

SAINT STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 22, 2018

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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St. Stephen Festival

Sunday, July 29th 2018

Noon - 5:00pm

Bake Sale. Live Music.
Games. Craft Fair.
Art Show. Sacred Music.

FREE ADMISSION

Food and Drinks available for purchase
from Hoda's Mediterranean Catering.

✠ MASS SCHEDULE ✠

SUNDAYS

8:00 AM ✠ Latin Mass [1962 Missal]

10:30 AM ✠ Sung Parish Mass

MONDAY through SATURDAY

posted weekly inside bulletin

✠ DIVINE OFFICE ✠

SUNDAYS

5:00 PM ✠ Sung Latin Vespers [1962 Breviary]

✠ SACRAMENTS ✠

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Sundays, 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM

Thursdays, 6:35 PM - 7:00 PM

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Pastor. Wedding dates will be set
after beginning marriage preparation with the priest.

INFANT BAPTISM

Please contact the parish office
or see one of the priests after Mass.

WELCOME TO ALL WHO WORSHIP WITH US

PARISH MINISTRIES

Pastor	Rev. Eric Andersen eandersen@archdpdx.org
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MASS READINGS

(Ordinary Form)

Monday:	Mi 61-4, 6-8 / Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 / Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday:	2 Cor 4:7-15 / Mt 20:20-28
Thursday:	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13 / Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	Jer 3:14-17 / Mt 13:18-23
Saturday:	Jer 7:1-11 / Mt 13:24-30

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal in rectory basement
	11:30 am	Coffee and Donuts in gym
Thursday	7:00 pm	St. Stephen Festival planning in rectory conference room
Saturday	9:30 am	Set up for Festival: Volunteers meet in gym
	10:00 am	Festival Choir Rehearsal in choir loft
Sunday	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal in rectory basement
	9:00 am	Altar Server Rehearsal in rectory basement
	Noon	Festival of St. Stephen

OFFERTORY REPORT

	July 15	Fiscal Year-to-Date*
Regular Collections	\$3,356.80	(*Beginning July 1st)
Electronic Giving	\$...650.00	
Total	\$4,006.80	\$14,296.40
Budgeted	\$4,800.00	\$14,400.00
Budget +/-	-\$793.20	-\$103.60

Thank you for your sacrificial offerings

ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is on our website via the Donate tab. Or set up an account and give by means of text message at 503-966-9355. Also consider giving via Bill Pay. Thank you.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Lectionary Year B / Weekday Lectionary II
Eucharistic Prayer I with Preface VIII

Sunday, July 22

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - 9th Sunday after Pentecost) (People of the Parish)
9:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Mass (+Earlene Dennington)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary)

Monday, July 23

Weekday in Ordinary Time (Saint Bridget, Religious)

6:45 pm	No Mass
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Tuesday, July 24

Weekday in Ordinary Time (Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest)

7:30 am	Mass (+Dang Xuan Vu)
Noon	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - FERIA with comm. of St. Christina, Virgin & Martyr) (Theo Jadwisiak)

Wednesday, July 25

Saint James, Apostle, Feast

7:30am	Mass (+Jeri Moeller)
6:45 pm	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - St. James the Greater, Apostle with comm. to St. Christopher) (Ronan Armstrong)

Thursday, July 26

Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 am	Mass (Javier Mena)
6:30-7:00 pm	Confessions

Friday, July 27

Weekday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am	Mass of the Dead (+Deacon Daniel Dietsch)
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Saturday, July 28

Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

8:00 am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9:00 am	Mass (+Brenda Hoefer)
9:30-10:30 am	Confessions

Sunday, July 29

External Solemnity for the Finding of the Relics of Saint Stephen, Protomartyr

8:00 am	Low Latin Mass (1962 Missal - External Solemnity for the Finding of the Relics of Saint Stephen, Protomartyr) (Randal & Alice Blaschke)
9:00 am	Confessions
10:30 am	Solemn Latin Mass (1962 Missal) (People of the Parish)
5:00 pm	Sung Latin Vespers (1962 Breviary - 10th Sunday after Pentecost)

HEADSETS AVAILABLE DURING MASS IN THE NARTHEX OF THE CHURCH

FROM THE SEMINARIAN'S DESK

Seminarians and priests, and indeed all the faithful, are encouraged to deepen their spirituality through the Church's treasury of devotional practices. One very important and special way to grow spiritually is by taking a retreat. Retreats are a wonderful way for any Christian to connect or reconnect with God and deepen their relationship with him.

