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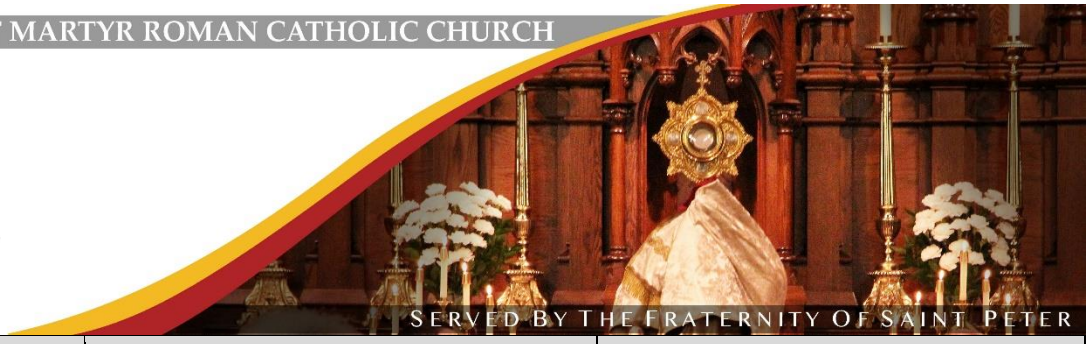

SACRAMENTS

MASS SCHEDULE

Sun	7 am, 8:30 am, 10 am, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm (*Sung*), 6 pm
Mon - Fri	7 am, 12 pm, 6 pm
Sat	7 am, 8:30 am, 12 pm
Holy Day	Check bulletin.

CONFESSIONS

We have confessions **every weekday**, starting one half hour before the beginning of Mass. There are also limited times on Sunday for confessions.

Sun	6:30 am & 5:30 pm
Mon - Fri	6:30 am, 11:30 am, 5:30 pm
Sat	6:30 am, 8 am, 11:30 am

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Contact the Parish Office. Baptisms should be within the first two weeks after birth; marriages generally require six months of preparation.

SICK CALLS

Call the Parish Office to schedule a home visit for the Sacraments.

If someone is dying, outside of office hours, dial **916-455-5114**, then press **1**. You will be transferred immediately to the priest-on-call.

THE FSSP

St. Stephen the First Martyr is a personal parish of the Diocese of Sacramento. It is served by priests of **the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter**.

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FAQ, bulletins, news, events, sermons, becoming Catholic, and much more.

PARISH SIGNAL GROUPS

Visit the bookstore for information.

DEVOTIONS

THE DIVINE OFFICE

Tu - Fr	8:50 am, *Terce* 11:20 am, *Sext* 5 pm, *Vespers*
Sat	11:20 am, *Sext* 5 pm, *Vespers & Compline*

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

Thurs 1 pm - 6 pm

THE HOLY ROSARY

Sun	6:30 am & 7 pm
Last Sat	After the 8:30 am (*15 decades*)

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Tues After the 6 pm

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

Wed After all Masses

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Sun	After the 1 pm
Thurs	After all Masses

SAINT MONICA SODALITY

1st Th After the 6 pm Mass

THE SACRED HEART

1st Fri After all Masses

FATIMA PROCESSION

The 13th of the month, May to Oct.

DONATIONS

ST. BERNADETTE FUND

Please consider giving to fellow parishioners in need. Donations can be made online or at the Parish Office.

ONLINE GIVING

Available at the parish website.
firstmartyr.com

Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping, unless you are giving online. Please pick them up in the Parish Office.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

