



St. Stephen Roman Catholic Church

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All Saints—October 31, 2026 & November 1, 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:

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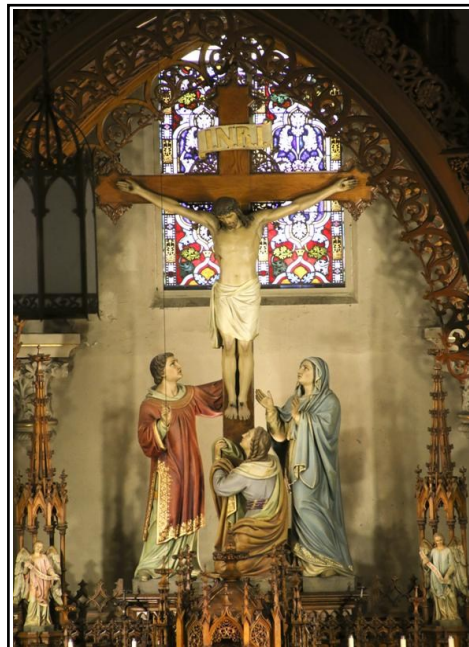
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Mission Statement

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.

Order 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 CELEBRATED IN THE CHURCH

Saturday, October 31, 2026

Vigil of All Saints

5:00 PM Rick Salvatore

Sunday, November 1, 2026

All Saints

8:00 AM † Helene Mausser

11:00 AM German — German Mass of Remembrance

Monday, November 2, 2026

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

9:00 AM English Mass

6:30 PM Latin — Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 3, 2026

Weekday

6:45 AM Latin — † Juan Garcia Espinal

6:30 PM † Baby Jason, † Baby Angel

Wednesday, November 4, 2026

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

6:30 PM † Evelyn Trucks

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

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Weekday

6:30 PM Latin — † Marguerite Charvat

Friday, November 6, 2026

Weekday

6:30 PM Latin (1st Friday) Pio Capone

Saturday, November 7, 2026

Weekday

9:30 AM Latin (1st Saturday) †† Anna and Richard Sasso

Vigil of the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM Cathy Ramirez

Sunday, November 8, 2026

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Salvatore Family

11:00 AM Alumni — Living and Deceased Members of the St. Stephen Alumni Association

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



CELEBRANT & LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

ALL SAINTS

OCTOBER 31, 2026 — NOVEMBER 1, 2026

	<u>5:00PM MASS</u>	<u>8:00AM MASS</u>	<u>11:00AM MASS</u>
Celebrant:	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Caroli
Lector:	Diana Lipfird	Doris Peters	Alfons Shermaier / Edie Bees Diana Lipfird
EM:			
Acolyte:	Ben Kost		

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 7, 2026 — NOVEMBER 8, 2026

	<u>5:00PM MASS</u>	<u>8:00AM MASS</u>	<u>11:00AM MASS</u>
Celebrant:	Fr. Benjamin	Fr. Benjamin	Fr. Benjamin
Lector:	Glenn Sneed	Chris Haddock	Jerry Nowesnick
EM:	Jean Gandee		Diana Lipfird
Acolyte:	Ben Kost		

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Monday: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40

Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Judy Pachasa Ansbro	Ann Konieczny	Gloria Parrott
Ray Ardire	Stephan Kosmalski	Gino Pascazi
James Bayne	Kosmerl Family	Herb Rielinger
Berly Blankenship	Karen Kranstueber	Herb Rodriguez
Janina Bruozis	Sr. Linda	Rick Salvatore
Thomas John Cables	Robin Manocchio	Jerry Schneider
Rosemary Diemer	Ruth Martin	Joyce Schneider
Martin Eland	Chelsea Mason	Irene Schroeder
Kyoko Fry	Maureen Masterson	Maureen Sciarrino
Susan Hatta	Chuck Matias	Jan Sheats
Tadaaki Hatta	Rita McDonald	Michael Sherman
Katharina Hayne	† Marilyn McKenna	Glenn Sneed
Barb Helon	Steve McElroy	Sharon Sneed
Tim Hennessey	Victoria Miller	Spencer Stadnik
Debi Hess	Mother and Daughter	Les Taborosi
Agnes Hogan	in Crisis	E. K. Wade
Horie Family	Kazuyuki Nagashima	Noel Walters
Dianna Hosta	Jessie Noelker	Dawn Wheeler
Patti Huskey	Tom O'Donnell	Andrew Wilkolok
Kiki Kelley	Daniel Pachasa	Jim Wilkolok
Kai Kirk	Maria Papp	Devon Zink
Joe Kolecik	Christopher A. Park	

Brother Kevin Cush—Vocation to Priesthood and Religious Life

Deacon Sean Homcy—Vocation to Priesthood

Canon 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

VIVA Bavaria hosts Gedächtnismesse 2026

The Gottscheer Heimatchor and the STV Bavaria choir sang the “Schubert Messe” on **Sunday, November 1st at 11:00am** during the annual Mass of Remembrance (Gedächtnismesse) hosted by VIVA Bavaria. This solemn Mass, including a Memorial Wreath presentation at the altar during Offertory, is in thanksgiving and honor of all friends and family members of Americans of German or Austrian descent in the greater Cleveland area.

