

APRIL 16, 2023 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the
Heart of Jesus as a Fountain of Mercy for us,**

I Trust In You!



**DIVINE
MERCY**

© Diocesan

Parish Goal:

***To Establish An Assembly Of
Believers Who Remain In The Word.***

Mission Statement:

***To Live And Proclaim The Good News Of Jesus
Every Day.***

Church Office: 423-892-1261

Church Fax: 423-892-3242

Church Email: Info.ststephenchatt.org

Church Website: www.ststephenchatt.org

Church Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs., 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Address:

7111 Lee Hwy., Chattanooga, TN 37421

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What's Happening This Week

Saturday, April 15

***ST. STEPHEN ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT: 7:30 A.M.**

***CONFIRMATION RETREAT: 1 - 6 P.M.**

***MASS 5:00 P.M.**

Sunday, April 16

***DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

***MASSES 8:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. &**

ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

***ADULT BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 A.M.**

***RCIA: 9:40 A.M.**

***ADULT ED : 2:00 P.M.**

***DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: 3 - 4 P.M.**

Monday, April 17

***DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.**

***GAME DAY: 1 P.M.**

***DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: 3:00 P.M.**

Tuesday, April 18

***DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.**

***ADULT ED: 9:30 A.M. & 1 P.M.**

***CHOIR PRACTICE: 7:00 P.M.**

***WELCOME MEN'S GROUP: 6:30 P.M.**

Wednesday, April 19

***HEALING HEARTS: 10:00 A.M.**

***WEDNESDAY MORNING WITH MOMS: 9:30 A.M.**

***PRAYERFUL PUPPETING: 3:15 P.M.**

***DAILY MASS: 6 P.M.**

***CF & YM: 6:30 P.M.**

Thursday, April 20

***SEWING: 9:30 A.M.**

***ADORATION: 6 - 7 P.M.**

Friday, April 21

***COMMUNION SERVICE: 8:30 A.M.**

Saturday, April 22

***CONFIRMATION & RECEPTION FOLLOWING: 11:00 A.M.**

***CONFESSIONS: 4:00 - 4:50 P.M.**

***MASS 5:00 P.M.**

Sunday, April 23

***MASSES 8:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. &**

ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

***ADULT BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 A.M.**

***RCIA: 9:40 A.M.**

Mass Intentions this week

Saturday, April 15 - 5:00 P.M.

+Dr. Daniel Labrador, Jr. By The Labrador Family

+Frank Overmeer By Laura Overmeer

+Gladys Grayson By Ellen Lennon

+George Nix By Irmgard Nix

Sunday, April 16 8:30 A.M.

+Tim Bolgeo By John & Sharon Vannucci

+Gladys Grayson By Ann Quigley

+Hubert Goins By Jim & Ann Simms

Sunday, April 16 - 11:00 A.M.

+Dr. Daniel Labrador, Jr. By The Dr. Irene Labrador

+Nicole Berros By Mom & Dad

+Roland Lee By The Lee Family

Sunday, April 16 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

Monday, April 17 - 8:30 A.M.

+James & +Corinne Swanson By The Von Peters Family

Tuesday, April 18 - 8:30 A.M.

+Kemmer Anderson By Joe & Kathy Burriesci

Wednesday, April 19 - 6:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Christian Formation Program

Thursday, April 20 - 8:30 A.M.

Robinetta Brown By Vincinetta Brown

Dennis Raymond By the Shirley Family

Friday, April 21- 8:30 A.M.

Communion Service

Saturday, April 22 - 5:00 P.M.

The Protection & Preservation of All Life

By St. Stephen Respect Life

Sunday, April 23 - 8:30 A.M.

+Beverly Hunter By Mike Hunter & Family

+Rusty Phillips By The Phillips Family

+William & +Virginia Quigley By Ann Quigley

Sunday, April 23 - 11:00 A.M.

+Bill Reynolds By Tom & Faye Robinson

+Jack Carney By Dale Carney

+Hubert Alan Goins By Michael & Phyllis Horten

Sunday, April 23 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

7/1/2022-6/30/2023

4/2/2023

	WEEKLY	YTD	BUDGET
Envelope:	\$ 6,640.50	\$ 311,667.22	\$695,000.00
Faith Direct	\$	\$246,034.39	Included above
Loose:	\$ 2,140.10	\$ 83,843.11	\$ 70,000.00
Renov./Repair:	\$ 1,432.50	\$11,754.35	\$150,000.00
Registered Families:	950	Mass Attendance:	1253

THANK YOU!

This bulletin is furnished to the Parish without charges. The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing costs with which the church would otherwise be responsible for. Please patronize these sponsors as a thank you for their kind generosity.

Advertiser of the Week:
Joseph Payne, D.D.S.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

If you would like your Anniversary mentioned in the Bulletin, please contact the Church Office three (3) weeks before.

