

NOVEMBER 26, 2023 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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.

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What's Happening This Week

Saturday, Nov. 25

*ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

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

*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Nov. 26

*OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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

ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

*BIBLE STUDY: 9:30 A.M.

*ADULT ED: 2:00 P.M.

Monday, Nov. 27

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

*GAME DAY: 1:00 P.M.

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

*BOOK CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY: 6:30 P.M.

Tuesday, Nov. 28

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

*ADULT ED: 9:30 A.M. & 1 & 6:30 P.M.

*PRIEST'S ADORATION: 11 A.M.

*HEALING HEARTS LUNCHEON: 11 A.M.

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

*CHOIR PRACTICE: 7:00 P.M.

*RIVAL MTG: 7 P.M.

Wednesday, Nov. 29

*DAILY MASS: 6:00 P.M.

*CF & YM: 6:30—7:45 P.M.

*AD ED: 6:30 P.M.

Thursday, Nov. 30

*ST. ANDREW

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

*AD ED 6:30 P.M.

*AHG: 6:30 P.M.

Friday, Dec. 1

*1ST FRIDAY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

*ADORATION: 9-10 A.M.

Saturday, Dec. 2

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

*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Dec. 3

***1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

*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: 2:00 P.M.

Mass Intentions this week

Saturday, Nov. 25 - 5:00 P.M.

+Jack & +Marjorie Hennessey By Laura Overmeer

+Benjamin & +Marie Crownover

By Cliff & Patti Crownover

+Dr. Andres Alisago, Jr. By Clarence & Pat Bodnar

Sunday, Nov. 26 - 8:30 A.M.

+Jim Scally By Kit Scally

+Ken Decker By The Decker Family

+John Turner By Ursula Jenkins-Turner

Sunday, Nov. 26- 11:00 A.M.

+Carmen Gomez By Angelo Gomez

+Floyd Platter By Larry & Sandy Mullin

Sunday, Nov. 26 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

Monday, Nov. 27 - 8:30 A.M.

+Frank Dielucia By Joe & Cathy Burriesci

Tuesday, Nov. 28 - 8:30 A.M.

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Wednesday, Nov. 29 - 6:00 P.M.

+Mrs. Cuca Alvarez By Fr. Manuel Pérez

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

+Saverio Fiore By Jim & Sue Berros

Friday, Dec. 1 - 8:30 A.M.

Akash Alexander By Joe & Susie Alexander

Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus #3250

By Mike & Wanda Williams

Saturday, Dec. 2 - 5:00 P.M.

+Donnie Freeman By Roxanna Freeman & Maggie Cueva

+Louise McAvoy By Don McAvoy

+Robert & +Mary May By The Hirko Family

Sunday, Dec. 3 - 8:30 A.M.

+Beverly Hunter By Mike Hunter & Family

Sunday, Dec. 3 - 11:00 A.M.

+Vincent F. Adams By Mary Anderson

+Carmen Gomez By Angelo Gomez

+Mariama Nillapana Joseph By Jessil Joesph

Sunday, Dec. 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."

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, Mary Alice Ruhman, Richard Runyon, Sylvia Scaruffi, Ron Schleifer, Sandy Schnur, Laura Sherrick, Chuck & Suzi Sodowski, 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, Arlene Webb, Audrey Wiemer, Jerry Williams, Lynn Williams, Maggie Williams, Doreen Wirchansky, Brad & Patricia Wood, and Isabel Zaragoza-Bermúdez.



St. Stephen Religious Store has all your needs for your Advent Season. Come & get your Advent Wreath, candles & calendars. We have some wonderful gifts for all your needs. You can find all you may need right here in our store for your Christmas list. Stop by now for the best selections!



Congratulations to the following on their Wedding Anniversary:
Thomas & Lisa McClusky—35th
Terry & Kitty Roberts—54th



Altar Flower
By Pat Bagley
In Memory of Her Family

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.

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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., Nov. 29, 6099 Directors & Officers Meeting @ Hall 6 p.m.
 Mon., Dec. 4, 6099 Monthly Business Meeting @ Hall 6:30 p.m., Rosary @ 6 p.m.
 Tue., Dec. 5, "Light Up For Christ" @ Knight's Hall, 6 p.m. Parish Invited
 Sun., Dec. 10, Knight's Choir @ 8:30 Mass, practice @ 8 a.m.
 Sun., Dec. 10, Knight's Children Christmas Party @ St. Stephen Hall after 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. Masses, Parish Invited.
 The Knights of Columbus provide the benefit of fraternity with Brother Knights. To join the Knights call 423-899-9989, enter kofc.org/joinus.



Ladies Auxiliary

Our next Ladies Auxiliary Meeting will be on December 7th for our Christmas Party. Baking will start on Dec. 14th & 15th and selling on the 16th & 17th of Dec. for our Annual Cookie Walk in the Administration Building. Call Dot Durr to get information @ 315-657-7484. Come and join us!

Ministers List for Next Week

Saturday, Dec. 2 at 5:00 p.m.

Lector: Al Henry

EMHC: Ellen Lennon, Cathy Quick, Larry Skelly,
 Marylynn Casula

Altar Servers: Diane Sullivan, Zharkov Vadil

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

Lector: Robert Birke, Daniel Hixon

EMHC: Phyllis Horten, Steve Horten, Matt
 Lubaway, Gerard Machalick

Altar Servers: Thomas Minchew, Hermie
 Ashcraft, Brendan Jennings

Sunday, Dec. 3 at 11 a.m.

Lector: Claudia Dashburg, Emily Hardy

EMHC: Katie Clark, Elaine Williams, Victor
 Williams

Altar Servers: Jeremiah Laster, Kathy Horten,
 Brady Christensen

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

Lector: Francisco Gauardo

EMHC: Manuel Colmenares, Cindy Chestaro
 Altar Servers: Andrea, Ashley, Ilse, Trinidad, 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

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.

AHG - American Heritage Girls NEW here at St. Stephen, For more information, please contact Kristen Connell 615-483-3944.

ANOINTING 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**

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET - Meets every Monday at 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel to pray The Divine Mercy Chaplet. Contact: Joe & Cathy Burriesci at 865-567-1822

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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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 Baptism Class is on December 3rd at 11 a.m. in the Administration building.

SPORTING EVENTS - Contact Mike Williams at 404-909-6151.

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

Emergency Preparedness Committee

Safety Tips for Holiday Shopping

- Avoid parking next to vans, trucks with camper shells or cars with tinted windows.
- Locate your keys before going to your car.
- Do not approach your car alone if there are suspicious people in the area.
- Check under your car.
- Do not leave package or valuables on the seat of the car. Lock them in the trunk or put them out of sight.
- Recognize when you are rushed, distracted, and stressed out. Stay alert to what is going on around you and beware of strangers approaching you for any reason.
- When leaving, you can ask mall Security Officer or a Police Officer for an escort to your car. At Hamilton Place you can call 423-894-7272 for help.



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

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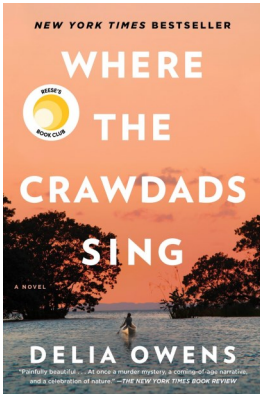
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Msgr. Al's next Book Study on Where the Crawdads Sing will be held on Saturday, January 27, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. at Holy Spirit Parish Hall. For those who would like we will stop at 1:15 p.m. to share a covered dish lunch and continue the discussion. Please call the office (423) 332-5300 to register to make sure we have enough handouts prepared.

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