

St. Stephen Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 7:30pm
Saturday : 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 3:30pm
Sunday: 9:00am – 1:30pm

Parish Office is located at:

St. Patrick Church
1046 E. 34th St.
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St. Stephen's Day

Sunday, August 19 will be the celebration of the feast day of St. Stephen of Hungary, the patron of our Parish. There will be a procession with the Holy Relic of St. Stephen at 10:30 AM, lunch will be available at 11:00 AM, and there will be a program starting at 1:30 PM.

While this is a very important celebration for the Hungarian congregation, all Parish members are invited to attend.



Oktoberfest!

Sunday, September 30 we will be celebrating Oktoberfest. This will be a special celebration for the entire parish, both German and Hungarian parishioners, with traditional foods, music, activities for children, and performances by ethnic folkdance groups. More information will be mailed out separately with raffle tickets.

The donation of desserts is requested.

All proceeds will go to the Building Fund for much needed repairs and improvements to the kitchen.

PLEASE NOTE:

The German Mass on Sunday, **August 12** will be celebrated at 11:00 am at the Phoenix Club in Anaheim in coordination with the Donauschwäbische Vereinigung for Tag der Donauschwaben, as it has been in recent years.

Phoenix Club
1340 S. Sanderson Ave., Anaheim

Please contact Monika Mohos before or after Sunday Mass for any Mass intentions you would like to request. You may also contact her by phone at:

(818) 846-2651

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The bulletins are sent to the printing company at least one month in advance. Mass intentions received after the printing deadline may not appear in the bulletin, but are offered all the same.

Daily Mass readings and prayers in German may be found online at: <http://erzabtei-beuron.de/schott/index.php>

Saint Clare



Saint Clare of Assisi - August 11

One of the more sugary movies made about Francis of Assisi pictures Clare as a golden-haired beauty floating through sun-drenched fields, a sort of one-woman counterpart to the new Franciscan Order.

The beginning of her religious life was indeed movie material. Having refused to marry at 15, Clare was moved by the dynamic preaching of Francis. He became her lifelong friend and spiritual guide.

At 18, Clare escaped from her father's home one night, was met on the road by friars carrying torches, and in the poor little chapel called the Portiuncula received a rough woolen habit, exchanged her jeweled belt for a common rope with knots in it, and sacrificed her long tresses to Francis' scissors. He placed her in a Benedictine convent, which her father and uncles immediately stormed in rage. Clare clung to the altar of the church, threw aside her veil to show her cropped hair, and remained adamant.

Sixteen days later her sister Agnes joined her. Others came. They lived a simple life of great poverty, austerity, and complete seclusion from the world, according to a Rule which Francis gave them as a Second Order. At age 21, Francis obliged Clare under obedience to accept the office of abbess, one she exercised until her death.

The Poor Ladies went barefoot, slept on the ground, ate no meat, and observed almost complete silence. Later Clare, like Francis, persuaded her sisters to moderate this rigor: "Our bodies are not made of brass." The greatest emphasis, of course, was on gospel poverty. They possessed no property, even in common, subsisting on daily contributions. When even the pope tried to persuade Clare to mitigate this practice, she showed her characteristic firmness: "I need to be absolved from my sins, but I do not wish to be absolved from the obligation of following Jesus Christ."

Contemporary accounts glow with admiration of Clare's life in the convent of San Damiano in Assisi. She served the sick and washed the feet of the begging nuns. She came from prayer, it was said, with her face so shining it dazzled those about her. She suffered serious illness for the last 27 years of her life. Her influence was such that popes, cardinals, and bishops often came to consult her—Clare herself never left the walls of San Damiano.

