

ST. STEPHEN PROTOMARTYR PARISH

Immaculate Heart of Mary + St. John the Baptist + St. Stephen Protomartyr

WEEKLY BULLETIN: APRIL 12, 2026

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Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) 4092 Blow, St. Louis, MO 63116
St. John the Baptist (SJB) 4200 Delor, St. Louis, MO 63116

Masses

Saturdays 4pm @ SSP
Sundays 7am @ SJB • 10am @ IHM • 4:30pm @ SSP
Weekdays 6:30am @ SJB
Monday, Wednesday, Saturday 8am @ IHM
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8am @ SSP

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COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHT

A Meal Among Friends: Our Holy Thursday Potluck

A notable tradition of St. Stephen Protomartyr Parish is the yearly Holy Thursday Potluck. Each Lent during Holy Week, parishioners gather to share a meal in honor of the last supper shared by Jesus and his disciples. Parishioners are then invited to attend Holy Thursday service, which includes the washing of the feet. A special thank you to James Gall for coordinating this event.



PASTOR'S NOTE

I thought you should know...



My small group has been a big blessing to me during Lent; it's been wonderful to get to know them and to learn from what they've experienced living day by day as friends of Jesus. We're offering another round of small groups for the end of spring, and you can sign up today using the forms in the pews. If you'd like to learn more, join us for the our Small Group's Celebration over in the Father Keane center right after the 10am Mass.

Since our Rummage Sale will be taking a pause year in 2026, hoping to come back strong in 2027, I want to express my gratitude to the whole Rummage Sale community. They've given me a great example of how communities grow when they know their values clearly and live them out. They've also helped people come to our churches for the first time, and raised a lot of funds in support of our mission.

I hope you'll join us for fellowship after our 10am Mass next week and a chance to meet some of our parishioners who joined the Church or received sacraments for the first time at Easter.

God bless you!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

At our St. Stephen and Immaculate Heart of Mary campuses, we offer Children's Liturgy of the Word. At the beginning of Mass, children are invited to the front of the Church for a special blessing before following our ministry teachers to a dedicated learning space. For approximately 30 minutes, children will engage with God's Word while parents enjoy a well-deserved moment of quiet reflection in the pews.

Running a few minutes behind? No worries! If you miss the Children's Liturgy group at the start of Mass, you can still drop your kids off to join the fun.

- IHM Campus: Follow the handprint decals to the Rectory Room.
- SSP Campus: Follow the gingerbread men decals to the cafeteria.



THANK YOU DONORS

Thank you to all who contributed to the Archdiocesan Deacon Diaper Drive.

The diapers and wipes were distributed to St. Trinity Food Pantry and St. Francis Community Services both within our parish boundaries.



HAVE A BULLETIN SUBMISSION?

Email bulletin@sspstl.org or call 314-481-1133, x303. Items must be received by Friday at 8am, 8 days before the intended publication date.



Immigrant
& Refugee
Ministry

Join us in prayer

HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

*In solidarity with our
suffering brothers and sisters*

*Sponsored by the IRM Board Members of the seven
sponsoring Parishes in response to the Archbishop
Coakley's request that every parish pray for peace in our
time of conflict.*

St. Stephen Protomartyr Parish

@ Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

Thursday, April 16th 2026 @ 6:00pm

Exercise and Balance Classes

*Our free exercise and balance class
is moving from the IHM campus.
Classes will now be held at St. Lucas,
located at 7100 Morgan Ford Road.
All are welcome to attend Tuesdays
and Fridays from 8:30am - 9:30am.*



ST. PATRICK CASSEROLES @ IHM

Thank you for your continued support to help feed the people at St. Patrick's Center. We were able to deliver 30 casseroles in February!

St. Patrick's casserole kits are available for pickup at IHM Church now through April 14th. Frozen casseroles can be returned to the Father Keaney Center at the following times:

April 15th between 5:30pm - 6:30pm

April 16th between 7:00am - 9:00am

Thank you for your continued support!



**ON BEHALF OF THE FISH FRY COMMITTEE I WANT TO
THANK EVERYONE WHO PULLS TOGETHER TO MAKE THE
SSP FISH FRY A PRIME DESTINATION FOR FISH FRY
SEEKERS ACROSS ST. LOUIS AND WELL BEYOND!
IT IS A JOY TO GATHER WITH YOU EACH FRIDAY
BEGINNING WITH ASH WEDNESDAY, TO PROVIDE GREAT
FOOD IN A FUN ATMOSPHERE. 22 YEARS UNDER OUR
APRON. EACH ONE HAS BEEN A JOY. WHETHER YOU
VOLUNTEER OR SUPPORT SSPFF WITH ATTENDANCE, IT
ALL MATTERS! WE ARE ALL MAKING A DIFFERENCE
FOR THE SCHOOL - FOR THE PARISH. AND WE ARE TRULY
BLESSED. LET'S GO FOR 23!**

**- PEACE TO YOU,
THE FISH FRY COMMITTEE**



INCLUDES:

- 18 Holes + Cart
- Lunch, Dinner & A Good Time
- Contests & Prizes
- Sponsorships Available



**SCHOLARSHIP
GOLF TOURNAMENT
MAY 2ND, 2026**



EAGLE SPONSORS



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!





