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The Most Holy Trinity — May 30 and 31, 2026

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday 9am-5pm
Closed Saturday/Sunday/Holidays

Pastoral Staff

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Parochial Vicar:

Rev. Benjamin Koka, A.J.

Latin Mass Celebrant:

Rev. Bede Kotlinski, O.S.B.

German Mass Celebrant:

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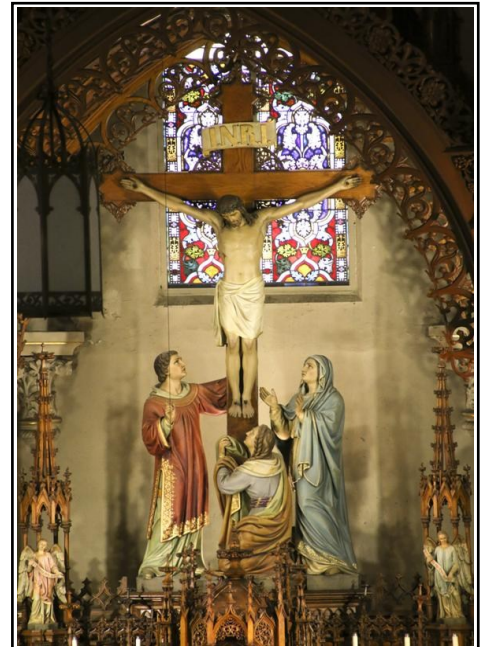
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Mission Statement

Saint Stephen Parish, as guided by the Holy Spirit and empowered by the Sacraments, is sent forth to know, love and serve God. For the salvation of souls, we endeavor to evangelize the Gospel message through Christ-centered ministries and truthful witness. Our parish pledges fidelity to the Magisterium, the teaching authority of the Holy Catholic Church. We offer traditional, orthodox and reverent practice of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the edification of the faithful and for the making of saints. The Saint Stephen parish family seeks to actively build a culture of life and recognizes the dignity of all persons as children of God.

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:15-4:45pm
Sunday: 9-9:30am (or by appointment)

Baptism

The baptism of infants and children under the age of seven is celebrated monthly. Call the Parish Office to Register.

Marriage

Weddings should be arranged with the Pastor at least 6 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick / Funerals

Contact the Parish Office to arrange.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Those wishing to become Catholic are encouraged to contact the Parish Office at 216-631-5633.

New Parishioners — Please contact the Parish Office to register.

English Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am & 11:00am

German Weekend Mass

1st Sunday of every month: 11:00am

Weekday, Holy Days & Holidays

See full schedule inside Bulletin

Adoration and Devotions

Holy Hour, Confession and Benediction — Wednesdays: 7:00pm
Rosary — Sundays: 9:00am
1st Friday Mass & Benediction: 6:30pm
1st Saturday Mass & Lecture: 9:30am

This Week's Church Services



MASS SCHEDULE

We welcome all Parishioners and Visitors to Mass at St. Stephen.

The Confession schedule is as follows—

➔ Saturday: 4:15—4:45pm —Church—Confessional box

➔ Sunday: before 9:30am Mass —Church—Confessional box

Please call the Parish Office to schedule a private Confession.

ALL WEEKDAY MASSES ARE NOW CELEBRATED IN THE CHURCH

Saturday, May 30, 2026

Vigil of The Most Holy Trinity

5:00 PM ++ Barb and Sam Goik

Sunday, May 31, 2026

The Most Holy Trinity

8:00 AM † John Summers

11:00 AM Dianna Hosta

Monday, June 1, 2026

Saint Justin, Martyr

6:30 PM Frank Schneider

Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Weekday

6:45 AM Latin Mass — ++ Robert and Coletta Spuhler

6:30 PM † Mike Myers

Wednesday, June 3, 2026

Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs

6:30 PM Intentions of the Tran Family

7:00-8:00 PM Confession, Holy Hour, Benediction

Thursday, June 4, 2026

Weekday

6:30 PM Latin Mass — † Beatrice Grady

Friday, June 5, 2026

Saint Boniface, Bishop, Martyr

6:30 PM English (1st Friday) † Elizabeth Sasso

Saturday, June 6, 2026

Weekday

9:30 AM Latin (1st Saturday) † Juan Garcia Espinal

Vigil of The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

5:00 PM † Thomas Hayne

Sunday, June 7, 2026

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

8:00 AM † Robin McClain

11:00 AM German — † Fr. Franz

Contact the Parish Office at 216-631-5633 to schedule a Mass intention. The customary stipend (offering) is \$10.00.



