

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023 25TH 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.**

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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, Sept. 23

*ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA

***ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: 10 A.M. - 1 P.M.**

*PICTURE OF LOVE WEEKEND

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

*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

*BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

*SOCK IT TO ME

Sunday, Sept. 24

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

ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

*BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS

*BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 A.M.

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

*ADULT ED: 2:00 P.M.

*LAST DAY SOCK IT TO ME

Monday, Sept. 25

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

*GAME DAY: 1 P.M.

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

*BOOK CLUB: 6:30 P.M.

Tuesday, Sept. 26

*STS. COSMAS & DAMIAN

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

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

*CHOIR PRACTICE: 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, Sept. 27

*ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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

*SERRA CLUB: 5 P.M.

***CHRISTIAN FORMATION : 6:30 P.M. - 7:45 P.M.**

*DAILY MASS: 6 P.M.

Thursday, Sept. 28

*STS. WENCESLAUS & LAWRENCE RUIZ

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

*SEWING: 9:30 A.M.

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

*AHG: 6:30 P.M.

Friday, Sept. 29

*STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL

*COMMUNION SERVICE: 8:30 A.M.

Saturday, Sept. 30

*ST. JEROME

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

*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Oct. 1

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

ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

***CHURCH PICNIC: 12 - 3 P.M.**

*BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 A.M.

*RCIA: 9:40 A.M.

Mass Intentions this week

Saturday, Sept. 23 - 5:00 P.M.

+Nancy Kane By John & Sharon Vannucci

+Jack Carney By Dale Carney

+Ed Hess By Debbie Johnson

Sunday, Sept. 24 - 8:30 A.M.

+Beverly Hunter By Mike Hunter & Family

+Bobby Graham By John & Sharon Vannucci

+Rusty Phillips By John & Sharon Vannucci

Sunday, Sept. 24 - 11:00 A.M.

+Camella Bove By John & Sharon Vannucci

+Larry Raveche By Rob & Phyllis Chaousy

+Warren White By Clarence & Pat Bodnar

Sunday, Sept. 24 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

Monday, Sept. 25 - 8:30 A.M.

+Jona Petrone By Joe & Cathy Burriesci

Tuesday, Sept. 26 - 8:30 A.M.

+Brice Edenfield By John & Ro Wensel

Wednesday, Sept. 27 - 6:00 P.M.

For the Deceased Members of the Pembroke

& Walsh Family By Bill & Jill Walsh

Thursday, Sept. 28 - 8:30 A.M.

In Celebration of Mike & Wanda Williams 55th Anniversary

By Raleigh & Mary Cooper

Friday, Sept. 29 - 8:30 A.M.

Communion Service

Saturday, Sept. 30 - 5:00 P.M.

+Bob Stupik By John & Sharon Vannucci

+Louise McAvoy By Tony & Janie Duke

+Ray Bertani By John Sopko

Sunday, Oct. 1 - 8:30 A.M.

Akash Alexander By Joe & Susie Alexander

Ron Schleifer By Mike & Phyllis Horten

Jim & Ann Simms By Mike & Phyllis Horten

Sunday, Oct. 1 - 11:00 A.M.

+ Michael Love & +Miranda Godena By Pam Love

+Bill Reynolds By John & Sharon Vannucci

+John & Paul Chaousy By Rob & Phyllis Chaousy

Sunday, Oct. 1 - 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."

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, Kelly Nast, Sam Nechvatal, 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, Jim & Ann Simms, Bob & Pat Smelas, Katie Smith, Mary Stroop, Jeff Terrell, John Turner, Michael Thompson, Roger Trudell, Dee Vaughan, Audrey Wiemer, Jerry Williams, Irene Williams, Lynn Williams, Maggie Williams, Doreen Wirchansky, Brad & Patricia Wood, and. 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.

Advertiser of the Week:

Windsor Village Apartments

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FLOCKNOTE FOR PARISHIONERS ONLY

We will be sending information to our parishioners by Flocknote. If you are not signed up for Flocknote, please call 423-892-1261 x4 and let us know that you would like to receive information this way. We will need your name, email address and your cell number to set you up.

