

ST. STEPHEN 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

Third Sunday of Lent March 3, 2024

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17
Second Reading: Corinthians 1:22-25
Gospel Reading: John 2:13-25

Readings can be found in the Blue Hymnal #815

Ministry Contacts

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

Fulton County Catholic Mission

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

Mass Intentions

3/2/2024	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	+Ann Rapsinski req. by Loren & Deb Leese
3/3/2024	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	+Frank Meszaros req. by Teresa Booth
3/9/2024	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	+Living & Deceased Family & Friends req. by the Gartner Family
3/10/2024	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	+Joe Forsythe req. by Ed Leisinger
3/16/2024	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	+Bethany Rhodes req. by Karen & Jeff Croft
3/17/2024	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	+Audrey Bafile req. by The Bafile Family
3/23/2024	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	+Rose Sutara req. by Carol Babinsack
3/24/2024	Sunday 12:00 p.m. (Noon)	For The People
3/28/2024	Holy Thursday	+Jay Holladay req. by Ed Leisinger
3/29/2024	Good Friday	For The People
3/30/2024	Saturday 4:00 p.m.	NO MASS
3/31/2024	Sunday 11:00 a.m.	+Jim Wolfensberger req. by Ed Leisinger

Lector Schedule

3/2/24	Saturday	Carol Babinsack
3/3/24	Sunday	Maureen Willoughby
3/9/24	Saturday	Sister Martha
3/10/24	Sunday	Kathy Lake
3/16/24	Saturday	Carol Babinsack
3/17/24	Sunday	Joe Wolfe
3/23/2024	Saturday	Sister Martha
3/24/2024	Sunday	Maureen Willoughby

Counters Schedule

3/3/2024	Ed & Karen Leisinger
3/10/2024	Carol Babinsack & Kathy Lake
3/17/2024	Deb Chafardon & Erin Swope
3/24/2024	Ed & Karen Leisinger
3/31/2024	Marlene Joyce & Deb Leese



Date:	<u>February 18, 2024</u>	<u>February 25, 2024</u>	<u>Black & Indian Mission</u>
Weekly Offering	\$1,425.00	\$794.00	\$56.00
Energy	\$20.00	\$20.00	
Maintenance	\$10.00	\$0.00	
Ash Wednesday	\$20.00	\$0.00	





- 3/6 Cora Jones
- 3/7 Helena Miskowski
- 3/10 Donna Fisher
- 3/26 Amanda Jones
- 3/27 Aleksandra Miskowski



- 3/5 Henry and Arlene Babb
- 3/21 William & Jonnie Zeger

Donations for New Stations of the Cross

We are beginning to raise funds to purchase a new Stations of the Cross for the church. The old ones are made of heavy plaster and are difficult to

repair. **Please place your donations in an envelope with "Stations" written on the front.**

If you would like to have the donation "In Memory" or "In Honor" of someone, please indicate that. A chart will be placed in the Vestibule to show how much we need to reach the goal to purchase the Stations.

On the bulletin board in the vestibule is a picture of the Stations of the Cross that will be purchased.

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are needed for the months of April, and May, and June

Catholic Ministries Drive

Envelopes are in the pews and on the table by the offering box.

Easter Flower Offering

Envelopes are on the table by the offering box.



Family Life News

Northern Deanery Raffle

Tickets \$10 each. Raffle is 6/8/24.
Tickets are available after both weekend Masses.

Last day for ticket sales is May 26th.

Pie Ingredients Needed

We are asking for monetary donations to help defray the cost of the cherry pie filling, fresh apples and pie boxes which all need to be purchased .

YOUR HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

Grandma Ann's Spring Pie Sale

The Family Life Committee is Sponsoring our Spring Pie Sale for the weekend of March 16 & 17, 2024. Available for order are Apple & Cherry, Plain & Crumb Topped pies. The cost of the pies \$13.00. There are order forms either attached to the Bulletin, in the Vestibule or order by calling Doris Nolte at 814-448-0094.

Order deadline is March 3, 2024.

Spotlight Volunteer of the Month

Reminder to submit name(s) of volunteers to be Spotlighted. Forms and box for submissions are located in the vestibule.

Stewardship Reflections

March 3, 2024 – 3rd Sunday of Lent

This week marks the halfway point in our season of Lent. Our readings call us to roll up our sleeves and persevere through the remainder of Lent by committing to a more faithful life with Christ.

In our Gospel today, Jesus purifies the temple area because it is being misused as a marketplace. He becomes angry at their lack of reverence for God. He becomes angry at their lack of reverence for God. He spills the coins of the money changers and overturns tables, saying, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." Those who were with Him asked for a sign for doing this and He said, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." No one understood that He was referring to the death and resurrection of His Body.

This season of Lent is only halfway done – there is still time to work through our shortcomings and purify our hearts for the glorious Easter morning. Let us not waste another moment. Let us commit to living more faithfully God's commandments, let us seek God's mercy and let us invite God to transform our hearts.

Gardening Committee

Looking for a volunteer to head the Gardening Committee. If you are interested please contact Deb Leese at 717-485-3666 for details.

LENT SCHEDULE



Stations of the Cross
Every Wednesday during Lent
starting February 21st
at 6:30 p.m. during Lent

What are you doing for Lent this year?

Sister Martha invites you to share your Lenten journey with her before Masses starting the first weekend of Lent, Saturday, February 17 at 3 p.m. in the Church Hall before the 4 o'clock Mass or Sunday, February 18 at 11 a.m. before the Noon Mass. The program is simple, Lenten Scripture reflection and sharing.. Come and see.

Mass Times

Holy Thursday - March 28th at 5:00 p.m. at St. Stephen

Good Friday - March 29th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Stephen
3:00 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist in Everett

Saturday - March 30th - NO EASTER VIGIL MASS AT ST. STEPHEN

Saturday - March 30th at 8:00 P.M. Easter Vigil Mass at St. John the Evangelist in Everett

Easter Sunday - March 31st at 11:00 a.m. at St. Stephen
9:00 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist in Everett

***PLEASE NOTE THE TIME FOR EASTER SUNDAY MASS AT ST. STEPHEN
WILL BE AT 11:00 A.M.***

Around the Area

PARISH MISSION - The Basilica of St. Michael the Archangel, Loretto will hold their annual *Lenten Mission in Honor of Our Lady of Loretto*, March 10-14, 2024. Rev. Fr. Jude Brady, OSB, St. Vincent Seminary, Latrobe, PA, is the Mission Director. The Mission opens Sunday, March 10 at 7 PM with Prayers, homily and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, Bishop Mark Bartchak, JCD, presiding. Mass with mission prayers and homily will be offered at 7 PM Monday through Thursday. Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration offered at 6PM Mon-Thurs. Prayer intentions may be sent to: Fr. John D. Byrnes, Rector PO Box 10, Loretto PA 15940.

Women's Retreat

Being held at the Church of the Good Shepherd on Saturday, March 16, 2024
Register by emailing Amy Timan at atiman@dioceseaj.org