



**Sixth Sunday of Easter  
May 21st, 2017**

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00 PM  
Sunday 8:30, 11:00 & 5:30 PM  
Reconciliation: Fridays 9:00-10:00 AM  
Saturdays 3:00-4:00 PM

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### ***I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.***

Jesus addresses our deep fear of abandonment in this Gospel by supplying more than enough accompaniment to his beloved disciples. We worry and fear that somehow we are alone in our struggles, but this is due to our self-reliance. To the extent that we depend more on our selves rather than God, we naturally suffer anxiety about the outcome of our lives. The key here is to surrender deeply to the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, and the Consoler whom the Father sends to lead us into all truth.

Cardinal Mercier promoted this effective practice:

I am going to reveal to you the secret of sanctity and happiness. Every day for five minutes control your imagination and close your eyes to all the noises of the world in order to enter into yourself. Then, in the sanctuary of your baptized soul (which is the temple of the Holy Spirit) speak to that Divine Spirit, saying to Him:

**O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore You. Enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me. Tell me what I should do; give me Your orders. I promise to submit myself to all that You desire of me and to accept all that You permit to happen to me. Let me only know Your Will.**

If you do this, your life will flow along happily, serenely, and full of consolation, even in the midst of trials. Grace will be proportioned to the trial, giving you the strength to carry it and you will arrive at the Gate of Paradise, laden with merit. This submission to the Holy Spirit is the secret of sanctity.

Do we adore the truth? We must also make truth a priority. On the eve of his own election as pontiff, Cardinal Ratzinger preached about the importance of truth:

Today, having a clear faith based on the Creed of the Church is often labeled as fundamentalism. Whereas relativism, that is, letting oneself be "tossed here and there, carried about by every wind of doctrine", seems the only attitude that can cope with modern times. We are building a dictatorship of relativism that does not recognize anything as definitive and whose ultimate goal consists solely of one's own ego and desires.

We, however, have a different goal: the Son of God, the true man. He is the measure of true humanism. An "adult" faith is not a faith that follows the trends of fashion and the latest novelty; a mature adult faith is deeply rooted in friendship with Christ. It is this friendship that opens us up to all that is good and gives us a criterion by which to distinguish the true from the false, and deceit from truth.

### ***Formed in the Truth***

How do we form ourselves in the truth? Prayer, study and healthy fellowship are three primary ways by which we become more and more grounded in Christ the Way, the Truth and the Life. To help with that we have subscribed to a new Catholic online resource called Formed. It is produced by the Augustine Institute is gathering the best content in video, instruction, and audio. You can access great movies, books, and faith formation series. All parishioners and our neighbors within our parish boundaries are welcome to use our code.

Check it out at [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org).

Our parish code is: **W72VBY**

See their promo on Vimeo: <https://vimeo.com/180804716>

### ***Confirmed***

Thanks to all who helped prepare the candidates and the liturgy for Confirmation this past Sunday evening. We had 25 youth and 8 adults receive the empowering of the Holy Spirit for ministry. All are called to use those gifts of the Holy Spirit for the building up of the Body, the Church. Please pray that all of our confirmed Catholics would be engaged in fulfilling God's will.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fr. Ed'.

### **Weekly Readings**

#### **May 21 Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

#### **May 22 Monday of the Sixth Week of Easter**

Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26—16:4a

#### **May 23 Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Easter**

Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11

#### **May 24 Wednesday of the Sixth Week of Easter**

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15

#### **May 25 Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter**

Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20

#### **May 26 Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest**

Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23

#### **May 27 Saturday of the Sixth Week of Easter**

Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28

#### **May 28 The Ascension of the Lord**

Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20

**May 22**  
 8:30a – 9:00a  
 8:30a – 10:30a  
 10:00 – 11:45a  
 Noon – 2pm  
 12p – midnight  
 3:00p – 3:30p  
 5:30p – 6:00p  
 6:00p – 8:00p  
 6:30p – 7:00p  
 7:00p – 8:30p  
 7:30p – 9:30p

