



## St. Stephen Catholic Church

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### On behalf of Pastor Monsignor Timothy Dyer

With profound gratitude and joy, we share this blessed news with our beloved congregation. St. Stephens has been graced with two generous donations from the charitable trusts of our former parishioners.

The first donation, amounting to \$646,000, was bestowed upon us by Julius and Ilona Danyi. We extend our heartfelt thanks to those who diligently assisted in retrieving the necessary information to confirm their active participation in our parish community.

The second donation, in the amount of \$551,500, was given by Attila Héthely. Attila was born in 1937 in Hungary and came to the United States in 1956, initially settling in Columbus, Ohio, before making his way to California. He had a distinguished career in the Aerospace industry and was a devoted parishioner of St. Stephens. Attila departed from this earthly life on May 11, 2025.

We are deeply grateful to these parishioners for their extraordinary generosity. Their contributions have enabled us to install a new roof on our church and soon, a new air conditioning and heating system. These improvements will serve our community for years to come.

Let us remember Julius, Ilona, and Attila at the altar and in our prayers. May their souls rest in eternal peace and may their legacy of faith and generosity continue to inspire us all.

## ST. STEPHENS PARISHIONER & FRIENDS LUNCHEON SUNDAY, SEPT 7 TH 11 AM BRATWURST LUNCHEON



### PRE-ORDER MEAL BY WEDNESDAY SEPT 3RD

IF YOU DO NOT PRE-ORDER A MEAL  
IS NOT GUARANTEED!

SIGN UP SHEET LOCATED IN HALL

EMAIL [ELIZABETH.BURMEISTER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ELIZABETH.BURMEISTER@GMAIL.COM)  
CALL OR TEXT ELIZABETH AT 562-335-3832

### Mark your Calendars!

**Sept 7-** Parishioner & Friends Luncheon  
German - Back to School Mass

**October 12** – German – Kirchweih and Lunch

**NEW DATE: October 26** – Hungarian- Memorial  
of 1956 Revolution and Lunch

**November 16-** Parishioner & Friends Luncheon

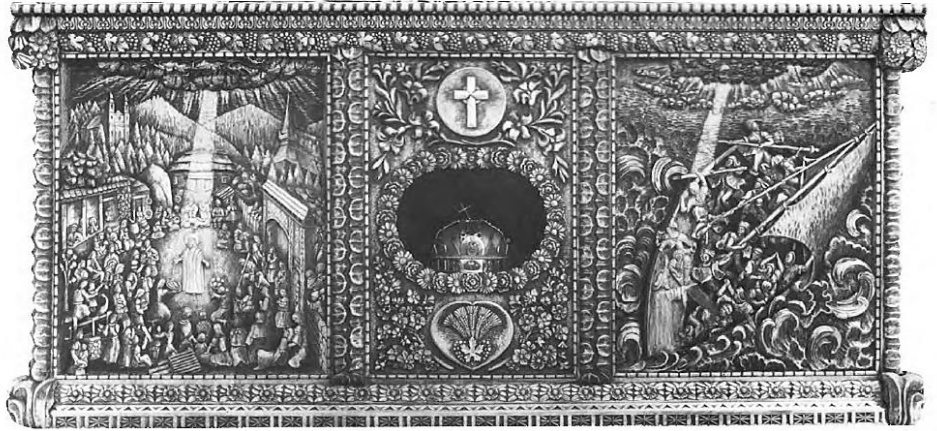
**December 14** - German Christmas Party &  
Program and Lunch



# The New Sanctuary - Celebrating 40 years

## Main Altar

On entering the church, the faithful's attention is caught by the *main altar*, whose massive proportions dominate the symphony of woodcarvings in the sanctuary. Facing the spectators there are three panels. Behind the window of the middle panel a



copy of the *Holy Crown of Hungary* greets the viewer; the window is encircled by wildflowers beneath a cross in a field of lilies. Under the window there is a heart-shaped medallion with ears of wheat and grapes in a field of apple blossoms.



The panel to the north shows the boat of the Szelkers amid raging waters. Christ, illuminated by a ray of light, stills the storm.



To the south, Jesus feeds the crowd of five thousand. On His left, the artist carved the replica of a gate leading into the courtyards of a Szekler village; in the background, there are two churches. The one behind two towers is the pilgrimage church of Csiksomlyo, a center for Transylvanian Catholics; the spire appearing to Christ's left is typical to most village churches of the region.





