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E-TRANSFERS
If you wish to e-transfer your donations, please use the following email address: stephensparish@gmail.com.

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.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS
Tuesday, February 11th at 7:00 pm
Wednesday, February 12th at 7:00 pm
Thursday, February 13th at 9:30 am
Friday, February 14th at 9:30 am

Late Monsignor Edwin Gale, Lenora, Raymond & Alfred Doyle req. by donor
Late Shawn Smith req. by Francis & Kathleen King-Joy
Sanctuary Candle
In memory of Wishie Gaudet
Love Mom & Dad

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: February 9th to February 15th
Sunday, February 9th
Monday, February 10th
Tuesday, February 11th
Wednesday, February 12th
Thursday, February 13th
Friday, February 14th
Saturday, February 15th

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 90.2, 3-4, 5-6, 12-13 (R.1)
Gospel: Mark 8.1-10
STEWARDSHIP Stewards Minister
Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?'
Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, 'Whom shall I send?'
Deacon Russell Davis, Director
https://www.camdendiocese.org/stewardship/stewardship-bulletin-reflections/

HUMOUR
A woman invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to her six-year-old daughter and said, 'Would you like to say the blessing?'
'I wouldn't know what to say,' the little girl replied.
'Just say what you hear Mommy say,' the mother said.
The little girl bowed her head and said: 'Dear Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?'

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Parking: You are reminded of the NO PARKING areas in front of the church as per FIRE ZONE REGULATIONS.
The Marriage Preparation Course is scheduled for May 3rd, 2025.
Parish Coffee Time will take place on Sun-

day, February 16th after the 10:30 am Mass.
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.

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)

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for February 2025
For vocations to the priesthood and religious life~Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.



Message of the Holy Father for 33rd World Day of the Sick (11 February 2025)
“Hope does not disappoint” (Rom 5:5), but strengthens us in times of trial”

Dear brothers and sisters,

We are celebrating the 33rd World Day of the Sick in the Jubilee Year 2025, in which the Church invites us to become “pilgrims of hope”. The word of God accompanies us and offers us, in the words of Saint Paul, an encouraging message: “Hope does not disappoint” (*Rom 5:5*); indeed, it strengthens us in times of trial.

These are comforting words, but they can also prove perplexing, especially for those who are suffering. How can we be strong, for example, when our bodies are prey to severe, debilitating illnesses that require costly treatment that we may not be able to afford? How can we show strength when, in addition to our own sufferings, we see those of our loved ones who support us yet feel powerless to help us? In these situations, we sense our need for a strength greater than our own. We realize that we need God’s help, his grace, his Providence, and the strength that is the gift of his Spirit (cf. *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1808).

Let us stop for a moment to reflect on how God remains close to those who are suffering in three particular ways: through *encounter*, *gift* and *sharing*.

1. Encounter. When Jesus sent the seventy-two disciples out on mission (cf. *Lk 10:1-9*), he told them to proclaim to the sick: “The kingdom of God has come near to you” (v. 9). He asks them, in other words, to help the sick to see their infirmity, however painful and incomprehensible it may be, as an opportunity to encounter the Lord.

2. Gift. More than anything else, suffering makes us aware that hope comes from the Lord. It is thus, first and foremost, a gift to be received and cultivated, by remaining “faithful to the faithfulness of God”,

3. Sharing. Places of suffering are frequently also places of sharing and mutual enrichment. We realize that we are “angels” of hope and messengers of God for one another, all of us together: whether patients, physicians, nurses, family members, friends, priests, men and women religious, no matter where we are, whether in the family or in clinics, nursing homes, hospitals or medical centres.

Pope Francis

A Message from Bishop Bart van Roijen

Among the conditions required to receive a plenary indulgence is prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, a gesture of deep communion with the Successor of Peter and with the universal mission of the Church. This act is not merely a formal requirement but a privileged opportunity for the faithful to spiritually partake in the great challenges and hopes that the Pope carries in his heart for the good of humanity. To foster and encourage this dimension of prayer, **we have put a poster on the bulletin board at the church entrance with a QR code on it. It is your one step way to access this spiritual tool and use it at any time of the day.**

St. Stephen’s Parish

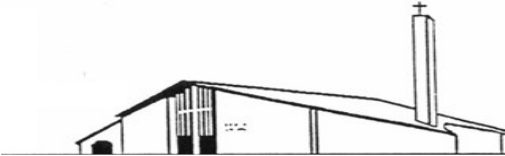
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February 9th, 2025

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bishop of Corner Brook & Labrador.....

Most Rev. Bart van Roijen

Pastor.....

Fr. Joseph Kizhakkekuru vithadathil CST

Seminarian.....

Joseph Kibuule

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

1st Saturday of each month at 2:15 pm or the Priest is available 30 minutes before Masses is recommended.

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:*

Note: Cancelled for the winter season

**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.