**May 23**  
 8:30a – 9:00a  
 9a – midnight.  
 9:15a – 11:45a  
 1:00p – 3:00p  
 3:00p – 3:30p  
 6:30p – 7:00p  
 6:30p – 8:00p  
 6:00p – 8:30p  
 7:00p – 9:00p  
 7:15p – 9:00p

**May 24**  
 midnight – 6p  
 8:30a – 9:00a  
 1:00p – 3:00p  
 3:00p – 3:30p  
 4:00p – 5:45p  
 5:30p – 6:00p  
 6:30p – 7:00p  
 7:00p – 8:30p  
 7:00p – 7:45p  
 7:15p – 9:00p  
 7:15p –  
 7:30p – 9:00p

**May 25**  
 6:00a – 6:00p  
 8:30a – 9:00a  
 8:30a – 12:00p  
 3:00p – 3:30p  
 6:30p – 7:00p  
 7:00p – 8:30p  
 7:00p – 9:00p  
 7:15p – 7:45p

**May 26**  
 6:00a – 7:15a  
 8:30a – 9:00a  
 9:00a – 10:00a  
 9:00a – 6:00p  
 9:45a – 11:00a  
 10:00 – 11:45a  
 3:00p – 3:30p  
 4:00p – 5:30p

**May 27**  
 8:30a – 9:00a  
 9:00a – 4:00p  
 9:00a – 4:30p  
 1:00p – 3:00p  
 3:00p – 4:00p  
 5:00p – 6:00p

**Monday**  
 Morning Prayer & Rosary  
 Darling Dusters  
 Food Bank  
 Rosary Making  
 Eucharistic Adoration  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 Evening Prayer  
 Library  
**MASS**  
 Boy Scout Troop 714  
 Dwelling Place

**Tuesday**  
 Morning Prayer & Rosary  
 Eucharistic Adoration  
 Scripture Study  
 Library  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet  
**MASS**  
 Fil-Am Choir  
 Scripture Study  
 Stephen Ministry  
 Respect Life Ministry

**Wednesday**  
 Eucharistic Adoration  
 Morning Prayer & Rosary  
 Library  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 Food Bank  
 Evening Prayer  
**MASS**  
 St. Vincent de Paul  
 Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena  
 Choir Practice  
 Serra Club  
 Sacred Story

**Thursday**  
 Eucharistic Adoration  
 Morning Prayer & Rosary  
 Thursday Crew  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet  
**MASS**  
 Venture Scouts  
 RCIA & Adult Confirmation  
 Most Precious Blood of Jesus Devotion

**Friday**  
 Men's Prayer & Reflection  
**MASS**  
 Reconciliation  
 Eucharistic Adoration  
 Sacred Story  
 Food Bank  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 Youth Choir Practice

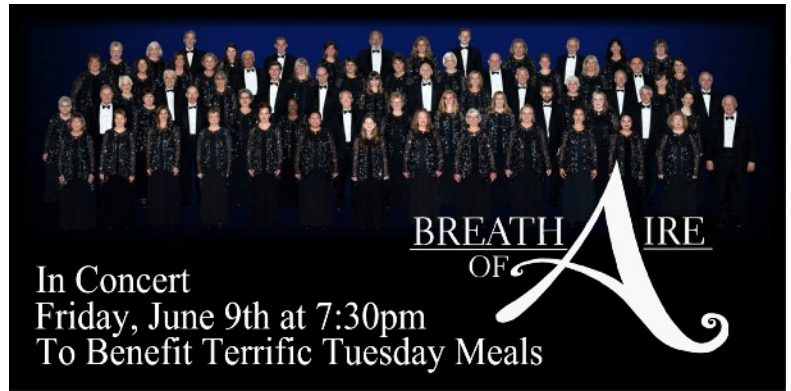
**Saturday**  
**MASS**  
 Couples for Christ  
 Eucharistic Adoration  
 Library  
 Reconciliation  
**Vigil MASS (Rosary 4:40)**

