



SAINT STEPHEN CHURCH
Oil City, PA

Rectory/Chapel	210 Reed St.	677-3020
St. Stephen Church	21 State St.	Oil City
St. Venantius	403 Main St.	Rouseville
St. Stephen School	214 Reed St.	677-3035
Venango Catholic H. S.	1505 W. First St.	677-3098
Religious Education	35 Pearl Ave.	677-4004
FAX #		678-8841

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

St. Stephen Church - 21 State Street, Oil City
Saturday: 5:30 pm Vigil
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 11:30 am
St. Venantius Church - 403 Main St., Rouseville
Sunday: 10:00 am

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY June 14
7:00 AM Estelito Perez (Stella McCauley)

TUESDAY June 15
7:00 AM Rose Wier (Debbie Seigworth & Grandsons)

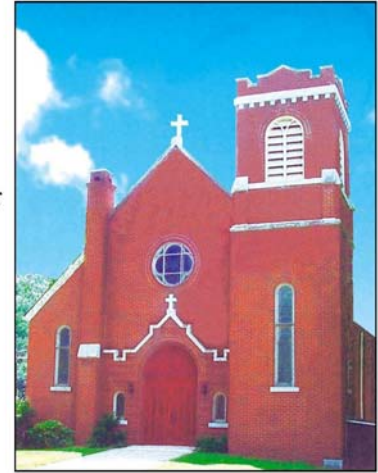
WEDNESDAY June 16
7:00 AM Mary Lee Schossler (St. Joseph Class of 1959)

THURSDAY June 17
7:00 AM Karen Hadden (Kathy Lynch)

FRIDAY June 18
7:00 AM Aaron Mercer (Steven Carl)

SATURDAY June 19
7:00 AM Edward C. & Dorothy D. Weaver (Estate)
5:30 PM (Vigil) Mary Ruyechan (Bob & Rosalie Bablak)

SUNDAY June 20, 12th Ordinary Sunday
7:30 AM For Members of Our Parish Community
9:00 AM Deby Reynolds (Frank & Marcia Lutz)
10:00 AM (St. Venantius) George, Mary & Bill Fritz (John & Sandy Goreczny)
11:30 AM Tim Wiltanger (T.J. & Zack Wiltanger)



SAINT VENANTIUS CHURCH
Rouseville, PA

PRAYER NETWORK:

Mary Firster (676-1219) or e-mail her at charm@cust.usachoice.net

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms on the 4th Sunday of the month. Please call the rectory to schedule an appointment for preparation sessions and Baptism.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples are to contact the Pastor at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays at 4:00 pm at St. Stephen or by appointment.

WEBSITE

www.saint-stephens.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday, 12:00 noon

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY June 13th

10:00 AM Fr. Christopher Barnes First Mass Saint Venantius Church

11:30 AM Fr. Matthew Strickenberger First Mass – St. Stephen Church
(Reception for both priests follows at K of C Hall)

THURSDAY June 17
9:00 AM Bus leave VCHS parking lot for Casino
7:00 PM Prefect Meeting – Mary Ann Valentine’s

FRIDAY June 18
7:07 PM Benediction/Adoration – Assumption BVM

SATURDAY June 19
4:00 PM Confession - Church

Points to ponder from Fr. Matt

God initiates and sustains our journey to salvation. We must acknowledge that it is never forced on us. If we are to be saved we must admit our need. If we need mercy we must acknowledge our fault, our sin. It may be a difficult thing to do but in comparison to the rush of God's mercy it is a very small thing.

Today we give thanks to God for the five men who have been ordained priests. We are particularly blessed to have two from our parishes Matt Strickenberger and Chris Barnes. We congratulate their parents and family members who fostered their response to God's call. The Oil City area is so blessed to be a fruitful ground for vocations. It is in no small way the result of the prayerfulness of you the people of this region.

Soon the hoopla of First Masses will be over and the men will roll up their sleeves and carry their lunch boxes into the vineyard of the Lord. Our prayers are with you.