CELEBRANT & LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
MAY 30, 2026—MAY 31, 2026**

	<u>5:00PM MASS</u>	<u>8:00AM MASS</u>	<u>11:00AM MASS</u>
Celebrant:	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Caroli
Lector:	Russ Nieling	Elaine Ann Vergara-Martel	Diana Lipfird
EM:	Jean Gandee		Dianna Hosta
Acolyte:	Ben Kost		

**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
JUNE 6, 2026—JUNE 7, 2026**

	<u>5:00PM MASS</u>	<u>8:00AM MASS</u>	<u>11:00AM MASS</u>
Celebrant:	Fr. Benjamin	Fr. Benjamin	Fr. Benjamin
Lector:	Diana Lipfird	Doris Peters	Robert Filippi / Kevin Young
EM:	Jean Gandee		Liz Filippi
Acolyte:	Ben Kost		

All Sundays at 9:30am & Holy Days: Rev. Bede Kotlinski

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 31, 2025

Saturday: Jude 17, 20b-25/Mk 11:27-33
 Sunday: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18
 Monday: 2 Pt 1:2-7/Mk 12:1-12
 Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Mk 12:13-17
 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Mk 12:18-27
 Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15/Mk 12:28-34
 Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17/Mk 12:35-37
 Saturday: 2 Tm 4:1-8/Mk 12:38-44

Daily readings at <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Ray Ardire	Dianna Hosta	Mother and Daughter in Crisis
Alessandra Augustyn	Anthony J. House	Kazuyuki Nagashima
Doris Bealis	Jim	Jessie Noelker
Berly Blankenship	Kiki Kelley	Tom O'Donnell
Janina Bruozis	Kai Kirk	Maria Papp
Thomas John Cables	Joe Kolecki	Christopher A. Park
Julio Castro	Ann Konieczny	Greg Ray and Family
Rosemary Diemer	Katharina Kosmalski	Herb Rielinger
Martin Eland	Kosmerl Family	Herb Rodriguez
† Karen Fisher	Karen Kranstueber	Rick Salvatore
†Fr. S. Michael Franz	Fr. Kropac	Irene Schroeder
Kyoko Fry	Sr. Jane Lab	Maureen Sciarrino
Harry Tom Graef	Sr. Linda	Jan Sheats
Susan Hatta	Ruth Martin	Michael Sherman
Tadaaki Hatta	Maureen Masterson	Glenn Sneed
Raymond Hawley	Chuck Matias	Sharon Sneed
Katharina Hayne	Katie McClain	Fr. Albert Veigas
Barb Helon	† Rob McClain	E. K. Wade
Debi Hess	Rita McDonald	Noel Walters
Agnes Hogan	Steve McElroy	Devon Zink
Horie Family	Victoria Miller	

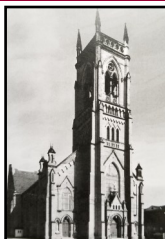
Brother Kevin Cush—Vocation to Priesthood and Religious Life
 Sean Homcy—Vocation to Priesthood
 Abbé Nicholas Johanni—Vocation to Priesthood
 Sister Rose-Marie (Rose Johanni) of the Passion of the Royal Heart,
 Burning Furnace of Mercy
 First Responder—Lt. Timothy Maffo-Judd

The Most Holy Trinity — May 30 and 31, 2026

REFLECTION

The Most Holy Trinity is one God and very close to us. Certainly, He is in us and with us! We are to be appreciative then that we have a Fatherly God, who is a friend to all and who guides and strengthens us even in difficult times. The Most Holy Trinity is a life of communion to be lived, shared and celebrated liturgically. Therefore, we ought to move away from the abstract notion to the practicality of the Most Holy Trinity. In this reflection, let us reminisce the words of St. James “Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good conduct, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom” (James 3:13). We need to go beyond talking about love, communion, sharing and putting that into practice by being instruments of reconciliation, mercy and communion. As one bishop put it jokingly, “the reason why God in creating us does not put us directly into heaven, is because if He did so, we would mess life up there! Our life here on earth is a time to practice our stewardship in tangible ways by sharing, healing and living in communion with the people God has given us. To be true instruments, we need to be nourished by prayer and scripture.

