# ST. STEPHEN 44 BRITTON STREET WEST SALEM, OHIO 44287

# Patholic Church

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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OFFICE HOURS Monday & Tuesday 8:30am-12:00 noon

Thursday 9:00am-4pm

Please call the parish office to register.

#### **PARISH STAFF**

Father Ed Suszynski, Presbyteral Moderator.......fred@ststephen.ws Deacon Pete Foradori, Parish Life Coordinator .....deaconpete@ststephen.ws Paula Winrod, Parish Secretary....secretary@ststephen.ws Wendy McKee, PSR Coordinator

Patricia Foradori and Laura Fryman, Organists

Ronald Boehm, Maintenance

**PARISH COUNCIL** — Christina King, Danielle Stiegelmeyer,

Robert Williams, Marlene Zeigler, Christy & Jimmy Johnson, Tom Kilner

FINANCE COUNCIL — Sharon Gebura, Jim Linn,

Todd McKee, Joyce Smith, Joe Dempsey

#### SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

Baptism of Children Please contact the parish office before the birth of your first child to prepare for this sacrament.

#### Baptism of Adults (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults or RCIA)

The process for becoming a Roman Catholic for adults and older children who have not been baptized or have been baptized in a different tradition. If you or someone you know is interested in learning about the Catholic Faith, please contact the parish office.

First Communion Celebrated every year after the children have completed sacramental preparation.

Confirmation Celebrated every other year for those in the eighth and ninth grades.

#### SACRAMENTS OF LOVING SERVICE

Marriages Please consult with the Priest or Deacon at least 6 months before the desired date is set.

Holy Orders Contact the parish office for information about the priesthood or the diaconate. We will also provide information about vowed religious life for men & women.

#### SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

Reconciliation Saturday, 3:00-3:45pm

**Anointing of the Sick** As needed, and as requested.

#### Mass Schedule

Weekend Saturday Vigil..... 4:00pm

Sunday.....11:00am

Weekdays Monday, Tuesday — No Mass

Wednesday ...... 4:00pm Thursday, Friday — No Mass

*Holy Days* — Consult bulletin for times

*Eucharistic Adoration* — Every Wednesday from 1:00pm - 8:00pm



#### Parish Mission Statement

Through Him...

We celebrate the sanctity of life.

With Him...

We worship God as we prayerfully tend to the needs of body and spirit.

In Him...

We remain faithfully Catholic as a small rural parish community.

# **Seventh Sunday of Easter** June 1, 2025

### M Word from Deacon Pete,

Hello Everyone,

Here is a little bit of information about Fr. Jim Winings and his responsibilities here at St. Stephen and the other locations in the area.

Firstly, we will now add two morning weekday Masses: Monday and Thursday at 8:00am. I hope that these are well attended. This is a wonderful chance for us all to receive the Body and Blood of Christ which, of course, is a great aid to out sanctification. On Mondays, Fr. Jim will have office hours here at St. Stephen Parish. This doesn't necessarily mean that he will be in the office, but that he will be on the property, if he does not have other responsibilities elsewhere. His day off will be Thursday, so it is very nice of him to celebrate Mass before he leaves the area.

We will be changing the Sunday Mass time to 10:30. This is a small change, but I think that it will be good for the parish. I wanted to go earlier, but that was not possible due to the Mass times at St. Edward and St. Peter. This will take place on June 15<sup>th</sup>, which is also Father's Day and the day of the Brunch. Since I mentioned the Brunch, I should also remind you to purchase raffle tickets for the basket raffle.

Here is another question given to me about our Catholic faith. Why do Catholic's genuflect? Catholics genuflect as a sign of adoration and reverence. This is primarily done as a sign of respect for Jesus Christ's true presence in the Eucharist. We must remember that God actually dwells in our tabernacle. This is a sign of our humility toward our God.

A related question is, why do we kneel? We kneel to express reverence, adoration and humility before God, particularly during the Eucharistic prayer. Kneeling is a sign of submission and respect, acknowledging the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. It also connects with the biblical tradition of kneeling in prayer and worship.

Blessings, Deacon Pete

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 31 4:00pm For the People Sunday, June 1 11:00am Joseph Petric+ 4:00pm Susan O'Hara+ Wed., June 4 Saturday, June 7 4:00pm For the People 11:00am T. Stan Riddle Sunday, June 8

#### Readings for the Week of June 1, 2025

#### **Scripture Readings** For the Week of June 1, 2025

Sunday Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 7:55-60; Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9; Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; Jn 17:20-26

In those places where the observance of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord has been transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter, the Mass and readings of the Ascension are used.

