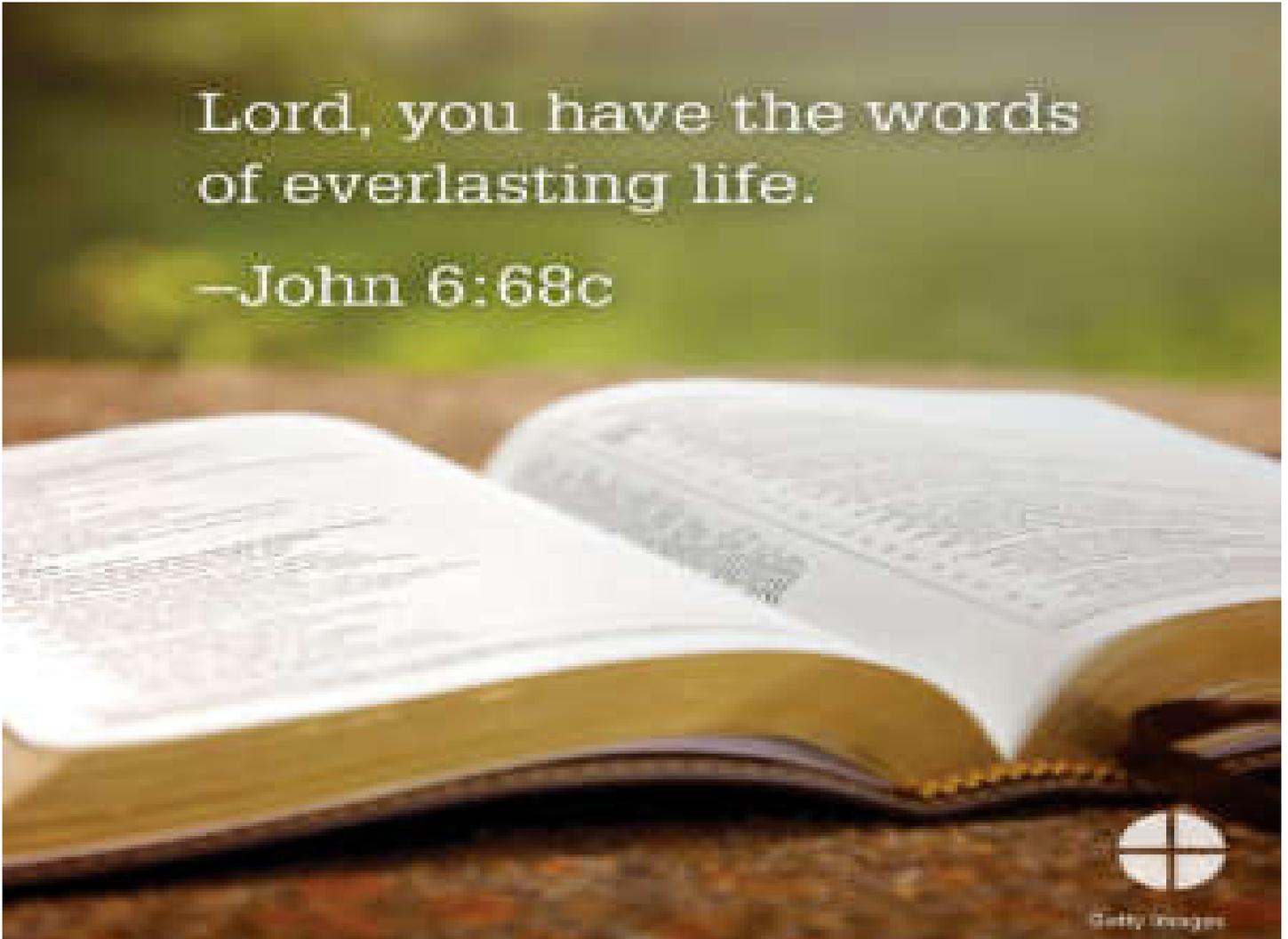


March 7, 2021

3rd Sunday of Lent

Lord, you have the words
of everlasting life.

—John 6:68c



St. Stephen's Catholic Church

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Mass Times:

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday at 12:00 Noon

Confession Times:

Saturday before Mass

Sunday after Mass



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1st Reading:
22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

2nd Reading:
Rom 8:31b-34

Gospel Reading:
Mark 9:2-10



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*If you see or suspect child abuse...
Call PA Childline at 1-800-932-0313*

or

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PARISH
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Susan Cabbage

Marlene Joyce

Deb Leese

Alex Serrano

Russ Trembl

Janice Wolfe

Collection

February 28, 2021

<i>Regular/Weekly</i>	\$546.00
<i>Maintenance</i>	\$70.00
<i>Energy</i>	\$20.00
<i>Black & Indian Mission</i>	\$75.00
<i>Mandeville Diocese</i>	\$5.00





March 2021



Grandma Ann's St. Patrick's Day Pie Sale

The Saint Stephen Family Life Committee is sponsoring a Grandma Ann's Spring Pie Sale on March 27th/28th. Available for order are Apple and Cherry, Plain and Crumb topped. The Cost of the Pies are \$10. Please place your order by March 21st. There are order forms in the bulletin or you may call Joanne Evans at 717-485-0532.