6:00p – 6:30p  
**May 28**  
 8:30a – 9:30a  
 9:30a – 10:00  
 9:45a – 11:00

Baby Shower  
**Sunday**  
**MASS (Rosary 8:10)**  
 Baby Shower  
 Library

11:00 – 12:00p  
 12:00 – 12:30  
 5:00p – 5:30p  
 5:30p – 6:30p  
 6:30p – 7:00p  
 7:00p – 8:15p

**MASS (Rosary 10:40)**  
 Baby Shower  
 Library  
**MASS (Rosary 5:10)**  
 Baby Shower  
 FAQ Apologetics



**BREATH OF AIRE Concert Choir Returns** along with 35 members of the SEATTLE PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA in support of Terrific Tuesday Meals community meal program. Come and enjoy an extraordinary evening. No charge at the door. Free will offering.



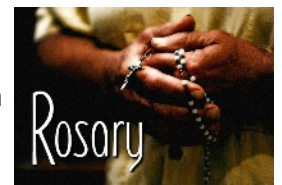
**Men's Retreat Registration Now Open!**

Our annual Retreat for Men is scheduled for September 29 - October 1 at Black Diamond Camps just south of Covington, WA. This 3-day event (Friday evening through early Sunday afternoon) will explore the challenge men face of authentically living their faith in the world today. Our Retreat Master, Fr. Bill Watson, S.J., is author of *Forty Weeks: An Ignatian Path to Christ with Sacred Story Prayer*. He and our Pastor Fr. Ed White, will guide us through a rich and thought provoking encounter with Christ. Don't miss this important opportunity to meet the Lord in a profound way! To learn more and to register visit [ststephenslife.com/mensretreat](http://ststephenslife.com/mensretreat).

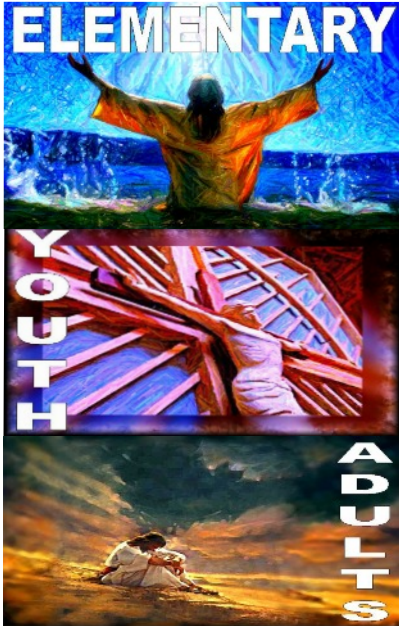
**Special Invitation:**

**All are welcome to attend the MASS OF EPISCOPAL ORDINATION**  
 The Most Rev. Daniel H. Mueggenborg Auxiliary Bishop of Seattle Wednesday, May 31, 2017 2:00 PM. St. James Cathedral, 804 9th Avenue, Seattle NO TICKETS REQUIRED. Public Reception follows in Cathedral Hall

**May Honors Mary** - We will honor our Blessed Mother Mary in the month of May with a rosary 20 minutes before Mass. Please join us. The sign up sheet to lead the rosary is in the Narthex on the Welcome Table.



# Faith Formation Programs at St. Stephen the Martyr Parish



**Thank you, Teachers, for a wonderful year!!!  
Families - be sure to register ASAP for Fall classes.**

July 17 - 21 (M-F)	Vacation Bible Camp starts on Monday, July 17 to July 21 from 9:00 am 12:00 pm see details below.
May 21 (Sunday)	6:45 pm - 8:30 pm * <b>Connections Last Class</b>
May 21 (Sunday)	6:45 pm - 8:30 pm * <b>EDGE Last Class</b>
May 21 (Sunday)	6:45 pm - 8:30 pm * Life Teen Class
May 28 (Sunday)	6:45 pm - 8:30 pm * <b>NO Life Teen Class</b>
June 6 (Tuesday)	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm * Steve Angrisano in Concert. A night of music and stories. Come be inspired. For details see flyer included in the bulletin. No Admission Fee - A free-will offering will be taken.



