

The Cornerstone

DECEMBER 8, 2020-DECEMBER 8, 2021

Year of St. Joseph

Pray for us, St. Joseph.

EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT....



FATHER FRIDAYS

This Friday - Fr. Tim Williford
Parochial Vicar at
St. Stephen Catholic Church

Listen in to the
"Spirit FM Morning Show"
6am-10am



Nothing to fear, the Youth Minister is here!

Hello St Stephen Parish, my name is Eddie Gemma and I am overjoyed to be joining y'all as the new Youth Minister. I am currently 25, was born and raised in the small state of Rhode Island and have been living in the Tampa Bay area for about a year now. I graduated from St. Leo University in the spring of 2019 and shortly after, was called by the Lord to serve as a summer missionary for LifeTeen at Camp Wildsky in Medina, Texas. Some of my hobbies include sports, video games, music, movies, and practicing jujitsu. I look forward to meeting everyone and thank you for making me feel at home. God Bless,
Eddie Gemma
Youth Minister, St Stephen Parish



ST STEPEHN PARISH
CONGRATULATIONS
 8TH GRADE & ADULT CONFIRMANDI



Immaculate Mary Statue



The Memorial Program Proudly Presents

Immaculate Mary

WE ARE SO GRATEFUL TO THOSE WHO DONATED TOWARD
 THE MARY STATUE; FOR WITHOUT YOU,
 THIS WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE.
 WE ALSO WOULD LIKE TO THANK
 BISHOP GREGORY PARKES FOR BLESSING MARY!
 WE HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO COME TO MASS VERY SOON
 AND TO SAY A PRAYER BY TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER.

[Click to see Bishop Gregory Parkes bless Mary.](#)

This Week at St. Stephen



Our Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week

**In Memory
 of
 Jessie Perri**

If you are interested in having the sanctuary lamp
 burn in honor or in memory of a loved one, please
 call 813-689-4900.

Friday, February 5

1st Friday

Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

Mass (Church)

8:30 am Pray for Salvador Abril (RIP)

Confessions (Chapel)

After the 8:30 am Mass till no one is in line

Adoration (Chapel)

After 8:30am Mass till 10:00am

Saturday, February 6

1st Saturday
Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
Mass (Church)
8:30 am Pray for Edward Deering (RIP)

10:30 am Consecrated Marian Society 1st Saturday Devotion via Zoom Call

We will continue to have our meeting by phone until further Notice. Come and experience the joy in consoling Jesus through Mary every first Saturday of the month. Everyone is invited! Please email mariansociety@ststephencatholic.org for more information. To dial in: 1-605-475-2875. Access code: 1209238#

2:45 pm Confessions (Chapel) till no one is in line
4:30 pm Pray for the Parishioners of St. Stephen

Sunday, February 7
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

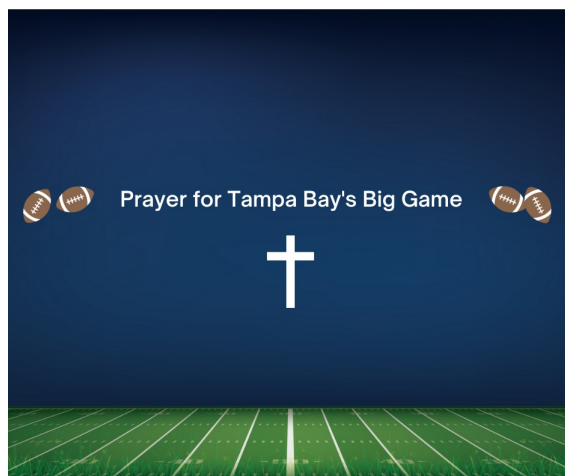


Masses

7:30 am Pray for Juana Garcia (RIP)
9:30 am Pray for Louise O'Connor (RIP)
11:30 am Pray for Joe Migliardi (RIP)
5:30 pm Pray for Alex Walker (RIP)

[Sunday's Meditation](#)

[Mass Prep for Children](#)



A Prayer

We thank You, God, for the beauty, hospitality and spirit of our Tampa Bay community.
We thank You for the fire within us to be our best.
We thank You for the gift of sport that brings us together.
We pray that the "big game" will be a sign of peace and unity.
We pray for the safety of the teams as they compete with a passion for the game.
We pray that this experience of solidarity may strengthen our resolve to love one another and to love You above all else.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen

Monday, February 8

Mass (Church)

8:30 am Prayers for Joan & Tim Donahue's Wedding Anniversary

Confessions

After the 8:30 am Mass (Chapel) till no one is in line

7:00 pm Zoom Chat with Seminarians

Men, ages 15-35 are invited to attend our next discernment opportunity, Zoom Chat with Seminarians, Fr. Chuck will be the host and each month includes vocation stories from different seminarians. Please see the flyer at this link: <https://bit.ly/3ocG38p> for more information and future dates. RSVP to Fr. Chuck at spvocation@dosp.org in order to receive the link to attend.

Tuesday, February 9

Mass (Church)

8:30 am Pray for John J. Yanosick (RIP)

6:00 pm Confessions (Chapel) till no one is in line

Wednesday, February 10

Saint Scholastica, Virgin

Mass (Church)

8:30 am Pray for Phillip Rios (RIP)

Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations (Chapel)

After 8:30 Mass-6:00 pm

Thursday, February 11

Our Lady of Lourdes

Mass (Church)

8:30am Prayers for Brother Ray Morris making his Final Vows

Come Join Us!

Part-Time Maintenance

St. Stephen Catholic Church is seeking **two** part-time maintenance workers; with some weekend and evening hours possible. If interested, **download the application** and email to Tom@ststephencatholic.org.

Coming Up~Weekend of February 13-14

Safe Haven Sunday—Equipping the Family: Safety Through Connection The constant flood of influence that comes through the internet and social media in all of its various forms, along with social pressures from peers make it difficult for children to live virtuous and holy lives. In the digital age, it's not a matter of if your child will see something inappropriate online. It's only a matter of when. And regrettably, internet pornography is teaching our children how and what to think about sex and marriage.

Next weekend, February 14, 2021, the Diocese of St. Petersburg will be celebrating our third annual Safe Haven Sunday. This weekend of awareness will provide free resources to you to give you confidence for how to talk to your children about internet dangers, as well as their personal online and offline choices. Please join us with your prayers and presence as we prepare for this unique event. To learn more, visit www.dosp.org/freedom-from-porn/.

Tampa Bay Men's Conference

Saturday, February 13, 2021

FOR MORE INFORMATION or TO REGISTER

Get Mulch and Help Scout Troop 610 Go to Summer Camp!

Save time; save gas; save your back! St. Stephen Scouts BSA Troop 610 is selling pine and cypress mulch, delivered to your home on March 6th. Proceeds will be used to help pay for our Scouts to go to summer camp. Mulch bags are \$4.50 for 3 cubic feet, with a 10 bag minimum. Buy 48 bags or more and we will even spread it for an additional \$2 per bag. What a deal! Scouts will be outside after Mass on February 13, & 14 with order forms. For more information, contact Scott Townes at 813-445-2289 or Debra Balkman at 407-508-0148.

Thank you for supporting Scouting in our parish!

New Podcast/Radio Series: Proclaim, Invite and Encounter

Bishop Gregory Parkes is offering a new series on Spirit FM 90.5 and on your favorite podcast app that provides inspiration and insights for living our Catholic faith. Proclaim, Invite and

Encounter is a daily reflection and commentary on Courageously Living the Gospel in our homes, parishes, communities and wherever God may lead us.
Visit www.dosp.org/bishop/podcast to listen and subscribe.

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