423-892-1261 X4



Congratulations to the following on their Wedding Anniversary:

Peter & Jennifer Thomas - 22nd
Zacharias & Mariamma Ignatius - 32nd

Praying for the Sick List

If you would like St. Stephen Catholic Church to pray for you or your family member, please call the office at 423-892-1261 X4 & we will gladly put them on our prayer list. If you see someone on the list that needs to come off the prayer list, please call the office and let us know. Prayers are a powerful thing. They really work and we as Catholics believe in "The Power of Prayer."

Please pray for our sick parishioners, relatives and friends:

Ronnie Barnes, James Bevil, Frank Bradley, Debbie Brown, John Joseph Bruno, Eileen Calise, Dale Carney, Ryan Clark, Peggy Conway, Rita Dalton, Whitten & Brenda Davis, Ken Decker, Nancy Diwan, Clare Donahue, MacKenna Duke, Wynn Eady, Colleen Economos, Douglas Fontenot, Darlene Goins, Pat Halenar, Rick Hirko, Nancy Humberger, Peggy Humphreys, Jeff Ingles, Herb Katzman, Don Krupp, Elizabeth Levine, Carmen Lopez, Emily Powell, Carmelita Ordonez, Hien Pham, Sr. Mary Raphael, Reed Rawlings, Mary Lou Riddle, Alan Robinson, Jan Rodriguez, Sylvia Scaruffi, Ron Schleifer, Sandy Schnur, Peggy Ann Sorrells, Pat Strebeck, Sarah Lyons Sturm, Ryan Sawyers, Brian & Jim Simms, Bob & Pat Smelas, Katie Smith, Mary Stroop, Jeff Terrell, Michael Thompson, Roger Trudell, Warren White, Jerry Williams, Doreen Wirchansky, Brad & Patricia Wood, and M. Isabel Zaragoza-Bermúdez.

Reminder:

Due to the Privacy (HIPAA) Laws hospitals will not notify us if you or your loved one is admitted. A family member must notify us if you wish for one of the Priests to visit the hospital.

INTERESTED IN ATTENDING A WOMEN'S OR MEN'S RETREAT?

Contact Kathy Hotton—for The Women's at 224-361-9644

Contact Matt Lubaway—for The Men's at 423-826-9755

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Sharon Vannucci, Chair Person.....296-0537
Priscilla McLean, Secretary.....503-3665
John Vannucci, Parish Life.....296-0537
Nancy Powell, Communication.....770-363-6952
Myrtle Englert, Family Life.....812-449-6104
Karen Underwood, Education.....400-4075
, Adult Education.....

PARISH FINANCE BOARD

Trina Hicks, Chair.....899-3755
John DiPrima.....344-8211
Lorrie Levitt-Haufe.....815-409-0717
Ron Schleifer.....499-0249
Robert Sullivan.....718-8308

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Sharon Vannucci.....296-0537

LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & ALTAR SERVERS

Deacon Gary Brinkworth.....EMHC
Deacon Dave Waguespack.....Lectors...Altar Servers



All Ladies of St. Stephen Parish

SAVE THE DATE

For our 2023 Ladies Appreciation Tea to be held on
Tuesday, June 13, 2023

So put on your party outfit and join other female parishioners for a relaxed, fun afternoon. At the Tea, one female parishioner 45 years of age or older, who has been nominated by a fellow parishioner(s), will be honored for her volunteerism.

There is no charge for this event and you do not need to be a volunteer, but you must be a parishioner.

Hats and gloves to complement your outfit are recommended but are not required.

Please continue to check the bulletin for more information on the nomination process and reservations.

Hope to see you there!

Ministers List for Next Week

Saturday, April 22 at 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Karen Steely

EMHC: Cathy Quick, William Walsh

Altar Servers:

Sunday, April 23 at 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Kelly Land

EMHC: Stephen Horten/ Matthew Lubaway

Altar Servers: Viet Tran, John Vannucci

Sunday, April 23 at 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Katie Clark

EMHC: Pat Bodnar, Augustino Gore

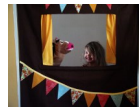
Altar Servers: Kathy Hotton Victor Williams

Sunday, April 23 at 1:00 p.m.

Lector: Elizabeth Colmenares

EMHC: Manuel Colmenares/Cindy Chestaro

Altar Servers: Ashley, Andrea, Isidro, Samara



PRAYERFUL PUPPETTING

WHEN: WEDNESDAY'S

TIME: 3:15 P.M.

WHERE: LARGE HALL @

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT EMILY HARDY AT

emily407@me.com



Wednesday Morning Coffee with Moms!

Calling all Moms!

Come start your week right! Have some Joe and fill your cup with Fellowship!

