



# St. Stephen Roman Catholic Church

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*Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — June 27 & 28, 2026*

## *Parish Office Hours*

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

## *Pastoral Staff*

### **Pastor:**

Rev. Caroli B. Shao, A.J.

### **Parochial Vicar:**

Rev. Benjamin Koka, A.J.

### **Latin Mass Celebrant:**

Rev. Bede Kotlinski, O.S.B.

### **German Mass Celebrant:**

## *Parish Staff*

### **Church Secretary:**

Debbie Hemphill

### **Church Accountant:**

Russ Nieling

### **Maintenance:**

Athanase Bizige

### **Organist:**

Joe Kolecki

### **Cantors:**

Virginija Muliolis and Teagan Webb

### **Latin Schola Director:**

Nathan Marinchick and Matthew Eccher

### **St. Vincent de Paul:**

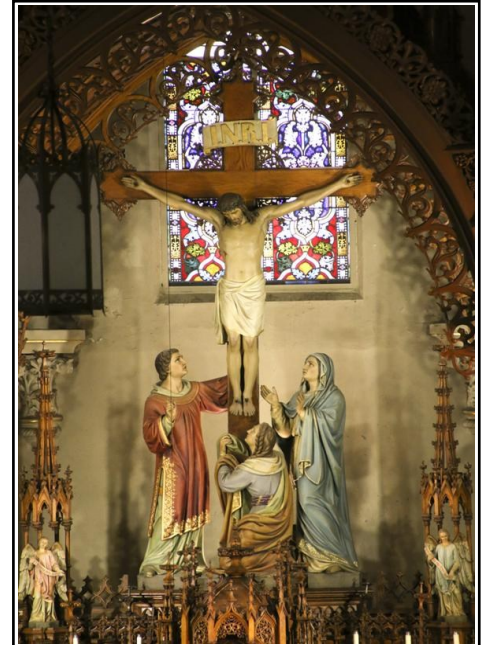
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## **Metro Catholic Parish School**

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## **Sisters of Notre Dame Convent**

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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, June 27, 2026

**Vigil of The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM † Martin Morisky

#### Sunday, June 28, 2026

**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Diana and Roger Lipfird

11:00 AM †† Edwin "Red" and Marjorie McMahan

#### Monday, June 29, 2026

**Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**

6:30 PM † James Woodworth

#### Tuesday, June 30, 2026

**Weekday**

6:45 AM Latin — Ralph Capistrano

6:30 PM † Evan P. Cerney

#### Wednesday, July 1, 2026

**Weekday**

6:30 PM † Michael Gilligan

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

#### Thursday, July 2, 2026

**Weekday**

6:30 PM Latin — Zachary Myers

#### Friday, July 3, 2026

**Saint Thomas, Apostle**

6:30 PM English (1st Friday) † John E. Miklos

#### Saturday, July 4, 2026

**Independence Day**

10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Stephen

**Vigil of The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 PM † Nancy Fischbach

#### Sunday, July 5, 2026

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM † Salvatore Bevelacqua, Jr.

11:00 AM German — † Kelly Uhazi

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



### CELEBRANT & LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JUNE 27, 2026—JUNE 28, 2026**

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

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
JULY 4, 2026—JULY 5, 2026**

	<u>5:00PM MASS</u>	<u>8:00AM MASS</u>	<u>11:00AM MASS</u>
<b>Celebrant:</b>	Fr. Benjamin Fred Courtright	Fr. Benjamin Doris Peters	Fr. Benjamin Ursula Keck / Alfons Schermaier
<b>Lector:</b>			
<b>EM:</b>	Jean Gandee		Dianna Hosta / Diana Lipfird
<b>Acolyte:</b>	Ben Kost		

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

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 28, 2026

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11,4-16a/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42  
 Monday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19  
 Day: Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19  
 Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12/Mt 8:23-27  
 Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24/Mt 8:28-34  
 Thursday: Am 7:10-17/Mt 9:1-8  
 Friday: Eph 2:19-22/Jn 20:24-29  
 Saturday: Am 9:11-15/Mt 9:14-17

