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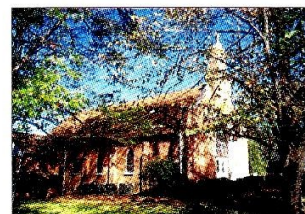
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Worship Times

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p

Sunday Mass, 11:15a, En español, 1:30p

Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult Bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass, 9:00a

Holy Days 7:00p

Communion Service Consult bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners

We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony

For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick

For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis

December 1, 2019

First Sunday of Advent

Solace Blessing

That's it.
That's all this blessing
knows how to do:
Shine your shoes.
Fill your refrigerator.
Water your plants.
Make some soup.
All the things
you cannot think
to do yourself
when the world
has come apart,
when nothing
will be normal
again.
Somehow
this blessing knows

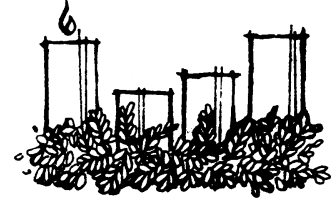
precisely what you need,
even before you know.
It sees what will bring
the deepest solace
for you.
It senses what will offer
the kindest grace.
And so it will step
with such quietness
into the ordinary moments
where the absence
is the deepest.
It will enter
with such tenderness
into the hours
where the sorrow
is most keen.

You do not even
have to ask.
Just leave it open—
your door,
your heart,
your day
in every aching moment
it holds.
See what solace
spills through the gaps
your sorrow has torn.
See what comfort
comes to visit,
holding out its gifts
in each compassionate hand.

—Jan Richardson

The Cure for Sorrow:

A Book of Blessings for Times of Grief



For some, this season of “*waiting in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior*” is a year-round challenge. Their lives are so “flooded” with concerns of health, unemployment, grief, or addiction. It’s hard to “stay awake” to all the ways Christ is present when you’re grappling with every aching moment. Sometimes, just being grateful for the everyday blessings is more than enough to jump-start your heart and to realign it with Christ’s. *The Day of the Lord* is every day. Christ comes *every day* to Advent in us, then through us to be presence in the world. May your Advent be blessed with graces that faith you to journey with Jesus.

LIFE. FAMILY. PARISH. MAKE THEM BETTER.

God’s blessings,

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♫ Sunday Scriptures

Isaiah 2:1-5	Romans 13:11-14
Ps 122:1-9	Matt 24:37-44

♫ Reflecting & Acting on the Word _____

*What will happen if you leave the door
of your heart open this Advent?
What do you hope for this Advent?*

🕯 December Intentions	
01	+Adelina Venerosa, r/b family; David Hernandez; +Fran Hefty, r/b Barb
08	RCIA Candidates and Catechumens; +Pat Black, SSJ














December 8



Acolyte	Anai, Lucas
Proclaimers	Karen, Mary H
Altar Linens	Anayeli, Sarahi
EMs	ELLEN, RICHARD; Mary B, Julie
Greeter/ Ushers	Landon, Bob

Check out our website's new additions & updates
www.ststephennc.org

DECEMBER

01	<i>1st Sunday Advent</i> CLOW; FFF 10:30a <i>Youth Group Gathering</i> 10:30-1:00p	
03	Communion Service, 12:15p	
04	RCIA, 6:30p; Choir, 7p	
08	<i>2nd Sunday Advent</i> CLOW; FFF 10:30a <i>Rite of Welcome</i> , 9a	
10	Communion Service, 12:15p <i>SSJA Gathering</i> , 6:30p	
11	RCIA, 6:30p; Choir, 7p	
12	<i>Wise Ones Christmas Gathering</i>	
14	<i>Men's Breakfast</i> Cracker Barrel, 8:30a	
15	<i>3rd Sunday Advent</i> CLOW; FFF 10:30a	
16	<i>Ladies' Guild Christmas Gathering</i> Give Blood, Elkin Rescue Center, 1:30-6:00p	
17	Communion Service, 12:15p	
18	RCIA, 6:30p; Choir, 7p	
22	<i>4th Sunday Advent</i> CLOW; No FFF	
24	<i>Christmas Eve Mass, 4p</i>	
25	<i>Christmas Day Mass, 9a</i>	
29	<i>Feast of the Holy Family, 9a</i>	
05	<i>Feast of the Epiphany</i> & Brunch after Mass	

November All Souls Memorials:
We Remember We Celebrate We Believe

Requested by

In Memoriam

Ramona & Jim Doyle

Marion & Gerald Doyle,
Angie & Peter Sapienza,
Darlene & Catherine Wollak

Jerry Schaufenbuel

Deceased members of the
Walters and Schaufenbul Families

Pope Francis Walking the Word

*Advent is a time of waiting and expectation...
this season requires a "journey of conversion."*

*To prepare the way for the Lord who comes,
it is necessary to take into account
the demands of conversion...*

Conversion requires changing your attitude.

*It leads to humbly recognizing
our mistakes, our infidelities, and defaults.*

Birthdays & Anniversaries

01 Jason LaCashio
03 Doris Watson
04 Jocelyn Espino
John Orta
05 Karen Nieto
18 Gracie Spicer



06 Holly Stringer
08 Mary Gayle Golden
09 Rod Hosking
12 Rebekah Palmer
15 Melia Orta
17 Juan Rodriguez
18 Gracie Spicer

18 Jackie & Bryan Wagoner
22 Erika & Luis Castellanos
23 Elia & Luis Martinez

Tri-C Donations Store brands are best.

DECEMBER

Dry beans

November Almsgiving

54 lbs Value: \$94.50



During December, the sanctuary floor will be refinished, in a Monday-Friday time frame. During the week, the church will be closed to all activities: no cleaning, choir, or prayer visits, etc. On the Saturday after the floor is finished, we will need as many people as possible to help clean the church and re-set the Advent environment, Giving Tree, etc. for Sunday.

As soon as the work dates are known, you will be notified.

This delays the set up of our **Giving Tree**.

TY for your help, patience and cooperation.

The Sisters of St. Joseph ~ Maxim 65



*Honor your responsibilities
rather than your whims.*

♪ *I seek to do the ordinary with great love.*

♪ *The ordinary is God's will for me today.*

♪ *I will do something to simplify my lifestyle.*



THANK YOU...to the Faith Formations families and coordinator, Jason LaCashio, who helped with the outdoor Nativity & Christmas tree set up and Ashley, Aymes & Eli Davis who set up the Advent Wreath and environment...to the women who faithfully clean our church and to our newest Proclaimer of the Word, Maggie Orta...God bless y'all real good!