



# St. Stephen's Parish

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## November 2, 2025 All Soul's Day

On this day, we pray for those who have died but have not yet fully entered the heavenly kingdom. Although assured of their salvation, they must first pass through a stage of purification - one that is beyond the realm of temporal time - aided by our prayers. Our love for family, friends and one another continues beyond death, and we, through the communion of saints, are united with all the faithful in the hope of eternal life with Christ.



### Saturday, November 1

**Solemnity of All Saints**

**8:30 am:** Special Intentions

**5:00 pm:** Gabrielle Thomas by Gilbert Monnat

### Sunday, November 2 (8:30 am)

**Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**  
Special Intentions

### Monday, November 3 (No Mass)

### Tuesday, November 4 (8:15 am)

Scripture/Communion Service

### Wednesday, November 5 (No Mass)

### Thursday, November 6 (8:15 am)

Scripture/Communion Service

### Friday, November 7 (8:15 am)

Dean Thomas Kloster by Gabriel Project Angels

### Saturday, November 8 (5:00 pm)

Clinton Kloster by The Family

### Sunday, November 9 (8:30 am)

Harold Boliver by His Children

### Pray for the Sick

Mary Knight, Bruce Tabolt, Bruce Chapman, Peter VerSchneider, Carolyn Schwendy, Bill Gracey, Caitlin Taylor, Corbin Pominville, Susan Schwendy, Priscilla Boliver, Kristi Lehman Marques, Deb Hartshorn, Alice Moore, Julie Fuller, Venetha Houppert, Tom Pate, Duane Schwendy, Casey Kloster, John Lashbrooks, and all ill at home, in the hospital, or nursing homes.

### Your Support for The Parish

Envelopes: \$2,560.00  
Plate: \$ 667.00

### Sanctuary Candle



*The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of  
Tom Louis  
By St. Stephen's Music Ministry*

### COFFEE HOUR

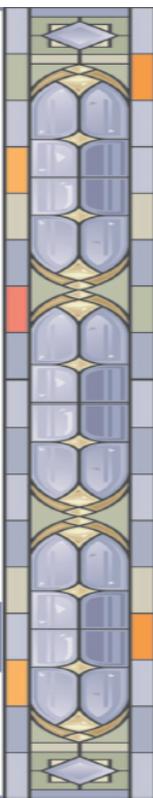
There is a coffee hour this Sunday, November 2nd after the 8:30 am Mass. Our Greeters will be hosting. Please join us!

**NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>**  
**FEAST OF ALL SAINTS**

This feast honors the saints, those men and women who have gone before us in faith and whom we believe are eternally in the company of the Lord. In the Gospel, we will hear St. Matthew's account of the Beatitudes. Those who are poor in spirit, those who mourn, etc. are called by Jesus, and are blessed as he promises in the Kingdom of God.

**COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

Perhaps you have lost a close family member or friend in the last year. Perhaps you are remembering a number of loved ones who have passed away. Gathered together on this occasion, we grieve. We weep. We mourn. But we have a singular consolation as Christians: we believe that those we have lost to death, God has found and welcomed to life eternal. We hope and pray that all our loved one and all the loved ones of our sisters and brothers will be welcomed into the holy kingdom, where they will live in the everlasting peace and joy of God's presence.



God has done  
great things  
for us!

*As recipients of God's bountiful  
gifts, we are called to:*

*Receive  
those gifts gratefully,  
Cultivate  
those gifts responsibly,  
Share  
those gifts in justice and love,*

*And return them with increase  
to the Lord*

*Stewardship Weekend  
November 8 & 9*

**Please contact your local parish  
to learn how you can share your  
gifts of Time, Talent & Treasure.**

**MEETINGS**

**Rosary Society:** November 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

**Secular Franciscans:** November 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am

**ELECTION DAY**

Election Day is Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Please remember the call to faithful citizenship-the exercise of our right and responsibility to vote in a way that accords with the divine law of God. Please pray that elected officials will protect the rights of the unborn from birth to natural death.

**ST. STEPHEN'S PHOTO BOOKS**

Photo books are still available for purchase at the rectory office during office hours. Photo books are also available at Nancy's Unisex and by calling Vicki Meyer (315-346-6833) if other arrangements are needed. This book would make a great holiday gift. The cost of the book is \$20. All remaining book sales will be 100% profit for the church.

**WINTER COAT & BLANKET DRIVE AT ST. STEPHEN'S**

In conjunction with this year's Maple & Mistletoe celebration, St. Stephen's will be hosting a winter coat and blanket drive to keep our Lewis County neighbors warm this winter.

Please consider donating clean, gently used coats and blankets. Items can be dropped off at the Parish Office during office hours or after Mass.

If you know someone in need of warm winter items, please contact Father Don or a member of the parish staff and arrangements will be made to provide those in need with a coat and blanket.

Donations will be collected now through the weekend of November 29-30. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

**ALPHA YOUTH DAY**

Our Confirmation Candidates will be spending the day together this Sunday as they continue their preparation for the Sacrament this spring. They will be enjoying time together eating, having fun and exploring the questions of "Who is the Holy Spirit?" and "How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit?" Please pray for them and all who work with them that God will reveal the answers to these important questions. Our Candidates are Andrew Boliver, Kara Boliver, Nixon Eaton, Lucas Edick, Emma Nortz and Bella Rizza.