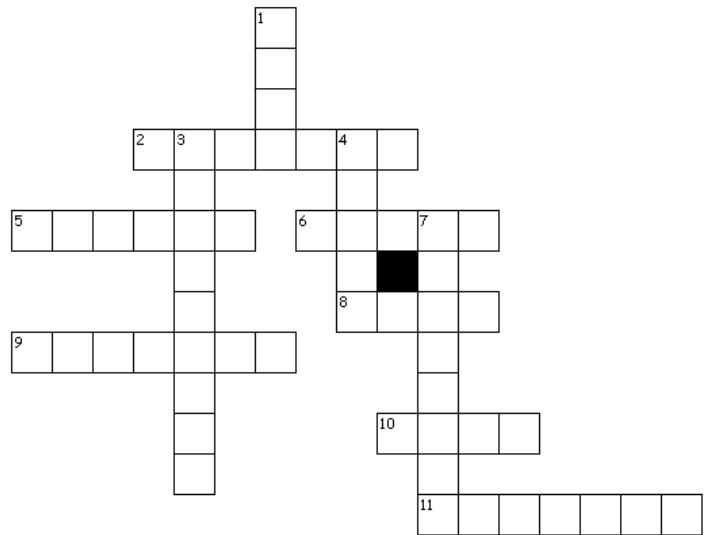
Francis always remained her great friend and inspiration. Clare was always obedient to his will and to the great ideal of gospel life which he was making real.

A well-known story concerns her prayer and trust. Clare had the Blessed Sacrament placed on the walls of the convent when it faced attack by invading Saracens. "Does it please you, O God, to deliver into the hands of these beasts the defenseless children I have nourished with your love? I beseech you, dear Lord, protect these whom I am now unable to protect." To her sisters she said, "Don't be afraid. Trust in Jesus." The Saracens fled.

Find this month's vocabulary words.

L A Z Z M X S L N D F C Z T V
 G R K I T M H I G N T A O L A
 O Z Z P N J B O L E Z R R U L
 E M R O D O D L S E C E Y X O
 O C O N V E N T R H N U O F Z
 K G N Q L C G Y O W G C F K F
 F R Z E O C T Q S V I G E D O
 I R P H I R F E S X H C U U D
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 P P I A T J O D O P H E E N Q
 J L H J L H D W N O U L B M J
 P U C R P D H O O R N K O Z K
 R A U S A U N O K B R L B O E

BRASS	CHAPEL	CONVENT
HAIR	OBEDIENCE	POVERTY
ROPE	SCISSORS	SILENCE
TORCH	WOOL	



Fill in the vocabulary words using the German and Hungarian translations as clues:

Across

2. ARMUT - SZEGÉNYSÉG
5. KAPELLE - KÁPOLNA
6. MESSING - SÁRGARÉZ
8. HAAR - HAJ
9. KLOSTER - KOLOSTOR
10. WOLLE - GYAPJÚ
11. SCHWEIGEN - CSEND

Down

1. SEIL - KÖTÉL
3. GEHORSAM - ENGEDELMESSÉG
4. FACKEL - FÁKLYA
7. SCHERE - OLLÓ

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Beloved Members of Saint Stephen's Parish,

I know that many of you recently attended the 90th Anniversary celebration of our parish, founded by Father Lani in 1928.

At the June 11 Pastoral Council meeting, your Representatives spoke about that event and shared that many of you expressed appreciation for the way it was prepared and attended – over 350 parishioners were there!

Now, the Pastoral Council has asked me to inform you that we are in need of your help to purchase 3 refrigerators: 2 for the hall kitchen and 1 for the bar. All the refrigerators we have presently are over 25 years old and have had to be repaired numerous times. Council Members assured me you would be generous if I were to ask for donations. They said many of you would simply not know that we are struggling with this need. And they told me you would appreciate the fact every member who comes to eat after Mass or participate in any event, depends on the kitchen staff and their refrigerators.

By purchasing all 3 at once, we will get a good discount. The total will be just under \$8500 and will include 2 metal serving tables (demanded by the Health Department during their most recent visit) - needed for food preparation in the kitchen. These will be high-quality, industrial machines which will last another 25 years.

Therefore, I would ask each family to give an offering of \$75 toward this project. In addition, we will earmark all profits from the Oktoberfest for the purchase of these refrigerators. If each of you gives the \$75 donation, we will have enough left over to begin refurbishing our 2 stoves.

We all know that meals together are at the heart of our Saint Stephen's Community. I know, as your Council Members said, that you will respond generously.

With Gratitude and Love,
Msgr. Timothy Dyer