Please sign up for working the festival. We need everyone's help and experience in this endeavor.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 14-20

MON: I Kgs 21:1-16/Mt 5:38-42
TUES:..... 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Mt 5:43-48
WED: 2 Kgs 2:1-14/Mt 6:1-18
THURS: Sir 48:1-14/Mt 6:7-15
FRI: 2 Kgs 11:1-20/Mt 6:19-23
SAT: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Mt 6:24-34
SUN:.....Zec 12:10-11; 13:1/Gal 3:26-29

AWAY FOR THE WEEKEND? Did you miss last week's bulletin? Extra copies are always available at the rectory OR in the Chapel which is open most days until 4 p.m. You can also access on line at saint-stephens.org. You can also access the newest ministry schedule from this site. We are grateful to Bob Rupert for providing this website and keeping it updated.

DID YOU KNOW.....our Chapel is handicap accessible? Join us for daily Mass Monday thru Saturday at 7 a.m. or stop in for a visit throughout the day for the stations or private prayer.

DAILY MASS: Next week (June 21) our priests will be attending Emmaus. Morning Mass will be Monday, Friday and Saturday with a Communion Service Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

SERVERS FOR – JUNE 19-20

5:30 Anna Campbell-Sowden/Andrea Marshall
7:30 Leisel/Louis Kober
9:00 Jordan/Alex Karg
11:30 Jennifer Flannigan/Ian Hidingner

LECTORS FOR – JUNE 19-20

5:30 Marcia Schumacher
7:30 Margaret Jetter
9:00 Kathleen Plyler
11:30 Connie Hall

EUCCHARIST MINISTERS FOR – JUNE 19-20

5:30 Mary Chapman, Bonnie Dart, Nancy Dengel, Cheryl Donze, Maggie McMahon
7:30 Kathy/Bill Trypus
9:00 Robert/Jan McCall, Dan/Jackie Moltz, Ray Stiglitz
11:30 Denny/Mary Clark, Kate Ostroske, Barb Plummer, Karen Shepard

THE PEOPLE IN OUR PARISH:

YOUR PRAYERS are requested for the happy repose of the souls of *Joseph G. Cummins & Kathleen McDonald*. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are sick, in nursing homes or hospitalized, as well as those who serve us in the military.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank **HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS** of 225 Singh Drive, Cranberry AND **QUALITY INN**, 1411 Liberty Street, Franklin, for sponsoring an ad weekly in our bulletin.

A DONATION to the 2nd Century Fund was made for Mary Fox by Bill and Susan Fox.

SERVANTS OF ST. STEPHEN:



Thanks to those from the *Welcome Home* group that prepare their favorite recipe toward meals for those in our parish just coming home from the hospital and families with newborn babies. Your meals are greatly appreciated by all who enjoy.

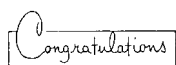


THE 2010 Anniversary Celebrations for couples celebrating 25th, 50th or 60th wedding anniversaries will be held in two locations in the diocese: Sunday, August 8, at 2:30 pm at Saint George Church, Erie and Sunday, August 15, at 2 pm at Ss. Cosmas & Damian Church, Punxsutawney. To register, please contact the church office or the Family Life Office at Catholic Charities (814) 824-1250 or (800) 374-3723 ext. 250; or online <http://www.eriercd.org/>.

HOW CAN WE HELP? Please inform the church office when a parishioner is hospitalized as we don't know if you don't tell us. When admitted through the emergency room, please be sure to tell them you are Catholic.

If you or someone you know is homebound, you can call the rectory (677-3020) to arrange for a visit and Communion.

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



CONGRATULATIONS to *Father Matthew Strickenberger and Father Christopher Barnes* who was ordained at Saint Peter's

Cathedral in Erie Friday evening and are celebrating their first Mass this weekend at their respective churches.

Following the 11:30 a.m. Mass Sunday they invite you to a joint luncheon reception at the K of C Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

A **ROSARY PREFECT meeting** will be held Thursday, June 17 at 7 p.m. at 208 Petroleum Street. Please call Mary Ann (676-9458) with regrets only to plan next year's agenda.



FESTIVAL UPDATE: Don't forget to return the volunteer sheet that was included in last weeks bulletin. Help us avoid having to make phone calls.

We hope we can count on workers who have helped in the past and welcome any new workers. Have you considered signing up as a family? Students needing hours for school or Confirmation should also considering volunteering.

All tickets can be returned in the collection basket, mailed or brought to the rectory during business hours. Additional tickets are available in the front of church or at the rectory. We ask you return any unsold tickets.

If anyone would like to sponsor a booth for \$50 it would be greatly appreciated and helps pay for the prizes. Letters will be mailed to previous sponsors.

