

# St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr

## Catholic Church



### 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart,  
with all your soul, and with all your mind." - Mt 22:37

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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

October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023



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# ST. STEPHEN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PASTA PARTY

Sunday November 5, 2023  
12:00 PM-2:00 PM in the PLC

- Entertainment will be provided.
- Kid themed raffle baskets.
- Cash raffle tickets and food tickets available at all Masses the weekend of October 28/29 and November 4/5 and in the Parish/RE offices.

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## Food Tickets

Adult Ticket \$15  
Children 14 and under \$5

Dinner includes: salad, pasta, meatballs, sausage, bread and dessert. Pop, Water, and Coffee will be provided.

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**All proceeds will benefit the RE Tuition  
Grant Program.**





## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Monday, October 30</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
+ Michael O'Donnell	Family
+ Anthony LaCassa	The Hannigan Family
<b>Tuesday, October 31</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
+ Leo Manny	Janet Kaminski
+ Joseph Green	Megan, Evan and Mary Jo
<b>Wednesday, November 1</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
+ Louis Rychetsky	Mr. and Mrs. Rychetsky
+ Susan M. Ohl	The Grober Family
<b>Wednesday, November 1</b>	<b>7:30 PM (po polsku)</b>
+ Joanna Pacanek	Husband and Sons
+ Władysław Sieczka	Wife
<b>Thursday, November 2</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
S.I. O'Brien and Daley Families	Bern Daley
+ Harry R. Johnson	Emily Johnson
<b>Thursday, November 2</b>	<b>7:30 PM (po polsku)</b>
S.I. Help from the Holy Ghost	Greg
<b>Friday, November 3</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>
+ Elizabeth and Joseph Persin	Barbara Black
+ Vernon Beechy	Barbara Black
<b>Friday, November 3</b>	<b>7:00 PM (po polsku)</b>
S.I. Help from the Holy Ghost	Greg
<b>Saturday, November 4</b>	<b>5:00 PM</b>
+ Walter Kaminski	Janet Kaminski
+ Patricia Savage	Family
+ Rose Baiamonte	Daughter-in-law and Son
+ Michael Walsh	The Yedwofski Family
+ Anthony and Mary Sivda	Family
<b>Sunday, November 5</b>	<b>7:30 AM</b>
For The Parishioners of St. Stephen	
+ James Rizzuto	Wife
+ Virginia Brown	Frank and Mary Werr & Family
<b>Sunday, November 5</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>
+ Pauline Cotrano	Bern Daley
+ John McNulty	Friends
<b>Sunday, November 5</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
+ Jackie Enk	Friend
+ Chuck Blunk Sr.	Jennie Freed
<b>Sunday, November 5</b>	<b>12:30 PM (po polsku)</b>
Intencje Zbiorowe	
+ Ann Podlasinski	Family
+ Patrick Gasienica	Annette Walkosz
+ Leonard Staniszewski	Linda Fugger
+ Peter Jurek	Family and Friends

† DECEASED

S.I. SPECIAL INTENTION

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED OF HEALING

Joseph Frasca, Carole Holding, Daniel Jatis, Krisitine Opyd, Dean Thompson, and the sick of our parish.

## BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Submissions for Bulletin Articles, Facebook Posts, Website Inclusion and Flocknote must be sent to [Ststephen@ststephentinley.com](mailto: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.

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

3<sup>rd</sup> Rachel Rehm & Michael Graff  
3<sup>rd</sup> Morgan Kulpinski & Christian Efken



## FUNERALS

† John DeMario  
† Luis Gonzalez  
† Josephine Ilg  
† Loretta T. Kelly  
† Lubin Masibay, Sr.

## PARISH OFFICE

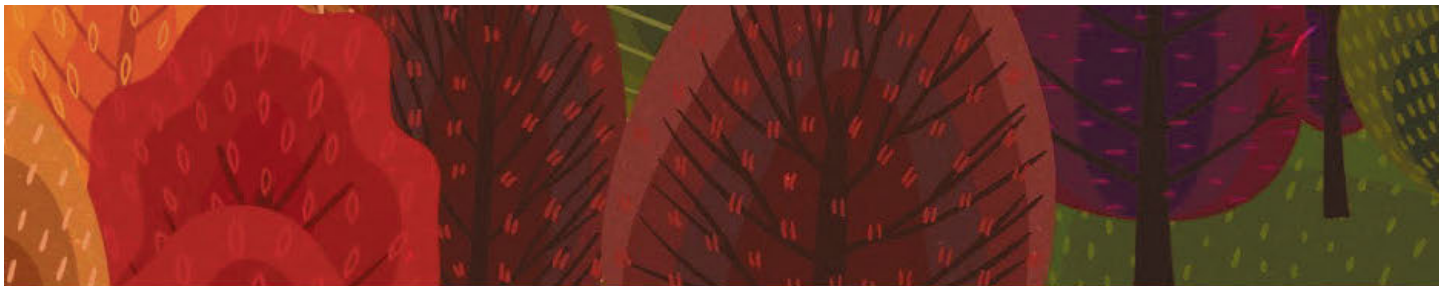
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## REGULAR PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday 8:30am to 7:00pm

