

# St. Stephen Parish

6300 Browning Road - Pennsauken, NJ 08109



## Pastoral Staff

Reverend Vincent Orum, AJ, Administrator  
Reverend Thomas Kiely, In-Residence  
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Mrs. Patricia Higgins, Principal  
Mrs. Adeline Gramlich, CRE

## Parish Contact Information

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**September 6, 2009 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### Mass Schedule

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

**Weekend Obligation:**

Saturday – 4:30pm

Sunday – 9:00am & 10:30am

**Children's Liturgy:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ 10:30am

**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.

**Reconciliation** – Saturday from 3:45pm-4:15pm

Seasonal Services are announced in bulletin.

**Anointing of the Sick/Eucharist**

Call 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.

**Rectory Hours** - Monday thru Friday 9am-4:30pm

### 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 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 the church 10 minutes prior to Mass and identify yourselves to one of the Ushers. Please note that where there is no intention listed, the Mass is offered for the Universal Church.

<b>MONDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>Sept. 7, 2009 – Labor Day (Presider: Fr. Vince)</b> Margaret Lane r/b Her Sister
<b>TUESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>Sept. 8, 2009 (Presider: Fr. Vince)</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>Sept. 9, 2009 (Presider: Fr. Vince)</b> Mary Horn (7 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) r/b Son-in-Law Chuck
<b>THURSDAY</b> 9:00am + Novena	<b>Sept. 10, 2009 (Presider: Fr. Vince)</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>Sept. 11, 2009 (Presider: Fr. Vince)</b> Joseph Marfice r/b Richard Brancato
<b>SATURDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>Sept. 12, 2009</b> Good Intentions of the People of the Parish <b>(Presider: Fr. Vince)</b>
4:30pm	John O'Connor r/b Wife Florence O'Connor & Family Richard Pacholski r/b Wife Lucille <b>(Presider: Fr. Vince)</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> 9:00am	<b>Sept. 13, 2009</b> Deceased Members of the Marano Family r/b Sal Marano, Jr. Angie Pennestri r/b Lou & Melinda Grosso <b>(Presider: Fr. Vince)</b>
10:30am	Bill Buffington r/b Terry Carr & Judy Kinsler Marion Kaminski r/b Family <b>(Presider: Fr. Vince)</b>

***The Sanctuary Candle this week is in Memory of Josephine Leahy.***

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.

<b>August 29/30, 2009 Attendance/Collection</b>	<b>575/ \$4,986</b>
<b>August 30/31, 2008 Attendance/Collection</b>	<b>Incomp/ \$4,766</b>
<b>Budgeted Weekly Collection:</b>	<b>\$6,154</b>
<b>Actual Y-T-D Weekly Average:</b>	<b>\$5,318</b>

Anyone interested in becoming a committee member in our **St. Vincent de Paul Society** may contact our new Chairperson, **Betsy McBride** at (856) 665-3722.

**St. Vincent de Paul Helpline (856) 581-7980**



*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 Alessandroni, Dolly Angelastro, Patricia Booth, Marion Borreggine, Vincent Buondonno, Dominic Caruso, Dorothy Coyle, Margaret Cummings, Esther DeMarco, Patricia Domer, Joe Flacco, John Heininger, Jr., Thomas Holmes, Sr., Jim Hutton, Rita Insley, Donna Krawchuk, Robert Leone, Nancy Loperfido, Vincent Marchese, Marie Melchiorre, Elena Melfi, John Meyer, Jennifer Osborn, Edith Parrissi, Rita Picciano, Frank & Louise Pigiaccelli, Jean Rooney, Rosemarie Rosolia, Raphael Rubin, William Sauer, Carmella Scrivani, Mary Jo Stedrak, Emilio Terzini, Julian Terzini, Mary Terzini, Lillian Tomarchio, Daniel Topper, Adelaide Travia, Margaret Trifaro, Anthony Vocale, Jean Wenstrom.**