Wednesdays – 9:30 a.m. Small Hall

(Park in lower lot by halls. Toddlers welcome. We'll have a movie for entertainment. Feel free to bring toys)

FORMED.ORG

FORMED provides amazing content 24/7 for you to grow in your faith. Our parish has invested in FORMED, so each of us might grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ and in our desire to share our Faith with others, especially those closest to us. It's FREE and EASY to Register! Go online to formed.org Look for St. Stephen Catholic Church 7111 Lee Hwy. Chattanooga, TN Next—Put their name and email address in, then search for what they want to watch.

MINISTRY LIST

ADORATION - First Friday of the month at 9 - 10 a.m., 2nd Thursday at 9 - 10 a.m., 3rd Thursday of the month at 6 - 7 p.m., 4th & if there is a 5th Thursday 9 - 10 a.m.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Call Joan Roueché at 423-635-0857.

ADULT EDUCATION - For more information contact the office.

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK - Please call Fr. Manuel Pérez at 423-892-1261 x2 or Fr. Christopher Manning at 892-1261 x9. Please have a family member call the office and request a visit from one of the Priests.

BAPTISM - Parents & Godparents who wish to have their child baptized are asked to register for the class by contacting the parish office at 423-892-1261 x4. Class is held on a Saturday from 2 - 4:30 p.m. and then Mass. Our Next schedules one is on **May 13th**.

BOOK CLUB - Last Monday of the month 6:30 p.m. in the Primetimer's Room. Contact Laurene Hirko at 508-446-4529. **Primetimer's Event**

BUNCO - 1st Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the small hall. Contact Dot Durr at 315-657-7484. **Primetimer's Event**

CASUAL COCKTAILS - Contact Daniel & Jeannie Hixon at 423-280-9516 or Art & Dena Vonwerssowetz at 423-667-5550. **Primetimer's Event**

CHOIR PRACTICE - Every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION - For K through 12th grade. Classes meet during the school year. Families must be registered parishioners of St. Stephen Catholic Church. Contact Karen Underwood at 423-892-2957.

CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY - Contact Sue Buske 423-593-4356

COMMUNITY KITCHEN BREAD - The 2nd Sunday of each month St. Stephen's helps the Community Kitchen serve lunch to their guests. We arrive at 10 a.m. & slice & butter the homemade bread baked by parishioners for this occasion. We also assist in other duties and serve lunch at 10:45 a.m. until 12 p.m. Call Lori Fox at 314-2887

DINING OUT EXPERIENCE- Contact Cliff & Patti Crownover at 423-344-3575. **Primetimer's Event**

GAME DAY - Contact Mary Hess at 423-255-4995. Meets Mondays at 1 - 3 p.m. in the Small Hall. **Primetimer's Event**

HEALING HEARTS - Meets on the 3rd Wednesdays at 10 a.m. in the Primetimer's Room. Please call Priscilla McLean at 423-503-3665 or Liz Huntenburg 954-464-7372. **Primetimer's Event**

HEALTH MINISTRY - We will be taking Monthly Blood Pressure Checks the last weekend of the month after all masses. For more information contact Allison Runyon at 678-371-0677.

HELPING HANDS - "To comfort families of our parish in their time of need by providing a luncheon for their guests after a funeral or memorial Mass". Contact Elaine Williams at 899-3811

LUNCH BUNCH - Meets at 11 a.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at a different restaurant. Contact Priscilla McLean at 423-503-3665. RSVP **Primetimer's Event**

MATRIMONY - Four months notice required. You must be registered parishioners. Contact the Church Office.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Explore for yourself what Catholicism is about! R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Join us in between the two Sunday Masses starting around 9:40 A.M. in the Meeting Room/Main Floor Administrative Building. For more information contact Tom Cain 423-751-6828 or Deacon Dave Waguespack.

RECONCILIATION - Saturday at 4:00 - 4:50 p.m. & by appointment

RESPECT LIFE - For more information contact Theresa Cole 423-432-7007 or Pat Bodnar 423-855-4717.

ROSARY - Prayed daily after 8:30 a.m. Mass by The Rosary Group following Mass in the Chapel.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS PRAYER GROUP - Meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesday from 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. Call Jill Walsh at 423-899-6148.

SEWING GROUP - The Sewing Group meets on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. to make items needed by Ladies of Charity, Hospice, and the homeless. Call Mary Hess at 423-255-4995. **Primetimer's Event**

SPANISH WEDDING & BAPTISM PREPARATION - Meets on Sunday's in the Primetimer's Room when needed. Call Manuel & Elizabeth Colmenares at 305-342-4741 for more information.

SPORTING EVENTS - Contact Mike Williams at 404-909-6151. **Next Outing Chattanooga Lookouts May 7, 2023. Primetimer's Event**

SUNSHINE BASKET MINISTRY - Contact Myrtle Englert at 812-449-6104.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Sun., April 16 - Knights Choir @ St. Stephen 8:30 a.m., Practice 8 a.m.