Every seminarian at Mt. Angel is required to attend a 5-day silent retreat. These days of silence are indispensable to the spiritual life. During my time at the Institute for Priestly Formation (IPF) in Omaha, last summer, I was privileged to be able to undertake an Ignatian 8-day silent retreat. We did not do the full Ignatian exercises, but we did learn a great deal about Ignatian 'discernment of spirits,' the rules of which we employed during our silent retreat. This was an immensely formative experience. I encourage anyone who wishes to give their spiritual life a boost to go on a retreat, especially a decently long silent one. Also, one book that has been particularly helpful to me in my vocational journey in this regard has been Fr. Timothy Gallagher's very accessible and applicable book *Discernment of Spirits*.

Another one of the wonderful treasures among spiritual practices is pilgrimage. This kind of devotion really gets at the incarnational nature of our faith because you go to spiritual places in physical space, say, where a saint is buried, or perhaps some important event happened. One could make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land or to Rome, but you can also make pilgrimages to a local church or to the cathedral. It is a great way to get to know one's own diocese and to learn more about the local church and to make an offering of penance and devotion. One of my fellow seminarians (Peter Laughlin) and I have, for the past three years, hiked from Mount Angel to the Cathedral or the Grotto in Portland. It's about a 3-day journey, and we always offer our walk (and the sufferings we incur as a result of walking so much) for the intentions that our friends and family give to us. I can say that this devotion has deepened my prayer life and has helped me get to know better the diocese I hope one day to be able to serve.

Four years ago, I undertook a pilgrimage to Rome with one of my good friends, following in the footsteps of Catholic author Hilaire Belloc (who was a friend of G.K. Chesterton). In his book *The Path to Rome* (also highly recommended), he chronicles his journey from a little town in Northeastern France (Toul) to Rome, mostly on foot. My friend and I recreated this pilgrimage over 100 years later, rediscovering Catholic Europe for ourselves and praying all along the way. The Belloc pilgrimage is not an official one like the very popular Camino de Santiago in Spain, but one's pilgrimage need not be 'official' in order to grow spiritually as a result. My friend and I were awed at the ancient beauty of Catholicism that permeated our journey, coupled with the disappointment at the waning faith of the people there. Nevertheless, we were filled with a hope and a zeal that we brought back with us. The end of our journey took us to Rome, where we saw the Pope from afar at his Wednesday audience, in addition to visiting the various holy sites of Rome. In addition to any retreat, I also highly recommend a well devoted pilgrimage. One need not go to Europe to do so; there are plenty of holy places around here. And if you think there aren't enough holy sites in our corner of the world, then let's make some!

COFFEE AND DONUTS

AFTER 10:30 AM MASS TODAY IN GYM

To contribute, please sign up in the narthex of the church.

SUNG VESPERS: EVERY SUNDAY EVENING

Join us each **Sunday at 5:00 pm** as we offer Vespers, the Church's ancient prayer for early evening, using the Latin-texted Roman Breviary of 1962. Come and sing the psalms with us, or just listen and pray along with the words and melodies which have nourished the saints and praised God for millennia. We provide booklets with all the chants, texts, and side-by-side English translations.

ST. STEPHEN FESTIVAL

We invite you to join us for our St. Stephen Festival on **Sunday, July 29th** from Noon to 5pm. Admission is free and there will be plenty of games and activities for kids as well as a craft fair, bake sale, and an art show. Food, beer, and wine will be available for purchase and provided by Hoda's Mediterranean catering. We'll be closing our festival with solemn Vespers at 5pm in the Church. If you'd like more information you can e-mail Lisa Hezmalhalch, the festival committee chair, at HezzieLCH@gmail.com.

PARISH BAKE SALE

Our Parish will hold a Bake Sale at the Festival on **Sunday, July 29th** from noon to 5:00 pm in the gym. We are asking for your contributions of wrapped home-baked goods. We will be selling the items for the Festival participants to take home or to enjoy onsite. Your donations can be dropped off in the gym either before or after the 10:30 Mass on the day of the Festival. Please contact Thelma Dietsch with any questions or suggestions at tsdietsch@gmail.com.

FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

This year's festival will be bigger and have more of everything than last year. It is an opportunity to spread good cheer and good will to the neighborhood and hopefully a chance to raise some money for the restoration of St. Stephen's Church. We need approx 40 volunteers to give their time for one hour on **Sunday, July 29th**. We have positions open for games, crafts, bake sale, snow cones, church watching, and more. Will you give one hour? **Please sign up with Luke Stager after the Masses today or contact the parish office during the week to get your name on the list.**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: SAVE-THE-DATES

The Opening Mass will be on **Saturday, Sept 22nd** at St. Rose of Lima Catholic church at 5:30 p.m. with Bishop Peter Smith.

The Opening prayer vigil will be the following day on **Sunday, Sept 23rd** at 2 pm, at Lovejoy Surgicenter.