## Register Now For Vacation Bible Camp!

We are now accepting applications for Vacation Bible Camp. Vacation Bible Camp starts on July 17 to 21, 2017. Registration forms are available at the Faith Formation office and can also be picked up in the Narthex. The Camp will sell out so register right away. We will also need volunteers for Bible

Camp. There are many ways you can be involved. For more information, contact our Faith Formation office at **(253) 631-6175**.

## Infant Baptismal Classes \* May 20 and June 10, 2017

The next infant baptismal classes will be on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> and June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017, from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. A donation of \$10.00 per family is appreciated (includes parents and godparents attending the class). Please take the class at least 3 months prior to the desired month of baptism. Contact Teresa Wright at **(253) 631-6175 ext 120** or at [ssm.baptism@gmail.com](mailto:ssm.baptism@gmail.com).

## Life Teen Paintball Event!!! \* June 10, 2017 For Grades 8 to 12

Registration Forms are now available in the Faith Formation office or the Life Teen class for the Paintball event scheduled for Saturday, June 10, 2017, for grades 8 to 12. Teens will depart here from 9:00 am and return to the parish by 3:00 pm. **You do not want miss out on this event! The Cost is \$40.00 per player.** For more information, contact our Faith Formation office at **(253) 631-6175**.

## Steubenville Pill Bottle Project \* Fund Raiser!!!

Thank you for your support! If you took a pill bottle last weekend, please remember to pray for the teens as you place your quarters in the bottle. If you did not get a pill bottle or need more they are available in the Faith Formation office or the basket located at the back of the church. See the flier in today's bulletin for additional information.

## EDGE (Grades 7 & 8) \* May 21, 2017

Our EDGE class will be providing community service at the Men's Shelter at the Lutheran Church in downtown Kent. The teens will depart St. Stephan the Martyr parish this Sunday, May 21, 2017, at 8:00 pm and return at 10:00 pm. Teens who wish to participate must fill-out a Registration form prior to the event. Forms are available at the Faith Formation office. For questions contact our office at **(253) 631-6175**.

## Life Teen Bowling Event \* May, 21, 2017

**Don't miss out on this fun event!** Our Life Teen class will be going Bowling this Sunday, May 21, 2017. Teens will depart here at 7:00 pm and return to the parish by 10:00 pm. Teens who wish to participate must fill-out a Registration form prior to the event. Forms are available at the Faith Formation office. **The Cost is \$10.00.** For questions contact our office at **(253) 631-6175**.

## "SEA-QUEST" is Coming \* Saturday, June 3, 2017

Youth in Grades 6, 7, & 8, come join the fun as we explore Seattle and nature with new and old friends while growing in our faith and exploring the challenges of life as teens. This interactive and fun day is sure to be a blast. **Registration Deadline is Sunday, May 21 and the Cost is \$35.00.** Forms are available at the Faith Formation office. For questions contact our office at **(253) 631-6175**.

# Human Life and Justice



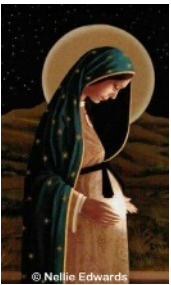
If you are a pregnant mother in distress or know someone facing a crisis pregnancy, our Gabriel Angels are trained volunteer mentors who walk beside Mom with spiritual, emotional, & practical support. Call 1-888-926-ANGEL to connect with an Angel. Questions? Contact Deacon Carl Chilo [ssmdeaconcarlchilo@gmail.com](mailto:ssmdeaconcarlchilo@gmail.com)

**Pregnant & Need Help?** Call 1-800-395-HELP or 1-877-NOT-ALONE to talk with someone 24/7 or visit [www.optionline.org](http://www.optionline.org) for information. Find local pregnancy centers at [www.911babies.com](http://www.911babies.com), including Pregnancy Aid in Kent (253-852-1201), Des Moines (253-878-3770); and Next Step in Lynnwood (866-892-5125).

