

# ST. STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Mass Times

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday at 12:00 p.m. (Noon)  
Holy Days 6:30 p.m. Vigil

## Confession Times

Saturday: 3:45 p.m.  
Sunday : After Noon Mass or  
anytime by appointment

## **Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time October 29, 2023**

First Reading: Malachi 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10

Second Reading: Thessalonians 2:7b-9, 13

Gospel Reading: Matthew 23:1-12

Readings can be found in the Blue Hymnal #943

## Ministry Contacts

To Contact Father Fairman,  
Please contact the Everett Parish Office  
At 814-652-5854

## Fulton County Catholic Mission

Carmelite Community of The Word  
Sr. Martha Burbulla, 717-485-5917



## *Mass Intentions*

10/7/2023	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	+Alan Keith req. by Karen & Jeff Croft
10/8/2023	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	+Sister Margie req. by Karen & Jeff Croft
10/14/2023	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	+Maria Randazzo req. by Marlene Joyce
10/15/2023	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	+Jerry Evrard req. by Karen & Jeff Croft
10/21/2023	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	+Audrey Bafile req. by the Bafile Family
10/22/2023	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	+Donald Claus req. by Karen & Jeff Croft
10/28/2023	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	For The People
10/29/2023	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	+Foster Park req. by Karen & Jeff Croft
10/31/2023	Tuesday 6:30 p.m.	For The People
11/4/2023	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	+Shero Family req. by Doris Nolte
11/5/2023	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	+Joyce Smith req. by Karen & Jeff Croft

## Lector Schedule

10/28	Saturday	Carol Babinsack
10/29	Sunday	Sister Martha
11/4	Saturday	Kathy Lake
11/5	Sunday	Joe Wolfe
11/11	Saturday	Carol Babinsack
11/12	Sunday	Maureen Willoughby

## Counters Schedule

10/29	Deb Chafardon & Erin Swope
11/5	Ed & Karen Leisinger
11/12	Marlene Joyce & Deb Leese
11/19	Deb Chafardon & Erin Swope
11/26	Carol Babinsack & Deb Leese

## Sunday Offering

Date	October 15, 2023	October 22, 2023
Weekly Offering	\$1,044.00	\$937.00
Energy	\$50.00	\$0.00
Maintenance	\$125.00	\$0.00
All Souls Day	\$0.00	\$10.00





10/5 Marty Marcus, 10/6 Doug Gresty,  
 10/11 Jonnie Zeger, 10/13 Joseph Wolfe,  
 10/27 Gary Hibner, and 10/27 George Stine



10/8 Norman & Marianne Gartner

**Stewardship Reflections**

**October 29, 2023**

Today's readings are all about love – the radical love of God for His people and the radical love we are called to live out in response. The stewardship way of life is nothing more and nothing less than the practical application of loving God and neighbor in our daily lives.

Jesus sums up the message of all the prophets as well as the purpose of all God's laws in today's gospel passage, from Matthew. It is a message we have likely grown up hearing – but it is so beautiful and so challenging, it bears repeating again and again. It is Christ's response to a question about which commandment is greatest. His answer reveals both the greatest and the second greatest commandment.

He says, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. ... The second is like it; you shall love your neighbor as yourself."

Love God first and love neighbor as self. This is the heart of the stewardship way of life – simple enough for a child to understand, yet challenging enough to be the life's work of every 'grown-up'. The "how" of loving God first and neighbor as self is unique to each individual. The stewardship way of life is the unique way that each of us applies the two greatest commandments to our daily lives. To sum it up, it's all about love.

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**Gardening Committee**

**Will be meeting on November 9th at 10:00 a.m.  
 To trim rose bushes.**

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**All Saints**

**There will be an anticipated mass on  
 Tuesday, October 31st at  
 6:30 p.m.**

**All Souls**

**Envelopes are located in the back of the church by the offering box.**

**Family Life Events**

**Fall Basket Raffle**

**A Big Thank You to our creative donors who provided generous and creative baskets & items.**

**Thank You to everyone who supported this fundraisers by purchasing tickets.**

**Our profit of \$1,200.00.  
 We sold all of the 1,200 tickets.**

**AWESOME!**

**Please see attached sheet of Basket Raffle Winners.**

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**Fall Festival Bake Sale and Lunch Stand**

**THANK YOU to everyone that donated a food item, a monetary gift or a fresh baked item to our festival.**

**Also appreciated was all the help setting up, kitchen crew, selling items & cleaning up after the event.**

**Many hands make the load lighter.**

**Our profit \$1,268.88 "SUPER"!!!!**

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**Thanksgiving Pie Sale**

**Family Life Committee is sponsoring Grandma Ann's Cherry and Apple Pie Sale.**

**Please place your pie orders by November 5th.**

**Basket and order forms are in the vestibule of the Church.**

**Also there is a sign-up sheet for pie ingredients needed. Monetary donations are also appreciated to help with purchase of the cherry pie filling.**

**You may call Doris Nolte at  
 814-448-0094 to place your order.**

**Order deadline is Tuesday, November 5th.**

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**Food Donation**

**We will be collecting non-perishable food items starting November 4th through November 19th.**

**There is a box in the vestibule of the church to place your non-perishable food items.**

**We will be donating all food items to the Fulton County Food Basket.**