

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 8, 2026

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Council

Karen Croft - President

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Joe Fignar, Angela Roman, and Doris Nolte

Mass Times

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
Sunday at 12: 00 p.m. (Noon)

Confession Times

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.
Sunday: After Noon Mass or Anytime by Appointment

New Parishioners: Please fill out a blue card, on the table in the vestibule by the guest book.

First Reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-16

Readings can be found in the Blue Hymnal #865

Mass Intentions

Saturday 4:00 p.m. 1/31/26	+William and Jean Fisher Req. by Eric & Donna Fisher
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 2/1/26	+Vincent Joyce Req. by Marlene Joyce
Saturday 4:00 p.m. 2/7/26	+Living and Deceased Members of The Gartner Family req. by The Gartner Family
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 2/8/26	+Ann Rapsinski req. by Loren and Deb Leese
Saturday 4:00 p.m. 2/14/26	Lorraine Shultis req. by Marlene Joyce
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 2/15/26	+Doug Gresty req. by Sally Gresty
Ash Wednesday 6:30 p.m. 2/18/26	For The People
Saturday 4:00 p.m. 2/21/26	+Frank & Teresa Mezaros req. by Terry Booth
Sunday 12:00p.m. (NOON) 2/22/26	For The People
Saturday 4:00 p.m. 2/28/26	+Robert Croft req. by Loren & Deb Leese

Lector Schedule

2/7	Saturday	Kathy Lake
2/8	Sunday	Brent Pistner
2/14	Saturday	Carol Babinsack
2/15	Sunday	Kathy Lake
2/18	Wednesday	Father Fairman
2/21	Saturday	Father Fairman
2/22	Sunday	Joe Wolfe
2/28	Saturday	Carol Babinsack

Counter Schedule

2/8	Ed Leisinger and Karen Leisinger
2/15	Carol Babinsack & Kathy Lake
2/22	Deb Leese and Marlene Joyce

Sunday Offering	2/1/26
Weekly Collection	\$1,086.00
Energy	\$55.00
Building Maintenance	\$125.00
Solemyity of Mary	\$10.00
Initial Offering	\$5.00
Total:	1,281.00

Your Generosity is Greatly Appreciated!

February Birthdays

2/3 Miranda Hawkins
2/9 Loren Leese
2/10 Brent Pistner
2/16 Karen Leisinger
2/24 Imagine Jansen
2/26 Joseph Chafardon

Happy Anniversary

2/2 Joseph & Deb Chafardon
2/12 Gerald & Mary Monninger

PRAYER LIST



Rick Chafardon, Kathy Kendall,
Jeremiah Murphy, Dan Myers,
Robert Torsky, Kevin Joyce,
Susan Cabbage, Dennis Cabbage Jr.,
Peggy Hoffman, Jerry Monninger,
Maureen Willoughby, Cynthia Souders,
Jim Babinsack and Tom Haubrick

Please call to add or remove a name once the person is recovered or no longer in need of special prayer.

If you are placing someone other than a family member on the list, please be sure to have their permission first.

Stewardship Reflection

Today's readings are part pep talk and part marching orders for us as Christian stewards. They offer wonderfully clear guidance on what matters most to God in the way we prioritize our lives and the way He intends for us to use the gifts He has given us.

The first reading, from the prophet Isaiah, gives us very straightforward instructions: "Thus says the Lord: Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed, and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own." The Lord gives no wiggle room here - care for our brothers and sisters in need is a "must-do" for the Christian steward. Note, too, that these instructions require action - to share, to shelter, to clothe, and to hang in there with your family members, even the demanding ones.

Our Gospel passage, from Matthew, sends us out on our stewardship way with a bang as Jesus declares to us, His disciples, that we are the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world." But, He adds, salt no longer gives flavor if allowed to go stale, and light cannot bring its blessed brightness if left hidden. Therefore we must act! We must live our lives so that others will see the things that we do - the ways that we serve others, care for the vulnerable, prioritize our family relationships, and, above all, our love for God - and then give Him glory!

Welcome
We would like to welcome Liam Flaherty to our Parish.

2026 Together We Stand Raffle

(Northern Deanery Raffle)

Ticket sales have started!

You may purchase your tickets after Saturday and Sunday Masses

Cost of Ticket is \$20.00 each.

Drawing is May 31st, 2026

Altar Flowers For February

In Memory of Andrew Wilkinson
Karen Leisinger

In Memory of the Nolte & Shero Family
Doris Nolte



Ash Wednesday Service will be on
Wednesday, February 18th at 6:30 p.m.

Grandma Ann's Spring Pie Sale

The Family Life Committee is Sponsoring our Spring Pie Sale for March 21st & 22nd.

Available to order are Apple & Cherry,
Plain and Crumb Topped Pies.
The cost of the pies is \$15.00 each.

There are pie order forms attached to the bulletin and forms in the vestibule, or order by calling Doris Nolte at 814-448-0094.

Order deadline is March 8, 2026
Please place your order form in the basket in the vestibule and not in the collection.

Pie Ingredients Needed

The Spring Pie Sale is approaching and we are again asking for donations of a few ingredients. The list of needed items will be in the vestibule of church. At the same time we are asking for monetary donations to help defray the cost of the cherry pie filling and fresh apples.

Have ingredients in by March 8th
Your help is greatly appreciated!

Liturgy Meeting

There will be a Liturgy meeting on Wednesday, February 11th at 6:00 p.m. in the church social hall for anyone who would like to attend.

Parish Council Meeting

There will be a Parish Council meeting on Tuesday, February 10th at 6:00 p.m.