Thurs., April 20 - Knights Adoration @ St. Stephen 6 - 7 p.m., Parish invited.

Wed., April 26 - Directors & Officers meeting @ Hall, 6 p.m.

Members of the Knights of Columbus have the opportunity to meet with a trusted insurance agent of the K of C to discuss their financial future. To join call 423-899-9989, enter

kofc.org/join us, or scan this code:



Members of 6099 can request an application for a \$5000.00 scholarship for an incoming 9th grader to Notre Dame High School from Ray Fox 423-314-5228 or rfox1201@gmail.com.



Ladies Auxiliary

Our next Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be on May 11th at 5:30 p.m.

DIOCESAN YOUTH HOLY HOUR

Friday, April 28
6:30-8:30pm

Adoration * Confession * Preaching
Music * Fellowship * Fun

High School and
Middle School

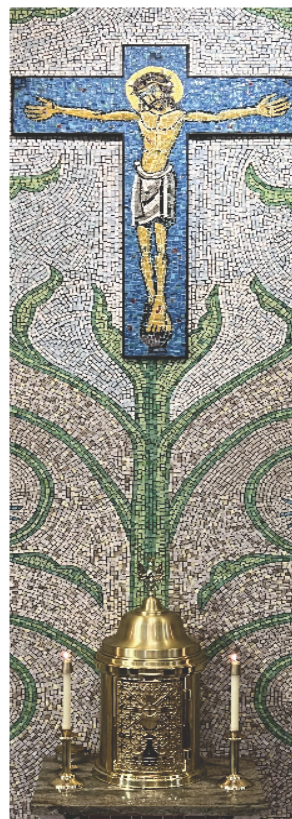
Knoxville Catholic High School

Register Here



SMLC OFFERING DRIVERS CDL LICENSE TRAINING

St. Mary's Legacy Clinic is partnering with the Tennessee College of Applied Technology to offer potential drivers the chance to get their CDL Class A license. SMLC will have four spots available for the three-week training starting in June. The training will be both in class and out of class on the TCAT site in Knoxville. Potential drivers will also have to attain their permit beforehand. If you are interested in learning more, please reach out to Bri Vinyard at bvinyard@smlcares.com or 865-212-5570. Now is your chance to drive the mobile clinic for SMLC!



THANK YOU

for your commitment to the
Bishop's Appeal for Ministries!

Together with your brothers and sisters in Christ, you're bringing the light of Jesus to others by providing essential ministries, programs, and services throughout East Tennessee.

You're also advancing the Kingdom of God through your love and support, strengthening the ministries and work of His church, and continuing the good work that He began in each of us. **THANK YOU!**

From Chattanooga to Erwin, from Fairfield Glade to Johnson City, and Rutledge to South Pittsburg, we are able to reach every corner of East Tennessee and meet the needs of local families and individuals.

Last year alone, more than 7,000 households came together with a gift to the Bishop's Appeal for Ministries and helped to expand our outreach efforts through Christian formation and religious education, the St. Mary's Mobile Medical Clinic, semination education, youth and young adult ministry, Catholic Charities and more.

**Thank you for living out the life
of a Christian disciple and serving
each other as one Church!**



Scan here to learn
more about the
Bishop's Appeal
for Ministries



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BISHOP STIKA AND THE OFFICE OF MARRIAGE
PREPARATION & ENRICHMENT INVITES YOU

To Celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony

MARRIED COUPLES WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RENEW
WEDDING VOWS DURING MASS AND CONTINUE TO CELEBRATE
WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY AT A RECEPTION FOLLOWING MASS.



Sunday, April 30, 2023

4:00 p.m. EST.

Cathedral of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
711 S. Northshore Drive, Knoxville TN 37919

A commemorative certificate & photo booth
opportunity with Bishop Stika will be available.

[Register Here](#) online by April 20
or by using the camera on a
cell phone with QR code.



The Diocese of Knoxville
Office of Marriage Preparation & Enrichment

For questions contact
ckrings@dioknox.org or
phone: 865-584-3307 Ext. 5739



Diocese of
KNOXVILLE

**Join Bishop Stika & Father Stephen Dominic
Hayes, OP, a Eucharistic preacher of the
National Eucharistic Revival, for a Morning
of Eucharistic Recollection at Sacred Heart
Cathedral in Knoxville on Saturday, April
29th beginning with Holy Mass at 8:00 a.m.
followed by Eucharistic adoration,
reflection, fellowship, and snacks. All are
welcome to this Eucharistic Revival Event of
the Diocese of Knoxville. Email questions
to Ckite@dioknox.org or call Chris Kite at
(865) 862-5741.**