

CONTRIBUTIONS August 23rd & 24th	
Offertory	\$2408.80
Building Fund	\$ 10.00
Seminarian Fund	\$ 5.00
TOTAL	\$2423.80

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 parish-ioners who are asthmatic and/or have severe scent allergies. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, September 2nd at 7:00 pm
Int. Fr. O’Quinn (Happy Birthday) req. by Donor
Late Jacqueline Marie Cashin-Young req. by Francis & Kathy King-Joy
Late Diane Dollimont req. by Mary & Dominic Drew
Wednesday, September 3rd at 7:00 pm
Int. Debbie Wilton (Happy Birthday) req. by Donor
Late Jackie Young req. by Tom & Anita Shea
Late Gerald Hartley req. by Diane Gallant
Thursday, September 4th at 9:30 am
Int. Gertrude Critch req. by Her brother Bill
The deceased members of the Walsh & Keating Families req. by Cecila Walsh
Souls in Purgatory req. by Liz Felix
Friday, September 5th at 9:30 am-Healing Mass

Int. Madeline & George White req. by Cecila Walsh
Int. Todd & Faith Webb req. by Donor
Late Damien Drake req. by Mom & Dad

Sanctuary Candle

In memory of Elena & Mario Partos
req. by Marlene Smith

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: August 31st to September 6th

Sunday, August 31st
1st Reading: Sirach 3.17-20, 28-29
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 68.3-4, 5-6a, 9-10 (R.10)
2nd Reading: Hebrews 12.18-19, 22-24a
Gospel: Luke 14.1, 7-14
Monday, September 1st
1st Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 96.1+3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 (R. 13b)
Gospel : Luke 4.16-30
Tuesday, September 2nd
1st Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6, 9-11
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 27.1, 4, 13-14 (R.13)
Gospel: Luke 4.31-37
Wednesday, September 3rd
1st Reading: Colossians 1.1-8
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 52.8, 9 (R.8b)
Gospel: Luke 4.38-44
Thursday, September 4th
1st Reading: Colossians 1.9-14
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 98.2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 (R.2a)
Gospel: Luke 5.1-11
Friday, September 5th
1st Reading: Colossians 1.15-20
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 100.1-2, 3, 4, 5 (R.2c)
Gospel: Luke 5.33-39
Saturday, September 6th
1st Reading: Colossians 1.21-23
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 54.1-2, 4+6
Gospel: Luke 6.1-5
STEWARDSHIP Stewardship Lifestyle
“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.”
LUKE 14:13-14
One of the main principles of living a **Steward-ship** lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in

our “consumerist” culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return. It’s just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus’, renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

HUMOR Sunday School Lesson, Lot’s Wife

“She looked back and was turned into a pillar of salt,” the teacher said.
One fourth grader commented, “My mother looked back once in our car and she turned into a tel-ephone pole.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The Parish Office** will be Closed on Monday, September 1st.
- **On behalf of St. Stephen’s Parish**, Fr. Joseph and Fr. George we extend our special “Thank you” to the singers and groups who filled in for the months of July and August. Thank you so much for sharing your talent: Bernice & Laura; Binu, Judy & group; Brian; Diane & Tom; Ivan & Theresa; Marlene Hynes; Mar-lene Smith; The Pilipino Choir.; The Samms girls-Lidia, Taylor, Claudia, Rebecca & Maisie. We are very blessed at St. Stephen’s that your gift of music was a vital part of making our weekend Masses feel truly complete.
- **The Knights of Columbus** will be having a Council meeting on Thursday, September 4th at 7:00 pm.
- **The meeting of the Parkinson’s Support Group** will take place on Sunday, September 7th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the Knights of Columbus building. Care partners, family members and home care workers are welcome to attend.
- **The Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Assembly 1653** will be hosting a special ecumenical service to commemorate the 24th Anniversary of 9/11 in St. Stephen’s Parish at 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 11th, 2025. All uniformed services, first responders, and veterans are welcome to join us as we pray for the families and victims of 9/11 and the years of conflict that followed. The wearing of uniforms is encouraged as this is also an opportunity

to show our appreciation for all those uniformed services who serve and protect our communities each and every day. All are welcome to join in this ecumenical service of prayer and remembrance.

- **Blessing of the backpacks** will take place on Saturday, September 13th at 6:00 pm and Sunday, September 14th at 10:30 am. All children and their families of the Parish are welcome to attend.
- **A Fundraiser for Development and Peace** will take place on Thursday, September 18th, in the Rotary Arts Centre, Corner Brook. Information can be found on the bulletin board at the Church entrance.
- **Jubilee Year 2025: September:** The focus of September is “**Giving**”. Therefore as part of Jubilee Year 2025 please consider donating one food item for our local Food Bank when you attend weekend mass during the month of September.

COMMUNITY CAFÉ MONTHLY SCHEDULE Thursday’s 11:00 am-1:00 pm

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



August 31st 2025

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Christ, the Son of God, lowered himself to our level when He took our human nature. He was born in a stable, reared in the obscure village of Nazareth, earned his meager meals as a country carpenter, died on a cross as a malefactor with two thieves as companions and was buried in a God's banquet. Thank God, there are few whose pride leads them to these extremes, but there are far too many who set themselves up as judges over their neighbor and appoint themselves as the models to be imitated by all others.

There is a little demon of pride in each one of us. There is a natural inclination in each one to esteem ourselves a little better in most ways, if not in all, than our neighbor. We must keep this demon in check and not let him grow in us. Any gifts of mind or body that we have are from God; our duty is to use them properly and to thank God for the loan of them.”

Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings Cycle C*, Fr. Kevin O' Sullivan, O.F.M.
<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2025-08-31>



22nd Sunday
in Ordinary
Time

For everyone who
exalts himself will
be humbled, and
the man who
humbles himself
will be exalted.
Luke 14:11

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August 31st, 2025

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bishop of Corner Brook & Labrador.....	Most Rev. Bart van Roijen
Pastor.....	Fr. Joseph Kizhakkekuruvithadathil CST
Associate Pastor.....	Fr. George Attuchalil CST
Parish Council Chair.....	Debbie Wilton
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.....	Theresa Dollimont
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight.....	Conrad Benoit
4th degree Assembly Faithful Navigator.....	Clyde Russell
District Master 4th degree.....	Bob Miller

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Evenings at 6:00 pm
Sunday Mornings at 10:30 am

REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES

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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & 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

MARRIAGES

Six months required; One year recommended.

BAPTISM PRERARATION

Please call Parish office to register.

RECONCILIATION

The Priest is available 30 minutes before Mass

MASS TIMES

**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:*
2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 am
**St. Columcille, St. Fintans:*
1st & 4th Sunday of each month at 3:00 pm

ROSARY GROUP

Saturday at 11:00 am

ST. STEPHEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday at 1:30 pm in the downstairs meeting room.

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.

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