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**Worship Times**

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p  
Sunday Mass, 11:15a, En español, 1:30p  
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult Bulletin  
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass, 9:00a  
Holy Days 7:00p  
Communion Service Consult bulletin  
Sacrament of Reconciliation By appointment

**Welcome, New Parishioners**

*We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.*

**Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony**

*For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.*

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

*For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.*

**Anointing of the Sick**

*For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis*

**Baptism of the Lord**  
**January 9, 2022**

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## St. Stephen Church Protocol

Out of concern for one another, **we wear masks in church.**

We use **hand sanitizer** before coming forth to receive Communion to insure the highest, safest level of protection for everyone.

**OUR POLICY, FOR EVERYONE'S PROTECTION:  
COMMUNION WILL BE RECEIVED IN THE HAND ONLY.**

Kindly bring your own mask from home so the masks we have can be offered to visitors who don't know our parish policy will have one when they come to Mass.

*Thank you!*



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## *Hymnals, Missals & Kneelers*

If you wish you can make a donation towards our new 3-year Missals, our hymnals, or kneelers.

Donations payable to: St. Stephen Church.

No donation is too small.

## *2022 Calendar MASS INTENTIONS*

To SCHEDULE A MASS at St. S,  
please use the white envelopes found in the lobby.  
PRINT the name or intention for the Mass on the front of the envelope.  
A stipend for a Mass is ten (\$10) dollars in cash or a check payable to:  
Fr. John Hanic. Give the envelope to S. Janis.

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

If you wish to **DONATE FLOWERS** marking an 2022 anniversary, birthday, special intention, in gratitude to God, or in memory of a deceased loved, or just because, please

**SIGN UP or CALENDAR**

and contact *Donna*, (336) 835-5245.

*St. Stephen Wise Ones are the 55+ members of our parish community who began getting together over a decade ago, gathering on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month for a meal, dessert, and games. The Wise Ones often join together in community service, like Meal for the Elderly, volunteering as a tutor at Elkij Elementary School; or at Hugh Chatham Hospital, Grace Clinic, and Tri-County ministries.*



**POSTPONED TILL FEBRUARY 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Dear Members of The Wise Ones,  
I am pleased to announce the Wise Ones will resume their regular get-togethers, although a bit differently. We gather on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month beginning January 20, 2022.*

*For now, our venue will include a Luncheon at 1:00 P.M. Each month, the place will be determined by the Host. Bob and Lana Horneck are hosting in January.*

*As part of parish protocol, The Wise Ones respectfully ask that all who attend wear masks and be fully vaccinated.*

*Early in January you will receive an email letting you know the time and place of the luncheon.*

*Then, you contact Bob and Lana (336) 874-8614 with your reservation so they can get an accurate count and make the arrangements with the restaurant.*

*I am excited we're meeting again so we can get to know our newest members and enjoy each others company. If you want more information please call me at 336 957-2250.*

*Sincerely,  
Jerry Schaufenbuel*

## New Day's Lyric

May this be the day  
We come together.  
Mourning, we come to mend,  
Withered, we come to weather,  
Torn, we come to tend,  
Battered, we come to better.  
Tethered by this year of yearning,  
We are learning  
That though we weren't ready for this,  
We have been readied by it.  
We steadily vow that no matter  
How we are weighed down,  
We must always pave a way forward.

Amanda Gorman  
1<sup>st</sup> National Youth Poet Laureate

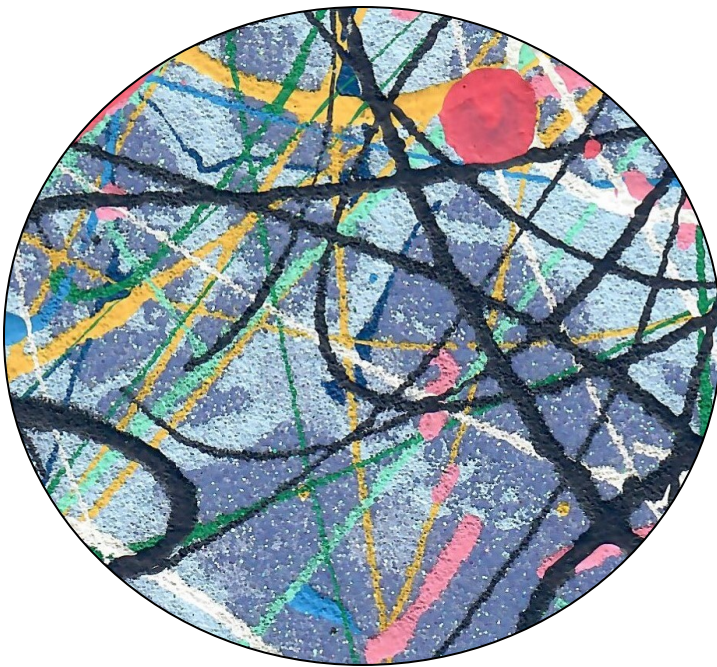


Artwork: *Joy Vibrations* by Rassouli

I sometimes forget  
that I was created for Joy.  
My mind is too busy.  
My Heart is too heavy  
for me to remember  
that I have been  
called to dance  
the Sacred dance of life.  
I was created to smile  
To Love  
To be lifted up  
And to lift others up.  
O' Sacred One  
Untangle my feet  
from all that ensnares.  
Free my soul.  
That we might  
Dance  
and that our dancing  
might be contagious. \*\*