6 Sept	**Sun**	**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**, *II*
	7 am	Vanessa Keiper
	8:30 am	Bonny Butchy
	10 am	Camila Reynoso
	11:30 am	Fr. John Berg, FSSP
	1 pm	*Pro populo*
	6 pm	+ Narcisco Costales
7 Sept	**Mon**	**Feria**, *IV*
	7 am	FSSP
	12 pm	+ Julia Costales
	6 pm	+ Cynthia Guban Miller
8 Sept	**Tues**	**Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, *II*
	7 am	+ Auresta Collado
	12 pm	Tiburcio Lopez Rodriguez
	6 pm	Karen Joyce P. Dela Paz
9 Sept	**Wed**	**St. Peter Claver**, *III*
	7 am	Lucia Romero
	12 pm	+ Daniel Huynh
	6 pm	+ Ignacio Costales
10 Sept	**Thurs**	**St. Nicholas of Tolentino**, *III*
	7 am	Caity Mendez Orozco
	12 pm	+ Tomasa Raymundo
	6 pm	+ Dr. & Mrs. William Remole
11 Sept	**Fri**	**Ss. Protus & Hyacinth**, *IV*
	7 am	James Petzold
	12 pm	Bill Marvin C. Dela Paz
	6 pm	+ Trespolo Paranque
12 Sept	**Sat**	**Most Holy Name of Mary**, *III*
	7 am	FSSP & Preservation of the Latin Mass
	8:30 am	+ Bernarda Moreno
	12 pm	+ Basilio Uclaray

PRAYER LIST

Francisco Pineda, Paul Cogley, Irene Guzman, Julius Cozzatti, Judy Schuchmann, Ana Rosa Phomsopha, Mother Regina, Donna Hopkins, Chuck Teixera, Carol Cummings, Ron Mantsch, Daniel Huynh, Avianna Ramirez, Ed Schneider, Paula Belen, Ralph Clark, Michelle DiGiovani, Mark Mitchell, Phil Carey, Debbie Vilar, Dominick Damore, Judi Geldermann, Elaine Testa, Monique Rance, Karen Rich, Stephanie Reali, Theresa Reali, Dolly Lewis, Mary Ann Cuny, Barbara Graichen, Darryl Gallagher, Barbara Cogan, Jordan Aranas, JoAnn Mutterties

Please keep all the sick and homebound of the parish in your daily prayers, as well as the loved ones of fellow parishioners, and our adult catechumens and candidates.

IN MEMORIAM

Michael DeSantis, Don Varley, Billy June Hinojos, Josephine Cuellar, Judy Roberts, Jim Gallagher, Geoff Pyka, Jim Kasak, Anthony Correa, Helen DiCarlo, Daniel Nguyen, Fr. Salgado, Jazmin Orozco, Peter Luong Van Tran, Anne Marie Ternes, Bob Crocker, Kathleen Scarry, Bill Sneeringer, Marion Nicholas, Vincent DiCarlo, Estelle McKnerney, Alfred Solorio, Fr. James Buckley, Rudy Nagel, Paul Graff, Pietro Lopresti, John Hymes, Teodosio Dino, Barbara Chu, Nellie Reyes, Albert Treskon, Violet Corr, Mary Hayes, Derald Goyette, Bonnie Williams, Frank Bowa, Ramon Daley, Eileen Morrison, Richard & Louise Szabo, Cesar Oliva, Joseph Damore, Ken Taylor

PARISH SOCIETIES

Choir & Music Classes & Organ Society ..... **Keven Smith**
Youth & Adults, Sunday & Thursday .... ksmith_writer@yahoo.com

Altar Guild & Altar Guild Minor ..... **Mike Solton**
Boys 7 – 18, Third Saturday 916-832-2859

Troops of Saint George (Scouting)
Boys 6 – 18 ..... CPT@tsgtroop750.org

Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary ..... **Amy Rutschow**
Girls 14 – 18, First Saturday 916-340-5782

Rosa Mystica ..... **Hannah Fauci**
Girls 9 – 13, First Saturday 323-590-8003

Little Flowers ..... **Megan Gury**
Girls 5 – 8, First Saturday 916-207-0498

Youth Group ..... **Liz Hernandez**
Ages 14 – 18, Second & Fourth Friday 916-396-4062

OLSW Co-op ..... **Inocencio Rangel**
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Adult Catechism ..... **Fr. Joshua Curtis, FSSP**
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Men's Theology Group ..... **William Giovannetti**
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Altar Linen & Flowers Society ..... **Tomoko McDonough**
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Church Flowers ..... **Hannah Fauci**
Friday or Saturday 323-590-8003

Church Cleaning ..... **Eli Gonzalez**
Wednesday 916-395-7408

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PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Fr. Jacob Kasak, FSSP; **Sr. MaryAnne Regina, CM**; **Sr. Maria Dolorosa, FLM**; **Sr. Leonie, OSB**; **Sr. Rebekah Kasak (OSB); Br. Ethan Munsill (OP)**

Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is Arestless until it finds its rest in thee.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

YOUTH GROUP

On September 11, the St. Stephen's Youth Group will resume. It meets twice a month during the academic year, generally on second and fourth Friday, in the evening. Its primary purpose is the continuing Catholic education of high school students in our parish. The secondary purpose of the group is to help the youth form and keep good Catholic friendships amongst one another. The group assists at the evening Mass, afterwards moving to one of the classrooms for a short meal and social time. Then one of the priests, usually Fr Curtis, gives a conference, somewhere between thirty and sixty minutes. Finally, the members enjoy a common activity.

