If you are new to the area, welcome to St. Stephen's Parish. If you would like to register as a new Parishioner, please contact the main office.

CONTRIBUTIONS **November 7th & 8th**

Offertory	$2349.65
Building Fund	$ 185.00
Needs of the Canadian Church	$ 5.00
World Mission Sunday	$ 20.00
TOTAL	**$2559.65**

Thank you to our Parishioner

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 St. Stephen's Parish is a FRAGRANT FREE place of worship as we have many parishioners who are asthmatic and/or have severe allergies. Thank you

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, November 17th at 7:00 pm
Mass of Remembrance
Wednesday, November 18th at 7:00 pm
Int. Jared & Shelby Webb req. by Donor
Late Shane Gallant req. by Della & Tim
Late Marion Furrey req. by Cecilia & Maurice Hynes
Thursday, November 19th at 9:30 am
Late Pat Manaley req. by Donor
Late Jack & Deanne Cooper req. by Madeline White
Late Douglas, Maude & Ann Walsh req. by Lucy Tourout
Friday, November 20th at 9:30 am
Late Annette Hynes and Nellie Murphy req. by Theresa Hynes
Late Philip Sheppard req. by Sean Dunphy
Late Morris Felix req. by Liz Felix

STEWARDSHIP

"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities." MATTHEW 25:21

God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, to use them wisely, and to be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us. God asks us to be generous with all our gifts, especially the one that means the most to you.

HUMOUR

Two teenage boys stole a crate of oranges from a roadside fruit stand late one night. Afraid someone would catch them, they climbed over the fence into an old cemetery to split the loot. As they jumped, two oranges rolled back outside the gate.

Sitting behind a large headstone they started counting…"One for you…one for me…"

A tipsy guy walking home froze when he heard the voices. He sprinted to the local sheriff.

"You've gotta come! God and the Devil are dividing souls in the cemetery!" The sheriff laughed but followed him anyway.

As they quietly reached the gate, one boy said, "Looks like that's all of them." The other replied, "Yeah, now let's go grab the two we left by the gate."….The sheriff and the drunk broke into a full sprint without look back.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **St. Anne's Guild** will be having a meeting on Monday, November 16th at 2:00 pm. New members welcome.
- There will be a **Parish Council Meeting** on Wednesday, November 18th at 7:45 pm.
- The **Knights of Columbus** will be having a 4TH Degree meeting on Thursday, November 19th at 7:00 pm.
- **Saturday, November 21st** marks the 25th Anniversary of Fr. Lee Lainey's ordination to the priesthood at St. Stephen's Parish. Fr. Lainey will be the celebrant for the weekend Mass on that evening. A reception will follow in the Knights of Columbus. All are welcome. We congratulate Fr. Lainey on this special occasion and ask you to keep him in your prayers.
- **The Stephenville Food Bank** is collecting for Christmas Hampers. Donations can be made by etransfer to: stephenvillefoodbank@gmail.com or mailed to **Stephenville Emergency Food, PO Box 68, 129 Montana Dr., Stephenville, NL A2N 2T4.** Donations will be collected by the weekend of December 5th & 6th. Hampers will be distributed on Friday, December 18th.
- There will be a **Mass of Remembrance** on November 17th, at 7:00 pm in remembrance of family members who have passed between November 18th, 2025 and November 17th, 2026. The names of those who have passed during the year will be printed on the program and read aloud at this special Mass.

If you have family members who have died within the past year and resided in a different community, you may call the Parish Office at 709-643-2523 to register their names.

We invite prayers for all our beloved family and friends who have passed regardless of their religion in life. Cards will be available at the back of the Church for the names of loved ones who have passed previous to November 17th, 2025. These cards will be presented at the altar during this Mass. A goodwill offering will be at your personal discretion.

- **Tree of Love:** In support of the Sir Thomas Roddick Hospital, the Twilight 50+ Club, 15 Hynes Rd, Port au Port East, will be hosting its annual ***"Tree of Love"*** event on Monday, December 7th at 7:00 pm. This gathering provides an opportunity to honor your departed loved ones by making a contribution in memory to the Hospital Foundation. If you are unable to attend, you can contribute to shirleycrane100@yahoo.ca
- **Grieving: Coping with the Holidays**

Grief is a challenging and difficult experience. It can be even more challenging on special days, including the Holiday Season. Whether this is your first holiday without a loved one, or you have had many, the emotions and experiences can still be difficult to navigate. ***"Grieving: Coping with the Holidays"*** is an annual educational seminar that aims to help individuals understand what their experience of grief might look like and to provide practical strategies for managing the holiday season while grieving. Sessions are available both in person and online. The **online option** is hosted via **Webex** on Wednesday, December 2 from 6:00 pm-8:00 pm NST; 5:30 pm-7:30 pm in Labrador at: **https://nlhsvc.webex.com/nlhsvc/j.php?MTID=m5dde5fb6a49c106c463d874ccb6b97c4** Click the link on the scheduled time to join, or join by **Phone:** +1-437-880-3267; **Access code:** 27728742302; **Password:** 82572376 **Information can be found on the bulletin board at the Church entrance.**

- **Religious Articles** are available for purchase in the Parish Office.

