

Church of St. Stephen

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All People are Welcome

Todas Personas Son Bienvenidos

Brochures about our programs & opportunities are located in the front entryway of our church. Help yourself!

Saturday: Mass, 4:00 pm

Sunday: Liturgy, 9:00 am in the school

Mass, 11:15 am in the church

9:00 am & 6:00 pm Misa en español en la iglesia

Tues.: 5:15 pm Prayer for Peace & Healing

Sacrament of Reconciliation: by appointment.

Child care available at 9:00 & 11:15 Liturgies

beginning in September.

All Liturgies are wheelchair accessible

Monday-Thursday: 8:30am-7:00pm

Friday 8:30am-5:00pm

Saturday & Sunday **CLOSED**

Hispanic Sacramental Minister: Fr. Vicente Miranda, 612-481-1611

Horario de la oficina: Miercoles, Jueves, Viernes, Sabado: 10am-4pm;

Exposicion del Santisimo todos los 3 viernes de cada mes.

Reconciliacion en Espanol con Padre Vincente antes de o despues de la Misa 6pm.

Nota: Para bautismos, quincineras, bendiion de casas y bodas hablar con el sacerdote.

Justice Education & Action: Cathy Heying 612-870-2270 ext. 229

LAP Info. Line: 612-870-2271

Liturgy: Marilaurice Hemlock 612-870-2270 ext 228

Religious Ed./Sacramental Preparations:

Baptism-Grade 6: Ken Smith, 870-2266

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Senior Adult Ministry: Mary Deaner 612-874-0311 ext. 212

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NEXT SUNDAY: AUGUST 12, NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reading 1: Wisdom 18:6-9

Reading 2: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

	4:00 Liturgy	9:00 Liturgy	11:15 Liturgy
Coordinators	Barb Bluhm	Julie Koegl, Suzanne Herder	C Schroeder, B Hampson
Lectors	Chet Meyers	Mary Hartnett, Rose Hartnett	N Permaul, K Olks
Musicians	Michelle and ML	Peacemeal/ AM	John/Suzanne/AM
Hospitality	Jack and Charlie	Everybody!	B/L Anderson, H Bromelkamp, M Byers
Communion		Bill & Ivy-Jo Dumas, Mary Deaner, Cathy Heying, Annie Kachelmyer	C Sherry-Flowers, A Strupeck, M Turner, K Wallenta, B Wek, B Wild, J Wingenter
Prayer Leaders		Richelle Pearl Koller, Rosemary Froehle	Jon, Sharon

Today's Readings

Reading 1: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Reading 2: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

PARISH PROGRAMS

612-874-0311

PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

ADMINISTRATION

612-874-0311

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

Items for the bulletin must be submitted by e-mail, fax or in writing, by Wednesday, 12:00 NOON

E-mail bulletin items to: bphillips@ststephensmpls.org

FAX bulletin items to: 612-874-0313

Prayer Network (mhemlock@ststephensmpls.org)

This week we pray with all who seek to grow rich in the sight of God. We pray with all who mistake their own riches for God's wealth. We pray with all who find the acquiring of possessions a necessity. We pray with all who are wealthy beyond belief and generous beyond measure. We pray with all who will only be rewarded in heaven. We pray with all who rest in the comfort of their earthly wealth. We pray with all who seek an inheritance of love and memories rather than wealth. We pray with all who know too well that "possessions do not guarantee you life." We pray with all who feel empty and futile, whose hearts are restless. We pray with all who measure success only by human standards. We pray with all who know the pain of grave injustice, especially immigrant sisters and brothers and their families. We pray with all who work diligently but are not rewarded with a living wage. We pray with all whose wealth is the knowledge that they "have been raised up in company with Christ." We pray with all who are tempted and tormented by the idolatry of greed. We pray with all who strive to put aside the old self of past deeds and put on a new self. We pray with all who seek to be created anew in the image of the Creator. We pray with all whose lives depend on there being "no room for distinction" as children of the one God. We pray with the Dismantling Racism Initiative and all who work to end the divisions we have built among us. We pray to live into the truth of Paul's prophecy: "Christ is everything in all of you." We pray as a community for the Wisdom of the Spirit in this time of leadership transition. We pray in hope for a good harvest, for all the farmers and farm workers and for the hungry who count on this rich blessing. We pray with all who suffer because of drought, flooding, heat, cold, wind or stillness. We pray with all whose lives will be required this very night. We pray with all families who know division, especially because of money issues. We pray with countries who know division and war, especially sisters and brothers in Hiroshima and Nagasaki suffering and healing still from the Bomb dropped there 62 years ago. We pray in horror that this bomb was used once in our name. We pray in hope that no more bombs of this magnitude will ever be used on anyone again. We pray with Mother Earth and the Universe suffering from the A-Bomb and all other explosions and poisonings upon this world we all call home. We pray in grief for the people we have become through the discovery of atomic power. We pray with political leaders and all candidates who pledge to represent the voice of the people. We pray with friends and community members recovering from surgery or illness: Irene Schindler, Charlotte Smith, Marge Anderson and Julia's nephew awaiting the results of medical tests and his girlfriend. We pray in gratitude for the earthly life of the dear mother of Jeanne Hynes who lived a long, loving life and is now resting in the arms of God. We pray comfort for all who mourn the loss of a loved one, especially the Hynes family and the May family, Jerry and Pat, who last week buried their 19-year old son, David. We pray with all parents who worry over their children and children who worry about their parents. We pray in gratitude for cherry tomatoes sun-warm from the vine and nights cool enough to sleep peacefully. We pray with all who seek to be rich in the peace of Christ. We pray with soldiers and their families in every land. We pray for peace.

