

June 4, 2023

# Pray & Worship Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday-Friday at 6:30 AM & 8:15 AM\*; Saturday at 8:15 AM\*

Weekend: Saturday at 5:00 PM; Sunday at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM\* & 6:00 PM

\*These Masses will be live-streamed on our Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/ StStephensCatholicChurchOmaha) and our website (stephen.org/live-stream)

#### **Private Prayer**

Daily Mass Chapel and Worship Space are open from 9 AM to 9 PM Monday-Friday and from 10 AM to 6 PM on Saturday-Sunday. The Adoration Chapel is open 24/7; door access code: 9675\*

#### **Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hours**

Mondays from 7-8 PM in the Worship Space

## Contact Us

Parish Office: Phone: (402) 896-9675 Emergency: (402) 896-9675 ext 2 Office Hours: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM, M-F

**Pastor:** Fr. David Belt Associate Pastor: Fr. Zach Tucker Staff Contact Info: stephen.org/staff Bulletin Deadline: Monday, 5 PM Submit requests to Leslie at <a href="https://www.submit.com">lstable</a>.



# **Corpus Christi Eucharistic Procession**

Please join us June 11th following 10:30 AM Mass for a Eucharistic Procession for The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ.



**Congratulations Newly Baptized!** 

Sophia Isabella Clark, daughter of Jacob and Kirsten

Flynn Joseph Kroupa, son of Jacob and Jaclyn

Henry Thomas Brown, son of Michael and Veronica



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God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16

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## Pastor's Message—From Father Dave

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life."

These words, spoken to us on the Feast of the Holy Trinity, remind us that the relationship that God has with his people is deeply rooted in love. Even though human history is filled with sin and evil, God still chose to save us, forgive us, and lead us to eternal



life. This is the commitment, the covenant that God has had with his people since the beginning of time, and it is fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ.

On this Feast of the Holy Trinity, let us pray that we may recognize the presence of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in our lives and in our universe. Even though God is a Mystery, we come to know Him through the Sacraments, through prayer, and through the gift of human love. Let us continue to pray for ourselves and for our family of faith, that we may be messengers of God's love. Filled with the fire of the Holy Spirit, given to the Church on Pentecost, let us help others know the joy of being loved by our awesome God!

"The most beautiful thing we can experience is the mysterious. It is the source of all true art and science. He to whom this emotion is a stranger, who can no longer pause to wonder and stand rapt in awe, is as good as dead: his eyes are closed." – Albert Einstein

> God Bless you, Father Dave



**Congratulations!** 

Emily Kawano & Andrew Whitacker

## Alyssa Kuta & Ethan Cave

Our faith community wishes you many blessings!

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## Sacraments

## Reconciliation

Tuesday: 5:30-6:30 PM & Saturday: 3:30-4:45 PM

#### Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays. Parents are required to attend a preparation class. Contact the parish office for information or visit: stephen.org/sacraments.

#### Matrimony

Preparation for Marriage begins at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date. Contact parish office for more information.

#### Anointing of the Sick

Contact Deacon Denny at (402) 861-4538 or d.dethlefs@stephen.org.

#### Homebound Eucharist

Contact the parish office to make arrangements.

Parish office phone number: (402) 896-9675

## Financial Stewardship

#### Offertory & Online Giving 5/23-5/29/2023:

| Actual:      | \$44,656    |
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| Budget:      | \$48,454    |
| FYTD Actual: | \$2,268,353 |
| FYTD Budget: | \$2,416,287 |

St. Stephen the Martyr operates on a Fiscal Year from July 1—June 30

## Thank you for your generous giving!

Your financial support is vital to the well-being of our church and school. To make a gift simply scan the QR code or go to stephen.org/give. Offertory envelopes may also be mailed to our office:



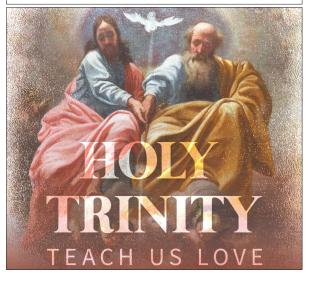
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## "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son..." John 3:16

Is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love and forgiveness? Are you generous with your time, skills, money and possessions? If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you "fit it in" when it's convenient for you? God desires a personal relationship with us so much that He gave us His Son unconditionally! Pray for a grateful and generous

heart.

#StewardshipReflection



## School News

## United in Christ to ignite the joy of faith, community, and learning.

⇒ Summer Play Dates: We know starting a new school year can be an exciting, yet apprehensive transition for our kids. The goal of our summer play dates is to give them a chance to meet future classmates before the big day! We hope a familiar face in the classroom helps ease the transition at the beginning of the school year. All incoming PreK, TK & Kindergarten students are invited. Please RSVP so we can plan treats accordingly.