**Ministry Schedule for September 12/13**

*(Monthly Schedules are also posted on our website)*

**Saturday, 4:30pm**

**Altar Servers:** M. Hobbs, R. Garofalo, M. DiRico  
**EM's:** The Heiningers, L. Garofalo, M. Novoa, T. Veneziani  
**Lectors:** P. Tryson, R. McKean

**Sunday, 9:00am**

**Altar Servers:** K. Starts, The Hearnis  
**EM's:** S. Marano, L. McHugh, T. Modzier, R. Davis, S. Mufalli  
**Lectors:** L. Modzier, M. McHugh

**Sunday, 10:30am**

**Altar Servers:** The Coars  
**EM's:** C. Otto, M. Meloni, G. Tutwiler, J. Messina, L. D'Alessandro  
**Lectors:** K. Jakubowski, M. Turan

Weekly Bulletin Deadline: **Monday @ Noon**

Next Diocesan Special 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:  
**September 13, 2009: "Holy Father"**

***A Eucharistic Congress  
September 11-12, 2009***

All are invited to attend a Eucharistic Congress on September 11-12, 2009 in Washington, DC at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. The Congress, entitled Sacrifice of Enduring Love, is sponsored by the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious (CMSWR). There is no charge for admission to the two-day event that will explore three vocations in depth — the Priesthood, Religious Life, and Marriage. In addition to other displays, a piece of the actual tilma of St. Juan Diego will be exhibited. For more information about the Congress, visit [www.cmswr.org](http://www.cmswr.org) or write: P.O. Box 4467, Washington, DC 20017.

### ***This Week @ St. Stephen's***

9/7-Monday-9am Mass, School/Rectory closed on Labor Day  
9/8-Tuesday-9am Mass, 7pm Rosary, 7:30pm Picnic Meeting  
9/9-Wednesday-9am Mass, 6:30pm CCD begins  
9/10-Thursday-9am Mass/Novena, 6:15pm Youth Music, 7:15pm Choir  
9/11-Friday-9am Mass  
9/12-Saturday-8am Men's Prayer Group, 9am Mass,  
3:45 Confession, 4:30pm Mass  
9/13-Sunday-Masses at 9am & 10:30am

### ***Feast of the Holy Cross***

All are encouraged to bring in your crucifixes from your homes at all Masses the weekend of Sept. 12/13 for a special blessing as September 14<sup>th</sup> is the Feast of the Holy Cross.

### ***Art & Environment Ministry***

We are seeking students for community service hours for Sat. Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am to maintain the church inside and out. You MUST call Maria Haas at 665-8393 to sign up.

### ***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 Prayer Line***

The Prayer Line belongs to you.

If you need someone to pray for you, you are at the right place.

Contact Betty @ 662-6928 for September requests.

"Therefore I tell you, all that you ask for in prayer, believe that you will receive it and it shall be yours." -Mark 11:24

### ***Men of St. Stephen's***

Please join us for our Men's Scripture/Prayer Group. We meet every Saturday morning at 8am for one-half hour in the Rectory Basement Meeting Room. Info: Joe Fagan-662-5908.

### ***Automatic E-Giving***

St. Stephen Parish is providing Electronic Giving, or eGiving, as a simple, secure and convenient method for making contributions. The eGiving option is being used by churches throughout the country and works similar to online bill paying. You may logon to [www.StStephensPennsauken.com](http://www.StStephensPennsauken.com) to set up your account.

### ***School of Liturgy Training***

for Cantors, Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

2 Saturdays: October 3 & 10, 2009 9:30am-2pm

St. Mary's Parish Hall, 2001 Springdale Rd., Cherry Hill

St. Stephen's will cover the \$40 FEE.

Applications are available in the church lobby & rectory.