Friday 8:30 am to 4:30pm

Closed daily for lunch from 12:30pm until 1pm.



## All Souls' Mass, November 2, 2023 to Remember All of Our Faithful Departed.

Lilia Acosta  
Linda Lou Adler  
Angelina Beck  
Vernon Beechy  
Peter Belletiere  
Margaret "Peggy" Boyle  
Helen Budiselich  
Anna Buryj  
Zenon Buryj  
Albin M. Cabaj  
Dennis Calhoun  
Carol Camerino  
Janis Casolari  
Glorianne Chapan  
Michael Clavio  
Pauline Cotrano  
Anne Cubr  
Robert Cwalinski  
James V. DeAmbrose  
Maryjane Delle  
John DeMario  
Joseph Rupert Dorff  
Robert Dwyer  
Pauline Egbers  
Dolores Furtek  
Luis Gonzalez  
David Grenger

Helen Heffron  
Mari Beryl Houlihan  
Alfred Wayne Howard  
Andrew Howell  
Josephine Ilg  
Irene Jablon  
Jerome Jablonski  
Teresa Janota  
Robert E. Johnson, Jr.  
Robert Jones  
Loretta Kelly  
Tom Kenny  
Beth G. Kopera  
Claudia Krohn  
Robert Krohn  
Florine Lenahan  
Maxine Leu  
Robert Levinthal  
Jerome Lewitke  
Stephen Carl Lingle  
Dolores Lobos  
Palia Amor Malinowski  
Patricia Malinowski  
George Mampreian, Jr.  
Lubin Masibay, Sr.  
Thaddeus Mazurski  
Mary "Peggy" McLean

Gladys Mikos  
Thomas Mikos  
William Nosek  
Katrina Nicole O'Hare  
Joanna Pacanek  
Patricia Panici  
Gregory A. Persin  
Anna Plecki  
Marian Plovanic  
Michael Reeves  
Barbara Ridge  
Arthur T. Runyan  
Theresa Rutkowski  
Andrea Schultz  
Maria Sekula  
Patricia Skarzynski  
Edward Skuta  
Viola So  
Patricia A. Stock  
Kathleen Supple  
Frank Valderrama, Jr.  
Elizabeth Weizeorick  
Leonard Wiencek  
Adeline Wisniewski  
John M. Wozniak  
Patricia Yanko



## ALL SAINTS DAY | REFLECTION – THE CELEBRATION OF SAINTS: INSPIRATION, PARTICIPATION AND INTERCESSION

*“WE, THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY, ASSEMBLE TO CELEBRATE THE MEMORY OF THE MARTYRS WITH RITUAL SOLEMNITY BECAUSE WE WANT TO BE INSPIRED TO FOLLOW THEIR EXAMPLE, SHARE IN THEIR MERITS, AND BE HELPED BY THEIR PRAYERS.” - SAINT AUGUSTINE*

The Church celebrates the memory of the countless holy men and women from different origins and nationalities, heroes and heroines of Christian faith and witnesses of Christian charity through their lives.

Saint Augustine shares us three simple reasons why we do celebrate their memory:

first, for inspiration from their examples; second, for participation in their merits and lastly, for the intercession of our prayers.

First, as an inspiration from their example and in the light of the gospel reading in today's feast, the saints teach us to become real Christians and saints in the Kingdom of God in the making. The lives lived by the saints are not unattainable to us. By the fact they have passed through this life and bore the tests of this earthly exile, the saints tell us that we can remain faithful to God, who is our goal of this life, despite all the temptations. Jesus calls them “blessed” or “happy” because they remain to be on the side of God.