Open to incoming SSM PreK, TK, & Kindergarten students!

- **Used Uniform Sale:** We are hosting our Used Uniform Sale a little  $\Rightarrow$ earlier this year on June 25th. We received feedback that an earlier sale would allow families more time to shop/order additional items (that they aren't able to find at our sale) from uniform stores/retailers. More details coming soon!
- ⇒ Summer Office Hours: Our summer office hours in June & July are Monday-Thursday, 8:30 AM-Noon. Emails or voice messages received outside of those hours will be returned as quickly as possible.
- Enrollment for 2023/2024 School Year: We still have space in most  $\Rightarrow$ classes for the 23-24 school year, including our incoming Kindergarten class! Request a tour or apply at school.stephen.org/admissions.

## **Religious Education News**

 $\Rightarrow$ VBS Donations Signup: One week left until we need to purchase items left on the list. Please check out the list to see if you can help in any way this week with items needed. Thank you all for your generosity and prayers for Vacation Bible School. Scan the OR to sign up to bring items! Contact Eileen at 402-896-5683 or e.smith@stephen.org.



- VBS Registrants: Please watch for an email from our office this week  $\Rightarrow$ with details about camp. We are so excited to have some "Stellar Fun"!
- **Religious Education Department Summer Office Hours:**  $\Rightarrow$ Monday-Thursday; 9 AM to 1 PM or by appointment; 402-896-5683
- Religious Education 2023-2024 Registration: Don't wait to register for  $\Rightarrow$ next year! Please register early to help us in our planning for next year. Visit our website at <u>stephen.org/re-registration</u> to register or call our office if you have any questions at 402-896-5683.

## Youth Ministry News

⇒ **Totus Tuus Summer Camp for Grades 7-12:** Totus Tuus is a summer program for kids dedicated to cultivating a true longing for holiness, a deep desire for daily conversion, and openness to their vocation. Teens entering 7th to 12th grades invited to register for evening sessions July 9 -13 from 7-9 PM at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church. Cost is \$10 per person. Visit Stephen.org/totus-tuus for more information or to register.



# Stations of the Cross Jundraiser

We are thrilled to announce the addition of new Stations of the Cross to our Worship Space. Each station will cost approximately \$1,500 with installation. We hope to install the new stations in late 2023 to early 2024, contingent on delivery.

# JOIN US TO FUNDRAISE \$21,000

To contribute to this project, scan the QR code to give online or contact Catiana Urrutia, at 402-861-4541 or c.urrutia@stephen.org.







## Join Us June 21st for **Beloved:** A Women's Group

This group is for women of all ages. We will meet in the Parish Center from 7-8 AM on Wednesday, June 21st. Everyone is welcome for faith & fellowship—even if you've never been to Beloved. We hope you can join us!



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Do good this summer! Come give in June for a \$10 gift card to a merchant of your choice!

- To schedule your appointment:
  - Call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767),
  - Visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: StStephenOMA, or
  - Scan the QR code to schedule an appointment.



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Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass (or scan the QR code) to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

## **PrimeTimers Upcoming Events**

PAR, PIZZA, PALMER 19th

File Golf Party Join us at 6 PM on Thursday, June 29th in the Parish

Center. Slip on those golf pants, skirts and shorts, dazzle us with your socks and shirts - you might even need a visor and some bling! Pizza and salad will be served and you know we'll have some games and fun! Cost is \$15 and reservations are needed by June 18th. Make checks out to Pat Miller and contact at 402-201-7945.

Watch for more information about our upcoming plans to see "Spamalot" at **Ralston Theater in July!** 

Every 2nd & 4th Thursday at 1 PM in the Parish Center: Everyone is welcome! Bring your favorite board game or join a group for pitch, pinochle, bridge, dominos, or tripoli. Bring a snack to share, an item for the St. Stephen food pantry & a friend or partner! Sign up for our emails at stephen.org/primetimers.

Now Hiring

# **Pastoral Care** Coordinator

Saint Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church is seeking a Pastoral Care Coordinator. The successful candidate will be a compassionate and caring individual who will oversee all apostolates that are dedicated to the physical and spiritual care of our parish community.

The responsibilities of this position are shaped by the Works of Mercy of the Catholic Church and work

in collaboration with the Pastor and Director of Mission. For more information or to apply, scan the OR code.



## WHY DO WE DO THAT? **Catholic Life Explained:**

**Question:** We live in a country that upholds the separation of Church and state. What is the role of Catholics in society?