This year we added a Thursday night 50/50 since the Friday and Saturday raffles have been so successful. Prizes have been over \$900. Cost is \$2 each or 3/\$5.

A *blue envelope* is included in your monthly packet for *Festival Offering*. Any gifts you give at this time will help pay some of the expenses and thus contribute long-range to our profits.

We are grateful once again to Mabel Lander for another beautiful quilt. This year's quilt is entitled "A Spring Flower Garden" and tickets are \$1/ticket or 6/\$5. The quilt is hanging from the choir loft.

The Steeler Tailgate Party tickets are \$3 each or 2/\$5 and include 4 club seat tickets, 4 bleacher seat tickets, Gold Parking pass and a cooler of food and beverages (value of \$1,000).



SERVANTS OF ST. STEPHEN: We are grateful to so many who have recommitted and to those who are new to one of our ministries. Remember, even if you were already doing a ministry, we need you to sign up again so we know you are still interested. Please remember that in many of these groups you are put on a rotating basis and called as needed. Some ministries are busier than others but each one is important to those who need our services.

Forms are still available and can be dropped in the collection basket or returned to the rectory.

THE FOOD COLLECTION next weekend will be taken up for St. Elizabeth Center. With the present economy, your donations are important to those in need in our own community.

To contact them or for days/times they are open, call 677-0203 (NOTE: This phone number is on the front cover of our bulletin weekly for your convenience). They offer a Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, Household Thrift Shop and Bridal and Prom Shop and are located at 311 Emerald Street. All are welcome.

ST. STEPHEN SCHOOL NEWS

The school office is open Monday thru Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. until June 24. Please take care of business by that date, as the office will then be closed until August 9 with the same summer hours until August 30th when school resumes.

Registrations are being accepted for Preschool thru 8th grade.

VCHS NEWS

Sign up for a trip to the **Seneca Allegany Casino**, N.Y. for Thursday, June 17. Cost is \$30 and includes \$25 in coin and \$10 in food given at Casino. Bus departs at 9 a.m. from VCHS and leaves the casino at 5 p.m. Call Connie Sporer at 673-5225.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION and Benediction

normally held the 2nd Friday of the month at Assumption BVM Church had been rescheduled to this Friday, June 18th at 7:07 p.m. due to Priestly Ordination in Erie. Join others in giving thanks and praise to God. All are welcome!

A **CASINO BUS TRIP** to Seneca Allegheny (Salamanca) is planned for Saturday, June 19. The bus will leave the K-Mart parking lot at 8 a.m. and return at 7 p.m. Cost is \$30 (\$25.00 in slot points and \$10 in food). For reservations call Clara Taft @ 676-6954 or Minnie Fink @ 677-4381.

ST. PATRICK CHURCH in Franklin has changed their weekend Mass schedule as of June 6: Saturday at 5:15 p.m. and Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES will have an old fashion strawberry social on Saturday, June 12 from 4-7:30 p.m. in their social hall, 251 S. Franklin Street, Cochran. Menu includes ice cream, cake, strawberries and sandwiches. There will also be a Chinese Auction. All are welcome!



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH will hold their Annual Rummage Sale on Friday, July 9th from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm and Saturday, July 10th from 9:00 am-1:00 pm at Venango Catholic High School. \$1.00 a bag for all two days for men and women's clothes only. Children's clothes priced separately. Household items, knick knacks and toys priced separately.

ARE YOU PREGNANT? Are you the parent of an infant under 12 months? Catholic Charities offers *free and confidential* pregnancy testing, counseling and referrals, decision making regarding parenting or adoption, diapers, formula and baby clothing. This is a non-income based program for all Pennsylvania residents. Call 676-8263 or 1-800-350-2699 for more information or to set up an appointment at our Oil City Office, 311 Emerald St.

A **CATHOLIC CRUISE** to the Eastern Caribbean will leave December 12 for a 7 night cruise on the Carnival Pride out of Baltimore, MD. Ports of Call: Port Canaveral (Orlando), Nassau and Freeport (Bahamas). Prices begin at \$1117 for 2 and includes all port fees and taxes. Daily Mass and Rosary offered. For further information or to register, contact Doug/Eileen at 860-399-1785 or go to dpayttc@aol.com.

FOR MASS SCHEDULES OR LOCATION OF A CHURCH WHILE ON VACATION, VISIT WWW.MASSTIMES.ORG