6:00 PM	Mass
7:00 PM	Dinner, Conference, & Activity
9:30 PM	Departure

Several times during the course of the year, the members go off campus (usually on a Saturday). Previous examples include ice skating, bowling, and hiking.

The Youth Group is available to St. Stephen's parishioners from the age of fourteen to eighteen. Non-parishioners are welcome at the discretion of the pastor. Thirteen year olds can begin to attend at the start of the academic year in which their birthday falls (i.e. a thirteen year old whose fourteenth birthday is in March of next year could begin to attend in September of this year).

For more details, contact Liz Hernandez: 916-396-4062.

A few additional notes:

1. This year, we will start a Signal group for parents of the Youth Group members, at the request of several parents, in order to coordinate meals and make announcements. The link to the group will go out via the Youth Group e-mail chain.
2. We will be trimming down the e-mail chain, probably in January. Please let Liz know if you want to remain on the chain.
3. We will continue, every other meeting, with the Q&A sessions, which the youth seem to enjoy.

ADULT CATECHISM

Our class has started, but we can easily get people caught up if they are interested. Full schedule and registration are available at **https://firstmartyr.com/become-catholic**.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 6	Confirmation classes begin
Sept 11	Youth Group begins
Sept 13	Fatima Procession (*after the High Mass*)
Sept 19	Altar Guild begins
Sept 20	Classical music conference by L. Fedoryka
Sept 20	Knights Penitent: Initiation
Oct 10	Chesterton Event
Oct 18	First Holy Communion registration begins
Oct 31	All Hallow's Eve Party
Nov 14	Women's Day of Recollection
Nov 28	Knights Penitent: Pancake Breakfast
Dec 5	Rorate Mass (*6:30 am*)
Dec 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe Festival (*12 pm*)
Dec 25	Christmas (*special Mass schedule*)
Jan 2	Christmas Party (*starts w/ 12 pm Mass*)
July 11-15	2027 Parish Retreat. Fr. Joseph Tucscon, OFM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday

Second Collection for the **Building Fund**.

After the High Mass today, the **Troops of St. George** (a fraternal Catholic nonprofit apostolate for priests, men, and young men looking for a life of adventure coupled with virtue) will be hosting an info-session for prospective families with boys aged 6 and up who are interested in scouting. Location: Classroom 1.

Confirmation Classes begin today at 2:45 pm, in Classrooms 2 & 3.

Registrations for the Altar Guild are available in the bookstore. *Please note current members do not need to re-register.*

This Week

Tuesday, September 8 is Our Lady's birthday.

Chesterton Society meets on Tues, Sept 8, at 7 pm.

Adult Catechism meets on Thurs, Sept 10, at 7 pm.

Youth Group meets on Fri, Sept 11, at 7 pm.

This Saturday is the profession of Sr. Rosemary of the Cross, FLM. The community will also be clothing two postulants.

Looking Ahead

Classic Music Conference. Sun, Sept 20, after the High Mass, in the parish hall. Join Larissa Kuplack as she unveils the art of listening — where melodies transform into vivid imagery and music becomes a canvas for the imagination. This touring concert series combines live performance with interactive music education, featuring cello and piano performances of works by Bach, Bruch, Fauré, Saint-Saëns, Dvořák, Elgar, and Shostakovich.

2027 FSSP Silent Retreat. Jul 11-15. $1,000 (*higher cost reflects an additional day alongside projected price increase from the retreat center*). Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center, Citrus Heights. The highly recommended Fr. Joseph Tuscan, OFM Cap., (frjosephtuscan.com). Register before Friday, Jun 25. Call 916-407-7930 for more information.

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