

FEBRUARY 25, 2024 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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

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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What's Happening This Week

Saturday, Feb. 24

*PICTURE OF LOVE WEEKEND

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

*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

*BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK AFTER MASS

Sunday, Feb. 25

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

ESPAÑOL 1:00 P.M.

*BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK AFTER MASSES

*BIBLE STUDY: 9:40 A.M.

*RCIA: 9:40 A.M.

*AD. ED: 2 P.M.

Monday, Feb. 26

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

*GAME DAY: 1:00 P.M.

*DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: 3 P.M.

*AD. ED: 6:30 P.M.

*BOOK CLUB: 6:30 P.M.

Tuesday, Feb. 27

*ST. GREGORY OF NAREK

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

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

*CHATTANOOGA DEANERY SCHOOL MEETING: 2 - 3:30 P.M.

*CHOIR PRACTICE: 7:00 P.M.

Wednesday, Feb. 28

*SERRA BOARD MEETING: 5:00 P.M. MEETING ROOM

*CHILDREN'S CHOIR: 5:30 - 6:25 P.M. PRIMETIMER'S ROOM

*MASS: 6:00 P.M.

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

Thursday, Feb. 29

*DAILY MASS: 8:30 A.M.

*ADORATION: 9 - 10 A.M.

*SEWING: 9:30 A.M.

*PENANCE SERVICE: 6:00 P.M.

*AD. ED: 6:30 P.M.

*AHG: 6:30 P.M.

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

Friday, March 1

*WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

*COMMUNION SERVICE: 8:30 A.M.

*FISH FRY: 5 - 7 P.M.

*STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 6:00 P.M.

Saturday, March 2

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

*MASS: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, March 3

*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.

*AD. ED: 2 P.M.

Mass Intentions this week

Saturday, Feb. 24 - 5:00 P.M.

+Louise McAvoy By Don McAvoy

+Carmen Gomez By Angelo Gomez

Sunday, Feb. 25 - 8:30 A.M.

+Beverly Hunter By Mike Hunter & Family

+James & +Corinne Swanson By The Von Peters Family

Sunday, Feb. 25 - 11:00 A.M.

+Priest's & Deacon's of St. Stephen

By Mike & Wanda Williams

+Wilfredo Daan By Charity Daan & Family

Sunday, Feb. 25 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church

Monday, Feb. 26 - 8:30 A.M.

Sr. Marie Carolyn Levandl, RSM By Bob & Cathy Quick

Tuesday, Feb. 27 - 8:30 A.M.

+Thomas Arciniega & +Esther Triana

By Thomas Archiiega

Wednesday, Feb. 28 - 8:30 A.M.

Marceina Martinez By Thomas Arciniega

Thursday, Feb. 29 - 8:30 A.M.

+Marie Ruggiero By Mary Pomerance

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

Akash Alexander By Joe & Susie Alexander

+Charles Jerry Williams By Mike & Wanda Williams

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

+Louise McAvoy By Don McAvoy

+Carmen Gomez By Angelo Gomez

+Heliodoro Cueva

By Roxanna Freeman & Maggie Cueva

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

+Jim Scally By Kit Scally

+Florence Mack By Mark & Sidney Czynski

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

+Michael Love & +Miranda Gardena By Pam Love

+Nicole Berros By Mom & Dad

Sunday, March 3 - 1:00 P.M.

St. Stephen Church Members

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

7/1/2023-6/30/2024

2/11/2024

	WEEKLY	YTD	BUDGET
Envelope:	\$5,080.50	\$ 250,297.67	\$695,000.00
Faith Direct	\$14,974.14	\$ 197,369.43	Included above
Loose:	\$ 1,878.00	\$ 66,331.16	\$ 70,000.00
Renov/Repair:	\$ 2,946.50	\$ 123,628.00	\$150,000.00

Registered Families: 1,095 Mass Attendance: 1,136

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.

Please pray for our sick parishioners, relatives and friends:

Karen Adney, Asher Baker, Ronnie Barnes, James Bevil, Frank Bradley, Debbie Brown, John Joseph Bruno, Veronica Cabrera, Lisa Calkins, Ryan Clark, Theresa Cole, Peggy Conway, Mia Corte, Jeanette Craig, Mia Crownover, Rita Dalton, Whitten & Brenda Davis, Nancy Diwan, Clare Donahue, MacKenna Duke, Leo Duncan, Douglas Fontenot, Laterria Green, Darlene Goins, Pat Halenar, Lorrie Levitt-Haufe, Rick Hirko, Joanne Hotchkiss, Nancy Humberger, Peggy Humphreys, Herb Katzman, Don Krupp, Elaine Larmer, Elizabeth Levine, Sara Jane Locke, Carmen Lopez, Dennis Lowe, Mike Milewski, Mary Najberg, Kelly Nast, Sam Nechvatal, Emily Powell, Sydney Strebeck O'Leary, Carmelita Ordonez, Wendy Quick, Sr. Mary Raphael, Reed Rawlings, Danielle Riecke, Jan Reynolds, Mary Lou Riddle, Alan Robinson, Jan Rodriguez, 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, Bob & Pat Smelas, Katie Smith, Kenn & Mary Stroop, Jeff Terrell, Michael | Thompson, Roger Trudell, Dee Vaughan, Arlene Webb, Audrey Wiemer, Jerry Williams, Lynn Williams, Maggie Williams, Doreen Wirchansky, Brad and Patricia Wood.

