

CONTRIBUTIONS August 3rd & 4th	
Offertory	\$2228.20
Building Fund	\$ 210.00
TOTAL	\$2438.20

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, August 20th at 7:00 pm

Int. Clinton Young req. by donor
Int. Marion Mayo & The Walsh Family req. by Lucy Tourout

Late Ronnie LeCoure req. by The Family Deceased members of the Walsh & Keating Families req. by Cecilia Walsh

Wednesday, August 21st at 7:00 pm

Int. The Young Family req. by donor
Late Wayne Delaney req. by Tom & Anita Shea

Thursday, August 22nd at 9:30 am

Late Wishie Gaudet req. by Linda Dolinger
Late Wayne Delaney req. by donor

Friday, August 23rd at 9:30 am

Late Elizabeth Williams req. by Carmel Delahunty
Late Bernard & Cathy Snow req. by Ned & Gert Shelly and Family

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: August 19th to August 23rd

Monday, August 19th

1st Reading: Ezekiel 24.15-24
Responsorial Cantic: Deuteronomy 32.18-19, 20, 21 (R. 18a)
Gospel: Matthew 19.16-22

Tuesday, August 20th

1st Reading: Ezekiel 28.1-10
Responsorial Cantic: Deuteronomy 32.26-27ab, 27cd-28a, 30, 35cd-36ab (R.39c)
Gospel: Matthew 19.23-30

Wednesday, August 21st

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 22nd

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

Friday, August 23rd

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

STEWARDSHIP Living Stewardship

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." John 6:56

This line from Scripture is what ultimately separates Catholics who live **Stewardship** from our Protestant brothers and sisters. Jesus is really present in the bread and wine that are consecrated at Holy Mass. It is His actual body and blood that we consume. This is the greatest gift that we can receive. The Eucharist shows us how great of love that Jesus has for each of us.

CHURCH HUMOUR The Family Bible

Visiting his grandparents, a small boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly, something fell out. He picked it up and found that it was an old leaf that had been pressed flat between the pages.

"Mama, look what I found," he called out. "What have you got there, dear?" his mother asked."

With astonishment in his voice, the boy answered, "I think it's Adam's underwear!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Office Hours:** Please note that the Parish office will be closed for routine business on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm.
- **We welcome Seminarian Joseph Kibuule** who has been assigned to our Parish until June 2025 as part of his training. Please take the time to meet and welcome him.
- **Emergency Food Requests:** Reminder that your donation of emergency food items are welcome and may be dropped off at the Church Entrance at any time. Thank you.
- **Development and Peace-Caritas Canada Regional Assembly, "Peace for all Creation"**, Sept. 13-15, 2024, is taking place at **The Lantern**, Barnes Rd, St. John's, registration is \$20. For more information and to register please contact Patricia Walsh Warren-pwalsh@devp.org. The **agenda** is posted on the Bulletin in the Church Entrance.
- Tuesday to Friday, **praying of the Rosary** will start 1/2 hour before Mass.
- **St. Stephen's Parish** is opened daily from 8:30 am to 7:30 pm for private prayer.

OUR LADY OF MERCY HERITAGE CHURCH AND MUSEUM, PORT AU PORT WEST

- Open from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday

through Saturday.

- Tea room and cafe offer:
 - Sandwiches and soup
 - Assorted desserts
 - Hot and Cold Beverages
- For additional information call 709-648-2439

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME PRAYER

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for August 2024

For political leaders~*"We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs"*.



August 18th, 2024

Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:54-58).

The Eucharist is a sacrifice and a sacrament. As a sacrifice it is the repetition, the re-enactment, of Christ's sacrifice of himself on Calvary. It is a sacrifice of infinite value for it is the same Christ, the God-man, who is offering himself, through the medium of his human representative, to his heavenly Father. It is a sacrament for it is a visible sign instituted by Christ to give us grace. Under the visible appearances of bread and wine, it is the source of all grace whom we receive within us. The staple human nourishment, bread and wine, are changed into the infinite source of our staple spiritual nourishment, the body and blood of Christ.

The Blessed Eucharist is a mystery in so far as our minds cannot understand how exactly Christ is present on our altars after the words of consecration. The very words given us by Christ himself have been said over the bread and wine. But while we cannot grasp how exactly this happens, we can have no room for doubt but that it does happen: for we have the solemn affirmation of Christ the Son of God that it is so.

Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings*, Cycle B, by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.
<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2024-08-18>



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August 18th, 2024

Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary

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| Bishop of Corner Brook & Labrador..... | Most Rev. Bart Van Roijen |
| Pastor..... | Fr. Joseph Kizhakkekuruvidathil CST |
| Associate Pastor..... | Fr. Jaison Joseph Vizhukipara CST |
| Parish Council Chair..... | Debbie Wilton |
| Finance Committee Chair..... | Rosa Dollard |
| Administrative Assistant..... | Kim Ryan |
| St. Anne's Guild President..... | Vacant |
| Religious Education Coordinator..... | Michelle Hawco |
| Responsible Ministry Coordinator..... | Theresa Dollimont |
| Liturgy Coordinator..... | Bernice Maddock |
| Knights of Columbus..... | Grand Knight Conrad Benoit |
| 4th Degree Assembly..... | Faithful Navigator Bob Miller |

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Evening at 6:00 pm
Sunday Morning at 10:30 am

RECONCILIATION

1st Saturday of each month at 2:15 pm (or)
Priest available 30 minutes before Mass recommended.

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:00 pm
Thursday and Friday at 9:30 am

MASS TIMES

**Maria Regina, Port au Port East:*
Saturday at 4:30 pm & Sunday at 9:00 am
**Our lady of Fatima, Piccadilly:*
The 1st, 3rd, & 4th Sunday of each month at 10:30 am
**St. Vincent de Paul, Point au Mal:*
Second Sunday of the month at 10:30 am

OFFICE HOURS

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

ROSARY GROUP

Saturday at 11:00 am

MARRIAGES

Six months noticed required; a years notice recommended

ST. STEPHENS PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday at 1:30 pm in the downstairs meeting room

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please call Parish office to register.

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.