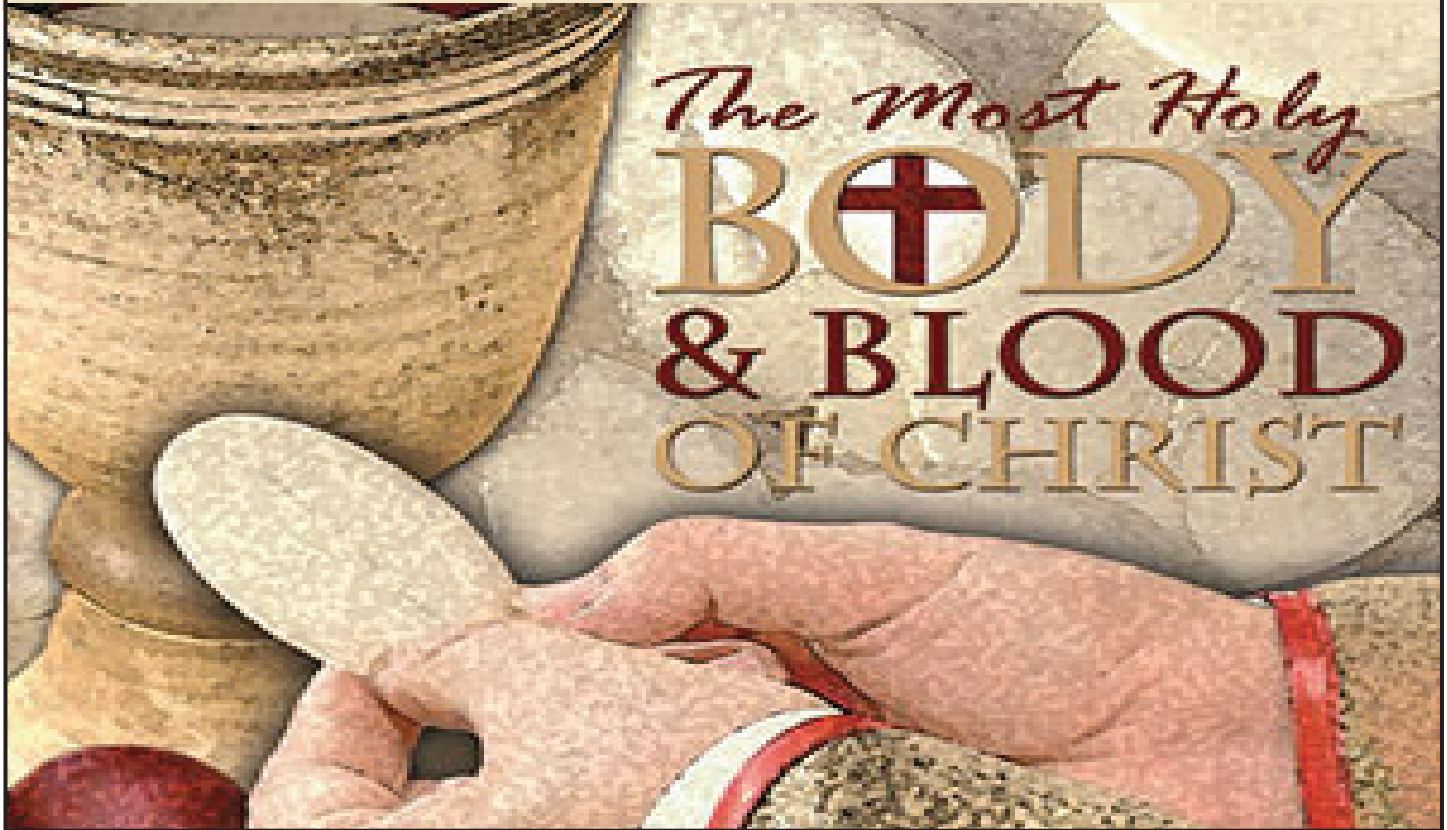


# *Saint Stephen Catholic Parish*

## *Walnut Creek, California ~ June 18, 2017*



### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday--Thursday 8:30 AM--4:30 PM  
Office closes daily for lunch and at noon on Wednesdays