**Answer:** The role of the Church in the world has taken different forms over time, but the theme is the same. Be disciples in it! As the lay faithful — that is, not vowed priest or religious - we are called to live and love in the circumstances of our daily lives. St. John Paul II wrote a document about the laity. In it he wrote, "In their situation in the world God manifests His plan and communicates to them their particular vocation of seeking the Kingdom of God by engaging in temporal affairs and by ordering them according to the plan of God" (On the Lay Members of Christ's Faithful, 15).

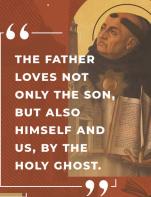
God wants us in the hospitals, the board rooms, the law offices, the food pantries, and the little league games! We are to engage in the affairs of the world. But when we're there, we should live the plan of God. We need to respect those around us, engage in just business and legal practices, and love our children.

We should care for the earth, use our money wisely, and get to know our neighbors. We must advocate for social policies that respect human dignity and human freedom. No matter our state in life, we are invited to build the kingdom of God! ©LPi



## **Eucharistic Adoration**

Mondays from 7-8 PM in the Worship Space



## Weekly Prayer

## **Sunday's Readings**

#### **First Reading:**

"The LORD, the LORD, a merciful and gracious God, slow to anger and rich in kindness and fidelity." (Ex 34:6)

#### Psalm:

Glory and praise for ever! (Dn 3:52b)

#### Second Reading:

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. (2 Cor 13:13)

#### Gospel:

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world,

but that the world might be saved through him. (Jn 3:17)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded to encourage one another, to show affection and support. Can we do it? Can we do it in our daily interactions, in our families? Can we even do it on social media?

## Observances for the week of June 4, 2023

| Sunday: | The Most Holy Trinity |
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- Monday: St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
- **Tuesday:** St. Norbert, Bishop
- Friday: St. Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

## Join our Parish Family!

Welcome visitors and newcomers! If you would like to register as a parishioner, please visit <u>stephen.org</u>. Click on "Become a Parishioner" in the footer of our website.

Contact Adam Ybarra at (402) 861-4507 or <u>a.vbarra@stephen.org</u> with any questions and to chat about ways we can help you grow closer to Christ!

## Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, June 3

| 8:15 am | † | Michael Wais (ZT) |
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| 5:00 pm | † | Erin Doll (DB)    |

#### Sunday, June 4

- 7:30 am † Rodger Fawcett (ZT) 9:00 am † Tina Szalewski (ZT)
- 10:30 am SI St. Stephen parishioners (DB) 6:00 pm † Ron Cooley (DH)

Monday, June 5

6:30 am † David Lange (ZT) 8:15 am † Dr. Ann Rehan Goebel (ZT)

#### Tuesday, June 6

6:30 am † David Mandel (DB)

8:15 am SI Bob and Sharon Rupprecht (ZT)

Wednesday, June 7 6:30 am SI Terry & Marie Zrust (DB) 8:15 am † Bob Mathine (ZT)

Thursday, June 8

6:30 am † Rosina Gonzalez (DB) 8:15 am † Ed Mathine (DB)

Friday, June 9 6:30 am † Jeffrey Kane, Jr. (DB) 8:15 am SI Brookelynn Drake (ZT)

Saturday, June 10 8:15 am † Anne Dobson (ZT)

5:00 pm † Bob Mannino (DB)

#### Sunday, June 11

7:30 am † Jerry Stovie (BE) 9:00 am † Mary Miller (ZT)

10:30 am † Matthew | Stoll (ZT)

6:00 pm † Jindra Rinker (ZT)

SI = Special Intention **†** = Repose of the Soul

DB = Fr. Dave Belt: ZT = Fr. Zach Tucker: DH = Fr. Denny Hanneman; BE = Fr. Bob English

Pease note: Priest schedule subject to changes. \*If you'd like to reserve a Mass Intention, please contact Melissa in the parish office at m.kane@stephen.org or 402-896-9675.

Pray For ...

## Parishioners who are sick/injured/healing:

Chuck Skomol, husband of Jane Mary Azara, mother of Sally Bishop Barb Armstrong, wife of Mike Nancy Major Jaeck Ryan Huebner, son of Marty and Cheryl

## Deceased souls of our parish family:

Elizabeth Gulizia, wife of Sebastian Bob Hanusek, nephew of Ann Reece and Francie Menard Mary Dunn-Nanfito, mother of Joe, Kristi and Mike Millard Blach, father of Susan Ward; father-in-law of Dillon Sarah Saldi, wife of James; mother of Noah & Asha Angelo Felici, father of Tony

## News from the Community

## **COLLEGE STUDENTS: FIND YOUR NEW CATHOLIC** COMMUNITY AT JPII NEWMAN

Are you a student who will be attending college in Omaha for the 2023-24 school year? If you're looking for a vibrant community to be a part of, consider applying to live in Newman Hall! We still have some rooms open for residents, both male and female! Living here at JPII Newman, you get: built-in community, beautiful apartment-style housing, and the opportunity to grow in faith alongside your peers! For more information, go to: www.jpiiomaha.org/housing.

