

NOVEMBER 5, 2023 31ST 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, Nov. 4

- *ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO
- *EMHC TRAINING: 9:00 A.M.
- CONFESSION: 4 - 4:50 P.M.
- *MASS: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Nov. 5

- *MASSES 8:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. & ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.
- *BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 A.M.
- *RESPECT LIFE COFFEE & DONUTS: 8:30 A.M. RAFFLE: 11:00 A.M.
- *ADULT ED: 2 P.M.

Monday, Nov. 6

- *ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI
- *DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.
- *GAME DAY: 1 P.M.
- *DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: 3:00 P.M.
- *BUNCO: 6:30 P.M.

Tuesday, Nov. 7

- *DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.
- *NDHS FRESHMEN RETREAT
- *ADULT ED: 9:30 A.M. & 1 P.M.
- *CHOIR PRACTICE: 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, Nov. 8

- *PRIMETIMER'S BOARD MEETING: 9:30 A.M.
- *DAILY MASS: 6 P.M.
- *CHRISTIAN FORMATION :6:30—7:45 P.M.
- *CF ADULT ED: 6:30 P.M.

Thursday, Nov. 9

- *THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
- *DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.
- *ADORATION: 9 - 10 A.M.
- *SEWING: 9:30 A.M.
- *LADIE'S AUXILIARY: 5:30 P.M.
- *ADULT ED: 6:30 P.M.
- *AHG: 6:30 P.M.

Friday, Nov. 10

- *ST. LEO THE GREAT
- *COMMUNION SERVICE: 8:30 A.M.

Saturday, Nov. 11

- *THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF STS. PETER & PAUL & ST. ROSE
- *BAPTISM CLASS: 2 - 4:30 P.M.
- *CONFESSIONS: 4:00 - 4:50 P.M.
- *MASS: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Nov. 12

- *MASSES: 8:30 A.M., 11:00 A.M. & ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.
- *BIBLE STUDY: 9:40 A.M.
- *RCIA: 9:40 A.M.
- *ADULT ED: 2 P.M.
- *DOMINICANS: 2 P.M.

Mass Intentions this week

Saturday, Nov. 4 - 5:00 P.M.

- +Charles Horten By Michael & Phyllis Horten
- +Warren White By Ron & Myrtle Englert

Sunday, Nov. 5 - 8:30 A.M.

- Akash Alexander By Joe & Susie Alexander
- Russ & Sherry Ferguson 38th Anniversary
- By The Ferguson

- +Margaret Hare By John & Sharon Vannucci

Sunday, Nov. 5- 11:00 A.M.

- +Michael Love & +Miranda Godena By Pam Love
- +Warren White By Linda Lee
- +James & +Corinne Swanson By The Von Peters Family

Sunday, Nov. 5 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

Monday, Nov. 6 - 8:30 A.M.

- +Milton Bauer By Larry & Sandy Mullin

Tuesday, Nov. 7 - 8:30 A.M.

- +Kathy Perkins By Vince & Kathy Hotton

Wednesday, Nov. 8 - 6:00 P.M.

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Thursday, Nov. 9 - 8:30 A.M.

- Sherry Ferguson & Family By Kirk & Karen Steely

Friday, Nov. 10 - 8:30 A.M.

Communion Service

Saturday, Nov. 11 - 5:00 P.M.

- +James Holsomback By Michael & Phyllis Horten
- +Heliodoro Cueva By Rosanna Freeman & Maggie Cueva
- +Frank Overmeer By Laura Overmeer

Sunday, Nov. 12 - 8:30 A.M.

In Thanksgiving for God's Blessings

By The Alexander Family

Sunday, Nov. 12 - 11:00 A.M.

- + Beverly Hunter By Mike Hunter & Family
- +Nicole Berros By Mom & Dad
- +Warren White By Vince & Kathy Hotton

Sunday, Nov. 12 - 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, Lisa Calkins, Ryan Clark, Peggy Conway, Mia Corte, Mia Crownover, Rita Dalton, Whitten & Brenda Davis, , Nancy Diwan, Clare Donahue, MacKenna Duke, Douglas Fontenot, Laterria 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, Danielle Riecke, Jan Reynolds, Mary Lou Riddle, Alan Robinson, Jan Rodriguez, Richard Runyon, Sylvia Scaruffi, Ron Schleifer, Sandy Schnur, Chuck & Suzi Sadowski, Maverick Soracco, Peggy Ann Sorrells, Pat Strebeck, Sarah Lyons Sturm, Ryan Sawyers, Jim & Ann Simms, Bob & Pat Smelas, Katie Smith, Kenn & 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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DIOCESAN
Catholic Life Every Day

Thanks to you and Diocesan, the bulletin is published weekly at no cost to the parish!