Parish Office, Rectory and Mailing Address: 525 Madonna Lane  
Walnut Creek, CA 94597

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### **PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR:**

FR. MARK C. AMARAL

### **PARISH STAFF:**

DEACON BILL BOTHE  
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Pastoral Associate  
Faith Formation

MARY COOK  
Office Manager/Secretary

NANCY GIZDICH  
Parish Bookkeeper

MARIA CALDERAZZO  
Director of Music Ministry

PETER RENO  
Pastoral Council Chair

### **ASSISTING CLERGY:**

FR. HELMUT RICHTER



### **LITURGY SCHEDULE:**

Saturday: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:30 AM  
Weekdays:\* 7:30 AM  
\*Note: Monday is a Communion Service  
Holy Days: As Announced

### **RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: 3:30 PM

**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.



## MASS INTENTIONS

SAT	6/17	5:00	Frank Puchalski †
SUN	6/18	9:30	Bob Walton †
TUE	6/20	7:30	Leonard Battaglia †
WED	6/21	7:30	Lucia Caruso †
THU	6/22	7:30	Int. Eugene Dizon
FRI	6/23	7:30	Int. St. Stephen Parishioners
SAT	6/24	5:00	Int. Lynn Amaral—Birthday Blessing
SUN	6/25	9:30	Joy Hall †



For Mass intentions, please contact the Parish Office @ 925-939-3826 for unique and special gifts for birthdays, graduations, anniversaries, Communion, Confirmations and Christmas.

Mass times across the US at <http://masstimes.org>

## TODAY'S READINGS

**FIRST READING** — Never forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of slavery and fed you with manna in the desert (Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a).

**PSALM** — Praise the Lord, Jerusalem (Psalm 147).

**SECOND READING** — Because the loaf of bread is one, we who partake of it, though we are many, are one body (1 Corinthians 10:16-17).

**GOSPEL**—Jesus said to the crowds, “I am the living bread; whoever eats this bread will live forever” John 6:51-58

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**MONDAY:** 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42

**TUESDAY:** 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48

**WEDNESDAY:** 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9;  
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**THURSDAY:** 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15

**FRIDAY:** Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10;  
1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

**SATURDAY:** Vigil: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 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

**SUNDAY:** Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35;  
Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33

## TRUST IN JESUS

Today's feast celebrates another central mystery of our faith—the mystery of the Eucharist. Like the mystery of the Trinity, the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist can never be fully understood, but can only be believed. Just as the Israelites in the desert were invited to put their trust in God's word to them, we are invited to trust wholly in the word of Jesus. In today's Gospel Jesus promises to give us a share in his very own flesh and blood, and a share in eternal life besides. We are called to take him at his word and open our hearts to receive true nourishment and life from our participation in the Eucharist.

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**Magnificat SOTI Invites You to a Prayer Breakfast**  
**Sat, Jun 24 @ 9:30 am Crowne Plaza, Concord**  
**Speaker: Fr. Jim Sullivan ~ All are Welcome!**  
**Tickets: \$33/\$40 after Jun 17**

**Visit [www.magnificatsoti.org](http://www.magnificatsoti.org) for More Info or Call Jennifer @ 503-709-8449 for Reservations**

## OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

### Why pray?

We do not go into prayer and hope to come out on the other end of the exercise fully grown in the Spirit, perfectly new, totally finished. Not at all. There is too much of us in us to ever disappear. Nor is it meant to. To pray does not mean that we will cease to be ourselves. It simply means that we will come to know clearly what it will take to become more of the Jesus figure we are all meant to be. Prayer confronts us with ourselves and measures the distance between who and what we are and who and what Jesus is. We watch Jesus confront the leaders of the day. He calls the priests and Pharisees to cleanse the temple and lift from the backs of the people the laws of the synagogue that burden them. He calls the leaders of the state to stop living off the backs of the poor. And, he calls us to do the same.