***The School & Rectory will be closed on Labor Day, Monday September 7<sup>th</sup>***

### ***GIANT YARD SALE III***

This year's Giant Yard Sale will be on October 3, 2009. We are again seeking whatever things you don't want that have any value, except that we cannot take any clothing or toys. If you want to volunteer to help or have things to donate, please call 482-6882 or 662-9338.

### ***Digital TV Coupons Needed***

We are looking for unexpired and unused digital TV converter coupons that you don't intend to use. This will greatly assist the Yard Sale Committee in evaluating and demonstrating TV's at our October 3rd Giant Yard Sale. Coupons may be dropped off at the rectory or placed in the Offertory basket at any Mass. Thank you.

### ***CCD Begins THIS Wed., Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>***

The fee this year remains at \$125 per family.

\$10 late fee if registered after September 16, 2009

Registration forms are available at the rectory and on our parish website. WE STILL NEED 2 ADDITIONAL TEACHERS, substitutes and teacher's aides. Please call Adeline Gramlich at 662-9338 if you are interested in joining our CCD Team!

Attention all 6th graders who will be 7th Graders this Sept: Our program of studies for Confirmation will be starting this Fall. This is a 2-year program. Confirmation will be held in the 8th Grade.

### ***St. Stephen's RCIA Ministry***

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 Vincent Orum 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).

### ***Divorce & Beyond Starts Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>***

A 10-week support program open to all persons who are divorced or separated. Begins Wednesday Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> from 7:30pm-9pm at St. Rose of Lima Parish, 300 Kings Hwy. in Haddon Heights, NJ. Registration is required, \$20 covers materials, call Ann at (856) 869-0076 for further information.

Sponsored by the Catholic Divorce Ministry of the Diocese of Camden  
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**Programs at Lourdes Wellness Center**

**Beginning October, 2009**

**Mornings: First and Second Tuesdays**

**Time:** 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM

**Topic:** “Sharing on Scripture” (1<sup>st</sup> T.)  
“Thomas Merton: Bridges” (2<sup>nd</sup> T.)

**Evenings: Thursdays at 7:30 PM to 8:30 PM**

**October:** Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina  
**November/December:** Thomas Merton: Presentation  
**January, 2010:** Thomas Merton: “Bridges” Program  
**February/March:** Lenten Retreat Series  
**April:** Wisdom of the Mystics

**Retreat in Everyday Life for the Working Person:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the Month:** 10:30 AM

**Presenter for Spirituality Programs:** Sr. Ruthann, SSJ

**Location:** Lourdes Little Portion, 1049 Haddon Ave.,  
Collingswood, NJ **Donation:** \$10.00 per session

**More Information/ Registration Information:**

**Call:** Sister Ruthann at 856-869-3198

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*Twenty-first Annual*

***Camden Diocesan Charismatic Conference***

“All things are possible with God” Mark 10:27 RSV

**October 9,10,11, 2009 Wildwoods Convention Center**

**Boardwalk and Burk Ave., Wildwood, New Jersey**

Speakers- **Father Bill Halbing, Mother Nadine Brown, Bill Wegner, Father Daniel M. Balizan**  
Junior and Senior Youth tracks

Check online at [www.camdendiocese.org/charismatic\\_renew/index.html](http://www.camdendiocese.org/charismatic_renew/index.html) Or call (609)522-5010 for adults, or (856) 228-3086 for youth. Registration only 30\$ if received before 9/26/09. After 9/26/09 register at the door for 35\$

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***Knights of Columbus Flea Market Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>***

The Knights of Columbus will be having their Fall Flea Market at St. Cecilia's schoolyard on Saturday, September 19 from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. For table rentals, donations, or other information, please call Lonnie at 856-662-6049.

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***Pennsauken Fall Festival & Car Show Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>***

On Saturday Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> Pennsauken Twp. will hold their annual Fall Festival & Car Show on Westfield Avenue between Cove and Browning Road. The show begins at 11am and will end at about 4pm. In addition to the many cars and bikes that will line Westfield Avenue, crafters, live entertainment, DJ's, a string band, inflatables, face painting, balloon creations and fire prevention activities will be provided throughout the day.