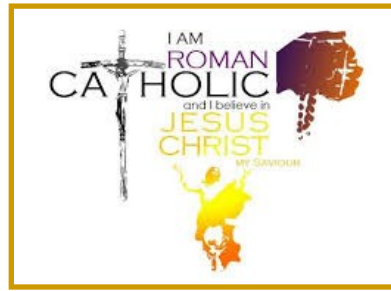
~Hafiz

\*\*This kind of *contagius* is  
*good, very good!*



Artwork by Martha Neves, RCIA Candidate





*Morning, Church!*

Christmas decor is replaced by the Baptismal Font and Paschal Candle. We are in a new Liturgical season. Ordinary Time begins today with the celebration of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Many consider Baptism a Sacrament of Infancy, a family celebration long past. This couldn't be further from the truth. Baptism is not a Sacrament of Infancy. It is the Sacrament of your lifelong faith journey. As "the door to the sacred", Baptism consecrates and missions you in the Name of Jesus to proclaim God's saving presence among us as priest, prophet and leader /king.

In the Old Testament those chosen as leaders in community were bathed in oil. Anointing leaders served as sign of consecration. The anointing signified God's presence. God empowered the anointed one to lead by example, to be a reminder of God's call to faithfulness and holiness.

At your Baptism, you were anointed on the crown of the head with chrism, with this prayer, "God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has freed you from sin and given you a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit. Now God anoints with the chrism of salvation. As Christ was anointed Priest, *Prophet*, and King, so may you live always as a member of His body, sharing everlasting life. Amen."

Biblical prophets were chosen to speak for God, to point out injustices and to serve as advocates for the poor and vulnerable. It's timely that this feast comes in the same week as the grotesque January 6 anniversary of the Insurrection on our Capitol and our democracy. The Insurrection's assault is not just on a building. It is an assault on our moral values, and our democracy's foundational underpinnings. Those anointed at Baptism, the Children of the Light, need stand up and speak up over and against this perpetuated Darkness and Lies and say, "Enough!"

Believers need act *as one* to uphold the truth of who we are and whose we are as a nation before *all of us* to drown in our apathetic silence. Baptism's sacred anointing designates you to preach The Word whether convenient or inconvenient, to name and condemn the overwhelming injustices in our midst, and to refuse to accept The Darkness and The Lies.

Historically, true prophets become martyrs for doing what God called them to do ~ including Jesus.

Serving as God's prophet and truly living your Baptism is very risky.

When you speak in God's Name, call others to conversion, to right injustices, and to care for the vulnerable, you are judged, mocked, hated and condemned.

Baptism is *not* the Sacrament of Infancy, it is the Sacrament of Committed Christians, Way Walkers, Children of the Light who strive to follow Jesus.

Among God's anointed prophets, you are in good company.

God's blessings,

*spanis*

*What is the deepest desire of your heart?*

2nd Sun OT Coming Prepared: <a href="http://www.usccb.org">www.usccb.org</a>	
Isaiah 62: 1-5	1Cor 12:4-11
Ps. 96:1-10	John 2: 1-11



PROCLAIMERS of the WORD		
Date	Reading I	Reading II
1/9	Patrick C	Ashley D
1/16	Karen G	Mary H
1/23	Kathy J	Ronnie K

**☞ Reflecting and Acting on the Word \_\_\_\_\_**






How do you exercise your prophetic role and speak out against injustices in our country, Church, and world?

What issues does the Church need to address to bring about justice and right relationships?

**Tri-C Christian Ministries**

**CURRENT NEEDS:**

**ANY canned vegetables, esp. peas & any kind of beans; sm. Toiletries or laundry soap.**

☞ JANUARY	
09	<b>Baptism of the Lord</b> Confirmation FFF, 10:30a, FLC
10	Ladies Guild <b>POSTPONED</b> till Feb 14, 7p 
11	Communion Service, 12:15p Clergy Connection, 3p
16	2nd Sun OT 1st Communion FFF, 10:30a, FLC
17	RCIA 
18	Communion Service, 12:15p
20	Wise Ones <b>POSTPONED</b> till Feb 17 Details TBA 
23	3rd Sun OT Confirmation FFF, 10:30a, FLC
24	RCIA 
25	Communion Service, 12:15p
30	4th Sun OT 1st Communion FFF, 10:30a, FLC
31	RCIA 

☞ JANUARY	
09	+Mike O'Hara
16	+John Cahill r/b Peggy R
23	Mary Askew; +Linda Cirone
30	Kate Garwood (Birthday) Lorraine Benfanti r/b Ladies Guild

*Birthdays*

10 Ahahi Parral  
11 Rosa Parral  
13 Luis Martinez  
16 Jenny Ardizzola  
Barry Blackburn  
Epi Parral Cortez



20 Isabella Estrada  
Cecelia Jones  
21 Ines Chaves Trejo  
23 Lou Stackhouse  
25 Braulio Mata Reyes  
30 Marta Segura Lopez  
31 Dolores Spicer

*Pope Francis: Walking the Word*

...the present moment offers a precious opportunity to guide and govern the processes now under way, and to build inclusive societies based on respect for human dignity, tolerance, compassion and mercy.



**INCLEMENT WEATHER INFO**

Check these media outlets for information:

**NBC/ WXII or FOX/WGHP**