Secondly, the celebration of the saints is a participation of their merits. This is an article of our faith, the “communion of saints”. We are taught by our catechesis that our faith in the communion of saints is an ecclesiological reality that we do not only journey all alone on this earth. We participate in the goal reached by the saints in heaven. They who participate in the *lumen gloriae*, who is God, is also shared to us by their own prayers in that heavenly condition. This reality is described in the spirit of Christian hope. Saint John says that we shall become someday like Christ as we are eagerly awaiting for that moment in the future. We never lose hope therefore, because the glory of the saints is an assuring truth that someday we shall be like them, beholding the Holy Face of God. Lastly, the saints pray for us. They are our intercessors. Saints pray for us because their position in front of *lumen gloriae* gives them an opportunity to include our condition in the valley of tears. The vision of Saint John in the first reading provides us a picture of this glorious state of heaven where the eternal praise and glory of God is being held and sang. In the same book somewhere an angel offers our prayers and in this very symbolic incense burned as a sweet smelling oblation is being offered by the Church triumphant in front of the Blessed Trinity. May we find the real essence of the celebration of the saints in heaven. May we start to move on this meaning and finding meaning in it, we find authentic Christian life.

### NOVEMBER 2: ALL SOULS DAY—COMMEMORATION

In the Catholic Church, as in other religious communities, death has a central place. Death makes us focus on what matters in our lives and to wonder at the mystery of our coming into the world for such a relatively short time, only to leave it again. Any serious account of what it means to be human must grapple with death. In the Christian faith, the most familiar symbol is the Cross. It remembers the Son of God who shared our lives, our rejection and our death – in His case a tortured death on the cross. Death remains central to our faith. When we think of it, however, we are turned from defeat to victory, and from sadness to celebration through Christ's rising from the dead. Death has its say but it does not have the last word. When we die, we shall live with Christ in a new life. That faith turns cemeteries from the place of demons to the place of angels who were waiting for the apostles at Jesus' tomb. In the Christian faith, Christ offers life after death to all those who have faith in Him. That vision of death and life is represented in a Melbourne cemetery, where over the gate is the inscription, *Janua Vitae* – the gateway to life.

For that reason, the early Christians Church wrote the names of Christians who belonged to the Church on tablets and read them out in the Eucharistic liturgy. The names of people from the congregation who had died were also inscribed and remembered, especially those who had suffered for the faith during persecution. Preachers still sometimes say of people who have died that their names are written in the book of life. The practice of remembering the dead in the liturgy was retained in monasteries, where eventually one day a year was chosen to remember all those who had died. It was natural for communities to gather together in prayer to remember that they were bound together by memory and hope. This practice is maintained each year in a moving ceremony at some Vinnies shelters for people who are homeless, where wall plaques each year hold the names of people who would otherwise be forgotten. They are blessed, and each person is remembered by one of their colleagues or people who have accompanied them. We honour death to express our hope that life triumphs. On All Souls' Day, Catholics have long prayed to free people from the traces that sin has left on them and from their time of cleansing in purgatory. That focus, too, awoke compassion and solidarity through the conviction that our prayers and faithfulness to people who have died can bless them, just as they now bless us by their prayers and compassion. The day came eventually to be celebrated on 2 November each year.





### Collections October 7th & 8th

Sunday Collection	19,213.00
All Saints	32.50
1st Friday Devotion	222.00
All Souls Day	42.50
Seminaries	45.00
Propagation of The Faith	35.00
Capital Improvement	4,380.00
Mass Attendance	1345



(Secular Franciscan Order, USA)

### St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Welcomes all to a dynamic presentation on

Holy Gifts for a Holy People

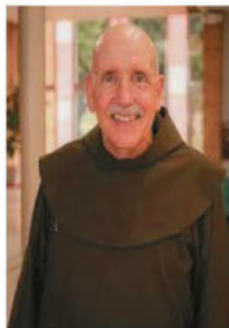
Welcome to the Table of the Lord

**Sunday, Nov. 5, 2023**  
**3:30 P.M. Presentation**

**Mass will be offered at 5:00 P.M. for those who prefer to stay.**

We welcome Franciscan Father Ed Shea, OFM to reflect with us on the power and the meaning of Eucharist. As our Church calls us to a Eucharistic Revival this year, Father Ed will invite us to reflect deeply on what we Catholics do together week after week, day after day, as we gather around the Lord's Table. This Talk will be particularly appropriate for any and all liturgical ministers...

