

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 24th—Vigil: Nativity of the Lord

4:00 PM Saint Stephen Parish Family

12:00 Midnight Saint Stephen Parish Family

(Music begins at 11:30 p.m.)

Sunday, December 25th—Nativity of the Lord

10:00 AM Saint Stephen Parish Family

(No 8:30 a.m. Mass/No 11:00 a.m. Mass)

Monday, December 26th—Saint Stephen, † c. 35; one of the seven deacons of the Acts of the Apostles; first disciple to be martyred; mentioned in the Roman Canon

9:00 AM Holy Family, requested by Quintin Family

Tuesday, December 27th—Saint John, † c. 100 at Ephesus; son of Zebedee, brother of James: “disciple whom Jesus loved”; authored three letters, the book of Revelation, and the most spiritual of the gospels; symbolized by the eagle; patron of Asiatic Turkey; mentioned in the Roman Canon.

9:00 AM Daniel Cotter, Jr., requested by Gerry Keniry

Wednesday, December 28th—The Holy Innocents

9:00 AM St. Augustine, requested by Quintin Family

Friday, December 30th—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

9:00 AM Patrick Reilly, requested by Jim and Susan McManus

Saturday, December 31st—7th Day in Octave of Christmas

8:00 AM Adele and Lawrence Maciejak, requested by Frankie Maciejak

Saturday, December 31st—Vigil: Solemnity of Mary

4:00 PM Saint Stephen Parish Family

Sunday, January 1st—Solemnity of Mary,

The Holy Mother of God

8:30 AM Saint Stephen Parish Family

11:00 AM Rose Morgillo, requested by Family



“For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.”

—Luke 2:11-12

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and 1:00-4:00 p.m.

We are closed from 12:00 noon-1:00 p.m. for lunch.

Please call or visit during normal business hours.



Welcome to all who are celebrating the Eucharist with us today. We hope you are inspired to join us in worshipping the Lord every week. If you have any observations or suggestions in regard to the parish, please use the Suggestion Box in the vestibule. Please contact us here at the rectory if we may be of any service to you. God bless!

COLLECTION

Weekly Budget: \$3,800 \$3,252.26

Retired Religious: \$ 641.00

Our December **Change for Change** collection raised \$243.68. Thanks so much to all of you for your generosity and continued support of this project!

VOCATIONS

A child is born for us; a son is given to us. Are you willing to proclaim the tidings of great joy to our world. If you are willing to proclaim God’s word as a priest or religious, please call Father Michael Dolan, Director of Vocations, Archdiocesan Center, located at the St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, at 860/761-7456, send him an email at vocations@stseminary.org, or you may also visit the web at www.vocationshartford.org.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 25th

Sunday: **Vigil:** Isaiah 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25;

Matthew 1:1-25 *or* 1:18-25

Midnight: Isaiah 9:1-6; Titus 2:11-14;

Luke 2:1-14

Day: Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-6;

John 1:1-18 *or* 1:1-5, 9-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Matthew 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 John 1:1-4; John 20:1a, 2-8

Wednesday: 1 John 1:5—2:2; Matthew 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35

Friday: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14 *or* Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 *or* Colossians 3:12-21 *or* 3:12-17 *or* Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Luke 2:22-40 *or* 2:22, 39-40

Saturday: 1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18

Next Sunday: Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

