

**AUGUST 27, 2023 21ST 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 26

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

\*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

\*MINISTRY FAIR: AFTER MASS

\*BLOOD PRESSURE: AFTER MASS

### Sunday, August 27

\*MASSES 8:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. &  
ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

\*MINISTRY FAIR: AFTER MASS

\*BLOOD PRESSURE: AFTER MASS

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

### Monday, August 28

\* ST. AUGUSTINE

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

\*GAME DAY: 1 P.M.

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

### Tuesday, Aug. 29

\* THE PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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

\*ADULT ED: 1 P.M.

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

### Wednesday, Aug. 30

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

\*SERRA CLUB BOARD MEETING: 5 P.M.

\*CATECHIST MEETING: 5:30 P.M.

\*DAILY MASS: 6 P.M.

### Thursday, Aug. 31

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

\*SEWING: 9:30 A.M.

### Friday, Sept. 1

\*FIRST FRIDAY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

**\*ADORATION: 9 - 10 A.M.**

### Saturday, Sept. 2

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

\*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

### Sunday, Sept. 3

MASSES: 8:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. &  
ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

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

### Mass Intentions this week

#### Saturday, August 26 - 5:00 P.M.

Special Intentions By Rich & Karen Ryland

+Ed Buice By Rich & Karen Ryland

+Ross Roy By Cliff & Patti Crownover

#### Sunday, August 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, August 27 - 11:00 A.M.

The Protection & Preservation Of All Life

#### Sunday, August 27 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

#### Monday, August 28 - 8:30 A.M.

+Cataline Liao Jumamil By The Liao Family

#### Tuesday, Aug. 29 - 8:30 A.M.

+Tony Cox By Donna Cox

#### Wednesday, Aug. 30 - 6:00 P.M.

+Peter Galletta By Joe & Cathy Burriesci

Ed Cerpas By Joe & Cathy Burriesci

Baby George By Friends

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#### Friday, Sept. 1 - 8:30 A.M.

Akash Alexander By Joe & Susie Alexander

+Minnie & +Jacob Effley By Mike & Wanda Williams

#### Saturday, Sept. 2 - 5:00 P.M.

+Michael Love & +Miranda Godena By Pam Love

+Ed Buice By Rich & Karen Ryland

+Avi Santos By Maggie Cueva & Roxanna Freeman

#### Sunday, Sept. 3 - 8:30 A.M.

+Robert W. Ferguson By Russ & Sherry Ferguson

+Jerry Jenkins By Ursula Jenkins -Turner

+Jim Scally By Kit Scally

#### Sunday, Sept. 3 - 11:00 A.M.

+Nicole Berros By Kit Scally

+Evelyn & +Richard Buske By John & Sharon Vannucci

#### Sunday, Sept. 3 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

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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:

*Joseph Payne, D.D.S.*

### 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, 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, Maverick Soracco, 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, Irene 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:

*John & Debra Certo - 32nd*  
*Allan & Darlene Lacy - 56th*

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## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Sharon Vannucci, Chair Person.....296-0537  
 Priscilla McLean, Secretary.....503-3665  
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 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.

Wed., Sept. 6, 6099 D & O and Business Meeting @ Hall, 6 p.m.  
 Sat., Sept. 9, K of C Golf Tournament @ Brainerd Golf Course  
 Sun., Sept. 10, Remote Area Medical (RAM) @ Camp Jordan  
 Mon., Sept. 11, 6099 Monthly Business Meeting @ Hall 6:30 p.m., Rosary 6 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus TN State Council will dedicate all of their resources and talents to helping men fulfill their baptismal calling to serve Christ a Men of the Cross. To join call 423-899-9989, enter 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, Sept. 2, at 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Rick Ridder

EMHC: Karen Adney, Ed Cerantonio, Ellen Lennon, Karen Steely,

Altar Servers: Raphael, Zharken & Angel Vadil

Sunday, Sept. 3 at 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Hermie Ashcraft

EMHC: Pat Bagley, Agustino Gore, Phyllis Horten

Altar Servers: Nam & Viet Tran, Matthew Phan

Sunday, Sept. 3 at 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Michael Williams

EMHC: Pat Bodnar, Cassie Groner, Chris Humkey, Tonya Lee

Altar Servers: Jolie & Noelle Hardy, Cheryl Wieber

Sunday, Sept. 3 at 1:00 p.m.

Lector: Ramona Escalona

EMHC: Manuel Colmenares, Cirina Ramirez, Cindy Chestaro

Altar Servers: Isabella, Trinidad, Jesus



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](https://www.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 Huntensburg 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.