

**AUGUST 20, 2023 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## **ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH**



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### **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 Website: [www.ststephenchatt.org](http://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, August 19

\*ST. JOHN EUDES

\*EMHC TRAINING: 9 A.M.

\*CONFESSION: 4 - 4:50 P.M.

\*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, August 20

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

ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

\*CHRISTIAN FORMATION REGISTRATION: 12-3 P.M. IN THE  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

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

\*RCIA: 9:40 A.M.

\*ADULT ED: 2 P.M.

Monday, August 21

\*ST. PIUS X

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

\*GAME DAY: 1 P.M.

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

Tuesday, Aug. 22

\*THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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

\*ADULT ED: 1 P.M.

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

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

Wednesday, Aug. 23

\*ST. ROSE OF LIMA

\*MOM'S COFFEE: 9:45 A.M.

\*CHRISTIAN FORMATION REGISTRATION: 4 - 7 P.M. IN THE  
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

\*DAILY MASS: 6 P.M.

\*SACRED HEART: 6:30 P.M.

Thursday, Aug. 24

\*ST. BARTHOLOMEW

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

\*ADORATION: 9 - 10 A.M.

\*SEWING: 9:30 A.M.

\*KNIGHT'S FOOD & BLOOD DRIVE: 1- 5 P.M.

\*EMHC TRAINING: 6 - 7:30 P.M.

Friday, Aug. 25

\*STS. LOUIS & JOSEPH CALASANZ

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

Saturday, Aug. 26

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

\*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

\*MINISTRY FAIR: AFTER MASS

\*BLOOD PRESSURE: AFTER MASS

Sunday, Aug. 27

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

ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

\*MINISTRY FAIR: AFTER ALL MASSES

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

\*BLOOD PRESSURE: AFTER ALL MASSES

\*RCIA: 9:40 A.M.

\*ADULT ED: 2 P.M.

Mass Intentions this week

Saturday, August 19 - 5:00 P.M.

+John Gallo By Marianne Schultz

Special Intentions By Rich & Karen Ryland

+Ed Buice By Rich & Karen Ryland

Sunday, August 20 - 8:30 A.M.

+Jacob & +Theresa Kuruvilla By Joe & Susie Alexander

+Jim Scally By Jim & Sue Berros

+Norma McCollum By Betty Anne Neal

Sunday, August 20 - 11:00 A.M.

+Beverly Hunter By Mike Hunter & Family

+Lawrence Reker By Ellen Lennon

Sunday, August 20 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

Monday, August 21 - 8:30 A.M.

+Donna Kelly By Joe & Cathy Burriesci

Tuesday, Aug. 22 - 8:30 A.M.

+Donna Kelly By Joe & Cathy Burriesci

Wednesday, Aug. 23 - 6:00 P.M.

+Charles & +Betty Hotton Wedding Anniversary By Michael &  
Phyllis Horten

Thursday, Aug. 24 - 8:30 A.M.

+Donna Kelly By Joe & Cathy Burriesci

Friday, Aug. 25 - 8:30 A.M.

Communion Service

Saturday, Aug. 26 - 5:00 P.M.

Special Intentions By Rich & Karen Ryland

+Ed Buice By Rich & Karen Ryland

+Ross Roy By Cliff & Patti Crownover

Sunday, Aug. 27 - 8:30 A.M.

+Beverly Hunter By Mike Hunter & Family

+Rusty Phillips By The Phillips Family

+John Vannucci, Sr. By John & Sharon Vannucci

Sunday, Aug. 27 - 11:00 A.M.

The Protection & Preservation Of All Life

Sunday, Aug. 27 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members



Altar Flower By

Hermie Ashcraft

In Thanksgiving for the Many Blessing  
for the Family



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### 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."

*Advertiser of the Week:*

*First Title Insurance*

### THANK YOU!

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**Welcome.** CRHP 2.0  
There is **More** to Life

## Ever feel like something is missing?

Join your fellow parishioners for the next Women's Welcome Weekend, an incredible experience that will help you discover what's missing in your life and what to do about it.

### Women's Weekend

**When:** October 28-29, 2023

**Where:** St. Stephen Catholic Church  
7111 Lee Hwy,  
Chattanooga, TN

**Contact:** [Arlene Christison](#)  
Email:  
[arlenechristison@yahoo.com](mailto:arlenechristison@yahoo.com)

SCAN ME



### *Please pray for our sick parishioners, relatives and friends:*

*Asher Baker, Ronnie Barnes, James Bevil, Frank Bradley, Debbie Brown, John Joseph Bruno, Veronica Cabrera, Ryan Clark, Peggy Conway, Mia Corte, Mia Crownover, Rita Dalton, Whitten & Brenda Davis, , Nancy Diwan, Clare Donahue, MacKenna Duke, Colleen Economos, Douglas Fontenot, Latteria Green, Darlene Goins, Pat Halenar, Lorrie Levitt-Haufe, Rick Hirko, Joanne Hotchkiss, Nancy Humberger, Peggy Humphreys, Jeff Ingles, Herb Katzman, Don Krupp, Elizabeth Levine, Carmen Lopez, Louise McAvoy, Mike Milewski, John Miller, Emily Powell, Carmelita Ordonez, Hien Pham, Sr. Mary Raphael, Reed Rawlings, Jan Reynolds, Mary Lou Riddle, Alan Robinson, Jan Rodriguez, Richard Runyon, 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, John Turner, Michael Thompson, Roger Trudell, Dee Vaughan, Warren White, Jerry Williams, Lynn Williams, Maggie 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.**

### *Congratulations to the following on their Wedding Anniversary:*



*Michael & Crystal Marchand - 17th  
Tim & Amy Bodnar - 22nd  
Cliff & Patti Crownover - 34th  
Tim & Allison Runyon - 35th  
Michael & Maura Doyle - 44th  
Jim & Ann Simms - 54th  
Thomas & Nancy Bruno - 57th  
John & Rosemary Laliberte - 61st*

## AUGUST 20, 2023 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### 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  
 Donna Snuggs, Adult Education.....678-772-3833

### 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

Masses: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 8:30 AM  
 Wednesday: 6:00 PM & 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at 8:30 AM  
 Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM  
 Sunday: 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM (Spanish)



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Sunday, August 20th, Pro-Life BBQ, sides, and desserts @ K of C Hall, Noon - 4 p.m., Live Band.