SUMMER CCD CORNER IV

So this week we focus on a question that non-Catholics sometimes ask: Why do Catholics Maintain beliefs and practices that are not in the Bible? Our high school youth focused on apologetics this last year. This was one of the questions that we addressed. We believe that the Bible is not the sole means that God chose to hand on the truths of Revelation. Scripture and Tradition are the two complementary ways Revelation is passed down (CCC, nos. 80, 97). Did you know that the word "tradition" actually means handing down something to another person? There are teachings that come through Tradition that are not explicitly found in the Scripture. Tradition never contradicts Scripture since both come from Christ through the Apostles (CCC, no.82). Do your kids know about Apostolic Tradition? Apostolic Tradition refers to the things that Jesus taught to the Apostles and early disciples. These things were passed down by word of mouth at first and then later were written down. As Catholics we understand that these beliefs come from Tradition. We also understand that this Tradition is a part of God's Revelation to us (CCC, no. 83).

CULTURE OF LIFE

As faithful Christians, we have a responsibility to witness to the culture of life! Come out and see how God will use YOU to help mothers and save the lives of unborn children. The "no-show" rate for having abortions is as high as 75% when people are present praying on abortion day. Please join us at Planned Parenthood at 3727 NE MLK Jr. Blvd on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 11:00 a.m. and from 1:30 to 5 pm. Also, at The Lovejoy Surgicenter at 933 NW 25th on Thursdays from 6:30 to 9 a.m., and Fridays from 8 to 10 a.m. For more information, contact Therese at ruesinktherese@comcast.net or (503) 997-1884 .

CHESTERTON SOCIETY GATHERING

The Chesterton Society of Salem is hosting a gathering for men (21 yrs and up) at Fordyce Farm on **Saturday, July 28** from 7 to 10 PM. The night includes an exhortation to live courageously and faithfully, enjoy good fellowship, and have tasty food and drinks! Registration is free and includes two drink tokens and a free cigar or pipe tobacco. There will be an ask to benefit Chesterton Academy of the Willamette Valley. Our special guest speaker this year is Fr. Gabriel Mosher, O.P. Register through Eventbrite by searching "Chesterton Men's Night" or typing/clicking the link below: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gk-chesterton-mens-night-ii-tickets-47480340978>

MARRIED COUPLES

Let Jesus feed your marriage! Join us on one of the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends on **August 17th - 19th** at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House. For more information call 503-853-2758 or apply on-line at www.rediscoverthepark.org.

Additional dates and locations are listed on-line.

INQUIRING ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Adults and teens that would like to learn more about the Catholic faith are invited to join Fr. Eric Andersen for a weekly class. Two options for classes will be offered on Thursday mornings at 10 am and Thursday evenings at 7 pm beginning this fall. Choose which time works best for you. RCIA is an acronym for "Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults". RCIA is a series of rites to prepare people for Baptism and Confirmation in the Catholic Church. It begins by learning what we believe about God; our relationship with Him; how we worship Him; what we receive from Him; and how that informs the way we must live. If you are interested in inquiring about the Catholic faith or in joining the class, please contact Fr. Eric Andersen at eandersen@archdpdx.org.

WHAT ARE THE TROOPS OF ST GEORGE?

"The Troops of Saint George apostolate aims to use the outdoors as our canvas and the sacraments as our path to light the way for the formation of Holy Catholic men and boys. Whether called to the vocation of the priesthood, the religious life, or that of Holy fatherhood, our fathers and sons will take a prayerful pilgrimage together to fulfill Christ's desire for them to grow in virtue and in their Holy Catholic faith as they journey toward heaven." "The troops are not an alternative scouting organization. TSG is chiefly a Catholic catechetical apostolate. Our primary goal is to help men and young men grow in the theological virtues and strengthen their love for Christ in the Catholic Church. Camping isn't the goal—it's the context." Would you like to know more? Fr. Andersen invites you to check out their website at www.troopsofsaintgeorge.org

REGINA CAELI ACADEMY 2018-2019

Come join our exciting mission to form the next generation of Catholics! Regina Caeli Academy (www.rcahybrid.org) provides a classical, hybrid education in the Catholic tradition. Pre K3- 12th grade students attend Socratic, hands-on classes taught by trained tutors two days a week and homeschool on the remaining days. Lesson plans for home days are included and optimized for in-home education. Location: 2710 NE 65th Ave. Vancouver, WA 98661. For enrollment information, or to schedule a tour of our facility (by appointment only), please contact our admissions representative at (470) 239-0259 or admissions@rcahybrid.org.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation will be held on **September 18th** at St. Stephen at 7:00 pm.

- **September 8th, 2018** Retreat and Hike (all day event) Sponsors should plan to attend if possible.
- **September 15th, 2018** Practice and Saint presentation (morning) Sponsors should plan to attend if possible.

This year confirmation will take place in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite in Latin and promises to be a beautiful event for our confirmation class.