**Please plan to attend.**



**Guest Speaker**  
**Rev. Edward Shea, OFM**

For more information, contact the Parish Office at 708-460-0042

**LOCATION:** 15050 South Wolf Rd.  
Orland Pk, IL 60467

### Upcoming Events:

**Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Trip to The Sanfilippo Estate in Barrington Illinois. This Estate has a display of pipe organs, musical instruments from as early as 1800, and the original carousel from 1812. Lunch will be a buffet in downtown Barrington on a vintage train. Price for this tour \$90.00 per person, Transportation, Lunch and Tour. Leaving St. Stephen at 10:00 am returning at 5:30 pm. Reserve with Theresa Gamino 708 342 2400

**Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>** Seniors Board Meeting

**Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>** Seniors Meeting, with Dina Nevis from Tinley Police Dept to give a talk about Senior Safety . We will also be making Christmas Wreaths for St Coletta's to be distributed at their center. Snacks will be served.

**Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>** Christmas Light Tour with Kris Kringle Market, Leaving St. Stephen at 4 pm, returning at 9 pm. Price - \$27.00 adults, and Children 12 and under - \$5.00. This includes Bus transportation and tickets for the Zoo.

**Dec 11<sup>th</sup>** Seniors Young at Heart Christmas Party: Featuring Skip Griparis, who does impersonations of Famous singers from the 60's . Lunch will be Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings. Tickets will go on sale two weeks prior in the Narthex. Everyone welcome to attend. Members \$10.00, non Members \$20.00

**Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>** Board Meeting.

**Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>** Meeting Bingo and Hot Dogs.

**Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>** Board Meeting

**Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>** 50's Party ,  
50's music, games, & food.

Members \$10.00.

Non Members \$20.00

**LINE DANCE INSTRUCTIONS**

**FREE LESSONS**

ST. STEPHEN DEACON & MARTYR  
17500 84TH AVENUE  
TINLEY PARK, IL 60462

Tuesday, October 31  
Tuesday, November 14  
Tuesday, November 28  
11 AM to Noon

**Let's get moving!**  
**Join the fun!**

QUESTIONS??  
CALL THERESA  
(708) 342-2400




Prayer Shawls will be available at the All Souls Mass on Thursday, November 2nd at 6:00 PM.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Thursday, Nov. 2nd at 9:30 in the RE wing Room 174. This month we distributed over 39 shawls and caps at the Cancer Awareness Mass. There is no cost for these beautiful blessed prayer shawls. We are very grateful to the outpouring of support and donations from our generous parishioners that help our ministry thrive. Please consider joining us. This is a wonderful way to meet great people while bringing comfort to those in need with handmade blessed prayer shawls. Please bring your needles and hooks and share your talent. Shawl Ministry will provide the yarn. If you are interested in learning how to crochet or knit we can help you!

All are welcome!

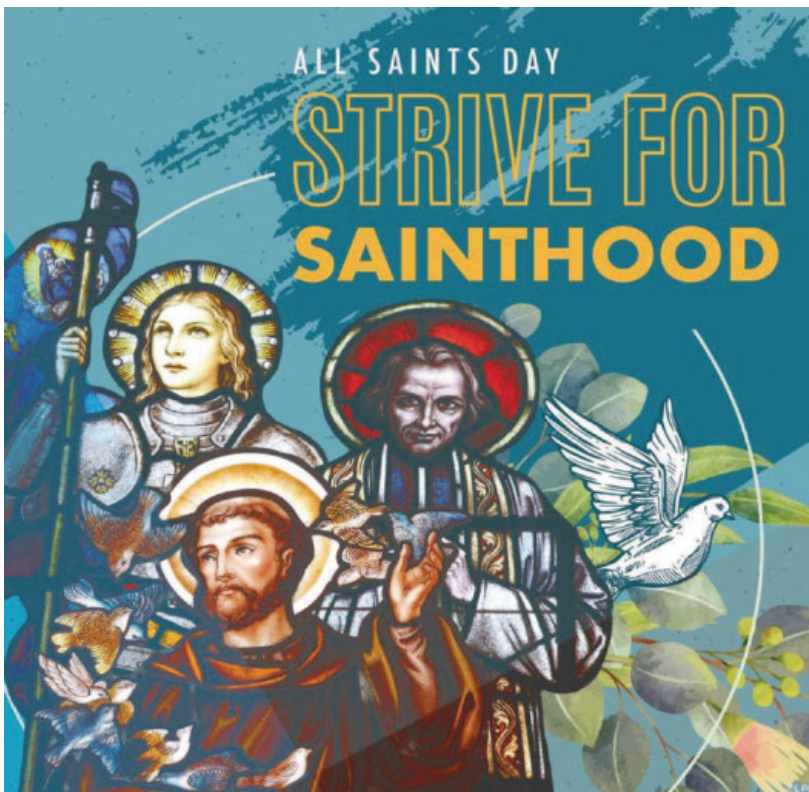
If you are unable to attend our meeting but are interested in creating shawls from home or if you are in need of a shawl please contact Dorothy Kuzelka at 708-614-2588 for information.