Thursday, August 24th, Blood & Food Drive @ St. Stephens, 1-5:00 p.m.

September D & O and Business Meeting delayed a week due to Labor Day.

Congratulations to Matt Lubaway, Knight of the Month!

The Knights of Columbus TN State Council is fully committed to helping Catholic men become fully Christocentric and anchored in the Sacraments. To join call 423-899-9989, enter [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus).



### Ladies Auxiliary

Our next Ladies Auxiliary Meeting will be on September 14th at 5:30 p.m. For any more information, please contact Dot Durr at 315-657-7484 our President of the Ladies Auxiliary.

### Ministers List for Next Week

#### Saturday, Aug. 26 at 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Diane Sullivan

EMHC: Ellen Lennon, Cathy Quick

Altar Servers: Raphael, Zharken & Angel Vadil

#### Sunday, Aug. 27 at 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Robert Birke

EMHC: Debbie Sopko, Sharon Vannucci

Altar Servers: Hein Pham, Priscilla McLean,  
Brendan Jennings

#### Sunday, Aug. 27 at 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Cheryl Wieber

EMHC: Carli Zeh, Jerry Nunley

Altar Servers: Hope & Faith Daan, Emily Hardy

#### Sunday, Aug. 27 at 1:00 p.m.

Lector: Lorena Quintero

EMHC: Manuel Colmenares, Cirina Ramirez

Altar Servers: Trinidad, Jesus, Joan



Explore for yourself what Catholicism is about! R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will resume on Sunday, September 10 for 2023. Join

us in between the two Sunday Masses starting around 9:40 AM in the Meeting Room/Main Floor Administrative Building. For more information contact Tom Cain 423.751.6828 or Sherry at the Parish Office 423-892-1261 ext. 4

### 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](http://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** - Please call Donna Snuggs at 678-772-3833 for more information about our Adult Education.

**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 scheduled class is on September 9th.

**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.

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**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. Next Class is on September 3rd at 11 a.m. in the Administration building.

**SPORTING EVENTS** - Contact Mike Williams at 404-909-6151. UT Chattanooga MOCS VS. Furman on November 4, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

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

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**"I was sick and you cared for me..." Matthew, 25"**

**Volunteers in Medicine, Chattanooga, Inc. is a private, non-profit 501c3 primary care clinic. Volunteer physicians and nurses provide free medical services to financially eligible adults ages 19-64, who are uninsured. The clinic is currently accepting new patients. Volunteers In Medicine also needs community volunteers. Currently we have opportunities for receptionists, physical therapists, nurses, physicians, and special project support. To learn more about these services call us at 423-855-8220 or visit [VIM-chatt.org](http://VIM-chatt.org)**



**VIM will accept any unused medications that you have that has not expired. If they are able to use them, they will distribute. If not, VIM will dispose of them appropriately. VIM works with pharmaceutical companies to obtain certain medications that they can then distribute to patients in need.**

### ATTENTION ALL VOLUNTEERS

CMG Connect Safe Haven is an online program that requires employees and volunteers to watch videos and answer accountability questions at the end of each segment, submit to a background check through CMG Connect initially and then re-certify in 5 years. The training can be done on a person's own schedule and no in-person training is required which is a time-saving effort by not having to wait for a *VIRTUS* class in your area. The CMG Connect Safe Haven videos are available in English and Spanish. Background checks are done through the CMG Connect portal with a company named Selection. Users will complete their own personal information which eliminates any paper forms and ensures the security of individual's personal information. The background check is processed after meeting all of the requirements with the curriculum and the "meets criteria or does not meet criteria" results will be ready to review from the administrator dashboard. This process ensures user's data cannot be compromised since the background check cannot be edited. Background checks will be required every 5 years.

Please go to our website and scroll down on the right side, you will see CMG Connect. Click on CMG Connect and you will be able to complete your information there. You will need to complete the safe environment section and then complete the background and then submit it. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the church office.

#### NEW PARISHIONER/CHANGES

☐ New Parishioner

☐ Moving out of Parish

☐ Information has changed

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please pick up a registration form from the Church Office or by the TV in the vestibule. You may also register online at [www.ststephenchatt.org](http://www.ststephenchatt.org).





**The Vatican International Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles of the World** is coming to the Diocese of Knoxville. This is a traveling display reflecting the work of Blessed Carlo Acutis. It contains an extensive assortment of photographs and historical descriptions of Eucharistic miracles, recognized by the Catholic Church, that have taken place throughout history.

**Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul, Chattanooga**

Saturday, September 16th from 10am-8pm

Sunday, September 17th from 8am-2pm

**St. Thomas the Apostle, Lenoir City**

Saturday, September 23rd from 10am-8pm

Sunday, September 24th from 8am-2pm

All are welcome to these events, and parishes are encouraged to organize groups to make this rare and magnificent pilgrimage right here in our own diocese as part of the Eucharistic Revival Year of the Parish.