The Spring pie sale is approaching and we are again asking for donations of ingredients to defray the cost of making the pies. The list of ingredients needed are on sign-up sheets in the gathering space.



CROSS Stations of the Cross will be Wednesday Evenings during Lent starting Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.



Communion Services

Every Tuesday and Thursday, at 8:30 a.m.
Starting March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25.



Easter Flower Offering Envelopes will be available starting Sunday, March 7th.
Envelopes will be in the back of the Church by the Collection Box.

We are in need of doing a Parish Census to update our Parish Records.

Starting the weekend of March 6th and 7th Census Cards will be placed in Envelopes with your family name on envelope in the gathering space of the Church.

Please pick up your envelope complete Census card and return your envelope with Census card inside.

There will be a basket in the gather space of the Church to return your envelopes.

Please return by March 20th.



3rd Sunday of Lent (March 7)

In the cleansing of the temple Jesus initiated something new. No longer was worship a matter of offering sacrifice in the temple, nor was fidelity a matter of following the law. In the Gospel of John we read that Jesus, "was well aware of what was in man's heart."

Sin causes people to turn in on themselves; to grow accustomed to conducting relationships not by the standards of generous stewardship, but by the calculus of self-interest: "What's in it for me?" (*Stewardship: A Disciple's Response*; USCCB, 1992)

Do you rely on God's signs and wisdom or those of the world? Be a sign of Christ's presence in the world today by offering your presence to someone in need. Pray that you may become a better steward of God's wisdom and not your own. Begin with the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



MASS Intentions

For March

- 3/6 /2021 Saturday +Sister Celeste Ciesieka Req. by Millie Trembl
- 3/7/2021 Sunday +Sharon Houppert Req. by James Houppert
- 3/13/2021 Saturday +Gartner Family Deceased Members
Req. by Family and Friends
- 3/14/2021 Sunday +Joey Helser Req. by Joe and Janice Wolfe
- 3/20/2021 Saturday For The People
- 3/21/2021 Sunday +Brandi Mellott Req. by Joe and Janice Wolfe
- 3/27/2021 Saturday For The People
- 3/28/2021 Sunday +Sharon Houppert Req. By James Houppert

March Birthday Blessings



- 3/6 Cora Jones
- 3/10 Donna Fisher
- 3/25 Colin Keiper
- 3/26 Amanda Jones



We would like to wish
Henry & Arlene Babb
a
Happy 55th Anniversary!

3/15 Arlene & Henry Babb



Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a mass intention for your loved ones living and /or deceased, please use the Mass Intention Envelope.
You may put your Mass Intention in the offering box located in the back of the Church.

Thank You

Collection Counters

March

- 3/7/2021 Karen Leisinger
Ed Leisinger
- 3/14/2021 Marlene Joyce
Naomi Marcus
- 3/21/2021 Carol Babinsack
Kathy Lake
- 3/28/2021 Marlene Joyce
Naomi Marcus



PROFESSION ON FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
*and by the Holy Spirit (please bow) was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day,
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and
his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has
spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Reading 1

In those days, God delivered all these commandments:
“I, the LORD, am your God,
who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery.
You shall not have other gods besides me.
You shall not carve idols for yourselves
in the shape of anything in the sky above
or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth;
you shall not bow down before them or worship them.
For I, the LORD, your God, am a jealous God,
inflicting punishment for their fathers’ wickedness
on the children of those who hate me,
down to the third and fourth generation;
but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation
on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments.
“You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain.
For the LORD will not leave unpunished
the one who takes his name in vain.
“Remember to keep holy the sabbath day.
Six days you may labor and do all your work,
but the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD, your God.
No work may be done then either by you, or your son or daughter,
or your male or female slave, or your beast,
or by the alien who lives with you.
In six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth,
the sea and all that is in them;
but on the seventh day he rested.
That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.
“Honor your father and your mother,
that you may have a long life in the land
which the LORD, your God, is giving you.
You shall not kill.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor’s house.
You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,
nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass,
nor anything else that belongs to him.”

Responsorial Psalm

R. (John 6:68c) Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The law of the LORD is perfect,
refreshing the soul;
The decree of the LORD is trustworthy,
giving wisdom to the simple.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The precepts of the LORD are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the command of the LORD is clear,
enlightening the eye.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

The fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true,
all of them just.

R. Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

Reading 2

Brothers and sisters:
Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom,
but we proclaim Christ crucified,
a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,
but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike,
Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom,
and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

Verse Before the Gospel

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him might have eternal life.

Gospel

Since the Passover of the Jews was near,
Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
He found in the temple area those who sold oxen,
sheep, and doves,
as well as the money changers seated there.
He made a whip out of cords
and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen,
and spilled the coins of the money changers
and overturned their tables,
and to those who sold doves he said,
“Take these out of here,
and stop making my Father’s house a marketplace.”
His disciples recalled the words of Scripture,
Zeal for your house will consume me.
At this the Jews answered and said to him,
“What sign can you show us for doing this?”
Jesus answered and said to them,
“Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up.”
The Jews said,
“This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?”
But he was speaking about the temple of his body.
Therefore, when he was raised from the dead,
his disciples remembered that he had said this,
and they came to believe the Scripture
and the word Jesus had spoken.
While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover,
many began to believe in his name
when they saw the signs he was doing.
But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he
knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature.
He himself understood it well.