

St. Stephen Roman Catholic Church

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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time —November 14 and 15, 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:

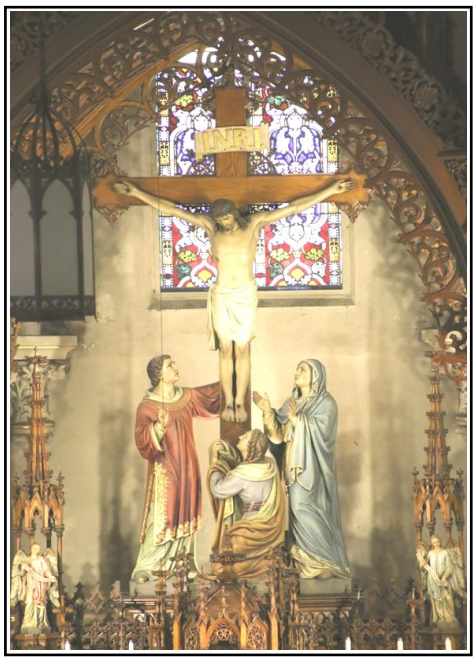
Parish Staff

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Metro Catholic Parish School
1910 West 54th Street
216-281-4044

Sisters of Notre Dame Convent
1891 West 57th Street
216-631-0754





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.

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

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.

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, November 14, 2026
Vigil of the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 PM The Strifler Family

Sunday, November 15, 2026
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Alex and Taylor Wollerman
11:00 AM Henry Schroeder

Monday, November 16, 2026
Weekday
6:30 PM † Allen Werter

Tuesday, November 17, 2026
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
6:45 AM Latin — Intention of the Marinchick Family
6:30 PM † Andrew Brian Sworan

Wednesday, November 18, 2026
Weekday
6:30 PM †† John and Alice
7:00-8:00 PM Confession, Holy Hour, Benediction

Thursday, November 19, 2026
Weekday
6:30 PM Latin — Cheryl O'Reilly

Friday, November 20, 2026
Weekday
6:30 PM † Albert Joseph Waters

Saturday, November 21, 2026
Vigil of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
5:00 PM † Eleanor Fischbach

Sunday, November 22, 2026
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
8:00 AM † Evelyn Trucks
11:00 AM Dianna Hosta

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

CELEBRANT & LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 14, 2026 — November 15, 2026

	5:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	11:00am Mass
Celebrant:	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Caroli	Fr. Caroli
Lector:	John Maier	Lou Ockunzzi	Matt Minarik
EM:	Jean Gandee		Diana Lipfird
Acolyte:	Ben Kost		Ralph Capistrano

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 21, 2026 – November 22, 2026

	5:00pm Mass	8:00am Mass	11:00am Mass
Celebrant:	Fr. Benjamin	Fr. Benjamin	Fr. Benjamin
Lector:	Glenn Sneed	Lou Ockunzzi	Diana Lipfird
EM:	Jean Gandee		Diana Lipfird
Acolyte:	Ben Kost		

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15, 2026

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28 or, for the Optional Memorial of the Dedication, Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/Mt 14:22-33
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Lk 20:27-40

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

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

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

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REFLECTION

When faced with problems such as death, the pandemic, severe famine, sickness, floods or wars, many people rush to conclude that the end of the world is at hand, while other Christians interpret problems as signs of the imminent second coming of the Lord. Paul warned believers not to make such speculation as he said, "the coming of the Lord is like a thief … when people are experiencing peace and security, then suddenly disaster comes upon them." The return of the Lord cannot be predicted by the challenges in life. It is pointless for us to panic or live in fear during hardships. Saint Paul said believers are Children of the light. They are to light the world of fear, darkness, ignorance, poverty, immorality, violence, greed, etc. The Lord is present in the world and He is transforming the world through His good and faithful servants — servants who utilize their talents to serve suffering communities in the world. In the story of a rich man who entrusted his possessions to his servants, he expected the servants to be productive. At the time of accountability, the industrious servants were rewarded, but the irresponsible, lazy and wicked servant was blamed for hiding his talent in the ground. The end of life in this world will come at any time. Let us be awake, and fulfill our Christian responsibilities.

