

*St. Stephen Catholic Church
Walnut Creek, California*



*Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, June 17, 2018*



PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday--Thursday 8:30 AM--4:30 PM
Office closed daily for lunch. Office closed on Friday.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM
Weekdays*: 7:30 AM
*Note: Monday Mass begins July 2, 2018
Holy Days: 7:30 AM and 7:00 PM

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 4:00 PM beginning July 7

BAPTISMS: Registration is mandatory two months prior to Baptism. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a mandatory preparation class before Baptism.

MARRIAGES: A minimum of six (6) months advance notice is required. The parish must be contacted before any specific arrangement are made or dates are set.

FUNERALS: We recommend using Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services / Queen of Heaven Cemetery at 925-932-0900. A representative from CFCS will contact the parish office to make your arrangements.

REGISTRATION: New parishioners may contact the office or ask an usher for a registration form. Welcome.

MISSION STATEMENT: To Live and to Love in Christ

WELCOME visitors and friends. We open our hearts and offer our hands to you in Christian fellowship worshipping with our community. We invite you to join our parish membership

Teach me thy way, O Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.—Psalm 86

TODAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING — I have lifted high the lowly tree (Ezekiel 17:22-24).

PSALM — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

SECOND READING — Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6-10).

GOSPEL — It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants (Mark 4:26-34)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-7; Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6ab, 11, 16; Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Ps 132:11-14, 17-18; Mt 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34; Mt 6:24-34
Sunday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6ab, 15ab, 17; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17
Day: Is 49:1-6; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT 6/16 5:00 Carol Connolly †
SUN 6/17 9:30 Frank Puchalski †
TUE 6/19 7:30 Deacon Nicholas Morris †
WED 6/20 7:30 Leonard Battaglia †
THU 6/21 7:30 Lucia Cruz †
FRI 6/22 7:30 Rev. Joseph Schwab †
SAT 6/23 5:00 Rose & frank Puchalski †
SUN 6/24 9:30 Br. Dominic Berardelli, FSC †



Beginning on July 2, 2018, Fr. Paulson is adding Monday morning Mass to the weekly schedule at St. Stephen. Please join fellow parishioners for Mass at 7:30 AM Monday through Friday. Therefore, there are Monday openings for Mass intentions. Call the Office if interested.

For Mass intentions, call the 925-939-3826



Saint Stephen Church
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays @ 4:00 PM
Beginning Saturday, July 7

Please make note of the new time.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Sunday 6/17	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Father's Day!	
9:30 AM	PH	Fr. Mark's last Sunday Mass at SSP
Monday 6/18	St. Gregory Barbarigo, pray for us.	
8:30 AM	RC	Counters
Tuesday 6/19	St. Romuald, Abbot, pray for us.	
8:00 AM	CH	Rosary Group
8:00 AM	PH	Contra Costa Realtors in Motion
Wednesday 6/20	St. Vincent Kaun, pray for us.	
8:00 AM	CH	Rosary Group
10:00 AM	R5	Scripture Study
Thursday 6/21	St. Aloysius Gonzaga, pray for us.	
8:00 AM	CH	Rosary Group
7:00 PM	CH	Choir Rehearsal resumes in the fall
Friday 6/22	St. Thomas More, pray for us.	
8:00 AM	CH	Rosary Group
	<i>Parish Office Closed</i>	
Saturday 6/23	St. Joseph Cafasso, pray for us.	
3:30 PM	CH	Reconciliation
Sunday 6/24	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist	

CH = Church . PH = Parish Hall . RC = Rectory . R# = Room

MINISTERS SAT/SUN JUN 23/24

MASS:	5 PM	9:30 AM
LECTORS	R. Kuca	R. Gigoux
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	M. Milani * P. Walton J. Kurpinsky	Veamatahau * J. Patel M. Lenahan
SACRISTAN		J. Jury
ALTAR SERVERS:	F. McCormick	L. Morin
COUNTERS:		
MON 6/18	M. Lenahan	D. Mammola
MON 6/25	P. Walton	K. Coyne

Ministers Subject to Change by Pastoral Associate



Northern California Kickoff for Catholic Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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SAT. SEP. 15. 9am to 9pm @ Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, Vallejo
tickets & info: www.onfirenorcal.com

Co-sponsored by the Diocese of Fresno, Monterey, Oakland, Reno, Sacramento, Santa Rosa, Stockton & Archdiocese

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

JUNE 3, 2018

CONTRIBUTIONS

Sunday Collection	\$4,567.00
Catholic Charities	\$ 100.00
Maintenance	\$ 100.00
Hospitality	\$ 52.00

Thank you! Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

REMEMBER ST. STEPHEN PARISH IN YOUR WILL & LIVING TRUST

Consider a pledge to the 2018 Diocesan Bishop's Appeal



Diocese of Oakland
For more information:

www.oakdiocese.org/giving

2018 Bishop's Appeal SSP Goal Summary:

Parish Goal:	\$15,500.00
Funds Raised:	\$12,885.00
Remaining:	\$ 2,615.00
% of Goal Raised:	*83.13%

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a special place to renew and redeem hearts broken by the loss of a child through miscarriage, abortion, and Sudden Infant Death (SIDS). The retreats are for women and men who are grieving pain and loss and seek healing. The weekend offers a supportive, non-judgmental environment to transform the pain of the past into love and hope. The next retreat is June 29-July 1. Spaces are limited.



Contact Kim @ 209-465-5433
Gloria @ 510-485-2584 or by email

"The best thing a man can do for his children is to love their mother."
—Abraham Lincoln

Happy Father's Day



FROM THE OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

It was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed . . . , but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. 1 Peter 1:18-19

No Expiration Date

Almost every item in our culture seems to have an expiration date. Most foods usually have a "fresh until" or "best if used by" date on their packages. Phones, TVs, computers, apps, and other e-gadgets become obsolete to the latest version, usually within months of each new release. Fashion trends come and go. One permanent fixture in our lives, however, remains—our Savior's sacrifice on the cross, the source of our salvation. It has no expiration date! Death has been defeated and the timeless, eternal, foundational fact of God's grace lives forevermore. We can rest assured that the basis for our faith is bedrock and will not change. Trends may come and go. Popular culture will alter its tastes with the latest products and performers. But Jesus remains the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

Prayer: "Lord, I'm so thankful for the unchangeable, unalterable foundation for my faith in Christ. I praise you for your permanence!" Amen

—Annette Roux, Pastoral Associate



CATECHETICAL CONGRESS OAKLAND DIOCESE
SAT, AUG 11, 8:15 AM TO 4 PM
BISHOP O'DOWD HIGH SCHOOL, OAKLAND
EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION: \$35 ENDS JUL 15
LATE REGISTRATION: \$40

QUESTIONS: PCOLLYER@OAKDIOCESE.ORG
SPEAKERS INCLUDE THE VP OF LIFE TEEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COURAGE INTERNATIONAL, DIRECTOR OF EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE FOR MIAMI ARCHDIOCESE, BISHOP BARBER & LOCAL EXPERTS
REGISTER: WWW.OAKDIOCESE.ORG/CONGRESS