronienia, urodzenia martwego dziecka, wczesnej śmierci
noworodka, ciąży ektopowej, oddania dziecka do adopcji zaraz po porodzie.



Rozważanie do liturgii z dnia 2023-07-30

O co proszę? O serce, które pragnie Jezusa ponad wszystko

Jezus opowiada mi o pięknie królestwa Bożego. Do mnie jednak należy wybór: życie razem z Nim w królestwie lub wieczne odrzucenie. Czy w moim codziennym życiu dopuszczam myśl, że cokolwiek teraz czynię, dotyczy to mojego ostatecznego przeznaczenia?

Królestwo Boże jest jak skarb, dla którego warto sprzedać wszystko inne (w. 44). Jaką wartość ma dla mnie życie dla Jezusa? Czego nie potrafiłbym dzisiaj „sprzedać” dla Jezusa?

Królestwo jest jak skarb ukryty w ziemi (w. 44). Muszę go szukać i pragnąć odnajdywać każdego dnia. Czy Pan Bóg interesuje mnie ponad wszystko? Co mogę powiedzieć o moim zaangażowaniu w wypełnianie życiowego powołania?

Uczeń królestwa powinien kierować się roztropnością w swoich wyborach, jak ojciec rodziny, który ze swego skarbca wydobywa rzeczy nowe i stare (w. 52). Moje codzienne wybory są sprawdzianem mojego rzeczywistego stosunku do życia i powołania.

Czy mogę powiedzieć, że w moich wyborach kieruję się szukaniem królestwa Bożego? Czy są inne motywacje moich wyborów? Jakież?

Scena końca świata, którą przedstawia Jezus, pomaga mi odnaleźć właściwy dystans do moich przywiązań i ziemskich pragnień (ww. 49-50). Wszystkie moje „perły”, które teraz kocham, na końcu świata okażą się niczym wobec jedynej perły wiecznego królestwa.

Powiem szczerze Jezusowi o moich zniewoleniach. Zaproszę Go w osobiste sytuacje życiowe, w których panują najgłębsze nieuporządkowania. Będę trwał w modlitwie serca: „Jezu, przywróć mi serce wolne, zdolne wybierać Ciebie!”.

Krzysztof Wons SDS/Salwator



Nabożeństwo Pierwszych Piątków Miesiąca

Wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu: od godziny 6:00 pm.

Sakrament Pokuty i Pojednania 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Litania do Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa

Msza Święta w języku Polskim o godz. 7:00pm



Preparation for the Service of Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist or Lector

The Church always invites us to actively participate in the liturgical service. We cordially invite you to the preparatory workshops for the Ministry of Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and/or Lector. These sessions will be held at our parish.

Meeting times each evening are from 7PM – 9PM

Monday, July 31 is a combined session for both ministries.

Tuesday, August 1 is for those preparing for the service of the
Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist

Wednesday, August 2 is for those preparing for the ministry of
Lector

For more details and registration, please contact Barbara Black in our parish office at (708) 342-2400 ext. 137 or barbara@ststephentinley.com



Przygotowanie do Posługi Nadzwyczajnego Szafarza Eucharystii lub Lektora w Naszej Parafii

Kościół zawsze zaprasza nas do czynnego udziału w służbie liturgicznej, dlatego serdecznie zapraszamy na warsztaty przygotowawcze do posługi Nadzwyczajnego Szafarza Eucharystii lub Lektora, które odbędą się w naszej parafii w języku Angielskim.