With the sick and suffering, faithful caregivers and all who have died, we pray to our God...

The refinished pews are scheduled to be back in the church mid-week if all goes well. Stay tuned for where prayer will be next week!

Volunteer Needed for some filing during the hours of 9-3 M-F. Est. 1-2 hours standing. Call Jodie Orange at 612-870-2262. Thanks.

Overdue Library books? No worries, no fines, no shame! Just bring them back to the parish library any Sunday morning. If you've lost them, that's ok too, just tell us so we can update our inventory. Call Cathy at 612-874-0311 with questions.

Money Requests If someone approaches you at St. Stephen's asking for money please refer them to St. Stephen's Staff. We will do our best to help them. If the Parish Center is closed, they can call Hennepin County at 612-348-3000 (during the week) or 211 which is the United Way First Call for Help operated 24 hours a day, seven days a week. There are many in need in our community & it is sometimes difficult to know when to help. The staff, the County, and the United Way are experienced & will do their best to get anyone the services they need.

Grief Support Groups/Comfort, Healing, Growth Peace... Coping with the death of a loved one is one of life's most difficult challenges. It can be lonely & confusing. Attempts to deny the painful feelings can prolong grief. To help with your loss, support is available through various coalitions of faith communities through-out the Minneapolis/St. Paul area. These groups provide education & support in a respectful & caring atmosphere. It's an opportunity for people to help one another understand & express their grief experience. Groups typically meet once a week at a church & include an educational presentation or a personal story of grief & recovery, along with small group discussions. You may join any time & groups are led by trained facilitators. Small donations are gratefully accepted. FFI: Mary Deaner, 612-874-0311, ext. 212.

Help Sell Chance Drawing Tickets! St. Stephen's, through the Fundraising Committee is now sponsoring only two fundraising events each year; the Fall event and the Internet Auction. The Chance Drawing is the main fundraising aspect of the upcoming Fall event. The Committee is seeking volunteers who will sell \$5 chance drawing tickets to friends, family, or co-workers. This is an EASY volunteer effort and of great financial support to the church. Please contact Peter Farstad at (612) 968-2963 or pfarstad@comcast.net to volunteer.

Alternatives to Violence Project. The mission of AVP is to empower people to lead nonviolent lives through affirmation, respect for all, community building, cooperation, and trust. AVP is dedicated to reducing the level of violence in our society and their goal is to reduce the level of violence by introducing people to ways of resolving conflict that reduce their need to resort to violence as the solution. St. Stephen's is proud to host an AVP introductory workshop here in the church basement on August 10-12. Cost is sliding fee \$75-150 for the weekend, however no one is

turned away because of cost. FFI: Cathy at 612-874-0311 or Erika at 651-644-5851.

Thanks for the fans! Thanks for all the fans donated to Kateri Residence; we still need more though. Each apartment only has one window air conditioner and since this is now July, the residents are really feeling the heat. Please donate new or good working condition used fans ASAP. Kateri could also use new baby supplies especially carriers, including slings for newborns. Thanks so much. If you have any questions please feel free to call Kateri's Director, Kate Bendel at 612-871-0477.

Employment and Family Services needs a GED tutor to help a mother and daughter primarily with math. We have plenty of materials and can provide space in the parish center. You do NOT need to be a math genius to do this. If you have a few daytime hours per week to help these women please call Sue Roedel at the parish center.

Shelter needs men's clothes Cleaning closets? Remember the men in our shelter. Pants & shirts needed in all sizes. No polyester or suits, please. Please bring donations 3-5pm, M-F, or contact the Shelter Staff & make an appointment to arrange a drop-off time. Thank you.

Free Store Volunteer Needed! Seeking strong individual to help out on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8am – 11:30am. Responsibilities include receiving donations, lifting, sorting, folding, and conversing with store patrons. Perfect for high school students looking to stay busy and help the community this summer! Contact Nicole FFI: 612-874-0311.