~ Fr. Caroli Shao, A.J.



The Tower Lights are being illuminated during the month of May
In Loving Memory of
† Horst and † Herman Kinscher
† Max and † Sophie Juran
Please remember them in your prayers!

Traditions and Treasures

On the day of Pentecost the Holy Apostles received, as we have seen, the grace of the Holy Ghost. In accordance with the injunction of their Divine Master, they will soon start on their mission of teaching all nations, and baptizing them in the Name of the Holy Trinity. It was but right, then, that the solemnity which is intended to honor the mystery of One God in Three Divine Persons should immediately follow that of Pentecost, with which it has a mysterious connection. And yet, it was not until after many centuries that it was inserted in the cycle of the Liturgical Year, whose completion is the work of successive ages. ...

So far back as the eighth century, the learned monk Alcuin had the happy thought of composing a Mass in honor of the mystery of the Blessed Trinity. It would seem that he was prompted to this by the apostle of Northern Germany, Saint Boniface. That this composition is a beautiful one, no one will doubt who knows, from Alcuin’s writings, how full its author was of the spirit of the sacred liturgy; but, after all, it was only a votive Mass, a mere help to private devotion, which no one ever thought would lead to the institution of a feast. This Mass, however, became a great favorite, and was gradually circulated through the several Churches; for instance, it was approved of for Germany by the Council of Seligenstadt, held in 1022.

In the previous century, however, a feast properly so-called of the Holy Trinity had been introduced into one of the Churches of Belgium—the very same that was to have the honor, later on, of procuring to the Church’s calendar, one of the richest of its solemnities. Stephen, Bishop of Liege, solemnly instituted the Feast of the Holy Trinity for his Church, in 920, and had an entire Office composed in honor of the mystery. Riquier, Stephen’s successor in the See of Liege, kept up what his predecessor had begun. ...

In England it was the glorious Martyr, St. Thomas a Becket, who established the Feast of the Holy Trinity. He introduced it into his archdiocese of Canterbury in the year 1162, in memory of his having been consecrated Bishop on the First Sunday after Pentecost. Some Churches celebrated this feast, not on the First, but on the Last Sunday after Pentecost; some on both the First and Last Sundays.

It was evident, from all this, that the Apostolic See would finally give its sanction to a practice, whose universal adoption was being prompted by Christian instinct. Pope John XXII, who sat in the Chair of St. Peter as early as the year 1334, completed the work by a decree, wherein the Church of Rome accepted the Feast of the Holy Trinity, and extended its observance to all Churches. Taken from *The Liturgical Year* by Dom Prosper Guéranger, O.S.B.

Catholic Charities—Follow up Appeal

Next weekend, **June 6 & 7**, Catholic Charities is conducting a follow-up appeal. If you missed the opportunity to give earlier this year or promised a pledge not yet fulfilled, we invite you to consider making a gift next weekend. In 2025, Catholic Charities was able to provide hot meals to 610 people every day. It supported nearly 2,000 families by providing access to groceries through our food pantries. 362 families were able to stay together and avoid being unhoused because of the financial support for evictions and utility shut-off prevention provided by Catholic Charities Emergency Services department. This is a service where you get to be the hands with which He blesses all the world. To give online, visit www.catholiccommunity.org/donate

News from the Pews

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Mr. and Mrs. Justin and Anna Ross, who were united in the Holy Sacrament of Marriage on Friday, May 29, 2026!



MAY 24, 2026

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

General Collection	\$872.00
Children	\$2.50
Ascension of the Lord	\$100.00
Building Fund.....	\$94.00
Candles	\$93.00
Ecclesia Nostra	\$1,603.12
Utilities	\$40.00

Thank you all for your generosity!

MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES WEEK OF MAY 31, 2026

Sun, May 31 Schola Practice (CR)8:00am
(C) Church • (CR) Club Room • (SFR) St Francis Room • (R) Rectory

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