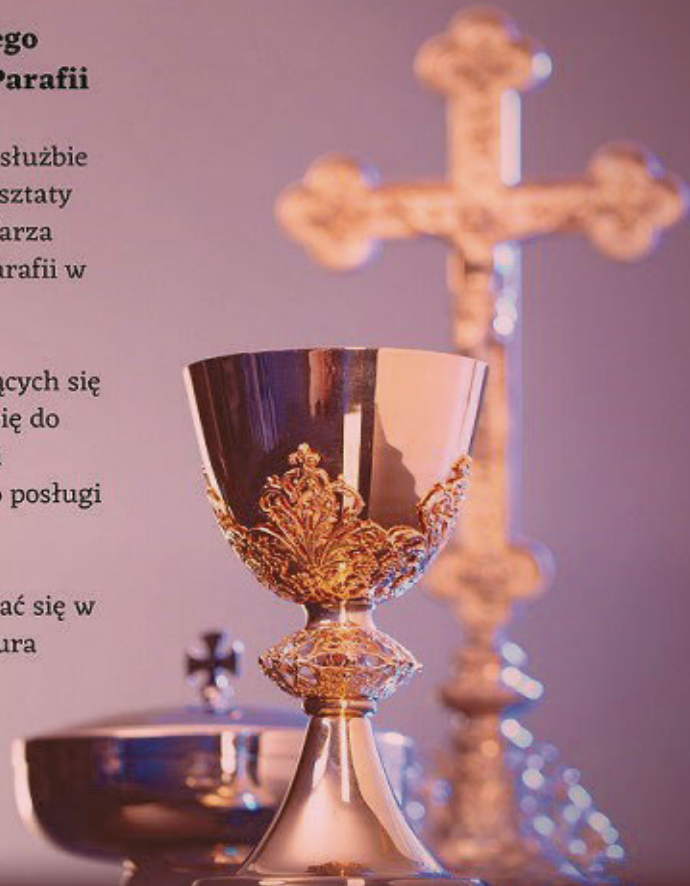
Spotkanie od 7PM – 9PM

W poniedziałek, 31 lipca dla Wszystkich Przygotowujących się

We wtorek, 1 sierpnia dla osób przygotowujących się do
posługi Nadzwyczajnego Szafarza Eucharystii

We środę, 2 sierpnia dla osób przygotowujących się do posługi
Lektora

Po więcej szczegółów i rejestrację prosimy kontaktować się w języku Angielskim z Barbara Black z naszego biura parafialnego (708) 342-2400 ext. 137 lub barbara@ststephentinley.com





2023 Help Build Hope - Let's Finish the Job!

We need volunteers to help load the wall panels into a truck. The truck will then ship the walls to Troup County Habitat for Humanity in Georgia.

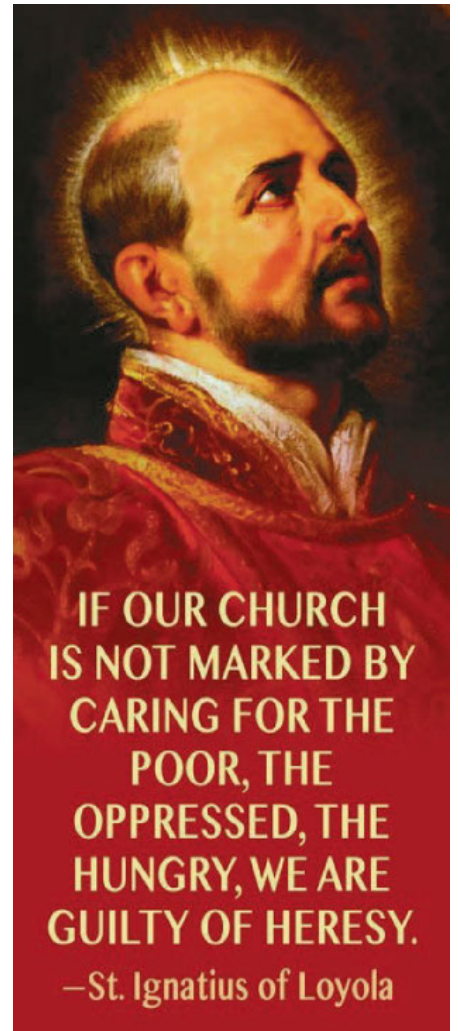
Saturday, August 26, 2023 8:30 a.m.

St. Stephen Parking Lot - 17500 84th Ave, Tinley Park, IL 60487

Please email your name, phone number, and your parish to vicariateShomebuild@gmail.com to sign up!
Thank you to all volunteers!



Our wall panels will help build two houses in the Calumet Park Cottage Court in LaGrange, Georgia.



**IF OUR CHURCH
IS NOT MARKED BY
CARING FOR THE
POOR, THE
OPPRESSED, THE
HUNGRY, WE ARE
GUILTY OF HERESY.
—St. Ignatius of Loyola**

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA

This week we celebrate a spiritual master! Not only is St. Ignatius Loyola the founder of the Jesuits, but the legacy of his life of prayer -- now called Ignatian spirituality -- inspired believers the world over. Injured as a young soldier, Ignatius spent his time in recovery reading the lives of the saints. They inspired his soul to holy heroism, changing his life forever. Ignatius gathered a group of friends who also desired to be "contemplatives in action," finding God in all circumstances. This became the Jesuits -- a great missionary and teaching order. Ignatius himself was constantly attuned to his own inner promptings. This self-knowledge -- open to the movements of the Holy Spirit -- led him to be an incredibly astute spiritual director. For Ignatius, recognizing God as the first principle of one's life determined everything. How has God changed you?

SETON MEN'S CLUB

SELL THE LOT

Garage/Vendor/Craft Sale

— Come to sell or shop! —

Saturday, August 12, 2023

8:00 am to 3:00 pm

(Set up time between 7:00-8:00 am)

St. Elizabeth Seton Church Parking Lot

9300 West 167th Street, Orland Hills

(Depart parking lot by 4:00 pm to provide for 5:00 pm Mass attendance)

Sign up in the Seton Parish Office ...

