



St. Stephen Catholic Church

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2025 Parishioner & Friends Luncheon

Dates

The Pastoral Council will continue to offer these luncheons throughout the year. ***The dates below are subject to change.*** Please see the bulletin each month for confirmed dates and meal choices.

January 19th

March 23rd

June 1st

July 13th

September 7th

November 16th



St. Stephens Parishioner & Friends Luncheon **January 19th- Food Service at 11 AM**

Goulash / Pörkölt

Order Your Meal by one of these methods:

1. Complete the form online by scanning the QR code
2. Email elizabeth.burmeister@gmail.com
3. Call or text Elizabeth Burmeister 562-335-3832
4. Sign up on sheet located in Parish Hall.

If you do not pre-order a meal is not guaranteed!

**\$15 per meal -
CASH ONLY**



Order by Wednesday Jan. 15th 8 AM.

All proceeds will go to the church heating and A/C system.

Celebrations

No January Celebrations submitted.

SHARE YOUR CELEBRATIONS!

Wedding anniversary, Baptisms, First Communions, Confirmations, milestone Birthdays

Share your information with us – include names, dates, event and even pictures!

Send to: Elizabeth.burmeister@gmail.com

Bulletins are sent to the printer one month in advance so all items must be received by the last day of the month.

February bulletin items must be received by **December 30th**. Can submit for future months at any time.

Daily Mass readings and prayers may be found online at:

German - <http://erzabtei-beuron.de/schott> Hungarian - <https://igenaptar.katolikus.hu/> English - <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>

Parishioner Survey

The Pastoral Council wants to hear from our parishioners. At your convenience, please take the survey by entering the link into a browser or scanning the QR code.

If you would prefer a paper copy of the survey, they will be available in the Parish Hall for pickup and drop off.

Many of our parishioners do not receive this bulletin – please share with others so we can gather all feedback.

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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

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Parish Calendar for January 2025

9:15 AM – German Mass / Deutsche Messe

10:30 AM – Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise

January 5, Sunday-The Epiphany of the Lord – White

Pro populo / For the Faithful

Fr. William Bonner † St. Stephen's Pastor 2006-2010- *St. Stephen Parishioners*

Katharina Schwarz-Mayer † - *Her Friends*

Heidi Gauss † - *The Gauss Family*

Béla Székely † and Jozsef † and Mária Pluhár † - *Erzsébet Nagy*

Mária Komjáthy † - *László Komjáthy*

István Vörös † - *His Friends*

Timothy Vail and Elizabeth von Steuben -His Godmother

January 12, Sunday – The Baptism of the Lord – White

Martin † and Magdalena Mayer † - *The Mayer Families*

Hildegard Hess † - *Josef Hess and Family*

The deceased members of the Friedrich, Hepp, Seitz and Majovski families - *Their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren*

Pro populo / For the Faithful

Fr. Benedek Horváth, O. Praem † -*His beloved parishioners*

Béla Székely † - *A Friend*

Jozsef Cardinal Mindszenty †

For all deceased members of the St. Stephen Society - *St. Stephen's Society*

January 19, Sunday –Second Sunday in Ordinary Time– Green

Pro populo / For the Faithful

Patricia Sherman † and Anne Tallman† -*Their friends*

Jose Luis Quintana † -*The Suchan Family*

Gyula Bulyovszky † - *Lilla and Babette Ami*

Ildiko Samay † - *Her Friends*

Tibor and Katalin Mayer † - *Her friends*

Magda Vörös † - *Her Friends*

Anna Kass † - *Pál Kass*

January 26, Sunday – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time– Green

Pro populo / For the Faithful

Zoltán Halai Sr. † -*The Latkoczy Family*

Ferenc Sr. †, Ferenc Jr. †, and Bertha Tényi † - *A Friend*

György Munteán I † -*The Mohos Family*

Angéla Gombos† - *A Friend*

Kristof and Rada † -*Erzsébet Nagy*

Saint Margaret of Hungary

Feast day January 18

Margaret was born to Béla IV, king of Hungary, at a moment when the country was threatened by enemies. So the king promised God that if things reversed in his favor he would dedicate his little princess to the religious life. The prayer was answered, and Béla put Margaret in the care of the Dominican Sisters at Veszprém. When Margaret was 12, Béla built a convent for her on an island in the Danube near Buda. There the young teenager professed her vows.

A young woman of extraordinary beauty, St. Margaret attracted the attention of suitors even though she was a nun.

Ottokar, the king of Bohemia, was determined to marry her. For political reasons, Béla liked the idea. He asked Margaret to get released from her commitments and marry Ottokar. Béla had not bargained for the steely resistance of his strong-willed daughter. She responded to his request with defiance:

When I was only 7-years-old, you tried to espouse me to the Polish Duke. You will remember my answer then. I said that I wished to serve him only to whom you had espoused me at my birth. As a child, I would not yield to your will in opposition to God's claims on me. Do you think that I am likely to give in to you now that I am older and wiser? And am I more capable of grasping the greatness of the divine grace that has been given me? Then, my Father, stop trying to turn me from my determination to remain a religious. I prefer the heavenly kingdom to that which has been offered me by the King of Bohemia. I would rather die than obey these commands of yours that will bring death to my soul. Mark my words. If matters ever come to such a pass and I am driven to it, I will surely put an end to the whole affair by mutilating myself, so that I shall never again be desirable to any man.

So Béla backed down. Witnesses say that had he persisted, gritty Margaret would likely have fulfilled her threat. Margaret punished herself with extreme self-abnegation that some observers call "self-crucifixion." She undertook the most menial and repugnant tasks. Butler's *Lives of the Saints* says that she performed "marvelous" service to the sick, so nauseating that its "details cannot be set out before the fastidious modern reader." Out of sympathy for the poor, Margaret also imitated their squalor. She so neglected all personal hygiene, for example, that she repulsed her sisters. And for long periods she denied herself food and sleep. Since she was a princess and the convent was built for her, no one seems to have been able to temper her excesses. Her utter disregard for her body certainly shortened her life. Margaret died on January 18, 1270 at the age of 28.

The church recognizes Margaret of Hungary as a saint in spite of the traces of willfulness and pride that seem to have marked her life. But she excelled in charity, and "love covers over many a sin" (1 Peter 4:8 NJB). Those of us who want to be holy, but have many "in-spite-ofs" to contend with, can be glad for that.