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Congratulations to the following on their Wedding Anniversary:

Jon & Kimberly Wesolowski - 26th
Robert & Patricia Edwards - 37th



Altar Flower By
Marge Brashear
In Memory of Aaron Brashear

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Sharon Vannucci, Chair Person.....296-0537
 Priscilla McLean, Secretary.....503-3665
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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 & 1st 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. 27, Oct. 6099 D & O Meeting @ Hall 6 p.m.
 Sun., Oct. 1, St. Stephen Picnic
 Mon., Oct. 2, 6099 Business Meeting @ Hall 6:30 p.m., Rosary @ 6 p.m.
 Tues., Oct. 3, Practice for Knights Choir @ St. Stephen 7 - 8 p.m.
 Sun., Oct. 8, Knights Choir @ St. Stephen, 8:30 a.m. Mass, 8 a.m. practice.
 Congratulations to Brother Tim Bodnar - Knight of the Month! As Pro-Life Director. Tim awarded \$1,500 to the LADIES OF CHARITY for the Layette program and \$1,500 to CHOICES PREGNANCY HELP CENTER this year.
 The Knights of Columbus State Council promises to provide men with opportunities to serve those most in need within our communities in the name of Christ (as above) To join call 423-899-9989, enter kofc.org/joinus.



Ladies Auxiliary

Our next Ladies Auxiliary Meeting will be on October 12th 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. 30, at 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Diane Sullivan

EMHC: Karen Adney, Ellen Lennon

Altar Servers: Raphael, Zharken & Angel Vadil

Sunday, Oct. 1 at 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Steve Horten

EMHC: Augustino Gore, Phyllis Horten

Altar Servers: Thomas Minchew, Hein Pham, Nam Tran

Sunday, Oct. 1 at 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Claudia Dasburg

EMHC: Chris Humkey, Tonya Lee

Altar Servers: Brady Christensen, Jeremiah Laster, Cheryl Wieber

Sunday, Oct. 1 at 1:00 p.m.

Lector: Elizabeth Colmenares

EMHC: Manuel Colmenares, Cindy Chestaro

Altar Servers: Ashley, Andrea, Isidro, Isabela. Litzy



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 AM in the Library, which is down the first set of steps Administrative Building. For more information contact Tom Cain 423.751.6828 or Sherry at the Parish Office 423-892-1261 ext. 4

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

SCAN ME



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 November 11th.

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**

CARING HEARTS & 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.

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 11 a.m. & slice & butter the homemade bread baked by parishioners for this occasion. We also assist in other duties and serve lunch at 11 a.m. until 12:30 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.

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 October 8th 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.

ST STEPHEN PARISH PICNIC – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2023, 12- 3 PM



Please attend and bring the following items to share at the Parish Picnic according to your last name:

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| A- Dessert (cookies, brownies, cupcakes) | N- Potato Salad |
| B- Dessert (cookies, brownies, cupcakes) | O- Potato Salad |
| C- Dessert (cookies, brownies, cupcakes) | P- Fruit – sliced or
pre -packaged in a cup |
| D- Dessert (cookies, brownies, cupcakes) | Q- Potato Salad |
| E- Dessert (cookies, brownies, cupcakes) | R- Iced Tea (1 Gallon
Sweet: 1 Gallon Un-sweet |
| F- Potato Salad | S- Fruit – sliced or
pre-packaged in a cup |
| G- Variety pack of Lunch size Chips | T- Iced Tea (1 Gallon
Sweet:1 Gallon Un-sweet |
| H- Potato Salad | U- Iced Tea (1 Gallon
Sweet: 1 Gallon Un-sweet |
| I Variety pack of Lunch size Chips | V- Potato Salad |
| J- Variety pack of Lunch size Chips | W- Lemonade (2 Gallons) |
| K- Variety pack of Lunch size Chips | Y- Lemonade (2 Gallons) |
| L- Variety pack of Lunch size Chips | Z- Lemonade (2 Gallons) |
| M- Variety pack of Lunch size Chips | |

***Please have all food items ready to serve with the necessary utensils.**

Prayer to receive a new bishop

Praise to you, Lord our God,
our Eternal Shepherd and Guide,

We know that all authority
comes from You. With confidence in
Your providence, we entreat You
to provide the Diocese of Knoxville
a new shepherd after Your own heart.

In Your love for us,
send us a shepherd who will lead us
in being Christ's heart of mercy,
voice of hope, and hands of justice.

Help him to fill our minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel,
the power of the sacraments,
and the desire to build up
Your Holy Church.

We pray through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