**THANKS TO YOU** St. Stephen Respect Life Ministry sent Students for Life of America (<http://studentsforlife.org/>) 159 signed notes, 91 with socks, to Students for Life along with our April 2nd Coffee and Donuts \$300.00 profit to help meet their [Sockit2pp.com](http://Sockit2pp.com) campaign goal. Students for Life delivered the



TWO TONS of baby socks, pictured here, to Congress at the end of April. It was approximately 2/3 of their goal quantity of 323,999 socks, one sock for each baby Planned Parenthood killed by abortion last year. See more info and more photos at <http://studentsforlife.org>.



**Back by popular demand:** Respect Life Ministry is taking orders for 11" x 14" Mother of Life prints by artist Nellie Edwards. Prints cost \$25 each, payable with order (cash or check). Look for the order table in the narthex after Masses Memorial Day weekend, May 27-28. Questions? E-mail [StStephenChoosesLife@yahoo.com](mailto:StStephenChoosesLife@yahoo.com).

**USCCB Quote:** "Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. ... Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all." --"Every Life is Worth Living" Prayer Card USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities [www.goo.gl/8vnxj4](http://www.goo.gl/8vnxj4)

## General Adult News

**Affordable Catholic Colleges** - What kinds of brochures do we have in the kiosk at the bottom of the stairs? Fliers from pro-life universities all over the United States, places like: Thomas More College of Liberal Arts (NH), University of Dallas, University of Mary (ND, Benedictine), University of St. Thomas (TX), Walsh University (OH), Wyoming Catholic College and Aquinas College (TN, Dominican). Check it out! "Wherever you go, no matter what the weather, always bring your own sunshine." Anthony J. D'Angelo

**Marriage Counseling Available** There are 10 rules for fighting fair that couples often violate. Here are the first five: 1. No name calling; 2. No interrupting; 3. No blaming or accusations; 4. No cussing; 5. No yelling. Are any of these rules violated in your marriage? Would you like help in enriching your union? St. Stephen's offers Marriage Counseling at affordable prices by a certified Pastoral Counselor. Cynthia Bosshart is in the office Monday through Thursday with daytime and evening session times available on a sliding scale. Call 253-631-1940 EXT 104 or [cyndebosshart@gmail.com](mailto:cyndebosshart@gmail.com).

**WIDOWS/WIDOWERS:** Come join us at the Renton Civic Theatre for Stephen Sondheim's musical, Company on Sunday, 06/11/17, at 2 pm, cost is \$15. Car pooling from St Stephen at 1:15. RSVP Mary at 253-630-1766



Please join the Girlfriends at our upcoming events. All women (age 18+) are invited! Contact [vkennerrud@comcast.net](mailto:vkennerrud@comcast.net) to be added to the email list. The **Lit & Lattes** group is reading One Second After by William Forstchen. Please join us on Tuesday, June 13th at 7 pm in the St. Stephens Room. Please contact Vicki at [vkennerrud@comcast.net](mailto:vkennerrud@comcast.net) to RSVP. The **Movie Mavens** meet about once a month.

**SERVING GOD AND COUNTRY: A MEMORIAL DAY SALUTE TO OUR HEROES** This year we will be honoring the men and women who have served our country with a special tribute during our annual Memorial Day Mass. All are invited. [www.MyCatholicCemetery.org](http://www.MyCatholicCemetery.org)

**Memorial Day Mass: Monday, May 29, 2017 - 10:30am**

**Calvary Cemetery** • 5041-35<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, Seattle

**Holyrood Cemetery** • 205 NE 205<sup>th</sup> St., Shoreline

**St. Patrick Cemetery** • S. 204<sup>th</sup> & Orillia Rd., Kent

**Gethsemane Cemetery** • 37600 Pacific Hwy S. Federal Way



**Journey to the Holy Land!** Join Bill & Patty Swedberg on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, November 6-16, 2017: Walk in the Footsteps of Jesus through Bethlehem, Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, and MORE! Fr. Brooks Beaulaurier, Cle Elum, is our chaplain and Dr. Timothy Mullner of Faith Journeys is our host Download the brochure at [www.myfaithjourneys.com](http://www.myfaithjourneys.com) Click on Log In: Group ID 17048, or call 877-732-4845, Ext. 200.