IS THE SHIRT FOR AN SSP STUDENT? Students are invited to wear shirts in the color assigned to their class as in years past. Indicate your student's grade when ordering. Logo is white on student shirts.

IS THE SHIRT FOR SOMEONE OTHER THAN AN SSP STUDENT? Order the official coral tee, V-neck, or tank top with the colored logo. **EXCEPTIONS:** Picnic shirts for Pre-K are designed and handled separately. Parents will get more information from the Pre-K teachers. 8th graders will wear SSP Alumni t-shirts.

SIZES:

- Official adult tees are \$25 each, V-necks are \$27.50 Tank tops are \$30.00
- Student-color tees are \$15.00 each.

The last day to order is April 19th. Late orders can be accepted, but will not be available for Field Day.

School-family shirts will be sent home through school in May. All other shirts will be available for pickup on the school grounds on Tuesday, June 2nd, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. or Wednesday, June 3, at the Main Booth. After June 4th, shirts will be available for pickup from the parish office during business hours (M-Th, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.).

NO ORDERS WILL BE SHIPPED.

New this year: Students will have the option to wear picnic shirts on Field Day and Picnic Day as a fun way to celebrate.

Your Name _____

Phone _____ Email _____



ADULT TANK AND V-NECK FRONT

**TO ORDER
ONLINE**

www.sspstl.org/picnic-shirts



STUDENT SHIRT (color is determined by grade level)

Student Name	Grade	Shirt Size (circle one)	Quantity	Price	Total
		XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1	x \$15.00 =	\$
		XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1	x \$15.00 =	\$
		XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1	x \$15.00 =	\$
		XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1	x \$15.00 =	\$
		XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1	x \$15.00 =	\$

OFFICIAL ADULT T-SHIRT, V-NECK, OR TANK TOP (coral with small logo on front and large logo on the back)

Shirt Wearer's Name	Shirt Size (circle one)	Quantity	*ADULT SHIRT TYPE	Total
	XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1		\$
	XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1		\$
	XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1		\$
	XS S M L <u>AXS</u> AS AM AL <u>AXL</u> A2XL A3XL	1		\$

GRAND TOTAL \$

*PLEASE SPECIFY T-SHIRT, V-NECK, OR TANK TOP

Return order form by April 19 with cash or check payable to "St. Stephen Protomartyr" to the parish or school office or mail to PICNIC T-SHIRTS, c/o 3949 Wilmington Ave., St. Louis, MO 63116.

Questions? Contact, Coordinator: Jill Summary-618.727.1441 or jillgenovese@yahoo.com

MASS MINISTER SCHEDULE 4/18/26-4/19/26

LECTORS

4/18 4pm SSP

Larry Driscoll & Sandy Gaydos

4/19 7am SJB

Rick Rauscher & Thom Pancella

4/19 10am IHM

Becky Will & Ann Rotermund

4/19 4:30pm SSP

Gina Joly & Martha Navarro

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER

4/18 4pm SSP

Robin Guillot, Mark Loeffler, & Jim O'Connell

4/19 7am SJB

Kathy Anger, Jim Gall, Tim O'Neil, & Chi Light

4/19 10am IHM

Agnes Baca, Rusty Roth, Monica Wamser, Elvin Martinez, Barb Unger, Tony Trull, & Elizabeth Flake

4/19 4:30pm SSP

Sara Dannon, Gayle Chancellor, Jim O'Connell, & Elgin Manalang

SERVERS

4/18 4pm SSP

Blaine Bauer & Bryce McMahon

4/19 7am SJB

John Benz

4/19 10am IHM

Austin Kinealy & Sammy Bernstetter

4/19 4:30pm SSP

Reagan Jolly & Lilly Minor

MASSES, CELEBRANTS & INTENTIONS

SSP = St. Stephen Protomartyr Church

IHM = Immaculate Heart of Mary Church

SJB = St. John the Baptist Church

(+ indicates our deceased)

