

CONTRIBUTIONS April 18th & 19th

Offertory	\$2632.35
Building Fund	\$ 30.00
Lent Folder	\$ 5.00
Good Friday	\$ 30.00
TOTAL	\$2697.35

Thank you to our parishioners

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 our Parish is a fragrant free place of worship as we have many parishioners who are asthmatic and/or have severe scent allergies. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, April 28th at 7:00 pm

Int. BJ and Markus White req. by Donor
Late Ronald Edwin White req. by Francis & Kathleen King Joy

Wednesday, April 29th at 7:00 pm

Late Austin Renouf req. by Patsy
Youth intentions req. by Donor

Thursday, April 30th at 9:30 am

Late Glen Benoit req. by Jean Kennedy
Late Diane Lush and son Brian Lush req. by Mary Cormier

Friday, May 1st at 9:30 am—Healing Mass

Late Anne Bennett req. by Debbie Cornect
Late Ronald Young req. by Patrick Hynes

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: April 26th to May 2nd

Sunday, April 26th

1st Reading: Acts 2.14a, 36b-41
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23.1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (R.1)

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2.20b-25
Gospel: John 10.1-10

Monday, April 27th

1st Reading: Acts 11.1-18
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 42.1-2, 43.3, 4 (R.42.2a)

Gospel: John 10.11-18

Tuesday, April 28th

1st Reading: Acts 11.19-26
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 87.1-3, 4-5, 6-7 (R.117.1a)

Gospel : John 10.22-30

Wednesday, April 29th

1st Reading: Acts 12.24-13.5a
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 67.1-2, 3a+4, 5+7 (R.see 3a)

Gospel: John 12.44-50

Thursday, April 30th

1st Reading: Acts 13.13-25
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 89.2-3, 21-22, 25+27 (R.2a)

Gospel: John 13.16-20

Friday, May 1st

1st Reading: Acts 13.26-33
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 2.6-7, 8-9, 10-11 (R. 7)

Gospel: John 14.1-6

Saturday, May 2nd

1st Reading: Acts 13.44-52
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 98.1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 (R.3)

Gospel: John 14.7-14

STEWARDSHIP Stewards Repent

“And Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ... ’” ACTS 2:38

The word “repent” means to turn from sin - to change our thoughts, words and actions. Change that is permanent comes from within; a transformation or conversion of heart. This requires stewardship, prayer, discipline and perseverance. Change is hard. The first step is recognizing that we are broken and that we need God’s help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.

HUMOR Paddy & Murphy

Paddy and Murphy are working on a building site. Paddy says to Murphy, “I’m gonna get the day off. I’m gonna pretend I’ve gone mad!”

He climbs up the rafters, hangs upside down, and shouts, “I’m a light bulb, I’m a light bulb!”

Murphy watches in amazement. The foreman shouts: “Paddy, go home. You’ve gone mad.”

So Paddy leaves the site. Murphy starts packing his kit up to leave as well.

“Where do you think you’re going?” asks the foreman.

“Well, I can’t work in the dark!” said Murphy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

• **The Knights Of Columbus** is hosting a fundraiser in support of Our Lady of Mercy Heritage Restoration Fund. A live band and dancing featuring Kacie Callahan and the Jazz Apostles will take place on Friday, May 1st at 8:00 pm in the Santa Maria Club. Tickets are available at Arlins, Debbie’s Video and Elaines Variety for \$20 or call 709-649-9187 to reserve.

• **In recognition of the month of May as Mary’s month** the Knights of Columbus is praying the Rosary on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm starting on Sunday, May 3rd. All are welcome.

• **The Parkinson Support Group** will be meeting on Sunday, May 3rd in the Knights of Columbus Building from 2:00 pm-4:00 pm. Care

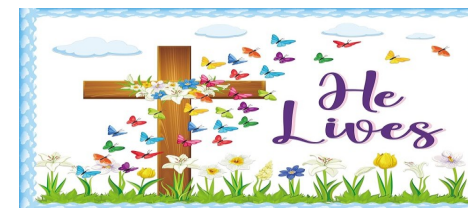
partners, family members and home care workers are welcome to attend.

• **The Newfoundland and Labrador Palliative Care Association Conference** will take place in St. Johns, NL on May 21st and 22nd. Registration information can be found on the bulletin board at the Church entrance for those wishing to attend.

COMMUNITY CAFÉ Monthly Schedule
Thursdays 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

1st Thursday	Legion
2nd Thursday	Lions Club
3rd Thursday	Knights of Columbus
4th Thursday	Pentecost Church
*5th Thursday	DAWN (Lions Club)

The Pope’s Prayer Intention for the month of April, 2026: For priests in crisis. *“Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.”*



April 26th, 2026

The 4th Sunday of Easter

“There are many among us today who foolishly think they need no shepherd. They think they know all the facts of life while they are in total ignorance of the most basic fact of all, namely, the very purpose of life. Not that the thought of it does not arise disturbingly before their minds time and time again. But they try to smother that thought and ease their consciences by immersing themselves deeper and deeper in the affairs and the passing pleasures of this temporary life. Alas for them, a day of reckoning lies ahead, a day that is much nearer than they would like to believe. What will be their fate when they meet Christ the Judge, whom they had refused to follow and acknowledge during their days on earth?”

This is a misfortune that could happen to any one of us, unless we think often of our purpose and our end in life. We have a few short years, but short though they be, we can earn for ourselves an eternity of happiness during this life. Let the straying sheep boast of their false freedom and of the passing joys they may get in this life; this freedom and these joys are mixed with much sorrow, and will end very soon. We know that if we follow the shepherd of our souls, we are on the way to the true life, the perfect life, the unending life which will have no admixture of sorrow, regret or pain. Where Christ is, there perfect happiness is, and there with God's grace we hope and trust to be.”

Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.
https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2026-04-26

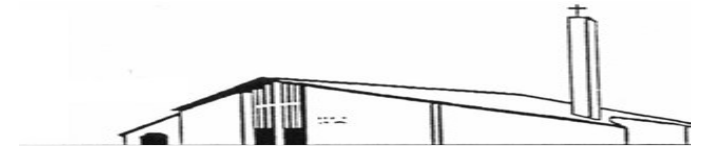


4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.” - Jn 10:2-3

Live Streamed at the 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass April 25, 2026

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April 26th 2026

The 4th Sunday of Easter

- Bishop of Corner Brook & Labrador.....Most Rev. Bart van Roijen
Pastor.....Fr. Joseph Kizhakkekuru vithadathil 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:
4:30pm

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

*Our Lady of Fatima, Piccadilly:

1st, 3rd, & 4th Sunday of each month at 10:30 am

*St. Vincent de Paul, Point au Mal:

Finished for the season

*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: 9:30 am to 12 noon >

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.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday: 8:30am to

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; The second Monday of the Month. All are Welcome.