

<b><u>CONTRIBUTIONS</u></b>	March 23rd & 24th
Offertory	\$2276.85
Dues	\$ 100.00
Building Fund	\$ 5.00
Development Peace	\$ 45.00
Good Friday	\$ 20.00
Initial Offering	\$ 5.00
New Years Day	\$ 5.00
Indian Residential Healing Fund	\$ 5.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2461.85</b>

*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 2nd at 7:00 pm**

Late Tony Gabriel req. by The Keating Family  
Late Shane Deinstad req. by donor  
Late Stephen Gaudon req. by Theresa & Ivan MacDonald

Special Intentions req. by donor

**Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:00 pm**

Late Norman & Mary Besaw req. by Gerard Besaw  
Late Moris & Clinton Felix req. by Liz Felix  
Late Hellen Hallett req. by donor  
**Thursday, April 4th at 9:30 am**  
Int. Brendon Rex White req. by donor  
Late Fr. Aiden Devine req. by donor  
Late Clinton & Moris Felix req. by Liz Felix  
Late Michael White and the White & Blanchard Families req. by Joan White  
**Friday, April 5th at 9:30 am-Healing Mass**  
Late Viola Lucas req. by donor  
Deceased members of the White & Swyers Family req. by donor  
Late Cheryl Joseph req. by Terri & Ed Hartley

**DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: April 1st to April 5th**

**Monday, April 1st**

1st Reading: Acts 2.14, 22-33  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 16.1-2a+5, 7-8, 9-10, 11(R.1)  
Gospel: Matthew 28.8-15

**Tuesday, April 2nd**

1st Reading: Acts 2.36-41  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33.4-5, 18-19, 20+22 (R.5b)  
Gospel: John 20.11-18

**Wednesday, April 3rd**

1st Reading: Acts 3.1-10  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 105.1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 (R.3b)  
Gospel: Luke 24.13-35

**Thursday, April 4th**

1st Reading: Acts 3.11-26  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 8.2a+5, 6-7, 8-9 (R.2ab)  
Gospel: Luke 24.35-48

**Friday, April 5th**

1st Reading: Acts 4.1-12  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 118.1-2+4, 22-24, 25-27a (R.22)  
Gospel: John 21.1-14

**STEWARDSHIP Living Stewardship**

*"Think of what is above, not of what is on earth." COLOSSIANS 3:2*

On this day we thank God for His Son, Jesus, who died, rose and opened the gates of heaven for us. We celebrate and sing "Alleluia." Let's try to keep the joy of this Easter season in our hearts throughout the year by living **Stewardship**. Pray daily and listen for how God is calling each of us to joyfully use our gifts to fulfill His salvation plan.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- The **Parish Office** will be closed on Good Friday, March 29 and Easter Monday, April 1st.
- There will be **no Mass** on Mondays starting Monday, April 1st.
- The **Church will be open** and available for private prayer everyday, seven days a week from 8:30 am to 7:30 pm.
- Tuesday to Friday, starting on April 2nd, **praying of the Rosary** will start 1/2 hour before Mass.
- The **Knights of Columbus** will be having their council meeting on Thursday, April 4th at 8:00 pm.
- The **Healing Mass** will take place on Friday, April 5th at 9:30 am.

**Easter Sunday**

"Easter is the Solemnity of Solemnities, the center and climax of the Church year. All the mysteries that we have commemorated from Advent until now have pointed toward Easter; all that we shall yet celebrate in the weeks that follow has its foundation in the mystery of Easter, and receives its meaning and importance from this mystery."

**Benedict Baur, OSB, *The Light of the World***



*Haec dies quam fecit Dominus:* "This is the day which the Lord has made." Throughout the octave we shall sing of the unequalled joy which throws open eternity to us. Every Sunday will furnish a reminder of it, and from Sunday to Sunday, from year to year, the Easters of this earth will lead us to that blessed day on which Christ has promised that He will come again with glory to take us with Him into the kingdom of His Father.

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2024-04-01>



*"This is the day the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it". Ps 118:24*

March 31st 2024

Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of the Lord

My dear brothers and sisters,

Peace and Easter blessings be upon you.

The Lord appeared to His disciples after His resurrection and greeted them, saying, "Peace be to you." Many times in sacred scripture our blessed Lord offers his peace. So it is in our lives, the Lord Jesus stands in our midst and says, "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." (John 14:27.)

At the beginning of the celebration of the Easter Vigil Mass, the light of the Paschal Candle is processed into a darkened Church which then quickly becomes bathed in light as the candles people hold are lit from that one flame. The Paschal Candle continues to represent the light of Christ which dispels the darkness and the resurrection of Christ which overcomes sin and death. Our belief in the resurrection is the light of faith which can bring joy and hope in the midst of despair.

I encourage you to pray for the grace to see the Risen Christ and to recognize His deep love for each one of us. We will see His presence more profoundly in our homes and our families, in our work and in our outreach to those in need. This Easter, I invite us to rediscover the symbol and power of our faith as a light which can dispel darkness that. This is what we are called as Christians to proclaim and live.

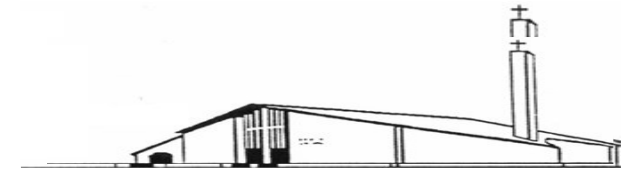
At Easter , let us proclaim the Resurrected Christ knowing that He has brought forth life from death, light from darkness, and hope from despair. As Saint John Paul II says, "Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song."

This Easter, let us find within our faith the sustenance and resolve to proclaim, "He is risen." And we rejoice saying, "Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia." May God bless you with abundant faith, serenity and joy this Easter.

Yours sincerely in Risen Christ Jesus,  
Fr. Joseph Kizhakkekuruvidathil CST.

# St. Stephen's Parish

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March 31st, 2024

Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of the Lord

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 - 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday Morning - 10:30 a.m.

### REGULAR WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday and Friday at 9:30 a.m.

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.  
Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

*Closed daily from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.*

ROSARY GROUP  
Saturday at 2:00 pm

MARRIAGES  
Six months notice required; a year's notice recommended

### RECONCILIATION

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at 2:15 p.m. (or)

recommended.

### BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please call parish office to register.

### MARIA REGINA PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturdays: 4:30 p.m. & Sundays: 9:00 a.m.

### OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS TIMES

Sunday 's at 10:30 am EXCEPT every second Sunday

### St. Stephens Prayer Group

St. Stephen's prayer group meets on Tuesday's 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.

Priest available 30 minutes before Mass