There will be something for everyone and all are welcome to attend. The rain date, if necessary, will be October 3<sup>rd</sup>. For further info contact Duke at (856) 665-1000, ext. 151.

***Parish Picnic News & Needs***

***Saturday, September 26, 2009***

***1:00pm – 4:00pm***

***Harvest Liturgy @ 4:30pm***

***Coffee, Dessert & Music after Mass***

*The Parish Picnic Committee is looking for donations. If you know of anyone who would be willing to donate:*

***Tents for shade***

***Chairs***

***Moon bounce***

***Bottle water***

***Balloon art***

***Face painters***

***Magicians***

***Entertainers***

*We also need people to chair a specific job such as:*

***Drinks station***

***Food station***

***Clean up***

*We need help assisting with:*

***Grilling***

***Food runners***

***Set up***

***Clean up***

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*If there is any other service you would like to donate and we have mentioned above let us know and of course a monetary donation is always welcome.*

***Please contact: Liz Mchugh at 856-486-4787***

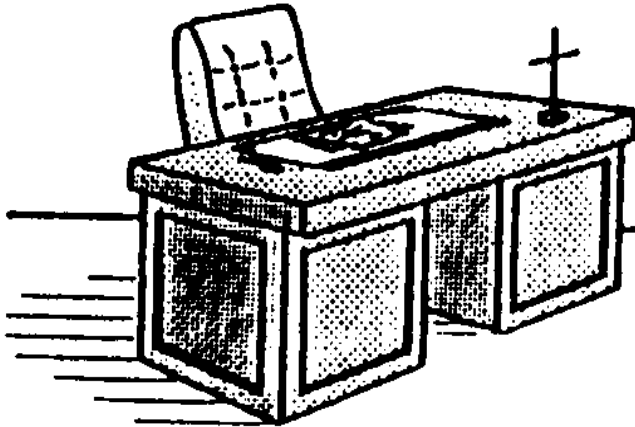
***Or email Nancy Schmidt at [penn610@aol.com](mailto:penn610@aol.com)***

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***CCHS Class of '64 Reunion***

Camden Catholic High School's Class of '64 will hold its 45<sup>th</sup> Reunion on **October 10, 2009** at he Renault Winery Tuscany House in Egg Harbor, NJ. Call Bernie Egan at (856) 547-8500 for more information and reservations.

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***CCHS Veteran's Mass Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>***

Camden Catholic High School will celebrate a Veteran's Mass on **November 11<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00am**. We are looking for all CCHS Alumni who are veterans, along with the names of those who were killed in action. Please contact Walt Sandell at [waltsand@hotmail.com](mailto:waltsand@hotmail.com) with veteran information. Thank you.



*From the Desk of  
Father Vincent Orum, AJ*

As we say good-bye to this year's summer, allow me to welcome you back from your summer vacations. I hope you are well rested and ready to get back to the routine of work.

As we gather together once again, I would like you to know that we value your presence in our Parish community and we look forward to your active participation and commitment to the Lord who called us in baptism and commissioned us as in John 15:14-17:

**"You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you slaves, because a slave does not know what his master is doing. I have called you friends, because I have told you everything I have heard from my Father. It was not you who chose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit that will remain, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name he may give you."**

Before our summer recess, the Pastoral Council and I met and worked on a Parish survey questionnaire, which will be sent to every registered parishioner before the end of this month. I will also continue to meet with different members and groups in the Parish during the Fall to share and discuss these questions with the aim of arriving at key valuable areas to make our Parish alive and dynamic. Please mark your calendars for the dates and come take part in this important venture for the Parish!

As a Parish, we shall also participate in our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Parish Picnic, Giant Yard Sale, Appreciation Dinner and many other events forthcoming. We hope to see everyone sharing in our friendly atmosphere.

May God bless you all and welcome back!