## MAGNIFICAT-OMAHA SUMMER BRUNCH—JUNE 24TH

All women are invited to the Magnificat-Omaha Summer Brunch on June 24th, 9:30 AMat St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church with guest speaker, Kelly Wahlquist, founder of WINE: Women In the New Evangelization, Director for the Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute, and contributing writer for Catholicmom.com. She's the author of Created to Relate: God's Design for Peace & Joy and Gaze Upon lesus which encourage women to relate to lesus in the way in which they were created to—as women. Cost: \$20. For Reservations & Information: MagnificatOmaha.org.

## SEEKING TRUTH BIBLE STUDY—APOSTLES AND PROPHETS

Join us on Thursdays next Fall for a 15-week Seeking Truth Study at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. Classes begin Sept. 14th. The afternoon class meets from 1-3 PM and the evening class meets from 7-9 PM. Learn more and register at seekingtruth.net.

# <u>Volunteers</u> Needed!

We are currently looking for individuals who show a great commitment to their community by supporting our programs and resources.

## We need help with:

- Pantry Assistance
  - Receiving / Unloading / Stocking / Sort & **Prep Donations**

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- Pantry Shoppers
- Donation Pick-Ups
- Home Delivery
- Distributing Pantry Items
- Catholic Charities Locations
- St. Juan Diego | St. Martin de Porres | St. Teresa of Calcutta • Omaha Indian Reservation (Macy / Walthill)
- Assist in Senior Center
- Translation / Computer Skills
- Receptionist / Administrative

## **QUESTIONS? CONTACT JENNIFER**

**402-829-9261** 

## ON THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

## JOIN US FOR A **Eucharistic Procession**

SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH 2:00 PM | BOYS TOWN TO ST. WENCESLAUS

## Details

- Procession begins at Boys Town Dowd Chapel at 2:00 PM and ends at St. Wenceslaus
- 2 mile route from Boys Town down 144th Street and along Pacific Street to St. Wenceslaus
- You are invited to park at Boys Town; transportation back to Boys Town from St. Wenceslaus will be provided
- Wear sunscreen, hats, and stay hydrated

#### West Omaha Family of Catholic Parishes

**Immaculate Conception** 13943 Dowd Drive | Boys Town, Nebraska | (531) 355-1030 **Mass Times** Sun: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; Daily: 11:40 a.m.

> Confession Tue and Thu: 11 - 11:30 a.m.

St. Stephen the Martyr 16701 S St, Omaha, NE 68135 | (402) 896-9675

Mass Times Mon - Fri: 6:30 a.m. and 8:15 a.m.; Sat: 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sun: 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Confession Tue: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.; Sat: 3:30 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

St. Vincent de Paul

14330 Eagle Run Dr, Omaha, NE 68164 | (402) 496-7988

## Mass Times

Mon - Fri: 6:<mark>45 a.m. and 8:15 a.m</mark>.; Sat: 8:15 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sun: 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11a.m. and 5 p.m.

Confession Sat: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.; Sun: 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. anytime by appointment

#### St. Wenceslaus

15353 Pacific St. Omaha, NE 68154 | (402) 330-0305

Mass Times Mon - Thu: 6:45 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Fri: 6:45 a.m., 8:30 a.m. Sat: 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Sun: 8 a.m., 10 a.m., Noon and 5:30 p.m.

#### Confession

Mon - Thu: 5 PM until line ends Sat: 9 AM until line ends; 3:30 PM - 4:45 PM anytime by appointment



## Omaha Wenceslaus Church

## **DEEPEN YOUR FAITH IN THE REAL** PRESENCE OF CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST

## Eucharistic Events in Narthex | 5-10 p.m.

eneration of Relics Video of Blessed Carlo Acutis Vatican International Exhibition Eucharistic Miracles of the World • Representatives from local Apostolates/Ministries

## Liturgical Program in Church | 6:45-9 p.m.

Opening remarks by Archbishop George Lucas Eucharistic Speaker Fr. Malachy Napier, CFR Adoration • Sacred Music • Eucharistic Procession Dynamic Teaching Confession (available 5-10 p.m.)



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