## SVdP Food Collection

After All Masses  
This Weekend  
October 21 & 22

Non-perishable Items  
Only, Please




### A Salute to Our Veterans

#### "Sweet Reminder"

A Musical Journey  
Saturday, November 11, 2023  
Cahill Center—Doors Open at 5:00 PM  
Dinner will be served at 5:45 PM

Be entertained with toe-tapping renditions of music from the 40's, 50's and 60's!  
Advance reservations are requested—please call the Parish Office to reserve your seat! Ticket price is \$25 per person in advance, \$35 at the door. Or, reserve your table of 6 for \$135! Price includes dinner (fried chicken, roast beef sandwich, potato salad, vegetables, salad, coffee, water, soda) and show. Cash bar for liquid refreshments.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH  
6707 W. 175TH ST.  
TINLEY PARK, IL  
708-532-2243

## CRISIS PREGNANCY HELPLINE

**1-800-400-4205**



# 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](http://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](http://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](mailto:krzystekn@jspaluch.com)

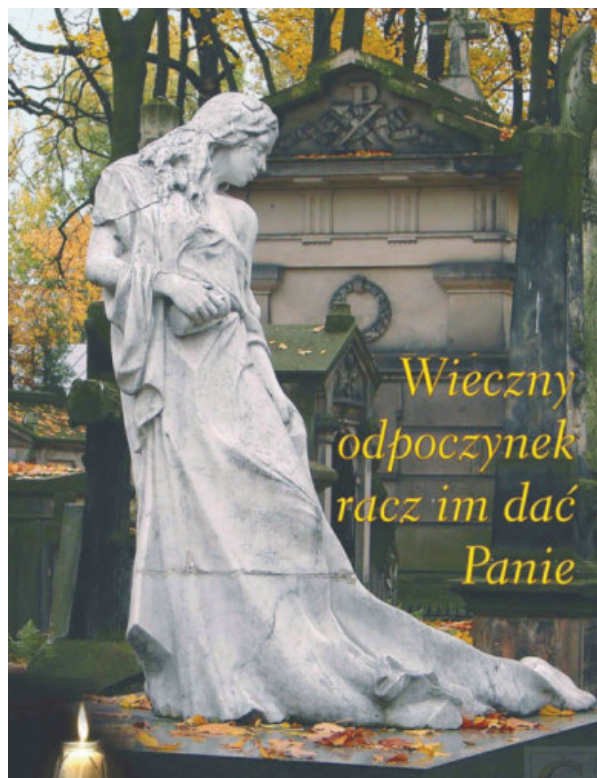
Wszystkie materiały do biuletynu proszę przysyłać na  
email: [ststephen@ststephentinley.com](mailto:ststephen@ststephentinley.com)

## 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.



*Nie umiera ten, kto trwa w pamięci żywych.*

**W miesiącu listopadzie  
po każdej polskiej Mszy Świętej,  
będziemy modlić się za wszystkich zmarłych,  
wypisanych na kartkach wypominkowych.  
Kartki wypominkowe są rozłożone  
z tyłu kościoła.**



## Uroczystość Wszystkich Świętych i Dzień Zaduszny

**1 listopada Kościół katolicki obchodzi uroczystość Wszystkich Świętych.** Dzień ten kojarzy się dla wielu ze zniczem,



z grobem bliskich osób, z cmentarzem, dla innych z wiązką kwiatów, jeszcze dla innych z modlitwą i pamięcią o tych, którzy wyprzedzili nas w drodze do wieczności. Nie mniej jednak w tym dniu udajemy się z całymi rodzinami na cmentarz i nawiedzamy groby naszych bliskich, przyjaciół, rodziców, krewnych, znajomych, stawiając kwiaty, zapalając ten "płomyk nadziei", wierząc, że już cieszą się oni chwałą w domu Ojca Niebieskiego. Kościół w tym dniu oddaje cześć tym wszystkim, którzy już weszli do chwały niebieskiej, a wiernym pielgrzymującym jeszcze na ziemi wskazuje drogę, która ma zaprowadzić ich do świętości. Przypomina nam również prawdę o naszej wspólnotce ze Świętymi, którzy otaczają nas opieką.