# Outreach Ministry

Under the Patronage of Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Contact: Deacon Carl Chilo

Office Phone: 253-631-1940 etc 131 Email: [sstmdaconcarlchilo@gmail.com](mailto:sstmdaconcarlchilo@gmail.com)

*"Yesterday is Gone. Tomorrow has not yet Come. We have only today. Let us Begin!"* -St. Teresa of Calcutta

**Food Bank In Outreach Building** **Needed this week:** hamburger, hamburger helper, small cans of coffee, tuna, mac & cheese, canned fruit, jam/jelly, syrup, pancake mix, instant potatoes, cold cereal, laundry detergent, toilet paper, shampoo, Wednesday's 4pm - 5:45pm  
canned milk, spaghetti sauce.

**18 families were served last week. Thank you for responding to the call of Lazarus.**

**Gas, grocery, McDonald's and Subway gift cards are always appreciated! Please support our food bank with prayers and donations so that we can support others! Thank you for your generosity!**

**REMINDER:** You need to be a registered parishioner (min. 6 months) to receive financial aid from St. Stephens. Food Bank is an exception.

**FOODBANK VOLUNTEER:** Immediate Need - Duties include using Church van to pickup food donations. Contact Betty Brock, [babrock@comcast.net](mailto:babrock@comcast.net) or 253-631-4205.

## General Adult News Continued

**40 Hours of Prayer for Vocations:** We need you....an increase in vocations needs prayers...it needs us, the people, praying to God and asking for Him to speak to the hearts of men and women He calls to consecrated life. Can you give 1 hour to pray for vocations? Please join the Serra Club as we pray for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood, Deaconate, Brotherhood, Sisterhood and Secular Third Order. Prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will begin on Wed. May 31st, at 4 pm, and continue through Friday, June 2nd, 8 am. A minimum of 2 adorers is required for each hour. Please sign-up in the narthex to pray and be present with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during these 40 hours of prayer. The sign-up board will go up after 5:30pm Mass on 5/21. Parish Coordinator: Tina Nold (206) 715-8462.

**Training for Healing Prayer Ministry 2017-2018** Class Attendance at one of the following Orientation meetings is required to participate in the 2017-2018. Classes: Friday, June 23, 7:00pm – 9:00pm; Saturday, June 24, 9:30am – 11:30am. Space is Limited. For 2017-2018 all Classes and Orientation meetings will be held at St. Stephen the Martyr Parish. For more information, and to let us know which orientation meeting you plan to attend, contact: WWCCR: 206-364-2272 / [info@wwccr.org](mailto:info@wwccr.org)

**St. Stephen's Women's Guild** - All women of the parish are invited to be part of this wonderful ministry. We serve the Lord and the community of St. Stephen's primarily by hosting funeral buffets. We also support other parish and community activities throughout the year. Please join us in the Social hall on the second Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am for food and fellowship. Our monthly meeting will follow. Mark your calendar for May 10th! Questions? Contact Carol at 425 255 8584.



**Come Celebrate Four of St. Anthony School's beloved Faculty & Staff Members,** Maureen Blodgett, Vicki Lazor, Sr. Maureen O'Brien and Mary Ormiston will be retiring at the end of the year. Come celebrate their retirement on Sunday, June 4th with Mass beginning at 10:45 am at St. Anthony Parish and then an open house afterward in the St. Anthony Parish Hall from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

**Considering a Catholic education for your children?** St. Anthony School still has a small amount of opening in a couple of grades. Contact Jill Eaton at 425.255.0059 or [eaton@sasr.org](mailto:eaton@sasr.org) for more information and to schedule a tour.

