

# St. Stephen Parish

6300 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109



*Different Ages...*

*Different Histories...*

*One Faith!*

## *Pastoral Staff*

Reverend Daniel M. Rocco, Pastor  
Permanent Deacon Ernest Picknally  
Permanent Deacon Anthony Cioe  
Sister Bernadette Mary Leahy, SSJ  
Mrs. Patricia Higgins, Principal



## *Contact Information*

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## *July 3, 2011 – The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### Mass Schedule

**Daily:** Monday thru Friday – 9:00am

**Weekend Obligation:**

Saturday – 4:30pm (**Reconciliation 3:45pm-4:15pm**)

Sunday – 9:00am & 10:30am

**Children's Liturgy:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ 9:00am

**Holy Days:** 9:00am & 7:00pm – 7:00pm Vigil

**Miraculous Medal Novena** – Every Thursday after 9am Mass.

**Eucharistic Exposition** – First Friday from 9:30am-7pm.

**Baptism** – Call the Rectory for arrangements.

Required Preparation is 1 class, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday @ Noon.

Baptism – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month @ Noon.

**Anointing of the Sick/Eucharist** –

**Upon request after the 4:30pm Mass in the Chapel.**

Prior notification is necessary by calling the rectory Monday-Friday. Also call the Rectory if someone is sick or housebound.

**Marriage** – arrangements must be made with a priest 1 year in advance. Only individually registered parishioners of one year or more are eligible to be married here and includes anyone still living at home with parents who should register individually.

**Tribunal Parish Advocate**-Deacon Anthony Cioe-227-2145

**Rectory Summer Hours**-Monday thru Thursday 9am-4:30pm  
(Rectory is closed 10 Summer Fridays from July 1 – Sept. 2)

### Our Mission Statement

*Saint Stephen Parish is a Catholic Faith Community called by God through Baptism. Our mission is to live the Gospel by loving and serving all our brothers and sisters.*

**Parish Membership** – Moving INTO the parish all are asked to register as soon as possible.

Moving WITHIN or OUT – kindly notify rectory of changes.

**Please consider remembering St. Stephen's in your Will or Estate Planning.** There are financial benefits to do so while still alive and, in death, the spiritual reward of helping to continue the Church's mission of preaching Jesus Christ.

**R.C.I.A.** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Anyone interested in becoming Catholic is invited to become part of the RCIA. This process begins with a journey of faith that culminates in full communion with the Church through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. This process is open to those who are not baptized, to those who have been baptized in other Christian denominations, or to baptized Catholics who have never received catechetical instruction or received Confirmation and First Communion. Further information is available by calling the Rectory.

**Our Parish Family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life.**



**Family or Friends** having a weekend Mass celebrated for a loved one are encouraged to participate by bringing the gifts of bread and wine to the Priest at Mass. Please be in church 10 minutes prior to Saturday/Sunday Mass and identify yourselves to one of the Ushers.

**Per Diocesan Policy:**

One (1) Mass Intention limit per Mass except for 10:30am on Sunday, which now has a maximum of four (4) intentions.

The 2012 Mass Book is open for intentions within one (1) year of "today".

<b>MONDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>July 4, 2011 (Independence Day)</b> Our Military Personnel – Living & Deceased
<b>TUESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>July 5, 2011</b> Rev. Peter J. Pastore r/b People of the Parish
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>July 6, 2011</b> Frank Moffa, Jr. r/b Sr. Bernadette Leahy, SSJ
<b>THURSDAY</b> 9:00am+Novena	<b>July 7, 2011</b> Daniel J. Ingram r/b The Rotondo Family
<b>FRIDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>July 8, 2011</b> Joseph Petulla r/b M/M Charles Gugliotta
<b>SATURDAY</b> 4:30pm	<b>July 9, 2011</b> Jane Szymanski r/b Raymond & Terry Steele
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>July 10, 2011</b> Loretta T. Horn-Sauter & Ada Barbarito r/b Jim Pennestri
10:30am	Leonardo Faiola r/b Sr. Eleanora & Family Charles Adams r/b The Kozempel Family Fermina Nicdao r/b The Nicdao Family

**The Sanctuary Candle this week is  
In Memory of Our Deceased Military.**

If you would like to contribute to the burning of a Sanctuary Candle in memory of a loved one, you may call the Rectory. Cost is \$10.