Congratulations to the following on their Wedding Anniversary:

Daniel & Maria Pantoja - 6th
Michael & Phyllis Horten - 11th
Andrew & Mary Simms - 27th
Paul & Mary Wurm - 33rd
Russ & Sherry Ferguson - 38th
Charles & Gerri Toeller - 48th

Altar Flower



Russ & Sherry Ferguson
In Celebration of their
38th Wedding Anniversary

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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 Lorrie Levitt-Haufe.....815-409-0717
 Ron Schleifer.....499-0249
 Robert Sullivan.....718-8308
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 Al Henry.....667-3822

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Sharon Vannucci.....280-6043

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)

Ministers List for Next Week

Saturday, Nov. 11 at 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Karen Steely

EMHC: Patti Crownover, Ellen Lennon

Altar Servers: Larry Skelly, Raphael, Zharkov & Angel Vadil

Sunday, Nov. 12 at 8:30 a.m.

Lector: Hermie Ashcraft & Vincinetta Brown

EMHC: Fraba Akins, Pat Bagley, Tom Bruno, Augustino Gore

Altar Servers: Gerard Machalick, Hein Pham, Julian Vermett

Sunday, Nov. 12 at 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Katie Clark & Emily Hardy

EMHC: Elaine Williams, Steve Christenson, Marylynn Casula, Cassie Groner

Altar Servers: Jolie, Noelle & Luc Hardy

Sunday, Nov. 12 at 1:00 p.m.

Lector: Lorena Quintero

EMHC: Manuel Colmenares, Cirina Ramirez

Altar Servers: Jesus, Ashley, Isabella, Andrea, 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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Mon., Nov. 6, Monthly Business Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. @ 6 p.m.

Sat/Sun, Nov. 11 & 12, Knight KIND Collection at all Masses

Mon. Nov. 13, 3250 4th Degree Assembly Business Meeting @ Hall 6 p.m.

Thurs., Nov. 16, Knights Adoration @ St. Stephen 6 - 7 p.m., Parish Invited

The Knights of Columbus promise to help all Catholic men grow closer in their relationship with Jesus Christ. To join the Knights call 423-899-9989, enter kofc.org/joinus.



Ladies Auxiliary

Our next Ladies Auxiliary Meeting will be on November 9th at 5:30 p.m. Jam is selling fast!...get yours while they last...Call Dot Durr to get your @ 315-657-7484. Come and join us!



The Respect Life Ministry will begin accepting donations now for a chance to win a beautiful handmade "wire-wrap" Rosary; \$1 donation per chance. The Rosary will be on display before & after all Masses through November 5th.

Join us in the small hall on Nov. 5th, after the 8:30 & 11 a.m. Masses, for Coffee & donuts & a silent auction of hand crafted wooded items made from beautiful & exotic woods. The winner's name will be drawn on that day, from among all donors after the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

All proceeds benefit St. Stephen's Respect Life Ministry.

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 November 12th 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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St. Stephen Healing Hearts Ministry

The St. Stephen Healing Hearts Ministry is a support group for the widowed of our parish. We offer a supportive, understanding and prayerful environment as we walk through the grieving journey. Please consider joining us for our next meeting on Wednesday, November 15th, in the Prime Timers Room, from 10am-11am. We will be discussing suggestions for making it easier to get through the holidays. If you have any questions, please contact Liz Huntensburg at 954-464-7372.



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

Cold Weather Brings Hot Fires

House fires increase in the fall and winter months, the U.S. Fire Administrations estimates that about 890 people die in winter house fires each year.

- Make sure you have WORKING smoke alarms.
- Do not keep anything flammable within 3 feet of space heaters and turn them off before going to bed.
- Do not leave cooking unattended.
- Clean out your dryer's lint trap.
- Avoid using extension cords with anything that produces heat or cool air.
- Do not overload extension cords or use frayed extension cords.
- Do not leave candles unattended or within 1 foot of anything flammable.
- Check the chimney before your first fire in your fireplace and dispose of the ashes safely.
- Keep all lighters and matches away from children.



We need your help videoing the 11 a.m. mass! If you are able to volunteer, please call Larry Skelly at 703-624-0498. Thank you for your services!!!

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