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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, October 21st
Late Harry, Catherine & Rod Brenton req. by Rhonda, Gary and Ryan White
Late Maurice Downey req. by Tom & Anita
Wednesday, October 22nd
Int. Marie Green req. by Donor

Late Mr. Philip Hawco req. by Rita Watson
Late Kevin & Winnie White req. by Gary, Rhonda and Ryan White
Thursday, October 23rd
Late Joseph Dollard req. by the Family
Late Owen Sheppard req. by Bernice & Sean Dunphy
Friday, October 24th
Int. Abigail White req. by Donor
Late Teresa Garas req. by Madeline St. Croix & Family
Late Damien Drake req. by Mom & Dad

DAILY READINGS, RESPONSORIAL PSALM & GOSPEL: October 19th to 25th

Sunday, October 19th
1st Reading: Exodus 17.8-13
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 121.1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (R.2)
2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 3.14-4.2
Gospel: Luke 18.1-8
Monday, October 20th
1st Reading: Romans 4.20-25
Responsorial Canticle: Luke 1.69-70, 71-72, 73-75 (R.see 68)
Gospel: Luke 12.13-21
Tuesday, October 21st
1st Reading: Romans 5.12, 15b, 17-21
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 40.6-7a, 7b-8, 9-10ab, 16+17c (R.7a-8a)
Gospel: Luke 12.35-38
Wednesday, October 22nd
1st Reading: Romans 6.12-18
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 124.1-3, 4-6, 7-8 (R.8a)
Gospel: Luke 12.39-48
Thursday, October 23rd
1st Reading: Romans 6.19-23
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 1.1-2, 3, 4+6 (R.Ps 40.5)
Gospel: Luke 12.49-53
Friday, October 24th
1st Reading: Romans 7.18-25a
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 119.66+68, 76-77, 93-94 (R.68)
Gospel: Luke 12.54-59
Saturday, October 25th

1st Reading: Romans 8.1-11
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 24.1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 (R.6)
Gospel: Luke 13.1-9

STEWARDSHIP Persistent Stewardship
"...proclaim the word, be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient..." 2 TIMOTHY 4:2
It is not always convenient to be a good Steward, especially when all the temptations of our busy and materialistic world get in the way. Now add our own pride and ego into the equation and living a stewardship lifestyle may be downright uncomfortable! Remember, God didn't call us to be comfortable. He never said that we would have an easy life. Rather, He called us to be faithful!

HUMOR FORGETFUL
"George is so forgetful", the sales manager complained to his secretary. Its a wonder he can sell anything. I asked him to pick me up some sandwiches on his way back from lunch, and I'm not sure he'll even remember to come back."
Just then the door flew open, and in bounced George. "You'll never guess what happened!" he shouted. "While I was at lunch, I met Old Man Brown, who hasn't bought anything from us for five years. Well we got to talking and he gave me this half-million-dollar order!"
"See," sighed the sales manager to his secretary. "I told you he'd forget the sandwiches."

ANNOUNCEMENTS
St. Stephen's Parish would like to thank all parishioners who donated food during the month of September. "Giving", the focus in the month of September for the Jubilee year, and the Mass of Thanksgiving in memory of Sister Betty Daniels, on September 22nd, received a generous amount of food and monetary donations which were donated to our local food bank.
St. Anne's Guild will be meeting on



Monday, October 27th at 2:00 pm. New members welcome.
St. Anne's Guild "sock" fundraiser totaled \$2015.65. Thank you to Marjorie King for making the socks and to all the parishioners who donated.
In recognition of, Month of the Rosary, the Knights of Columbus will sponsor the Rosary on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm for the month of October.
The Knights of Columbus State Scholarship is available to children or grandchildren of members in good standing or deceased members. Applicants have to be graduates of the NL High School System and have to be attending their first year of study in a Post-Secondary Institution. Information and applications can be found on the State Council website www.kofcnl.org under scholarships.

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

Table with 2 columns: Day, Location. Rows include 1st Thursday (Legion), 2nd Thursday (Lions Club), 3rd Thursday (Knights of Columbus), 4th Thursday (Pentecostal Church), and *5th Thursday (DAWN (Lions Club)).



October 17th, 2025

The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Why should whole nations of devout Christians suffer persecution from atheistic tyrants? See their children brought up deprived of the right to practice their faith, or, worse still, taught to despise it? Surely God should answer the prayers of these good people and the fervent prayers of millions of their fellow-Christians on their behalf....

These and many similar questionings arise in our minds because our limited, human intellects can see but one small section of the immense tapestry which God is weaving for the human race. We would all like immediate results in our own tiny corner of that tapestry while the all-wise God is occupied with the whole picture. He is not forgetting us either. If He delays in answering our urgent appeals, we can be certain that the reason is not that He wants to punish us, but rather to help us. There are many saints in heaven who would perhaps never have become saints if God had not allowed them to struggle on longer than they would have wished, against trials and difficulties; spiritual as well as physical.

Our divine Lord teaches us the need for perseverance in prayer. This perseverance develops our trust and confidence in God. It helps us to become humble and to realize how weak we are when left to ourselves. It keeps us close to God, as we learn how dependent we are on His generosity. If we only would realize that God is perhaps never closer to us than when we think He is forgetting us! The trials of life, spiritual or temporal, which He allows us to suffer are not obstacles to our spiritual progress but rather stepping-stones without which we could not cross the rivers of life at all.

God wants every one of us in heaven but just as no two men on earth have the same identical features, so also no two men on earth have the same road to lead them to heaven.”

Excerpted from The Sunday Readings Cycle C, Fr. Kevin O' Sullivan

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2025-10-19n, O.F.M.>



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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 Dollard
Administrative Assistant.....	Kim Ryan
St. Anne's Guild President.....	Hilda Short
Religious Education Coordinator.....	Michelle Hawco
Liturgy Coordinator.....	Bernice Maddock
Responsible Ministry Coordinator.....	Vacant
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

RECONCILIATION

The Priest is available 30 minutes before Mass

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:*
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

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.

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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