June 25/26, 2011 Attendance/Collection	535/	\$4,542
June 26/27, 2010 Attendance/Collection	578/	\$5,575
Budgeted Weekly Collection:		\$5,673
Actual Y-T-D Weekly Average:		\$5,765

**Upcoming Diocesan Special Collections:**

- July 9/10, 2011: "Pastoral Solidarity Fund"
- July 30/31, 2011: "Diocesan Mission Co-op"

**2011 House of Charity Appeal**

2011 House of Charity Appeal Y-T-D	\$46,310 (89%)
2011 House of Charity Goal	\$52,250

Thank you to the 130 families that have given generously thus far. If you have not pledged as yet, extra pledge cards are available in the lobby of our church outside the Sacristy.



Please call the Rectory to let us know if your family member is in the hospital or homebound so that we may bring them Communion. This week remember to pray for:

- Rose Alessandrini, Victor Ambruso, Joe & Dolly Angelastro, Evelyn Capocetta, Yolanda Colafrancesco, Patricia DeLorenzo, Esther DeMarco, Marie DiFrank, Patricia Domer, Diane Fesko, Joe Flacco, Joanna Galdo, Richard Gentile, Jr., Thomas Holmes Sr., Rita Insley, Ben Johnson, Lillian Kinee, Donna Krawchuk, Sandy Lepo, Wanda Loperfido, Joann Lunsford, Vincent Marchese, Harry Mayer, Dorothy McPeak, Marie Melchiorre, John Meyer, Michael & Family, Debbi Morrissey, Freda Novak, Jennifer Osborn, Edith Parrissi, Cassandra Pendleton, Rita Picciano, Declan Roberts, Rosemarie Rosolia, Raphael Rubin, William Sauer, Carmella Scrivani, Steven Stepanavage, Mary Terzini, Lillian Tomarchio, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, John Vindick, Anthony Vocale, Rita Weingard.

If you know that someone on the above sick list is no longer in need of prayers, please contact the rectory office at 662-9338, ext.6 so that we may remove their name. Thank you.

**Ministry Schedule for July 9/10**

(Monthly Schedules are also posted on our website)

**Saturday, 4:30pm**

Altar Servers: D. Surgner, M. Hicks, H. Atchison  
EM's: M. Novoa, The Pandolas, T. Veneziani  
Lectors: P. Tryson, L. Peischl

**Sunday, 9:00am**

Altar Servers: O. Graff, S. Caban, M. Ciarrocca  
EM's: S. Marano, L. McHugh, M. Miller, T. Modzier, S. Mufalli  
Lectors: The Luthmans

**Sunday, 10:30am**

Altar Servers: T. Albert, C. Aleszczyk, K. Fagan  
EM's: The Urgos, T. Mattera, M. Meloni, P. Cioe  
Lectors: M. Turan, E. Mattera

**Independence Day, July 4<sup>th</sup>**



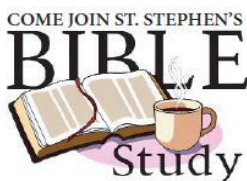
On Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> we will observe Independence Day, a national holiday. The rectory and all Diocesan offices will be closed.

## Rectory Office Summer Hours

Monday thru Thursday 9am-4:30pm  
(Closed 10 Summer Fridays from July 1-Sept. 2)

### This Week @ St. Stephen Parish

- 7/4--Monday-9am Mass, Rectory closed Independence Day
- 7/5--Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary
- 7/6--Wednesday-9am Mass
- 7/7--Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 7pm Discussion Club, 7pm Rosary Makers
- 7/8--Friday-9am Mass, Rectory closed
- 7/9--Saturday-9am Men's Group, 3:45pm Confession, 4:30pm Mass
- 7/10--Sunday-9am Mass, 10:30am Mass

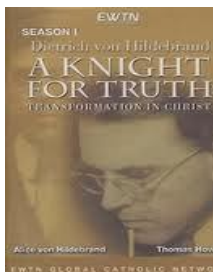


On Summer Hiatus.