Thank you so much for your support!

If you want to invest at St. Stephen, please call Fr. Manuel Pérez.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Sharon Vannucci, Chair Person.....	280-6043
Priscilla McLean, Secretary.....	503-3665
John Vannucci, Parish Life.....	309-5133
Nancy Powell, Communication.....	770-363-6952
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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
Tom Smith.....	315-1737
Al Henry.....	667-3822

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Sharon Vannucci.....	280-6043
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LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & ALTAR SERVERS

Deacon Dave Waguespack.....	EMHC, Lectors, Altar Servers
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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.



All Ladies of St. Stephen Parish

SAVE THE DATE

For our 2024 Ladies Appreciation Tea

to be held on

Tuesday, April 23, 2024

So put on your party outfit and join other female parishioners for a relaxed, fun afternoon. At the Tea, one female parishioner 50 years of age or older, who has been nominated by a fellow parishioner(s), will be honored for her volunteerism.

There is no charge for this event and you do not need to be a volunteer, but you must be a parishioner.

Hats and gloves to complement your outfit are recommended but are not required.

Please continue to check the bulletin for more information on the nomination process and reservations.

Hope to see you there!



The 2024

Flower Chart is up for the Altar Flowers

The fee for flowers are \$65. What a nice way to celebrate someone's Birthday, Anniversary or remember a loved one. Just write your name down on the chart, and who it would be for, with your phone number and we will make it happen. Thank you supporting our Flowers.

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.

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.

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 March 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**

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.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) 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 A.M. in the Library in the Administrative Building. For more information contact Tom Cain 423-751-6828 or Deacon Dave Waguespack.

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 March 3rd at 11 a.m. in the Administration building.

SPORTING EVENTS - Primetimer's Event - Contact Larry Skelly at 703-624-0498.

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

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Wed., Feb. 28, 6099 Directors & Officers meeting @ Knights Hall 6 p.m.

Fri., March 1, Fish Fry @ St. Stephen Hall 5 - 7:30 p.m.

Sat. & Sun, March 2 & 3, Knights Membership Drive all Masses

Mon., March 4, 6099 Membership Meeting @ Hall 6:30 p.m.,

Rosary @ 6 p.m.

Fri., March 8, Fish Fry @ St. Stephen Hall 5 - 7:30 p.m.

Membership in the Knights of Columbus offers men the opportunity to be leaders in their local communities as well as in the Knights. To join the Knights call 423-899-9989, enter kofc.org/joinus.



Ladies Auxiliary

Come and see what the Ladies Auxiliary are doing this month. Our next meeting will be on March 14th at 5:30 p.m. Call Dot Durr to get information about the Ladies Auxiliary @ 315-657-7484.



Advertiser of the Week:

Stolpman Plumbing

ST. STEPHEN ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

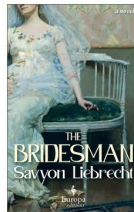
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COMING SOON!



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The Bridesman



by Savyon Liebrecht, an Israel novelist, will be the subject for the next book study on March 23, 2024, from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit Church led by Msgr. Al. Please call the Church office (423) 332-5300 to register.

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)

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Our pantry is running out of food more often due to the many we are helping to feed. Also our Layette Program is being utilized more often so our Layette supplies are being depleted.

Layette Program, we are in need of baby boy clothes sizes 0-3 or 3-6 months. Of course any financial donations for this program are greatly appreciated.

The Pantry, any small self opening cans of meats, meaty soups, crackers, individual fruit cups, individual vegetables, etc. are greatly needed.

Of course any financial donations for these programs are greatly appreciated.

You may drop these items either at the Church office or at Ladies of Charity at 2821 Rossville Blvd. Chattanooga, TN. We have volunteers going there during the week that can take these items down each week.

Thank you Cindy



Volunteer Opportunity

Do you have a few hours each week or each month to help a mother and baby? The Pregnancy Help Center is looking for English and Spanish-speaking volunteers to assist with office help, sorting & stocking our baby stores and our Earn While You Learn program. We educate parents on pregnancy, parenting and life skills all while earning the supplies they need for their babies. Both women and men volunteers are needed. Training is provided and schedules are very flexible. Your time and talents are truly needed as our Pregnancy Help Centers are rapidly growing to meet the needs of those we have the privilege of serving. For more information, please contact:

Chattanooga – Sheri Fava (423) 826-0673 sfava@ccetn.org