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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 19, 2023

When Jesus heard that
they had thrown him
out, he found him and
said, "Do you believe
in the Son of Man?"
- Jn 9:35

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Daily Mass Monday-Saturday

9am (Also Livestreamed)

Thursday

5:40pm Rosary, 6pm Mass
(Also Livestreamed)

Every First Friday

5pm to 6pm Exposition
6pm Mass

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday

4pm Vigil

(Also Livestreamed)

Sunday

7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, & 4pm
(10:30am – Also Livestreamed)

St. Stephen Mass Times

Saturday: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am

Private Confessions

Saturday 3pm to 3:30pm
In the church

Drive-Thru Communion

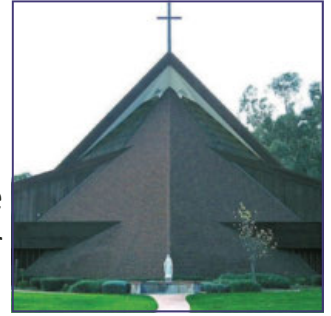
11:30am to 12 noon
In front of the church

Livestream Links

Can be found at ctkph.org

"TO HEAR THE GOSPEL AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE."

ST STEPHEN PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT



The accompanying financial statement, found on the back page of the bulletin, summarizes the St. Stephen Parish financial performance for 2022 and the operating budget for 2023.

Our parishioners continued their generous financial support in 2022. Mass attendance, while improving, has not fully recovered from the effects of the pandemic; however, plate collections for the year remained strong at 90% of pre-pandemic levels. Operating costs were effectively controlled - and we continue to rely on our volunteers for administration, office staff, bookkeeping and many other functions. As a result, we ended the year “in the black” with operating revenues exceeding costs by \$38,000. These funds are being used to contribute to the costs of improvements to our facilities.

For 2023 we are conservatively budgeting for breakeven operations. We will be incurring some nonrecurring maintenance, repair and other costs as we prepare for the merger of St. Stephen and Christ the King parishes. Also, ongoing inflationary pressures continue to affect operating expenses. In response, we are implementing cost reduction efficiencies in anticipation of the merger. For example, we now have a combined music staff from which musicians are assigned for the Masses at St. Stephen and CTK, resulting in consistent music quality. During 2023 we will proceed with the combination of other operations in the areas of finance, maintenance and certain administrative functions.

Over the past three years we have been working to improve our facilities. Completed projects include repaving and restriping of the parking lot, upgrading of parking lot and pathway lighting, replacement of wood siding panels on the church, new appliances in the parish hall kitchen and the new sound system in the church. More improvements are planned - replacement of the heating/air conditioning system in the church, upgrading of the restrooms in the parish hall, repairs to the flooring in the hall and cleaning of carpets in the church.

Thanks to your continued support and generosity, our parish continues to be in sound financial condition as we move toward the merger with Christ the King.



UPCOMING CTK MASS INTENTIONS

Mar. 20	Mon.	9am	Lawrence Raymundo †
Mar. 21	Tues.	9am	Frank O'Neill †
Mar. 22	Wed.	9am	Anna & Martin Dias †
Mar. 23	Thur.	9am 6pm	Dolores Capiral † Esther Donlin † Horacio Joaquim Pires † David Baer †
Mar. 24	Fri.	9am	Joseph Frank Almeida †
Mar. 25	Sat.	9am	Eileen Radding † Tatina Amalraj (<i>birthday blessings</i>)
Mar. 25	Sat.	4pm	Sr. Joanne Gallagher (<i>birthday blessings</i>)
Mar. 26	Sun.	7:30am	Mario Que † Jack Cardoza †
Mar. 26	Sun.	9am	Brett & Diane Serafino †
Mar. 26	Sun.	10:30am	Josefa Pi Lozano † Jim Ocheltree † Irma Lee † Adriano Peralta † Oscar Villamora †
Mar. 26	Sun.	4pm	Angelica Mae & Rachelle Astudillo



The Feast of St. Joseph is celebrated today, March 19th
As the divinely-appointed earthly guardian and protector of the Holy Family, St. Joseph provided and cared for the material needs of Mary and the Child Jesus. St. Joseph is the patron saint of many causes, especially fathers, families, married couples, children, pregnant women, workers, craftsmen, against doubt, the dying, and a happy and holy death.

ST. STEPHEN CORNER "To Live and to Love in Christ"

St. Stephen Church - Mass Times

Monday - Friday - 8am

Saturday - 5pm and Sunday - 9:30am



SS UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Mar. 18	Sat.	5:00pm	St. Stephen Parishioners
Mar. 19	Sun.	9:30am	Robert Van Slambrook †
Mar. 20	Mon.	8:00am	Jeffrey Gomes †
Mar. 21	Tues.	8:00am	Tom Saguin-Vuletich, <i>Birthday Blessings</i>
Mar. 22	Weds.	8:00am	Carol Lorenzana, <i>Healing</i>
Mar. 25	Sat.	5:00pm	St. Stephen Parishioners
Mar. 26	Sun.	9:30am	Bob Walton †

ST. STEPHEN NEWS

Join us after Mass this Sunday for our Town Hall meeting. Coffee and sweet rolls will be served.

Friday, March 24 is our Lenten Reconciliation Service at 6pm. Plan on joining us.