Being immersed in prayer, really immersed in prayer, sears our souls. It forces us to see how far from our own ideals we stand. It challenges the images of goodness and piety and integrity we project. It confronts us with what it really means to live a good life. It requires courage of us rather than simply piety. It says again and again, “Come, follow me.”

—Annette Roux, Pastoral Associate



The Seminarians of the  
Diocese of Oakland Present  
**Quo Vadis ~ July 9 to 12**  
**Where Are You Going?**

Young men ages 13 to 18 are invited to attend this three day camp to assist in discerning their vocation as they grow in relationship with Christ. Activities include fun, games, music, Mass, prayer and talks. Space is Limited: \$50 registration.

**Diocese of Oakland Youth Retreat Center**  
**1977 Reliez Valley Road, Lafayette**

For info call Cielo Branco 510-267-8356 or  
email C Branco @oakdiocese.org

## WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

<b>Sunday, 6/18</b>	<b>MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST</b> <b>FATHER'S DAY</b>
<b>Monday, 6/19</b> 8:30 AM	<b>St. Romuald, pray for us.</b> RC Parish Office Closed
<b>Tuesday, 6/20</b> 8:00 AM 12:00 PM 7:00 PM	<b>St. Vincent Kaun, pray for us.</b> PH Realtors In Motion PH Card & Game Party R1 Stewardship Meeting
<b>Wednesday, 6/21</b> 7:00 PM	<b>St. Aloysius, pray for us.</b> PH Movie Night "Loving"
<b>Thursday, 6/22</b> 7:30 AM	<b>St. Thomas More, pray for us.</b> PH Keller Williams Bold CH Choir Rehearsal resumes 9/7
<b>Friday, 6/23</b> 8:30 AM	<b>St. Joseph Cafasso, pray for us.</b> RC Parish Office Closed
<b>Saturday, 6/24</b> 8:00 AM 3:30 PM	<b>St. John the Baptist, pray for us.</b> PH Marriage Prep Retreat CH Sacrament of Reconciliation
<b>Sunday, 6/25</b> 8:00 AM 4:00 PM	<b>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> PH Marriage Prep Retreat PH Marriage Prep Retreat Mass

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




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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**  
St. Stephen Movie Night  
Wed, Jun 21 @ 7 pm in Parish Hall  
with popcorn and root beer floats!  
Come watch "Loving"  
The story of a couple arrested for  
interacial marriage in 1960s Virginia  
began a legal battle that would end with  
the Supreme Court's historic 1967 decision.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE  
SICK OF OUR PARISH**

## MINISTERS JUNE 24/25, 2017

<b>MASS:</b>	<b>5 PM</b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>
<b>LECTORS:</b>	S. Derby	M. AhYee
<b>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</b> 	J. Holmes*	T. Holani*
	S. Karges	M. Mammola
	D. Derby	E. Hites P. Dempsey J. Patel A. Roux
<b>ALTAR SERVERS:</b>	J. Kurpinsky	L. Morin
<b>COUNTERS:</b>		
<b>TUE 6/20</b>	P. Dempsey	P. Walton
<b>MON 6/26</b>	K. Coyne	J. Stark

## BRIDGE & GAME PARTY



Please come and join us at St. Stephen Parish Hall on Tuesday, June 20 @ noon for an afternoon of games (bridge, dominoes, Rummikub, etc.). This is a chance to socialize with your fellow parishioners. All are welcome. Please bring a sandwich for your lunch. Snacks and beverages will be provided. Call Walter Lang at 939-2430 if you have any questions.

**Fatherhood: Blessed indeed is the man  
who hears many gentle voices call  
him father! —Lydia M. Child**



**Pray the Rosary**

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

**JUNE 11, 2017 CONTRIBUTIONS**

Contributions for Sun, June 11 are not listed as they were not yet counted when this bulletin went to print.

Thank you! Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

REMEMBER ST. STEPHEN PARISH IN YOUR WILL & LIVING TRUST

Consider a donation to the 2017 Bishop's Appeal.

**Francis**

