

<u>CONTRIBUTIONS</u>	August 1st & 2nd
Offertory	\$2578.50
Shepherd’s Fund	\$ 5.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 5.00
Insurance	\$ 145.00
Building Fund	\$ 460.00
TOTAL	\$3193.50

	August 8th & 9th
Offertory	\$5213.65
Parish Dues	\$ 100.00
Insurance	\$ 20.00
Building Fund	\$ 174.35
TOTAL	\$5508.00

E-TRANSFERS

If you wish to e-transfer your donations, please use the following email address: **stephensparish@gmail.com**. For tax receipt purposes, please include your envelope number (if applicable) or mailing address. Tax receipts are issued in the new year.

ESTATE PLANNING & MEMORIAM REQUEST

We encourage Parishioners in their Estate and Funeral Planning to consider donations to their Parish or the Shepherd’s Fund Foundation in memory of a loved one. St. Stephen’s In Memoriam cards are available at the back of the church, the Parish Office, or Russell’s Funeral Home upon request.

FRAGRANT-FREE PLACE OF WORSHIP

Please note that St. Stephen’s Parish is a FRAGRANT FREE place of worship as we have many parishioners who are asthmatic and/or have severe allergies. Thank you

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 18th at 7:00 pm
Cemetery Mass, Hillside Interfaith Cemetery
Wednesday, August 19th at 7:00 pm
Int. Laurie Anne req. by Donor
Late Mike Gabriel req. by Madelyn White
Late Thelma Murphy req. by Mary Cormier
Late Pius & Sarah Tourout req. by Judy, Terry, Len-ny & Danny

Thursday, August 20th at 9:30 am
Int. Terri Lee Noseworthy req. by Donor
Int. Brooklyn Noseworthy req. by Donor
Remember Mohan K.J. req. by Binu
Late Jackie Young and Theresa Cashin req. by Conor

Friday, August 21st at 9:30 am
Int. Faith Webb req. by Donor
Int. Michael Carson req. by Patrick Hynes
Int. Alex req. by Aleena
Late Joseph Boulos req. by Pauline Boulos

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: August 16th to 22nd

Sunday, August 16th
1st Reading: Isaiah 56.1, 6-7
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 67.1-2, 4-5, 6-7 **(R.5)**

2nd Reading: Romans 11.13-15, 29-32
Gospel: Matthew 15.21-28
Monday, August 17th
1st Reading: Ezekiel 24.15-24
Responsorial Canticle: Deuteronomy 32.18-19, 20, 21 **(R.18a)**
Gospel: Matthew 19.16-22

Tuesday, August 18th
1st Reading: Ezekiel 28.1-10
Responsorial Canticle: Deuteronomy 32.26-27ab, 27cd-28a, 30, 35cd-36ab **(R.39c)**
Gospel : Matthew 19.23-30
Wednesday, August 19th
1st Reading: Ezekiel 34.1-11
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23.1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 **(R.1)**
Gospel: Matthew 20.1-16a

Thursday, August 20th
1st Reading: Ezekiel 36.23-28
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 51.10-11, 12-13, 16-17
Gospel: Matthew 22.1-14

Friday, August 21st
1st Reading: Ezekiel 37.1-14
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 107.1-2, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 **(R.1)**
Gospel: Matthew 22.34-40
Saturday, August 22nd
1st Reading: Ezekiel 43.1-7a

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 85.8ab-9, 10-11, 12-13 **(R.9b)**
Gospel: Matthew 23.1-12

STEWARDSHIP

“For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable.” *ROMANS 11:29*
God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God’s salvation plan.

HUMOUR

A sweet old lady called St. Joseph’s Hospital and asked, “Could I speak to someone about how a patient is doing?”
The operator replied kindly, “Sure , dear, What’s the patients name?”
In a soft voice, the grandmother said, “Norma Smith, room 301.”
“I have good news! Norma is doing well. Dr. Cohen says she’ll be discharged tomorrow!”
The grandmother sighed with relief, “Oh thank you so much. God bless you!”
The operator, smiling, asked, “ Is Norma your daughter?”
The grandmother replied, ”No, I’m Norma Smith in room 302. No one tells me anything!!”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