Our Lenten activities continue with a Soup Supper and Movie Night on Thursday, March 30. These will follow a special Mass at 6pm.

Envelopes are available on the counters in the back of the church for those of you that wish to contribute towards our Easter flowers. There is space on the envelopes for you to list names for remembrance and will be placed on the altar during Easter.

Office hours - Monday & Wednesday 11am-2pm.



You are invited to attend our Lenten
Reconciliation Service

Saturday, March 25 at 3pm or
Monday, March 27 at 6pm
in the church

Come and experience the
healing power of the
Sacrament of Reconciliation
as we journey together during Lent.



Christ the King Church
Please join us every Friday in Lent to pray
The Stations of the Cross
6:30pm

This 14-step devotion commemorates
Jesus' passion and death.



2023 Bishop's Ministries Appeal

For more information on how to
support the Appeal visit our parish
website at ctkph.org

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Envelopes and brochures are also
available in the back of the
church.



Soup and Cinema
"The Passion of the Christ"
Thursday, March 30 at 6:30pm
St. Stephen Parish Hall

Come for Lenten Soup (free) and watch the video: "The Passion of the Christ" on March 30th at 6.30pm (after the 6pm Mass honoring our Mother of Perpetual Help). This will be held at St. Stephen. Introduction will be given by Rabbi Roberto Graetz, Rabbi Emeritus from Temple Isaiah, Lafayette. He will speak about anti-Semitism in the movie as well as in Christianity in the United States. He will stay for the entire movie and answer questions at the end.

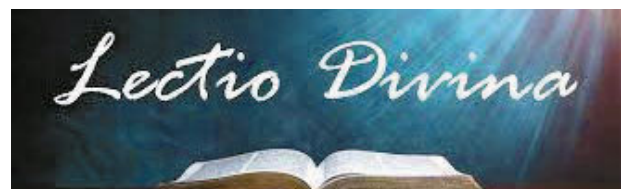


Our Adult Faith Formation Lenten Series Continues this Week!

Lenten Scripture Study on Fridays of Lent
Led by: Jeannette Holmes

Join us on the Fridays of Lent at 10am in the
CTK Ministry Center Chapel
for prayer and a study of the
Lenten Sunday Scripture Readings.

Friday Mornings
March 24th & March 31



Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina
Led by: Dr. Terry Heywood and Fr. Paulson

Tuesdays - March 21 & 28th,
7:00pm - 8:00pm in CTK's Parish Hall
Attend one or both sessions

Sessions will reflect the upcoming
Sunday Scripture Readings



St. Vincent DePaul Ministry Needs More Volunteers!

Are you looking to make a difference? This is your invitation to join Christ the King's St. Vincent de Paul Conference! No special qualifications are required other than the desire to help. The ministry helps our dear neighbors in need with our food and clothing pantry located next to the Gym.

We are a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and making a difference by being of service to people in need. Please contact Gary Piermattei at garyfpe@gmail.com or leave a message at 925-246-1131 if you would like to volunteer or get more information about this ministry.

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Annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 8th on CTK's Lawn Area

The annual Easter Egg hunt is back again this year at CTK! The Knights of Columbus are holding their CTK Easter Egg hunt so come join us for a morning of fun and excitement on the lawn.

The Easter Bunny will be arriving at 10am and the Easter Egg hunt will follow our usual schedule: 10:15 am for 1-4 years old, 10:45am, for 5-7 years old and 11:15am for 8-10 years old. Bring your Easter baskets, get a picture with the Easter Bunny, participate in the Easter egg hunt, and enjoy some refreshments and games as we celebrate Easter weekend. Please bring a canned good to donate to charity. We look forward to seeing everyone!



All are welcome to come to our next ICF meeting which will be a celebration of St. Joseph's Day on Sunday, March 19 at 1 PM in the Parish Hall, Rooms A and B

(park in the small parking lot). We will celebrate the feast of St. Joseph with the Italian custom of the St. Joseph's Table which will display various foods contributed by our members. All are welcome to join us for lunch and our meeting, but please let us know if you will be joining us so we can be sure to have enough food for everyone. Call or email Diana Mackinson at 925-519-4711 or dijoed@comcast.net.

Upcoming Second Collections

March 18 & 19 - Catholic Relief Services

March 25 & 26 - Easter Flowers

**ST STEPHEN PARISH
STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS
YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2023**

	ACTUAL 2022	BUDGET 2023
REVENUES:		
PLATE COLLECTIONS	\$ 191,957	\$ 193,000
OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS	17,774	9,240
PARISH HALL RENTALS	36,900	24,000
AT&T TOWER RENTAL	36,660	36,660
OTHER REVENUES	16,556	10,000
TOTAL REVENUES	299,847	272,900
EXPENSES:		
CTK - PRIESTS AND OTHER COSTS	72,000	72,000
DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT	25,344	27,920
INSURANCE	27,718	28,560
SALARIES AND PROFESSIONAL FEES	54,122	46,030
UTILITIES	41,277	45,660
REPAIRS AND MINOR PURCHASES	9,803	11,200
OTHER EXPENSES	30,952	41,530
TOTAL EXPENSES	261,216	272,900
OPERATING INCOME	\$ 38,631	\$ -

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