Will resume in the Fall every Monday @ 1pm.

### Tuesday Night Rosary

Please join us every Tuesday at 7:00pm in the church in response to Our Lady of Fatima's request to pray the rosary for peace in the world.



### St. Stephen's Discussion Club

Every Thursday night at 7pm in the Rectory we will be discussing

**"A Knight for Truth: Transformation in Christ"**

All are welcome!

### Art & Environment Ministry

Anyone interested in donating flowers for the altar to mark an Anniversary, Christening or Memorial Mass may contact Maria Haas at 665-8393. Anyone who would like to make a donation for a tree to honor a deceased love one or would like to join the A & E Ministry may call Maria at the number above.

### St. Stephen's Prayer Line: Belongs to You

If you need someone to pray for you, you are at the right place. Contact Mary Sharon @ 662-6049 for July requests.

**"You answered me when I called to you; with your strength you strengthened me."**

*Psalms 138:3*

## Scrip News

Our Scrip program has been in place for one year and the good news is we have earned over \$7500 in profit from our loyal base of 30-40 customers. **Imagine what we could do if more people participated!** We would like to continue offering scrip after all the Masses **but WE NEED YOUR HELP!** Fortunately we have had a handful of faithful volunteers selling Scrip this past year but are in need of more. All we are asking is for you to give 15 minutes of your time after the Mass you are already attending. It is easy and it helps to keep our program alive! We are especially in need of volunteers for the 4:30 Saturday Mass. Please consider this opportunity to volunteer. You may call the Rectory or Katy Fagan at our school (662-5935) if you are willing to volunteer or have any questions. **THANK YOU!!**

### Irish at the Shore!

Camden Catholic High School's All-School Reunion "Irish at the Shore" will be held on **Saturday, July 9, 2011** from 3-7pm (rain or shine) at LaCosta, Sea Isle City, NJ. Tickets are \$30 when purchased online at [www.camdenatholicalumni.org](http://www.camdenatholicalumni.org) or \$40 at the door. This is a 21 and over event.

### Just Got Engaged?

St. Simon Stock Parish, 178 W. White Horse Pike in Berlin, NJ will offer PRE-CANA this fall for couples preparing for marriage. It is a two-day session (you must attend both days), which will be held on **Friday, October 14, 2011 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm and on Saturday, October 15, 2011 from 8:00 am – 3:00 pm in the School Hall.** Both parties must attend! To register, call Betty at 856-767-2563.

### Mass Times for Traveling Catholics

Logon to [www.MassTimes.org](http://www.MassTimes.org) for Mass times for Catholic Churches all over the country while you're on vacation.

### Let us place you on our Email distribution list!

Receive in-depth information about what's happening in our parish and our diocese. Learn about social events, diocesan programs, ongoing faith formation, and much, much more. Just complete the form below and drop it into the collection basket, or return it to the Parish Office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

# St. Stephen's RCIA Ministry



## Interested in Becoming Catholic?

--Have you been worshipping with us, but never officially took the step to become Catholic?

--Have you been away from the church...and have now returned, but want to know more?

--Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism; Confirmation; and Eucharist?

Have you joined us from a different background and would now like to find out more about the Catholic Church?

If any of the above questions apply to you, we would love to help you in your journey! Or, if you know of anyone who could answer YES to any of these questions, perhaps you should extend an invitation to them!

Please contact Father Daniel Rocco at (856) 662-9338 or Loretta Steinmetz, RCIA Team Leader at (856) 227-4627 for more information about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

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## CCD Registration – 2011-2012 It's time to register for CCD!

Forms can be obtained online  
by going to the link below

<http://www.ststephenspennsauken.com/CCDregistration2011-2012.pdf>

or you can get them at St Stephen's Rectory, 6300 Browning Road between the hours of 9 am – 4:30 pm, Monday through Thursday. The cost of the registration is \$125.00 per family. Please drop off or mail your application with your check to St. Stephen's Rectory.