**If you are grieving the death of a loved one,** come find strength and compassion with the St. Stephen's Grief Support Group on Sunday, May 21th from 1:00-2:30 PM in the Chapel. The topic will be: "How Long Will This Grief Last?" For more info, contact Sharon Rasmussen at 425-228-1437. "The Lord heals the brokenhearted, binds up their wounds." Psalm 147, 2-3

**Prayer for Vocations: We need you....an increase in vocations needs prayers...**it needs us, the people, praying to God and asking for Him to speak to the hearts of men and women He calls to consecrated life. Can you give 1 hour to pray for vocations? Please join the Serra Club as we pray for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood, Deaconate, Brotherhood, Sisterhood and Secular Third Order. Prayer before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will begin on Wed. May 31st, at 4 pm, and continue through Friday, June 2nd, 8 am. A minimum of 2 adorers is required for each hour. Please sign-up in the narthex to pray and be present with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during these 40 hours of prayer. The sign-up board will go up after 5:30pm Mass on 5/21. Parish Coordinator: Tina Nold (206) 715-8462.

**Serra Club was formed to pray for vocations.** Please come and join us for our next potluck and meeting Wednesday, May 24 and June 14, at 7:20 PM in the narthex. We will end our meeting with a few minutes of prayer for vocations in the Chapel.

**You are invited to a Pentecost Celebration!** Praise and Worship, guest speaker Fr. Jim Northrop and Prayer Ministry; Saturday, June 3rd, 7:00 PM, St. Louise Catholic Church, 141 156th Ave SE, Bellevue WA 98007. Sponsored by Western Washington Catholic Charismatic Renewal ([www.wwccr.org](http://www.wwccr.org)) & Renewed in Christ Catholic Charismatic Community ([www.renewedinchrist.com](http://www.renewedinchrist.com)) - Acts 2:17 "I will pour out My Spirit upon all mankind."

## Parish Information

New to St. Stephen's? Welcome! Learn more about our vibrant community by visiting our web site at [www.ststephenslife.com](http://www.ststephenslife.com) or emailing us at [WelcomeStStephens@gmail.com](mailto:WelcomeStStephens@gmail.com). Registration forms are online or may be obtained from the ushers and put in the collection basket or mailed in.

Parish Office Hours: Most weeks, Monday - Friday, 9 AM - Noon and 1-5 PM.

Bulletin Notices: The **article deadline is 5 PM on the Monday** before the weekend you wish it to appear. Notices about parish events or items of interest to the parish are welcome, however posting cannot be guaranteed. Email notices to: [ourbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:ourbulletin@gmail.com). Our bulletin is provided free of charge by the advertisers on the back of the bulletin. To place an ad, contact Ken Ford with Catholic Printery at 206-767-0660, x276.

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SVDP help-line		206-767-6449	

**Marriage:** Couples seeking Marriage must contact the church 8 months before their wedding date. Some preparation and Parish Registration are required before a date can be set. Contact Deacon Carl Chilo for details concerning marriage at (253) 631-1940, Ext. 13.

**Annulments:** (for those who are divorced) With compassion and confidentiality, our trained Tribunal Advocates answer your questions and support you through the annulment process. Contact St. Stephen Pastoral Counselor, Cynde Bosshart [cyndebosshart@gmail.com](mailto:cyndebosshart@gmail.com), 253-631-1940 x104.

**Baptism:** Preparation and Parish Registration are required for both Parents and Godparents/Sponsors. Baptisms are held monthly. Contact the Faith Formation Office for details (253-631-6175).

**RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) For adults to become Catholic & be baptized. Contact Anne Merklin 253-631-1940 ext 126. [sstmassociate@gmail.com](mailto:sstmassociate@gmail.com)



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