### Kształtowanie się uroczystości

W początkach chrześcijaństwa, w obawie przed bałwochwalstwem, nie oddawano czci nikomu ze stworzeń, ani ludziom, ani aniołom. Oddawano cześć jedynie Bogu w Trójcy Świętej Jedynemu.

W Nowym Testamencie zauważamy pochwałę jaką sam Pan Jezus daje św. Janowi Chrzcicielowi, cześć z jaką wyraża się św. Paweł w listach do Rzymian i Hebrajczyków o Abrahamie i Melchizedeku. Najpierw przedmiotem kultu stała się Najświętsza Maryja Panna, jako Matka Syna Bożego. Zaczęto wznosić kościoły ku Jej czci, Kościół zaczął ustanawiać święta i układał modlitwy oraz pieśni o Matce Bożej. W tym samym czasie zauważamy też kult św. Michała Archanioła. Krwawe prześladowania Kościoła w I w. rozbudziły także kult męczenników. Dzień ich zgonu uważano za dzień ich narodzin dla nieba. Dlatego już od V w. kult prywatny przerodził się w urzędowy, powszechny. Kult Świętych pomnaża cześć Pana Boga. Świętych Pańskich czcimy ze względu na Pana Boga, którego oni "reprezentują". Tak więc nie bezpośrednio, lecz pośrednio przez nich kierujemy kult ku Panu Bogu. Kościół oddaje cześć świętym w różnym stopniu. I tak na pierwszym miejscu stawia Najświętszą Maryję Pannę, następnie świętych: Józefa i Jana Chrzciciela, dalej Apostołów, wśród których Święci Piotr i Paweł mają uprzywilejowane miejsce.

**Wspomnienie Wszystkich Wiernych Zmarłych Kościół obchodzi 2 listopada** i w tradycji polskiej dzień ten jest nazywany Dniem Zadusznym lub inaczej "zaduszkami". To wspomnienie wprowadził opat benedyktynów w Cluny we Francji, św. Odilon (Odylon). On to w 998 r. zarządził modlitwy za dusze wszystkich zmarłych w dniu 2 listopada. Termin ten i sama idea szybko rozprzestrzeniły się we Francji, Anglii, Niemczech, Italii. W XIII w. zwyczaj ten w Kościele rzymskim stał się powszechny. W XV w. wytworzył się u dominikanów w Wanencji zwyczaj ofiarowania w dniu 2 listopada trzech Mszy św. przez jednego kapłana. Papież Benedykt XIV w 1748 r. rozszerzył ten zwyczaj na całą Hiszpanię. W 1915 r., podczas I wojny światowej, papież Benedykt XV na prośbę opata - prymasa benedyktynów pozwolił kapłanom całego Kościoła odprawić w tym dniu trzy Msze św. Jedną w intencji przyjętej od wiernych, drugą w intencji wszystkich wiernych zmarłych, a trzecią w intencji papieża. Zwyczaj ten nie jest traktowany jako obowiązek. Kościół w tym dniu wspomina zmarłych pokutujących za grzechy w czyśćcu. Chodzi więc o których nie mogą wejść do nieba, gdyż mają pewne długi do spłacenia Bożej sprawiedliwości. Prawdę o istnieniu czyśćca Kościół ogłosił jako dogmat na soborze w Lyonie w 1274 r. i na XXV sesji Soboru Trydenckiego (1545-1563), w osobnym dekrete o czyśćcu. Sobór Trydencki orzekł prawdę, że duszom w czyśćcu możemy pomagać. Cała wspólnota Kościoła przychodzi z pomocą duszom czyśćcowym zanosząc w tym dniu prośby przed tron Boży. Aby przyjąć z pomocą zmarłym pokutującym w czyśćcu, żyjący mogą w tych dniach uzyskać i ofiarować odpusty zupełne. Nabożeństwo do dusz czyśćcowych było i jest bardzo żywe. Świadczą o tym uroczystości urządzone pogrzeby, często zamawiane Msze św. w intencji zmarłych, w Kościele rzymskim powszechne są Msze św. gregoriańskie (30 Mszy św. po kolei przez 30 dni). W Polsce istnieje nawet zgromadzenie Sióstr Wspomożycielek Duszy Czyśćcowych, założone przez błogosławionego o. Honorata Koźmińskiego - kapucyna.