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

Monday Acts 19:1-8; Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Jn 16:29-33

Tuesday Memorial of Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs Act 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11; 20-21; Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday Memorial of Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Jn 17:20-26

**Friday** Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Jn 21:15-19

**Saturday** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5 and 7; Jn 21:20-25

#### Sunday Pentecost Sunday

Vigil Mass: Gen 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5; Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30; Rom 8:22-27; Jn 7:37-39 Mass during the Day: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17; Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

## The Week Ahead

#### Saturday, May 31

3:00pm Reconciliation

4:00pm Mass - Memorial Day Bake Sale

7:00pm AA

Sunday, June 1

**Seventh Sunday of Easter** 

10:15am Rosary 11:00am Mass Offertory Counter Team 2

Monday, June 2

6:30pm Ladies Guild Meeting

Tuesday, June 3 Wednesday, June 4

1:00-8:00pm Adoration 4:00pm Mass

5:30pm Meals & More

Thursday, June 5 Friday, June 6 Saturday, June 7 First Saturday Devotion

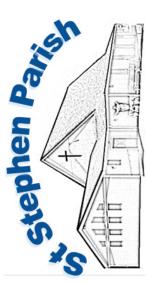
3:00pm Reconciliation 4:00pm Mass 7:00pm AA

> Sunday, June 8 **Pentecost Sunday**

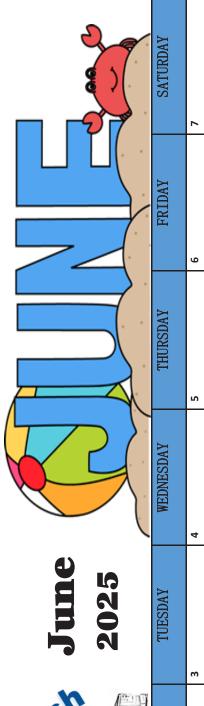
10:15am Rosary

11:00am Mass - First Communion - Gavin Ensign

**Offertory Counter Team 3** 









Please Remember the Sick in Your Prayers: Mighty and Everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly beg the help of Your

mercy, so that, being restored to health, they may render thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Janet Nekl, Jennifer Bishop, June Kost, Luna Riffle, Trudy Schmidt, Reggie Vants, Jaimie Packard, Mike Paulo, Ed Brazis, Heather Smith, Ron Boehm, Terry Ryan, Fred Pachasa, Marlene Sanger, Kelly DuRell, Jerry King, Rea King, Tom King, Betty Ross, Joan Johnson, Randy Kanz, Dianne Pachasa, Sandra Green, Christopher Adamson, Carol Jones, Sandy Gliesner, Kate MacNeil, Tim Hennessey, Eileen Hennessey, Bart Ansbro, Judy Ansbro, John Howard, Pauline Tretok, Kerry Cullin, Barb Helms, Barb Herrick, Margie Keep, Don Kelling, Daniel Theodosion, Joe Marcsik, Rick & Deb Spake, Ray Kusa, Nick Soika, Ken Sage, Bruce Corrigan, Kay Kelling-Owen, Allison Husk, Julianne Gaspar, Gabriela, Julie Long, Bella Mitchell and those on our prayer board.

### **Collection Report**

May 25, 2025 - See next week's bulletin



# Happy Birthday!!! Be sure to wish a "Happy Birthday"

to the following members of our parish!! Ross Cook (May 30), Roy Leighton (May 30), Kaile Kilner (June 1), Ellen Fryman (June 2)

**Men's Prayer Group:** The Men's Prayer Group will now be meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month. The next meeting for the Men's Prayer Group will be Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. They will meet at 6:00pm near the altar in the church.





#### FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH

The Ladies Guild will be hosting the Annual Father's Day Brunch on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> after the 11am Mass. This year's theme is Music Man: Country to

Rock. So, dig out your favorite Western shirt or group/solo t-shirt (old concert shirt if you still have them). Everyone is welcome to celebrate and honor all the fathers in our parish family. Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Room so we can get an approximate count for planning purposes. Please bring a pastry or dessert to share. Items can be dropped off at Hackman Hall prior to Mass.

#### Meals & More Bakers this week:

Wednesday, June 4, 2025:

Terry DeRodes, Georgia Garman, Shannon Gavel, Cecilia Hartman & Monika Paulo



#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Wednesday, 1:00-8:00pm

"The Eucharist is a priceless treasure: by not only celebrating it, but also by praying before it outside of Mass, we are enabled to make contact with the very wellspring of grace."

- Pope John Paul II



First Saturday Devotion: The next First Saturday Devotion will be at 3:00pm on Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is invited to attend. Chrissy King is organizing the endeavor. She has pamphlets available with

more information. She also can be reached at 216-308-1434.

**CHECK 'EM OUT!!** Father's Day Raffle Baskets are on display in the Gathering Room. Tickets are on Sale for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Come take a look at all the wonderful things that





YOU COULD WIN!!

**2025 Fish Fry Results:** The numbers are complete. This year's team earned \$2997.62. A Big Thank You to everyone for sacrificing your time and contributing your talents to make our Fish Fry a success. I hope that you will consider doing it again next year. It takes a team to make it happen! Thank you again.

# Celebrate 50 Years of Marriage!

The Diocese of Cleveland invites all couples married in 1975 to attend the Annual 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist on Sunday, June 29, 2025, at 2:00 PM. Families are welcome. No registration is required. Doors open at 1:30 PM. A photo opportunity with the Bishop will be available after Mass. All are welcome to share this joyful celebration!



#### New to the Parish?

We welcome all newcomers to our parish and encourage everyone to register and get involved. If you need to register or update your information, clip the form below from

the bulletin, complete the information, and drop it in the offertory basket. Someone from the office will reach out to you.

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| Address:                 |               | _ |
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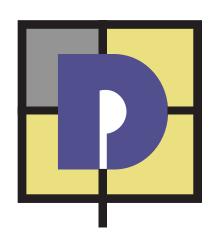


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