



St. Stephen's Parish

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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The readings this weekend invite us take responsibility for our neighbor. In the first reading, Ezekiel tells us that the Lord holds him personally responsible for turning others away from evil. St. Paul instructs the Romans when we love our neighbor, we fulfill God's law. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches his disciples that they must reach out to sinners and seek their repentance.

Aware that God is with us may His Word strengthen us to reach out to our neighbor as we lift our hearts in prayer and praise to the Lord.



Saturday, September 9 (5:00 pm)

Helen & Donald Glenn by Their Children

Sunday, September 10 (8:30 am)

Living & Deceased Members of the Ruth & David
Tabolt Family by The Family

Monday, September 11 (8:15 am)

Scripture/Communion Service

Tuesday, September 12 (8:15 am)

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Wednesday, September 13 (8:15 am)

Joyce Halladay by Family

Thursday, September 14 (8:15 am)

Gary Buckingham by Genevieve Seelman and
Families

Friday, September 15 (8:15 am)

Pat Golden by Marie Campeau

Saturday, September 16 (5:00 pm)

Ronald Bush (Birthday) by Bev Bush

Sunday, September 17 (8:30 am)

People of the Parish

Your Support for The Parish

Adult Envelopes:	\$ 4,192.54
Plate:	\$ 626.00
Fuel:	\$1,781.00

Pray for the Sick

James Hall, Cindy Bush, Joe Strife, Shayleigh Proulx, Bill Meyer, Stephen Brownell, Linda Bush, John Lashbrooks, and all ill at home, in the hospital, or nursing homes.

Religious Education

On Sunday, September 17th our religious education year will kick off. We will begin with a blessing of our catechists at the 8:30 am Mass. Please prayer for our catechists and students for a wonderful year full of learning and drawing closer to Jesus!

FOR WHERE
two or three
GATHER
IN MY NAME
I am with them
MATTHEW 18:20

Genesis to Jesus Bible Study

Nothing to do Wednesday evenings? Join us for Bible study and fellowship. Our first session will be September 13th beginning at 6:30 pm. **Genesis to Jesus:** What is the Bible, where does it come from, and what is its purpose? How are Catholics supposed to read the Bible and what story does it tell? Join us as we spend fellowship time together digging into Sacred Scripture and getting better to know Jesus Christ!

Bishop's Fund Appeal

In the coming week, you will receive a letter and brochure from Bishop LaValley asking you to join him in supporting the 2023 Bishop's Fund Appeal. Next weekend, we will have "Commitment Weekend" for the Appeal in our parishes. Please remember-every gift makes a difference-every gift counts. Any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will further supplement the Bishop's Good Samaritan Fund which assists families in need in our community and throughout the Diocese. You are invited to bring your gift next weekend for Commitment Weekend and place it in the collection basket or return to Bishop LaValley in the envelope provided. Online giving is available at: www.redony.org/giving/donate-now-bishop-s-fund. Thank you once again for generosity and support.

News About Stained Glass Window From St. Vincent De Paul Church!

Many years ago, when St. Vincent de Paul Church became an "oratory" and no longer a "parish", the stained-glass window of Noah's Ark which was over the main door of the church, was sold to a collector in the area. Long story short: recently the window became the property of Julie (Lyndaker) Robison. Julie set up a museum of artifacts from the area around Croghan and displayed them in her real estate office in her home.

Recently, Julie "gifted" the window to St. Stephen's parish. A committee of parishioners will be formed to make suggestions as to what the parish will do with the window to ensure it remains with the parish in the future.

The window is currently on display in the back of the church.

Knights of Columbus

The next meeting will be Monday, September 11, 2023, at 7 pm.

CHRIST IS HERE: COME ENCOUNTER HIM:

A workshop on how to see Christ in the world

All are welcome to attend this workshop here at St. Stephen's on Saturday, September 16 from 9-3. Join us as we view short video talks based on the book, *Mysterion*, by Father Harrison Ayre. He will unveil how to see Christ in the world and be Christ to the world through the Sacramental Worldview. **Lunch will be provided.** The cost to attend is \$20. Please register with the church office or at www.rcdony.org/christ.

Rosary Society

Rosary Society will be meeting on the 2nd Monday of the month. If interested in joining the group, please feel free to attend. Our next meeting is September 11th at 6:30 pm.

Our Lady of the Rosary Healing Retreat

The Saint Andre Bessette Women's Group of Malone is sponsoring Our Lady of the Rosary Healing Retreat October 5th-8th at Wadham's Hall in Ogdensburg. Sister Kelly Francis and Sister Grace Marie Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth will be the animators. Father Joseph Giroux and Father Albert Hauser will be the presiding priests. If you would like to defray costs of the retreat for the participants, any donation would be greatly appreciated. Please send donations to Wadham's Hall/Women's Retreat, c/o Mr. William Seymour, 6866 State Highway 37, Ogdensburg, NY 133669

Eucharistic Congress

Excitement has been building for the NYS Eucharistic Congress taking place over 40 hours on October 20-22nd at the Shrine of the Martyrs in Auriesville, NY. Bishop LaValley will be the celebrant at the opening Mass on Saturday at 11 am. Join the over 5,000 currently registered participants. Come for the entire 40 hours or just part of it! **Registration is required and is free!** Information about the schedule, the speakers, and to register either as individuals or a group, please go to <https://nyseucharisticcongress.org/>. Questions may also be sent to: Asoltero@rcdony.org.

Living Stones: Faith in Motion

Join us Thursday, September 21st for Mass at 5:30 at St. Anthony's Church in Watertown followed by dinner and concluding with a presentation. The presentation will feature Lori Hanno, Kathy Allen, and Christopher Lapointe, who will discuss how their parishes make people feel welcome and open to our call to become more involved. If attending the dinner, the cost is \$20 per person. Please register at www.rcdony.org/clm-event.