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

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

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for the month of November, 2026: *For the proper use of wealth.* Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

November 15th, 2026 **Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: November 15th to 21st

Sunday, November 15th
1st Reading: Proverbs 31.10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28-31++
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 128.1-2, 3, 4-5 (***R.*** **1)**
2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6
Gospel: Matthew 25.14-30
OR: Matthew 25.14-15, 19-21

Monday, November 16th
1st Reading: Revelation 1.1-4, 2.1-5a
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 1.1-2, 3, 4+6 (***R.*** **Rev 2.7b)**
Gospel: Luke 18.35-43

Tuesday, November 17th
1st Reading: Revelations 3.1-6, 14-22
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 15.1-3a, 3bc-4a, 4b-5 (***R.*** **Rev 3.21)**
Gospel: Luke 19.1-10

Wednesday, November 18th
1st Reading: Revelation 4.1-11
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 150.1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (***R.*** **Rev 4.8b)**
Gospel: Luke 19.11-28

Thursday, November 19th
1st Reading: Revelation 5.1-10
Responsorial Psalm: 149.1-2, 3-4, 5-6a+9b (***R.*** **Rev 5.10)**
Gospel: Luke 19.41-44

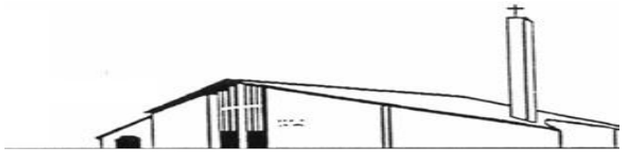
Friday, November 20th
1st Reading: Revelation 10.8-11
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 119.14+24, 72+103, 111+131 (***R.*****103a)**
Gospel: Luke 19.45-48

Saturday, November 21st
1st Reading: Revelation 11.4-12
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 144.1, 2, 9-10 (***R.*****1)**
Gospel: Luke 20.27-40



Bishop's Update: The Diocesan Evangelization conversation in October focused on building and rebuilding trust. Many people have not lost faith in God but confidence in the Church. We identified the importance of learning how to listen without judgment, interruptions or need to respond with an answer or explanation, that each person be seen, heard, respected and valued for who they are, no matter our differences. We also spoke about the existing gap between priest and laity, and within the Church itself, limiting honest conversation and true listening, and a way of operating that creates unnecessary barriers and hinders availability. We agreed that an encounter with Christ often begins with encountering Christ in someone who cares enough to listen. This conversation leaves me with two questions: "What are the roadblocks within me, that prevents me from listening?" And, "What is it I fear the most?" Considering the great hunger we have for meaningful conversations, to share our joys and sorrows, to love and to be loved as Christ taught us, I invite you to reflect on these two questions and hope you continue this conversation in your homes, parishes and communities

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November 18th, 2026 **Thirty-Third 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……Warren Quinton
Finance Chair……..Rosa Dollar
Administrative Assistant……...Kim Ryan
St. Anne's Guild President……Hilda Short
Religious Education……..Team Volunteers
Liturgy Coordinator……Bernice Maddock
Responsible Ministry Coordinator……...Debbie Wilton
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight……...Roger Hynes
4th degree Assembly Faithful Navigator…….....Clyde Russell

MASS TIMES
St. Stephen's Parish:
Saturday Evening at 6:00pm
Sunday morning at 10:30am
Tuesday & Wednesday at 7:00pm
Thursday & Friday at 9:30am
Maria Regina, Port au Port East:
Saturday at 4:30 pm & Sunday at 9:00am
Thursday at 3:30pm
Our Lady of Fatima, Piccadilly:
1st, 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month at 10:30am
St. Columcille, St. Fintans:
1st & 4th Sunday of each month at 3:00pm

RECONCILIATION
-The Priest is available 30 minutes before Mass
-After the Healing Mass on the 1st Friday of the Month

HEALING MASS
1st Friday of the month
< Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and reconciliation: 9:30am to 12noon >

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

MARRIAGES
Six month required; One year recommended

BAPTISM PREPARATION
Please call the Parish Office to register

ST. STEPHEN'N PRAYER GROUP
Tuesday at 1:30pm

ROSARY GROUP
Saturday at 11:00am

SAINT ANNE's GUILD
Rosary; Second Monday of each month
All are welcome