

# St. Stephen Roman Catholic Church

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## Celebrating over 150 Years of Tradition

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Website: ststephencleveland.org Email: ststephendh@gmail.com

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe —November 21 and 22, 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:**

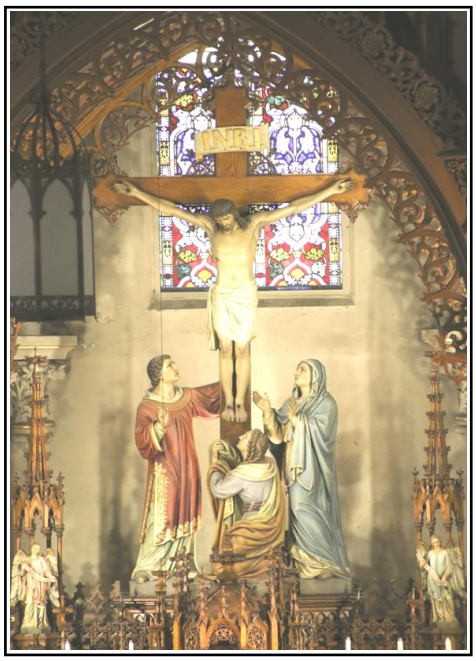
## Parish Staff

**Church Secretary:**
Debbie Hemphill
**Church Accountant:**
Russ Nieling
**Maintenance:**
Dieudonne Simbi
**Organist:**
Joe Kolecki
**Cantors:**
Virginija Muliolis and Teagan Webb
**Latin Schola Director:**
Nathan Marinchick and Matthew Eccher
**St. Vincent de Paul:**
Maureen Easley

**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 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

**Monday, November 23, 2026**
**Weekday**
6:30 PM † Tim Hennessey

**Tuesday, November 24, 2026**
**St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, Martyr & Companions, Martyrs**
6:45 AM Latin — † Baby Michael Cables
6:30 PM Tamara Bevelacqua

**Wednesday, November 25, 2026**
**Weekday**
6:30 PM Andrew Jones
7:00-8:00 PM Confession, Holy Hour, Benediction

**Thursday, November 26, 2026**
**Thanksgiving**
10:00 AM Parishioners

**Friday, November 27, 2026**
**Weekday**
6:30 PM † Ann Deike

**Saturday, November 28, 2026**
**Vigil of The First Sunday of Advent**
5:00 PM † Ronald Brodzinski

**Sunday, November 29, 2026**
**First Sunday of Advent**
8:00 AM Alex and Taylor
11:00 AM † Tim Hennessey

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

## CELEBRANT & LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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

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

**First Sunday of Advent**
**November 28, 2026 – November 29, 2026**

| | 5:00pm Mass | 8:00am Mass | 11:00am Mass |
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| **Celebrant:** | Fr. Caroli | Fr. Caroli | Fr. Caroli |
| **Lector:** | Russ Nieling | | Diana Lipfird |
| **EM:** | Jean Gandee | | |
| **Acolyte:** | | | |

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

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22, 2026

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| Sunday: | Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26,28/Mt 25:31-46 |
| Monday: | Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Lk 21:1-4 |
| Tuesday: | Rv 14:14-19/Lk 21:5-11 |
| Wednesday: | Rv 15:1-4/Lk 21:12-19 |
| Thursday: | Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Lk 21:20-28 |
| Friday: | Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Lk 21:29-33 |
| Saturday: | Rv 22:1-7/Lk 21:34-36 |

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

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Judy Pachasa Ansbro
Ray Ardire
James Bayne
Doris Beales
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
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
Jerry Schneider
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

# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe —November 21 and 22, 2026

## REFLECTION

Through the sacrament of Baptism, we share the three offices of Christ, as Prophet, King and Priest. Today as we celebrate Christ the King of the Universe; we are called to seriously reflect on our roles as leaders both in the church and in the society. Our leadership role should reflect that of our master Jesus Christ the King of the Universe. When we approach his throne, our eyes should not be blinded by its majesty, but opened by its humility. We see the price of salvation, the effects of our sins, the symbol of what hatred really can do but we also see the unlimited mercy and love of our King. We're not dazzled by treasures like diamonds or pearls, but by the treasures of patience, kindness, forgiveness, and humility. That's what makes Christ's throne beautiful. Reflecting on the three offices of Christ, we graciously received during our baptism, let us turn to Jesus Christ the King of the Universe and imitate him so that in the end of our lives the King will say to us "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world" (Mat. 25:34). ~ Fr. Caroli Shao, A.J.

**THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT 10:00AM IN ENGLISH ON THANKSGIVING DAY**




Fr. Caroli, Fr. Ben, Fr. Bede and the Parish Staff of St. Stephen wish you a most blessed and joyous Thanksgiving celebration!

The Parish Office will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th.

## Confirmation / First Communion Classes



Classes will be held on **December 5th** and **December 19th** 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.

**NOVEMBER 15, 2026**
**OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

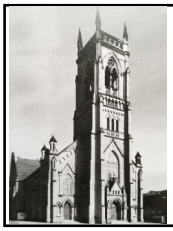
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| General Offertory Collection | $1,542.00 |
| Children | $6.00 |
| Building Fund | $45.00 |
| Candles | $164.00 |
| Ecclesia Nostra | $1,731.12 |
| Food Pantry | $500.00 |
| General Donation | $235.00 |
| St. Vincent de Paul | $21.00 |
| Utilities | $20.00 |
| Diocesan: Campaign for Human Development | $248.00 |

***Thank you all for your generosity!***

**MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22, 2026**

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| **Sun, Nov 15** | Schola Practice (CR) | 8:00am |
| | Latin Social (CR) | after 9:30am Mass |
| **Mon, Nov 23** | Parish Council Subcommittee (CR) | 7:00pm |
| **Thurs, Nov 26** | Thanksgiving Day Mass (C) | 10:00am |
| | OCIA (StC) | *Cancelled* |
| | Parish Office | *Closed* |
| **Fri, Nov 27** | Parish Office | *Closed* |

(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!*

## Upcoming Apostles of Jesus Mission Appeal



**APOSTLES OF JESUS MISSION APPEAL**

Bishop Edward Malesic has given permission to the Apostles of Jesus to conduct a mission appeal once a year at St. Stephen Church. For those who do not know, our Priests, Fr. Caroli Shao and Fr. Ben Koka, are members of the Apostles of Jesus.

The Apostles of Jesus is a Missionary Order founded in Uganda-Africa in the year 1968 by two Italian Comboni Missionaries for the evangelization of Africa and the World. Working with various Catholic Dioceses in the world, the Apostles of Jesus are engaged in various fields of apostolate, namely: Primary Evangelization, Parish Ministry, Clinical Pastoral Care and Hospital Chaplaincy, Nursing Homes/Aids Ministry, and Formation of the Lay Leaders.

All funds raised from this mission appeal will help to educate the many vocations in the society of the Apostles of Jesus in Africa. This mission appeal will take place here at St. Stephen Parish on **December 5th and 6th**. Please prayerfully consider contributing generously to this annual appeal.

## 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.

## Dean's Greenhouse Fundraiser

Looking for Poinsettias or 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.

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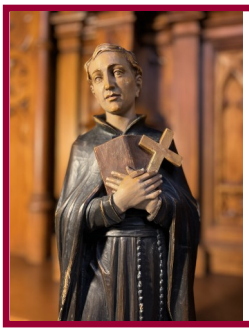
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