Monday, April 13

SJB 6:30am Fr. Aaron Nord *In honor of The Precious Blood*

IHM 8:00am Fr. Tim Foley *Bob Foley*

Tuesday, April 14

SJB 6:30am Fr. Aaron Nord *Rev. Msgr James Pieper +*

SSP 8:00am Fr. Tim Foley *John Frein +*

Wednesday, April 15

SJB 6:30am Fr. Aaron Nord *Intentions Of The Holy Father*

IHM 8:00am Fr. Tim Foley *Rose & Herman Lagermann +*

Thursday, April 16

SJB 6:30am Fr. Tim Foley *Intentions Of The Holy Father*

SSP 8:00am Fr. Aaron Nord *Intentions Of The Holy Father*

IHM 6:00pm *Confessions*

Friday, April 17

SJB 6:30am Fr. Aaron Nord *Rev. James Sullivan +*

SSP 8:00am Fr. Tim Foley *Intentions Of The Holy Father*

Saturday, April 18

IHM 8:00am TBA *Daniel T Ainsworth*

SSP 3:00pm *Confessions*

SSP 4:00pm TBA *Fred Garcia +*

Sunday, April 19

SJB 7:00am TBA *Murrall Federal Building Victims*

SJB 7:45am *Confessions*

IHM 9:30am *Confessions*, 9:35am *Rosary*

IHM 10:00am TBA *Intentions of the Holy Father*

SSP 4:30pm TBA *Our Parish Family*

WEEKLY EVENTS CALENDAR

For more information, please refer to or subscribe to our calendar at www.sspstl.org/ssp-calendars or call the parish office at 314-481-1133.

MON. 4/13/26	10am Weekly Bible Study Group #1 @ SJB Conference Room 1pm Plarn Group @ IHM Rectory Basement 7pm Centennial Steering Committee @ SSP Parish Hall
TUES. 4/14/26	9am Helping Hands @ SJB Teacher's Lounge 9am Exercise And Balance Class @ St. Lucas 10am Quilters @ IHM Rectory Meeting Room 1pm Men's Small Group Meeting @ IHM Rectory 6pm Boy Scout Troop 179 Meeting @ IHM Cafeteria 6pm Our Mother Of Perpetual Help Devotions @ IHM Chapel 6:15pm Lectio Divina @ IHM Chapel 7pm Pastoral Council Meeting @ SSP 7pm Parish Missionary Disciples Meeting @ SJB Parish Center 8pm Holy Name Meeting @ SSP
WED. 4/15/26	7pm Monthly Bible Study Group #2 @ SJB West Lot room
THURS. 4/16/26	8am Quilters @ SJB Quilters Room 6pm Eucharistic Adoration @ IHM Church 6pm Weekly Bible Study Group #2 @ SJB 7pm Pastoral Council Night of Discernment @ SSP
FRI. 4/17/26	9am Exercise @ St. Lucas 6pm Benediction and Rosary @ SJB
SAT. 4/18/26	
SUN. 4/19/26	8am Small Group Bible Study @ SJB Cafeteria 10am Children's Liturgy of the Word at Mass @ IHM 11am OCIA Fellowship after Mass @ IHM 11:30am OCIA Class @ IHM Rectory 4:30pm Children's Liturgy of the Word at Mass @ SSP

YOU'RE INVITED!

The St. Stephen Protomartyr community is invited to the diaconate ordination of our resident seminarian, John Paul Angeli. After a year of serving our parish, John Paul is honored to share this milestone with the community that has supported his journey.

Ordination Mass Details

Date: Sat. May 9, 2026

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis (4431 Lindell Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63108)

"It has been a joy to serve at St. Stephen. I am so excited to share this next step with you all!" — John Paul Angeli

CONTRIBUTIONS

Mar. 30 - Apr. 5 2026

General Parish Funds.....\$	17904.11
Archdiocesan Collections.....\$	4864.24
St. Vincent de Paul Society.....\$	2614.00

21% of these funds were donated online

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LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER

... for our sick and recovering and their caregivers — Frank Gion, Buddy Horrell, Kathleen Moody, Deacon Jim Murphy, Garry Winter, Rev Ronald Chochol, Bobby Anderson, Gary Stoff, Grace Forti, Kathy Ruggeri, Mary Bentrup Gherardini, JoAnn Welby, Pat Merz, David Buck, Jamie Bosslet, Dixie Keathly, Barb Skurat, Mary Ann Franklin... and those who are homebound or no longer living in their homes.

OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

... In the charity of your prayers, please remember the families of those who have died recently, especially [Nancy Bitter](#), [Florence McEntee](#), [Mary Louise Renner](#), [Charles Paul Puricelli Sr.](#), [Glenn LaChance](#), and Don McDonnell... May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

NEED EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE?

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is here to help. Call 314-289-6101, x1181, if you or someone you know needs emergency assistance with utilities or food. A Vincentian will return your call within one to two days. All calls are confidential.