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Ray Ardire	Dianna Hosta	Jessie Noelker
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Janina Bruozis	Kai Kirk	Gloria Parrott
Thomas John Cables	Joe Kolecki	Greg Ray and Family
Ruth Casto	Katharina Kosmalski	Herb Rielinger
Julio Castro	Kosmerl Family	Herb Rodriguez
Rosemary Diemer	Karen Kranstueber	Rick Salvatore
Martin Eland	Fr. Kropac	Irene Schroeder
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Raymond Hawley	Chuck Matias	Sharon Sneed
Katharina Hayne	Rita McDonald	Spencer Stadnik
Barb Helon	Steve McElroy	Fr. Albert Veigas
Tim Hennessey	Victoria Miller	E. K. Wade
Debi Hess	Mother and Daughter	Noel Walters
Agnes Hogan	in Crisis	Devon Zink
Horie Family	Kazuyuki Nagashima	

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

# Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time — June 27 & 28, 2026

## REFLECTION

Christians are set apart to live a new life worthy of Christ teachings. The message of Jesus is full of blessings especially when it is received in faith. In today's Gospel, the Lord told His followers, "Whoever loves father, mother, son or daughter more than me, is not worthy of me..." The Lord wants to set the proper order of priorities to attachments. He demanded His followers to be loyal to Him and put God as the priority of their lives above other things. By placing God at the center, management of all other things will be of great success for us. The Spirit of the Lord who is ever active inspires and moves us to be generous and hospitable to the sick, the lonely, to people of different creed, cultures, or nationality. The message of St. Paul about hospitality becomes inspiring for all followers of Christ, "Do not neglect to offer hospitality, you know that some people have entertained Angels without knowing it". To spread the Good News with success, we should not let other activities to take the center position of God in life.

~ Fr. Benjamin Koka, A.J.



The Tower Lights are being illuminated during the month of June  
In Loving Memory of

**William P. Quigley**

December 1, 1941 – June 20, 2023

*Please remember him in your prayers!*

## News from the Pews

### CONGRATULATIONS TO...

**Mr. and Mrs. Reza and Mary Shavali**, who were united in the Holy Sacrament of Marriage on Friday, June 26, 2026!



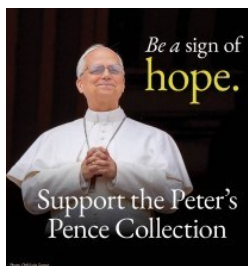
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### CONGRATULATIONS TO...

**Mr. and Mrs. Adam and Anna Hull**, who were united in the Holy Sacrament of Marriage on Saturday, June 27, 2026!



## Peter Pence Collection



Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Leo XIV to be a sign of hope to our suffering brothers and sisters. For more information, visit: [www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html).

## Outreach Ministry



The St. Stephen Outreach Ministry served **59** families on Thursday, June 25th, from our Food Pantry. Our Community Kindness Food Pantry is open from 9:30am-12:00 Noon on the last Thursday of the month.

**Thank you for your continued donations and generosity!**

**JUNE 21, 2026**

### OFFERTORY COLLECTION

General Collection.....	\$1,024.00
Children .....	\$3.00
Building Fund .....	\$45.00
Candles.....	\$157.00
Ecclesia Nostra .....	\$1,982.12
General Donation.....	\$150.00
Utilities .....	\$70.00
Holy Father's Peter's Pence Collection .....	\$50.00

**Thank you all for your generosity!**

### MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES WEEK OF JUNE 28, 2026

<b>Sun, June 28</b>	Schola Practice (CR).....	8:00am
<b>Fri, July 3</b>	Parish Office .....	Closed
<b>Sat, July 4</b>	1st Saturday Mass (C).....	Cancelled
	Fourth of July Mass (C) .....	10:00am

(C) Church • (CR) Club Room • (SFR) St Francis Room • (R) Rectory



### CONGRATULATIONS TO...

John and Mary Margaret Maier on the baptism of their daughter **Wilhelmina Ruth**, who was baptized on Saturday, June 27, 2026!

In observance of **Independence Day, Saturday, July 4th**, an English Mass will be celebrated at **10:00am** in the Church. 1st Saturday 9:30am Mass has been cancelled. The Parish Office will be closed on Friday, July 3rd.



*Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us! Our Lady, Immaculately Conceived, Patroness of the United States of America, pray for us! Have a blessed and safe holiday!*

## Tower Lights

Each month our St. Stephen Bell Tower is illuminated throughout the night. To help defray the monthly cost to the parish, we request a minimum financial donation of \$250 for a month's Tower Lighting. If you would like to sponsor the lighting of our Towers in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please call the parish office. Months available are July, August, September, November and December.

## Protecting God's Children

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior. Also, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email at:

[response\\_services@dioceseofcleveland.org](mailto:response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org)

# Parish Community Advertisements

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