Schuhplattler und Trachtenverein Bavaria exists to promote the preservation of traditional Bavarian and Tirolean costume, folk dance and song. They strive to develop and to maintain an awareness of and appreciation for German culture and customs encouraging mutual sociability among its members and the greater community. The choir meets on Monday evenings and the dancers meet on Friday at the German American Cultural Center in Olmsted Falls. More information can be found online at: www.stvbavaria.org.

The Gottscheer Heimatchor is dedicated to the preservation of Gottscheerish, a German dialect, and other German language folk, traditional, and sacred choral music. The group was founded in 1981 and is an integral partner organization of the EOUV (Erster Österreichischer Unterstützungsverein or First Austrian Benefits Society). The choir has performed extensively at the EOUV facility on Pekin Rd. in Geauga County, across Northeast Ohio, and out-of-town. Highlights include participation in Cleveland’s Bicentennial celebration in 1996; singing the Mass (attended by the Austrian Ambassador to the United States and celebrated by Cardinal James Hickey) for the dedication of the Austrian shrine to the Blessed

Virgin in the Church of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. in 1992; and performance tours of Austria, Slovenia and Italy in 1994 and 1999. The Gottscheer Heimatchor has enjoyed singing German Masses and for special events at St. Stephen Church for over twenty-five years. For more information, go to: EOUV.com/gottscheer-heimatchor.

The members of the Gottscheer Heimatchor and STV Bavaria choirs are scheduled to sing five times at St. Stephen in 2027, at the 11:00am Sunday Masses on January 3, April 4, June 6, September 5, and November 7. The combined voices of the two choirs bring an increased feeling of reverence to the worship services, even if one does not understand German. The Mass part arrangement styles range from 18th century Baroque to 20th century rural folk, but all reflect the deep German/Austrian Catholic faith tradition. At this time, the German Mass is celebrated in a hybrid form, with Fr. Caroli or Fr. Ben conducting the service in English and the congregation responding in German or English, according to individual preference. So consider attending at least one German choir Mass next year!



Parish Announcements

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE PAST YEAR

NOVEMBER 1, 2025 – OCTOBER 31, 2026

Timothy Hennessey
October 30, 2026

Jeannette Presley
April 21, 2026

Margaret Mary Gianakis
October 17, 2026

Walter Robin McClain, Jr.
April 17, 2026

Joanne Miller
October 12, 2026

Karen Fisher
March 27, 2026

Phillip Luke Smith
September 21, 2026

Evelyn Germaine Trucks
February 26, 2026

Carmen Julia DeJesus
September 18, 2026

Edward Heben
February 2, 2026

David Brezina
August 3, 2026

Lynn Gallagher
December 4, 2025

Nancy Fischbach
June 7, 2026

Robert Gunn
December 1, 2025

Fred Courtright
June 6, 2026

Russell Kamps
November 21, 2025

Fr. Sheldon Michael Franz
May 1, 2026

Francis Boysko
November 8, 2025

God of mercy, hear our prayers for those we love who have left this world in faith. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

CONDOLENCES TO...

Eileen Hennessey, Colleen Simovic, family and friends on the passing of **Timothy Hennessey** on October 30, 2026. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Stephen on Wednesday, November 4th at 10:30am.

In your charity, please pray for the repose of his soul.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



THE FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

The custom of keeping holy one day in the year as the festival of all God's saints, whether commemorated in the Liturgy or not, dates back to at least the beginning of the 5th Century. In ancient times it was usually called the feast of All Holy Martyrs. The day of its celebration varied; and in the East, even now, All Saints is in most places a movable feast. Pope St. Boniface IV, when dedicating the Roman Pantheon as the Church of Our Blessed Lady and All Holy Martyrs, appointed November 1 for the chief annual festival in the sacred building. Gregory III built an oratory at St. Peter's in honor of all the saints, confessors, as well as martyrs, who had died in all parts of the world. Gregory IV chose November 1 as the Feast of All Saints. The Octave was added by Sixtus IV.—Fr. F.X. Lasance

Faith was lively in those days; and Christians seized the opportunity of this feast to make amends for the neglect, voluntary or involuntary, suffered during the year by the blessed inscribed on the general Calendar. In the famous bull *Transiturus de hoc mundo*, by which he established the feast of Corpus Christi, Urban IV mentions this as one of the motives that had led to the prior institution of All Saints; and expresses a hope that the new solemnity may in like manner compensate for the distractions and coldness of the rest of the year towards this divine Sacrament, wherein He resides who is the crown and glory of all saints. — Dom Prosper Guéranger, O.S.B.



St. Stephen's All Hallows Eve Party!



Angel



St. Dominic, St. Lucy,
St. Gianna



St. Juan Diego
St. Philomena



St. Thérèse



St. Joseph,
Blessed Mother



Angel

The All Hallows Eve gathering was a hit! Thank you to everyone who brought delicious dishes and thoughtful gifts to our All Hallows Eve gathering, and to all the Angels and Saints in the making who dressed up! Your contributions and participation made the event truly special. If you weren't able to join us, don't worry; we plan on doing this again next year!