Hiroshima and Nagasaki Time of Remembrance 2007. Sun. Aug 5, 4:30 pm Procession along Pathway to Peace, 5pm Crane Folding and music, 6pm Commemorative Tea Ceremony. Monday Aug. 6, 7:30 AM Ceremony of Cranes and Rep. Keith Ellison Speaks, 8:15 AM Moment of Silence for Hiroshima, 8:30 AM Kairos Dance and vigil. 7:30 PM Concert for Peace at Lake Harriet Bandshell. Thurs Aug. 9 10:30 am Nagasaki commemoration with music from Junshin Singers. 11:02 am Moment of Silence for Nagasaki followed by Labyrinth Walk. NOTE: The Sun Aug 5th and Monday Morning Aug 6 events will happen at the Lyndale Peace Garden at Lake Harriet in Mpls. The Thurs Aug 9th events will happen at the Global Harmony Labyrinth in Como Park in St. Paul. FFI: www.wilpfn.org/hn/ or 952-922-0308.

Fair Oak Facelift! Neighborhood Visioning for Washburn Fair Oaks Park, Mon., 8/6, 6:30-8pm at the Park. Councilman Robert Lilligren, Mpls. Park & Rec. Super. Jon Gurban, 4th Dist. Rep. Tracy Nordstrom & Park Board Reps. Rain location: MCAD. FFI: 612-871-7756 or www.whittieralliance.org.

"Palestinian/Israeli Peace: Is There Any Hope?" with Rev. Dr. Mitri Raheb, pastor of Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem, Palestine, & Director of the International Center of Bethlehem. Sat., 8/11, 9:30 a.m.-Noon, Hennepin County Southdale Library, 7001 York Av. S. Edina; 9:30- Refreshments, 10:00 – noon Presentation & discussion. FFI: Florence Steichen, 651-696-1642.

Emergency Contact Numbers The Pastoral Staff remain devoted to the care of the Stephen's community especially in this time of transition. Here are the desk and home phone numbers of several of the staff for your use. Please do not hesitate to use the home numbers if you have a need that cannot wait for business hours.

Mary Deaner: H) 612-789-4069 W) 612-870-2270 x 212
Cathy Heying H) 612-728-2672 W) 612-870-2270 x 229

Heading Home Hennepin and the Mpls Affordable Housing Trust Fund. Come to the Metropolitan Interfaith Council on Affordable Housing (MICAHA)'s kick-off event to organize communities in support of these two efforts. Heading Home Hennepin is the city and county's 10 yr plan to end homelessness. The Affordable Housing Trust Fund is one way we could fund Heading Home Hennepin. MICAHA will have a ward by ward campaign to organize around these efforts. Come and learn more about how you can help! Thurs Aug 16, 7-8pm with 6:45 registration. Minnehaha UCC, 4001 38th Ave S, Mpls. FFI: Renee at 612-871-8980, ext 105. Stephen's has been a member of MICAHA for many years.

The Pax Christi Twin Cities reflection & prayer to help sustain our nonviolent, peaceful center; with Sr. Mary White—Sat., 8/25, 9-10:30am, St. Joan of Arc Parish Center, 4537 3rd Ave. So., Mpls. FFI: Lynn at 651-645-1611, lynncibuzar@yahoo.com.

PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT Volunteers are needed at this one-stop shop to help people experiencing homelessness connect with services like housing, employment, medical care, mental health care, benefits, haircuts, transportation, food and clothing. The last Project Homeless Connect in December involved 500 volunteers plus service providers serving over 1200 people experiencing homelessness. Please consider volunteering at Project Homeless Connect at the Minneapolis Convention Center on Monday, October 1, 2007. It's an educational and moving experience! Training is provided. FFI: www.homelessconnectminneapolis.org. Thank you.

Pig Roast, St. Peter's Church, Richfield, (turkey too!), Sat., 8/18 6:30-7:30; music & dancing, 7:30-9:30. Tickets at the door: \$13-adults, \$5-children, age 3 & under-free. FFI & Advance Tickets: 612-861-3981.

Please pray for those to be executed this week, their victims, and the prison staff in charge of executions, especially: James T. Williams (PA) on August 7th.

"Truth calls for the elimination of every form of racial discrimination and the consequent recognition of the inviolable principle that all States are by nature equal in dignity." John XXIII, *Pacem in Terris*

"To be a Negro is to participate in a culture of poverty and fear that goes far deeper than any law for or against discrimination.... After the racist statutes are all struck down, after legal equality has been achieved in the schools and in the courts, there remains the profound institutionalized and abiding wrong that white America has worked on the Negro for so long." -- Michael Harrington in *The Other America* (1962)