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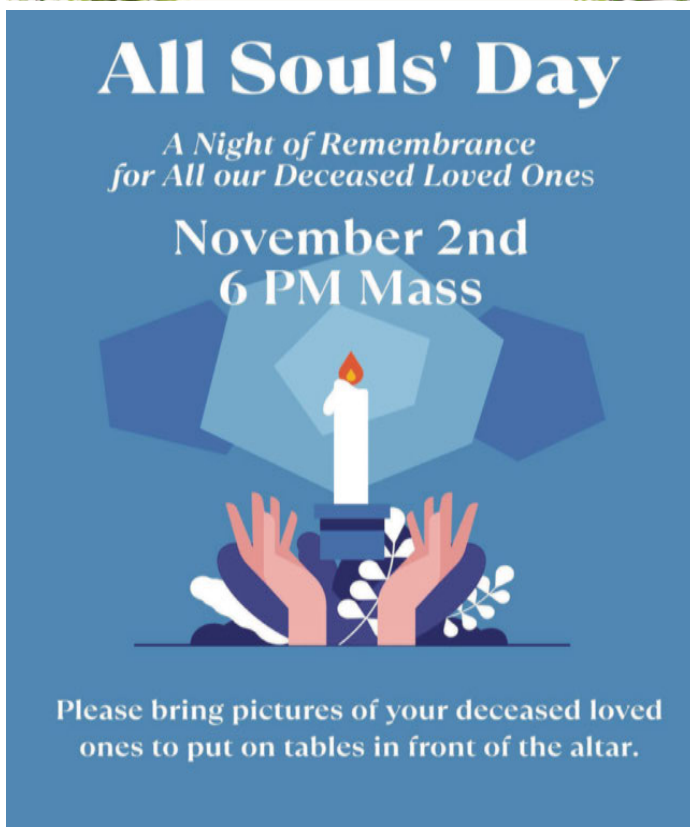
Once again, the Saint Stephen's Men's Club will be selling Christmas Wreaths and assorted evergreen decorations. They will be accepting pre-orders the weekends of October 21st & 22nd and October 28th & 29th, before and after all weekend Masses. Additionally please use the website <https://go.noblevalleywreathsale.com/23st-stephen/Campaign/Details> to access our online-portal for orders until October 31, 2023. In-person orders can be paid by cash or by check made payable to St. Stephen's Men's Club and can be dropped off at the Parish Office. Wreaths will be available for pickup on Saturday, November 25th. Your support of the wreath sale is appreciated. For additional information, contact Jeffery Piantek at [j.piantek@gmail.com](mailto:j.piantek@gmail.com).

## MEN'S CLUB

We will be accepting new members into our Men's Club for the remainder of this year. Registration Forms are available in the church office. Monthly meetings are scheduled for the second Wednesday of the month with a 6:30 pm start time and are primarily held at the church. Dues are \$20 for the year.

Our primary focus remains on fellowship with an emphasis of working with Father Mike to support our parish's needs and mission statement. Some of our recent endeavors have resulted in the following: sponsoring a young adult softball team, hosting a "meet & greet with Santa," providing a Christmas Luncheon for our parish staff, purchasing a "projector words to music set" for our music department, and donating 13 Smart TV's for our RE Program. If you have thoughts about joining our group as we work together for the improvement of our parish, please accept an open invitation to come to any of our upcoming meetings at no cost.

Any questions may be directed to the attention of John Lutz, Men's Club President at (708) 663-3789.



**All Souls' Day**  
*A Night of Remembrance  
for All our Deceased Loved Ones*  
**November 2nd  
6 PM Mass**

Please bring pictures of your deceased loved ones to put on tables in front of the altar.



Today the members of the Ladies Social Club welcomed guest speaker, Maria Niemiec, from the Shawl Ministry. She came to tell us about that group and what they do. It was very interesting and informative. She brought samples of their creative crochet work. Shawls and Chemo caps.

After her presentation, we conducted our regular meeting agenda. At the end of our meeting, we went on to create our October project; Tomato Cage Ghosts. Everyone made adorable ghosts that can be used indoors or outdoors.

Everyone enjoyed this months project very much.



# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of October 29, 2023

### Sunday:

Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/  
1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

### Monday:

Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21/  
Lk 13:10-17

### Tuesday:

Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,6/  
Lk 13:18-21

### Wednesday:

Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/  
1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

### Thursday:

Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/  
Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

### Friday:

Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/  
Lk 14:1-6

### Saturday:

Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a,  
14-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11

### Next Sunday:

Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/  
1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

In our secularized culture, we all struggle with belief in God, at least to some degree. An atheist man named Robert Bridges once wrote to his friend, the Jesuit poet Gerard Manley Hopkins, asking how he could possibly learn to believe in God. Hopkins pithily responded: "Give alms." Would that help someone tempted by atheism today, like you and me?