## Even Caregivers Need a Vacation

Taking care of an older loved one is a tremendous responsibility. What happens when you need to travel or take a vacation? Who is going to take care of Mom? RESPITE CARE is designed to do just that—provide relief for seniors whose caregivers are temporarily unavailable.

That's why **The Manor at St. Mary's**, a non-profit independent living facility operated by the Diocese of Camden is introducing:

### Holiday for Seniors A 4-day/3-night Weekend Package Only \$99

For more information on Holiday for Seniors, or to schedule a personal tour and complimentary lunch, call Denise at **856-874-5341**.



**The Manor at St. Mary's**  
The affordable alternative to assisted living.  
220 St. Mary's Drive, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

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## Paul VI Summer Camp!

Relax doesn't have to mean regress! - To combat the academic "summer slide", Paul VI High School is pleased to offer an invaluable **pre-eighth grade** course in Reading and Math. The four-week course runs during the month of July, and provides students with tools they'll need to succeed in the fall, including:

- *Math Previews* of many topics covered in the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade years
- *Active Reading Strategies* to help students read faster and smarter
- *Note-Taking and Comprehension Tactics* to help students retain information
- *Creative Writing Workshop* allowing expression through the written word
- *Music Appreciation* to broaden cultural and artistic horizons

For more information on the course and/or to register please contact Mr. Matt Screnci [mscrenci@pvihs.org](mailto:mscrenci@pvihs.org).

## *Saint Stephen Parish Liturgy Board*

### *June 13, 2011 Minutes*

The regular meeting of the Liturgy Board was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mary Ann Meloni and began with a prayer.

**Attendance:** Fr. Rocco, Deacon Ernie, Deacon Anthony, Sr. Bernadette, Mary Ann Meloni, Louise D'Alessandro, Pam Palazzo, Nancy Werner Kaiser, Maria Haas, John Messina, Keith Knight, Mary Novoa, Dennis Rooney, Marianne Bufanio, Joe Haas, MarySue Link. Absent: Joe Scavuzzo, Sandy Hughes

***Business and Reports:***

Father: Thanked various ministries for their services in transitioning from graduation to Pentecost. Things went well and the atmosphere was joyful. New prayer cards are in the pews and the congregations seem to be adapting to the changes. The school will use them in the Fall. After Corpus Christi, the new Gloria will be recited, and Nancy will choose a new Mass setting to introduce sung changes. Steve Obarski from the Diocesan Liturgy Department, suggested that new formats be used rather than redoing old ones. A new missal has been ordered and will arrive in October.

Deacon Ernie: no report

Deacon Anthony: explained that the newsletter is being finalized and will be emailed by the end of the month.

Sr. Bernadette: no report

John: new altar server robes are needed. Fr. Suggested he set up a summer course for new services.

Maria: the Treasures of the Church went well and was well attended.

Louise: no report

Pam: no report

Adeline will no longer be on the board, and Mary Novoa will be the school liaison.

Nancy: the new liturgy setting is called "Mass of Renewal"

***New:***

Copies of the new board structure were distributed. Starting in August, each ministry chair will head a particular season, and Jack Heiningger will come on as administrative chair to set agendas and keep minutes. Since most of the background has already been set, Mary Ann and MarySue will give all the binders and computer information to the rectory, and the chairs can use them as references and resources. Due to a conflict for Jack, meetings will shift to Wednesdays. Father said that each chair should organize committees of their ministers to help organize the services for which they are responsible. In this way, the work will not be as much. Chairs must always be looking ahead.

Keith and members of the Hyland Fire Dept. will place a monument on the grounds near the rectory. All civil services will be held there.

Mary Ann attended a Deanery Meeting on May 25<sup>th</sup> and explained that each parish must be working with the new pastoral planning.

The meeting ended with a celebration of gratitude for the outgoing chairs at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted by MarySue Link