• M-F: 9am-1pm/SUN: 8am-1pm
or call 708-403-0101

RENTAL INFORMATION

\$25: two parking spaces
\$30: three parking spaces
(keep your sale profits)

Limited Tables to rent for \$10
(one per vendor)

No chairs/food/drink provided.
Please bring your own chair/tent/
food/beverages.

St. Elizabeth Seton Church is not
responsible for condition of items sold

...Pay for your space
on the day of event.

(The event will be rescheduled due
to incidence of inclement weather.)

Questions? Please email Tom Wojcik at wojciptom@sbcglobal.net

Proceeds of rental spaces/equipment to benefit St. Elizabeth Seton Church

The Sign of Peace - Why do Catholics give the sign of peace to one another at Mass?

The sign of peace is a part of the Mass that takes place immediately after we offer the Lord's Prayer. Inspired by the Jesus' words to his first followers, we stand together in a spirit of communion to pray as Jesus taught us: "Our Father who art in heaven..." In this prayer, we call for the coming of God's kingdom in all its fullness and ask that God provides for our needs — "Give us, this day, our daily bread" — to forgive our sins and to bring us to the joy of heaven.

It is almost natural, then, that the rite of peace would follow. As the celebrant prays that Christ's peace will fill our hearts, our communities, the Church, and the whole world, we extend to those around us a sign of peace (usually a hug or a hand-shake) as a symbol of the communion that we experience now and will experience forever in the fullness of the reign of God.

We are also reminded of Jesus' teachings that if we are at prayer and remember that a brother or sister is holding something against us, then we are to go and seek reconciliation with them before we continue our prayer (see Matthew 5:23). And so, the sign of peace also reminds us of the need to truly be in communion — united in love and peace — with God and one another before we approach the altar to receive the Eucharist.

So, the next time you're at Mass and the time comes for the sign of peace, remember that this is a moment to celebrate the gift of Christ's peace that each of us has received from God and to pass that peace along to those around us. We need this moment to practice, because this is also the same peace of Christ that we are instructed to carry out into the world at the end of Mass when the priest or deacon says to us, "Go, in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life."

Golden Anniversary Mass

Congratulations to all of the couples celebrating 50
years of marriage this year!

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass is scheduled
to be held

Sunday, September 17, 2023
2:30 p.m.

Holy Name Cathedral, 735 North State Street,
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Please register on the Chicago Archdiocese website at
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07/30/23 - Sunday	1:30pm –3:00pm Missionaries of Apostolic Grace Bible Gathering
07/31/23 - Monday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 7:00pm –9:00pm Eucharistic Minister/Lector Training
08/01/23 - Tuesday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 7:00pm –9:00pm Eucharistic Minister Training 7:00pm –8:03pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
08/02/23 - Wednesday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 7:00pm –9:00pm Lector Training
08/03/23 - Thursday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 7:00pm –9:00pm Guitar Group Rehearsal 7:00pm –9:00pm Picnic Planning Committee
08/04/23 - Friday	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 9:30am –11:00am Scripture Study 3:00pm –6:00pm Community Meal Program - Food Pickup 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM 6:00pm First Friday Devotions 7:00pm English AA 8:00pm Polish AA
08/05/23 - Saturday	Capital Improvement Collection - All Masses

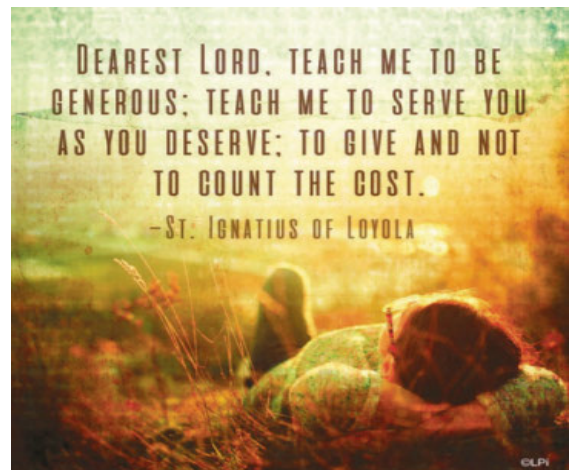
The QUEEN OF PEACE H. S. Class of 1973

will hold their 50th Class Reunion on September 15, 2023, at
Gaelic Park, Oak Forest, IL @ 6:00 p.m.

Please see/join the Queen of Peace (QOP) Class of 1973
Facebook page for more information or send an email to
patricethomas6314@gmail.com.

Please note the change in location and time from previous.

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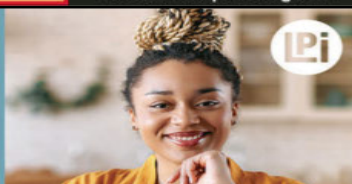


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