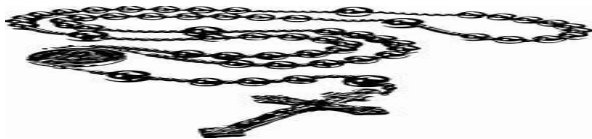
- **Hillside Interfaith Cemetery Mass** will take place on Tuesday, August 18th at 7:00 pm. This Mass will replace the regular 7:00 pm weekly Mass. If inclement weather, the Mass will take place in St. Stephen’s Parish.
- **In honor of the 150th Anniversary of St. Stephen’s Parish** there will be an image of the *Divine Mercy* erected on the front of the Parish



to the left when entering. There will be an official blessing of the image by Bishop Bart van Roijen on Wednesday, August 26th at 7:00 pm as part of the evening Mass. There will be a social following at the Knights of Columbus. All feedback and/or comments are welcomed.

Bishop update to Parishes: We would like to inform all students and parents throughout the diocese that there is a Catholic presence at Gren-fell Campus in Corner Brook. Mass is celebrated on every second Tuesday of the month starting on Tuesday, October 13th, 2026 in the multi-faith room, followed by a faith discussion over lunch. There will be other activities offered throughout the year. This is a great way to remain grounded in your faith, connect with new friends, and be involved. Please look for our booth, manned by some of our students, at the *“Get Involved Fair”* on September 16th, 2026 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Pope Leo’s Prayer Intention for the month of August 2026:*For evangelization in the city.*
Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



August 16th, 2026

The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Last Sunday we heard Jesus reprove Peter for his lack of faith when he attempted to walk on the water to him. Today we hear him praise the Canaanite woman for her powerful faith. Both Peter and the woman assert their faith in the Lord initially, but Peter lapses into doubt while the woman refuses to give up. Peter loses his faith when he needs it most while the woman perseveres in her faith despite repeated denials. In this interaction with her, Jesus is teaching his disciples the importance of a faith strong enough to persist through obstacles and doubts.”

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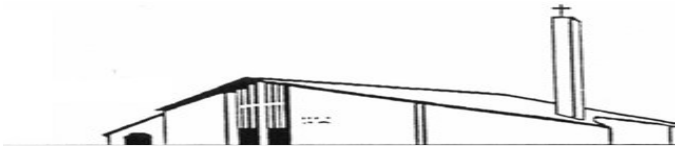


“Then Jesus answered her, ‘Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.’ And her daughter was healed instantly.”

Matthew 15:28



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August 16th, 2026	The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Bishop of Corner Brook & Labrador.....	Most Rev. Bart van Roijen
Pastor.....	Fr. Joseph Kizhakkekuvithadathil CST
Associate Pastor.....	Fr. George Attuchalil CST
Parish Council Chair.....	Warren Quinton
Finance Chair.....	Rosa Dollard
Administrative Assistant.....	Kim Ryan
St. Anne’s Guild President.....	Hilda Short
Religious Education Coordinator.....	Michelle Hawco
Liturgy Coordinator.....	Bernice Maddock
Responsible Ministry Coordinator.....	Debbie Wilton
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight.....	Conrad Benoit
4th degree Assembly Faithful Navigator.....	Clyde Russell
District Master 4th degree.....	Bob Miller

MASS TIMES

**St. Stephen’s Parish:*
Saturday Evenings at 6:00 pm
Sunday Mornings at 10:30 am
Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:00 pm
Thursday and Friday at 9:30 am
**Maria Regina, Port au Port East:*
Saturday at 4:30 pm & Sunday at 9:00 am
Thursday at 3:30 pm
**Our Lady of Fatima, Piccadilly:*
1st, 2nd, & 4th Sunday of each month at 10:30 am
**St. Columcille, St. Fintans:*
1st & 4th Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

The Priest is available 30 minutes before Mass

HEALING MASS

The 1st Friday of the month.
< Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
and reconciliation: 9:30am to 12noon>

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 8:30am to 4:30pm
Wednesday: 8:30am to 12noon
Friday: 8:30am to 4:00pm
**Closed daily from 12noon to 1:00pm*

MARRIAGES

Six months required; One year recommended.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please call the Parish Office to register.

ST.STEPHEN’S PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday at 1:30pm

ROSARY GROUP

Saturday at 11:00am

SAINT ANNE’S GUILD

Rosary: Summer Break. Will resume in September.

WELCOME: If you are new to the area, welcome to St. Stephen’s Parish. If you would like to register as a new parishioner please reach out to the main office.