~ Fr. Benjamin Koka, A.J.

Confirmation / First Communion Classes



Classes will be held on **November 21st** at **10:30am** in the Metro School Building in Rooms 107 and 109. **Registration is now closed.** *Questions*? Please call Diana Lipfird at 440-532-9491.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the U.S., over 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remains here in our diocese. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

NOVEMBER 7, 2026
OFFERTORY COLLECTION

General Offertory Collection	$1,285.00
Children	$3.00
All Saints' Day	$11.00
All Souls' Day	$306.00
Building Fund	$45.00
Candles	$92.00
Ecclesia Nostra	$2,472.12
First Friday	$76.00
Food Pantry	$50.00
General Donation	$150.00
Utilities	$70.00

Thank you all for your generosity!

MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15, 2026

Sun, Nov 15	Schola Practice (CR)	8:00am
Thurs, Nov 19	OCIA (StC)	6:30pm
Fri, Nov 20	Rehearsal (C)	5:00pm
Sat, Nov 21	First Communion/Confirmation (MCS)	10:30am
	Wedding (C)	1:30pm

(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!

EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION



We have Eucharistic Devotion on Wednesday Evening 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.

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.** To register, call the parish office at 216-631-5633. Sponsors and those wishing to renew their faith are also welcome.

Outreach Ministry



It is with sincere gratitude that we thank you for your continued monetary support and the food donations you have made to the Outreach Ministry Food Pantry. However, with the escalating food prices and the increase in numbers of those in need, we are experiencing a shortfall in our budget to continue our Ministry Programs. Family programs are in jeopardy. Our Outreach programs are funded SOLELY by contributions. Our budget each year to provide services is approximately $24,000.00. Through the Grace of God and our faithful supporters, we have been able to maintain our mission to assist our clients in giving them the support when needed — that is up until now.

We are asking for your help to continue our mission. Please consider making a monetary donation in any amount you are able to give. Blessings to you and your families.

Dean's Greenhouse Fundraiser

Looking for Poinsettias other seasonal items or gardening supplies? You can support St. Stephen from November 17th through December 24th by shopping at Dean's Greenhouse, 3984 Porter Rd., Westlake, Ohio.

Just mention St. Stephen when you check out and we will receive 20% of your order. Thank you for your support!

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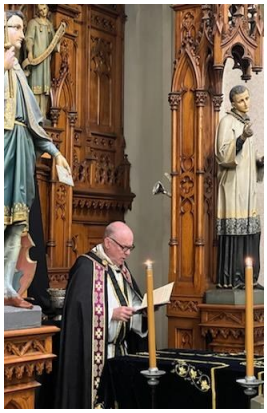
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How to Obtain
a Plenary Indulgence
November 1-8






The Usual Conditions.
The intention to gain the indulgence. The state of grace. Complete detachment from every sin, including venial sin. Sacramental Confession. Holy Communion - a separate Communion for each plenary indulgence. Prayer for the Pope's intentions — an Our Father and a Hail Mary are suitable. Confession, Communion and prayer for the Pope's intentions may be made within about twenty days before or after the work. Only one plenary indulgence may ordinarily be gained each day. The Two Works: A devout visit to a cemetery with prayer for the dead, on each day from November 1 through November 8. Silent prayer fulfils the prayer required for that visit. A devout visit to a church or oratory on November 2, praying there the Our Father and the Creed. These are separate works; you need not do both. Both are applicable only to the souls in purgatory. Enchiridion of Indulgences, grant 29.

Prayer for the Faithful Departed
✝ Father, God of all consolation, in Your unending love and mercy for us You turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life. Through Your Son, Jesus Christ, we ask You to deliver the souls in Purgatory, especially those for whom we now pray...(Mention their names here). Welcome them into Your presence and bless them with eternal light and peace. Raise them up to live forever with all Your saints in the glory of the Resurrection. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen✝