

*Saint Stephen
Catholic Parish
Walnut Creek, California*

*Twenty-Second
Sunday in
Ordinary Time*

September 3, 2017



PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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

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

Church Location: 1101 Keaveny Ct, Walnut Creek

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PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR:

FR. MARK C. AMARAL

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Office Manager Bookkeeper

MARIA CALDERAZZO PETER RENO
Director of Music Ministry 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. Usually 7:30 AM and 7:00 PM



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 9/2	5:00	Donna Baggett †
SUN 9/3	9:30	Lillian Pavlovich †
TUE 9/5	7:30	Int. Mary & Tom Cook
WED 9/6	7:30	Int. Frank Caruso
THU 9/7	7:30	Jack Puchalski †
FRI 9/8	7:30	Int. St. Stephen Parishioners
SAT 9/9	5:00	John Patrick Connolly †
SUN 9/10	9:30	Paul Battaglia-World Trade Center †



For Mass intentions, please contact the Parish Office @ 925-939-3826. Dates available through 2018.

A bad day at work is better than a good day in hell. Happy Labor Day!

TODAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING — The name of the LORD has become like fire burning in Jeremiah's heart (Jeremiah 20:7-9).

PSALM — My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 63).

SECOND READING — Be transformed; renew your mind; discern what is good (Romans 12:1-2).

GOSPEL — Those who lose their lives for Jesus' sake will find them (Matthew 16:21-27).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessing of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

TUESDAY: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37

WEDNESDAY: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44

THURSDAY: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11

FRIDAY: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

SATURDAY: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

SUNDAY: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

AUGUST 27, 2017 CONTRIBUTIONS

Sunday Offering	\$3,363.30	
Assumption of Mary	\$ 5.00	
Doughnuts	\$ 23.42	
Flowers	\$ 25.00	
Mission Coop	\$1,198.00	

Thank you! Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

REMEMBER ST. STEPHEN PARISH IN YOUR WILL & LIVING TRUST



Diocese of Oakland
For more information:

www.oakdiocese.org/giving

2017 Bishop's Appeal SSP Goal Summary:

Parish Goal:	\$15,793.48
Funds Raised:	\$ 9,840.00
Still to Raise:	\$ 5,953.48
% of Goal Raised:	62.30%

Birthright of Walnut Creek Celebrate Life Dinner

Saturday, October 14

5:30 PM Social, 6:15 PM Dinner

St. Mary Church, Bont Lane, Walnut Creek

Adults: \$40 now; \$50 after 9/29

Youth: \$20; Under 5; FREE. Call 798-7227 or visit <http://birthright-dinner.eventbrite.com> by 10/6



Magnificat SOTI September Prayer Breakfast
Sat, Sep 16 @ 9:30 am—12:30 pm
Crowne Plaza, 45 John Glenn Drive, Concord
Guest Speaker: Annette Baber
Tickets: \$33 and \$40 after Sep 9
More Info: visit Magnificat-ministry.net

Without labor, nothing prospers. —Sophocles



OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION

"I have given you as a light to the nations . . ." - Isaiah 42:6

If you knew everybody was watching, what would you do differently? If the world could see what you were doing right now, how would it change what you were up to? If you're like most of us, you make a bit more of an effort on days when you're going out than on ones you plan to spend on the couch. If you're like most of us, you say things to your family when you're safe inside your house, and perhaps, say them in a way that you would never say in public. Well, Isaiah says God's hoping for a lot more from you than just good public manners. Isaiah says God's given you—you!—as a light to the nations. You're to be the beacon fire on the mountaintop. The searchlight on the rescue helicopter. The torch in the Statue of Liberty's hand. God doesn't need you to be in the public eye; God needs you to be the light that lets it see. If you knew God needed you to enlighten the world by the way you live your life, what would you do differently today?

Prayer: God, this little light of mine doesn't really seem bright enough for the job you have in mind. But it's your call, so I'll do my best to not put it out. Amen.

—Annette Roux, Pastoral Associate

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Sunday 9/3 22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:30 AM PH Hospitality
10:30 AM CH Faith Formation Registration

Monday 9/4 St. Rosalia, pray for us. Parish Office Closed—Holiday

Tuesday 9/5 St. Teresa of Calcutta, pray for us.

8:00 AM PH Realtors In Motion
7:00 PM R1 Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday 9/6 St. Eleutherius, pray for us.

Thursday 9/7 St. Cloud, pray for us.

9:30 AM R5 Enrichment Meeting
2:30 PM R6 St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
7:00 PM CH Choir Rehearsal Resumes

Friday 9/8 St. Adrian, pray for us. Parish Office Closed

Saturday 9/9 St. Peter Claver, pray for us.

3:30 PM CH Reconciliation
6:00 PM CH Faith Formation Registration

Diocesan Priest Retirement Collection

Sunday 9/10 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10:30 AM PH Hospitality
10:30 AM CH Faith Formation Registration

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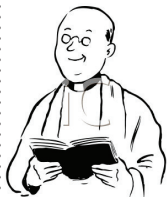
CH = Church . PH = Parish Hall . RC = Rectory . R# = Room

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR
HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
10:00 AM @
THE CATHEDRAL OF
CHRIST THE LIGHT



MINISTERS SEPTEMBER 9/10, 2017

MASS:	5 PM	9:30 AM
LECTORS:	R. Kuca	M. Ah Yee
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	S. Karges*	M. Mammola*
	F. McCormick	L. Morin
	J. Kurpinsky	O. Escruceria
		A. Escruceria
		Veamatahau
ALTAR SERVERS:	M. Milani	A. Welti
COUNTERS:		
TUE 9/5	D. Mammola	C. Ellis
MON 9/11	K. Coyne	P. Dempsey



Let's remember our retired priests. Although they are officially retired, some of the 57 priests in that category are still "laboring in the vineyard" as chaplains, pastor emeriti, spiritual directors and more. Next weekend, September 10, you will have the chance to contribute to the Diocesan Priest Retirement Benefit Trust. Prayerfully consider how you can match their generosity to the Church. Thank you for your continued contributions.

ST. STEPHEN PARISH CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

REGISTRATION 2017-2018

Please return to Annette Roux or to the Parish Office

FAMILY NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

PHONE-HOME: _____

PHONE-CELL: _____

PHONE-WORK: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PARENTS' NAMES: _____

FATHER

MOTHER

PARENTS' RELIGION: _____

FATHER

MOTHER

REGISTERED IN PARISH: YES NO

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO CHILD: _____

PHONE-CELL: _____

PHONE-WORK: _____

CHILD'S NAME: _____

FIRST

LAST

CHILD'S CELL: _____

MALE FEMALE DATE OF BIRTH AGE

GRADE SCHOOL CITY

BAPTIZED: YES NO If yes, where was the Sacrament received?

NAME OF CHURCH CITY

PENANCE: YES NO If yes, where was the Sacrament received?

NAME OF CHURCH CITY

A COPY OF THE CHILD'S BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE MUST BE PROVIDED IN ORDER TO BEGIN CLASSES.

CERTIFICATE ATTACHED: YES NO

FAITH FORMATION TUITION

\$100 year for one child—\$150 year for two

Payable to St. Stephen. Please return on or before Sep. 14

CHECK # _____ ATTACHED in the amount of \$ _____

Classes begin Sunday, Sep 24 at 8:30 AM in Rooms 4 & 6

Confirmation classes begin Sunday, Sep 24 at 11:00 AM

Additional forms available at www.saintstephenparish.org

or in the rear of the church or Annette 925.939.3826

or email gizzymo3@sbcglobal.net