I think so, and here's why. This week Jesus speaks of love for God and neighbor. These dual commands were nothing new when Jesus used them to sum up the Jewish law. What is new is the way he links them together in mutual dependency. In Jesus, God and man have become one. Human-love and God-love are now inseparably married forever.

The newness of the God-man means that there is now a permanently counter-intuitive way into the knowledge and love of God: love of our neighbor. To experience charity is to know God. That's what Hopkins was getting at for his friend. How we treat our fellow human beings is inseparable from faith in God. Do you want to have a stronger sense of God's loving presence and goodness? Commit to serving someone today and this week. Love him or her. Don't wait for love for God to appear in your heart before loving others. Jesus has united divine and human love. If you want to believe more in God, give alms.

— *Father John Muir*

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023 | 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### **Pastoral Staff**

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

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### **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](http://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](http://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](mailto: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: [cjb.school.org](http://cjb.school.org)

**Jeanne Pagliaro** - Principal

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**Cynthia Devlin** - Enrollment Director

[cdevlin@cjb.school.org](mailto: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 Barbara at ext. 137.

### **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



# THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

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<b>10/29/23 - Sunday</b>	Marriage Blessing - All Masses. Men's Club Wreath Sales - All Masses. Raffle & Pasta Party Ticket Sales - All Masses 9:00am –10:00am Growing with God. 10:00am –11:00am RE Classes 1:30pm –3:00pm Missionaries of Apostolic Grace Bible Gathering
<b>10/30/23 - Monday</b>	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 4:15pm –5:30pm RE Classes. 4:15pm –5:30pm RE Classes-PLC. 6:00pm –7:15pm RE Classes
<b>10/31/23 - Tuesday</b>	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 9:00am –11:00am Bible Mystery Discussion Group. 11:00am –12:00pm Line Dance Instructions
<b>11/01/23 - Wednesday</b>	ALL SAINTS DAY- Holy Day Of Obligation. Masses at 8 AM and 6 PM in English 7:30 PM in Polish. 8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 5:00pm –6:15pm RE Classes
<b>11/02/23 - Thursday</b>	ALL SOULS DAY. Masses at 8 AM and 6 PM in English 7:30 PM in Polish. 8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 9:30am –12:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry. 6:30pm –8:30pm Bible Mystery Discussion Group 6:30pm –10:30pm Polish Dance Group
<b>11/03/23 - Friday</b>	8:30am –9:00am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church) 8:45am –10:00am Scripture Study 3:00pm –6:00pm Community Meal Program - Food Pickup 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM 4:30pm –5:30pm Wedding Rehearsal - Graff/Rehm. 6:00pm First Friday Devotions 6:30pm –8:30pm Bible Mystery Discussion Group 7:00pm English AA. 8:00pm Polish AA
<b>11/04/23 - Saturday</b>	Birthday Blessing - All Masses. Capital Improvement Collection - All Masses Raffle & Pasta Party Ticket Sales - All Masses. 7:00am –9:00pm RE Pasta Party Prep 8:00am –9:00am AA Meeting - Closed. 3:00pm Wedding - Graff/Rehm

## Presider/Homilist/Music Schedule - November 4th & 5th

Time	Presider	Homilist	Music
<b>5:00 PM</b>	Fr. Bob Stuglik	Deacon Bill Schultz	Mark & Dave Gorka
<b>7:30 AM</b>	Fr. Michael Wyrzykowski	Deao Chuck McFarland	[silent Mass]
<b>9:00 AM</b>	Fr. Michael Wyrzykowski	Deacon Chuck McFarland	Beth Morreale, Cantor Aidan Villasenor, Violin Annie Villasenor, Cello
<b>11:00 AM</b>	Fr. Jay Finno	Deacon Bill Schultz	Praise Band
<b>12:30 PM</b>	Fr. Bob Stuglik	Fr. Bob Stuglik	Polish Choir

**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](http://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](http://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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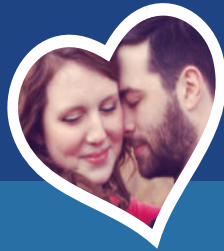
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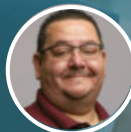
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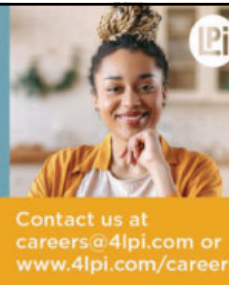


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