St. Stephen Catholic Church

3705 Woodlawn Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90011

323-234-5963 www.saintstephencatholic.org FAX: 323-234-6725 E-MAIL: spatricio@aol.com

Msgr. Timothy Dyer, Pastor Rev. Theodore Smith, O. Praem., Auxiliary for Hungarians



Február - Februar - February 2016

Parish Office Hours:

Saturday: Sunday:

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

Parish Office is located at:

St. Patrick Church 1046 E. 34th St. Los Angeles, CA 90011

Ash Wednesday is February 10

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of universal fast and abstinence. Fasting is obligatory for all who have completed their 18th year and have not yet reached their 60th year. Fasting allows a person to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may be taken, not to equal one full meal. Abstinence (from meat) is obligatory for all who have reached their 14th year.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

Fridays in Lent are obligatory days of complete abstinence (from meat) for all who have completed their 14th year.

Novena in Honor of St. Blaise - February 3

ALMIGHTY and eternal God! With lively faith and reverently worshiping Thy Divine Majesty, I prostrate myself before Thee and invoke with filial trust Thy supreme bounty and mercy. Illumine the darkness of my intellect with a ray of Thy Heavenly light and inflame my heart with the fire of Thy Divine love, that I may contemplate the great virtues and merits of the Saint in whose honor I make this novena, and following his example imitate, like him, the life of Thy Divine Son.

Moreover, I beseech Thee to grant graciously, through the merits and intercession of this powerful Helper, the petition which through him I humbly place before Thee, devoutly saying, "Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven." Vouchsafe

graciously to hear it, if it redounds to Thy greater glory and to the salvation of my soul. Amen.

O GOD, deliver us through the intercession of Thy holy Bishop and Martyr Blaise, from all evil of soul and body, especially from all ills of the throat; and grant us the grace to make a good confession in the confident hope of obtaining Thy pardon, and ever to praise with worthy lips Thy most holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ST. BLAISE, gracious benefactor of mankind and faithful servant of God, who for the love of our Savior didst suffer so many tortures with patience and resignation; I invoke thy powerful intercession. Preserve me from all evils of soul and body. Because of thy great merits God endowed thee with the special grace to help those that suffer from ills of the throat; relieve and preserve me from them, so that I may always be able to fulfill my duties, and with the aid of God's grace perform good works. I invoke thy help as special physician of souls, that I may confess my sins sincerely in the holy Sacrament of Penance and obtain their forgiveness. I recommend to thy merciful intercession also those who unfortunately concealed a sin in Confession. Obtain for them the grace to accuse themselves sincerely and contritely of the sin they concealed, of the sacrilegious Confessions and Communions they made, and of all the sins they committed since then, so that they may receive pardon, the grace of God, and the remission of the eternal punishment. Amen.

My Lord and God! I offer up to Thee my petition in union with the bitter passion and death of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, together with the merits of His immaculate and blessed Mother, Mary ever virgin, and of all the Saints, particularly with those of the holy Helper in whose honor I make this novena.

Look down upon me, merciful Lord! Grant me Thy grace and Thy love, and graciously hear my prayer. Amen.

Parish Calendar for February 2016

February 7, Sunday - Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time - green

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe ~OPEN~

10:45AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise ~OPEN~

February 10, Wednesday – Ash Wednesday

February 14, Sunday - First Sunday of Lent - violet

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe ~OPEN~

10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise ~OPEN~

February 21, Sunday - Second Sunday of Lent - violet

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe ~OPEN~

10:45 AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise ~OPEN~

February 28, Sunday - Third Sunday of Lent - violet

9:15 AM - German Mass / Deutsche Messe ~OPEN~

10:45AM - Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise ~OPEN~

Mass Intentions for many Masses are still available!

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 or by email at: monikamohos@yahoo.com

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. For information about the monthly German Altar Society Luncheon and Card Party on the first Tuesday of each month, call:

Gerda Trutzl: (562) 862-7348

Or

Leni Gauss: (562) 430-0459