God bless and Happy Hallowtide!



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REFLECTION

In our communities, there are many people who do good works; take care of the poor, donate part of their savings for charity activities, offer prayers and fast for various intentions, but they remain unnoticed. In the Kingdom of God, as St. John revealed in the Book of Revelation, these Holy Servants are impossible to count. The Celebration of today is specifically to honor all the Saints for their victory. It is of Divine Providence that these Saints are from all nations, race and tongue. But they all dressed in one uniform of LOVE. God created us to be Saints and be united with Him in Love. The celebration of today is to inspire us to follow the footsteps of the Saints. These steps include perseverance in faith, survival in all temptations, and determination to sacrifice one's life for the love of Christ. The God who sees all your good works will reward you among the multitude of Saints.

~ Fr. Benjamin Koka, A.J.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

OCIA (ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS) is a process of instruction to introduce persons seeking initiation into the Roman Catholic Church or adults seeking to be received into full communion of the Catholic Church who have already been validly baptized. **Classes began on Thursday, October 29th** and are held from **6:30pm—8:00pm**. We invite adults who are interested to register by calling the parish office at 216-631-5633. The Church asks adults to spend this time in preparation for the Sacraments, to learn our faith, rituals, traditions, and holy scripture, as well as to nurture our relationship with our God, who loves us beyond our imagining, and who enters our lives through the sacraments. Sponsors and those wishing to renew their faith are also welcome.

OCTOBER 25, 2026 OFFERTORY COLLECTION and OCTOBER ONLINE DONATIONS

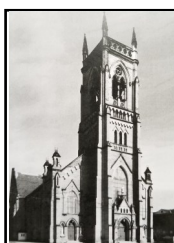
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General Offertory Collection.....	\$2,221.00	\$280.00
Children.....	\$3.50	
All Saints	\$102.00	
All Souls.....	\$22.00	
Building Fund	\$65.00	
Candles	\$85.00	
Ecclesia Nostra	\$2,686.12	\$1,015.00
First Friday		\$140.00
General Donation.....	\$1,000.00	\$600.00
German Mass of Remembrance		\$185.00
Music Ministry		\$200.00
St. Vincent de Paul Ministry.....		\$50.00
Utilities.....	\$5.00	\$125.00

Thank you all for your generosity!

MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Sun, Nov 1	Schola Practice (CR).....	8:00am
	German Social (R).....	after 11:00am
Mon, Nov 2	Metro Catholic Mass (C).....	9:00am
	Latin Mass (C).....	6:30pm
Thurs, Nov 5	OCIA Class (StC)	6:30pm
Fri, Nov 6	Rehearsal (C)	4:00pm
Sat, Nov 7	First Communion/Confirmation (MCS) .	10:30am
	1 st Saturday Lecture (CR)	Cancelled
	Wedding (C).....	1.00pm

(C) Church • (CR) Club Rm • (SFR) St Francis Rm • (R) Rectory •
• (MCS) Metro Catholic School • (StC) St. Colman



The Tower Lights are being illuminated
during the month of November

In Memory Of

† **Streeter Stephen Speakman III (Tre)**

October 14, 1946 – February 12, 2018

Please remember him in your prayers!

EUCCHARISTIC DEVOTION



**We have Eucharistic Devotion
on Wednesday Evenings after Mass.**

“Wait 1 Hour With Me”

**Words spoken by our Lord in the
garden of Gethsemane. (Mt 26:40-41)**

Eucharistic Adoration is a time to just “BE” in the presence of the Lord. It extends the union with Christ which we have received in Communion. The most important thing to realize is that you don’t have to do anything except spend time in the presence of the Lord. It is in this silence that the Lord speaks to us. We invite you to come pray with us each Wednesday evening, Mass, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration! What a wonderful way to Thank our Lord for all that He does for us.

CONFIRMATION / FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Classes will be held on **November 7th** and **November 21st at 10:30am**. Classrooms are located in the Metro School Building, Rooms 107 and 109. If you want your child to receive the Sacraments, all students including home school students are required to register. Any questions? Please call



Diana Lipfird at 440-532-9491 or email at dlipfird@gmail.com.

ALL SOULS’ DAY

All Souls’ Day, also called The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, is a day of prayer and remembrance for the faithful departed. Mass for the Commemoration of All of the Faithful Departed (All Souls’ Day) will be celebrated in the Church on Monday, **November 2nd at 9:00am** with the Metro Catholic students. Anyone who wishes to attend this Mass is welcome. A Latin Mass will be celebrated at **6:30pm**.

Outreach Ministry



The St. Stephen Outreach Ministry served **73** families on Thursday, October 29, 2026 from our Food Pantry. In November, our Food Pantry will be open on **November 19th** (the *third* Thursday of the month) due to the Thanksgiving holiday the following week. Thank you to all who donate to this much needed Ministry!

Parish Community Advertisements

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