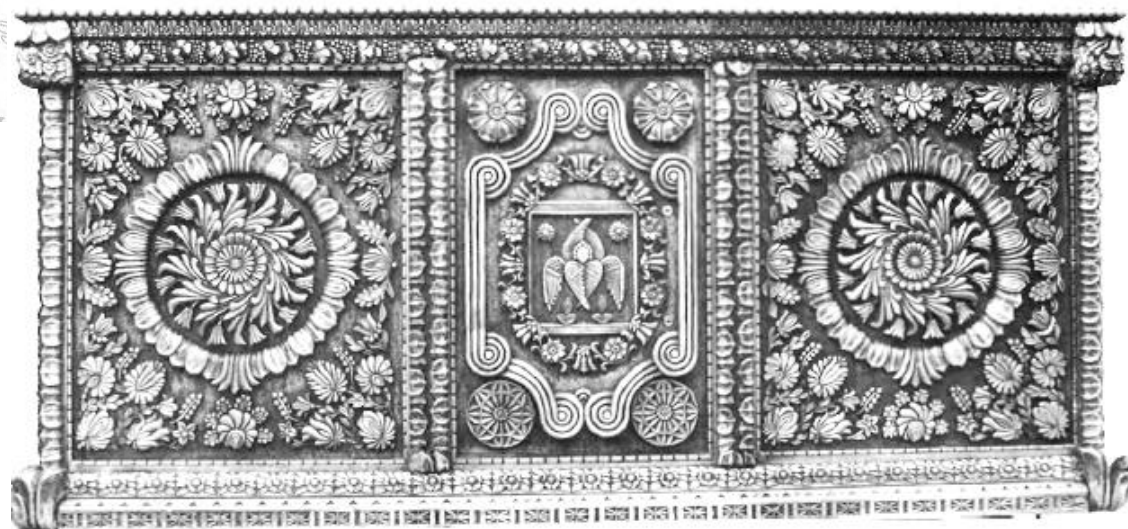
On one of the side-panels of the altar in a heart-shaped field the artist sculpted two lit candles. Between them, there is a covered chalice topped by the inscription "In nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti" (In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit), and a ciborium, topped by the

inscriptions "Gloria in excelsis Deo, Pax vobis, Sursum corda" (Glory to God in the highest, Peace be with you, Lift up your hearts). On the other side-panel we see sunflowers and wildflowers amid tendrils winding around the host and chalice beneath the cross.



Three panels decorate the far side of the main altar. The carvings on the middle panel are grouped around the winged head of a seraph and represent a composite of the decorations on the sarcophagus of St. Stephen, the first king of Hungary.

Around the rosette in the middle of the two identical side panels the design of the carvings is taken from embroideries of the Matyo people who inhabit the northern parts of Hungary.





# Celebrations



Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary to Karl & Liselotte Seitz! Married at St. Stephens on September 6, 1975

Congratulations to Nándor and Ildikó Vodnák on the celebration of their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary !

**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>

## **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](mailto: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.

**November bulletin** items must be received by September 29th.

Can submit for future months at any time.



Share the QR code with friends so they too can follow along and join in the celebration of our parish.



**ST.STEPHENS.LA**

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.

**Parish Calendar for September 2025**

9:15 AM – German Mass / Deutsche Messe

10:30 AM – Hungarian Mass / Magyar mise

**September 7, Sunday- The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Green**

The deceased members of the Boehm and Friedrich families - *Their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren*

Karl and Liselotte Seitz 50th wedding anniversary

Josef † and Barbara Krispel †, Josef Krispel, Jr. † and Xaver Krammer † - *Their Friends*

Pro populo / For the Faithful

Mária Dukay † and Douglas Sears † - *Erzsébet Nagy*

Fr. Stephen László Galambos, OFM † - *His friends*

The deceased members of the Plettler and Hídvégi families - *Xénia Nagy*

Erzsébet Munteán † and Mohos Jozsef Jr. - *The Mohos Family*

**September 14, Sunday – The Exaltation of the Holy Cross – Red**

Pro populo / For the Faithful

Dr. Frank Holland † and James † and Elizabeth Morrow † - *In Gratitude*

For all living and deceased priests and religious who served at St. Stephen's

Helene Gahala † - *In Gratitude to Fr. Lani*

Heather Suchan - *Her Friends*

Teréz Iván † - *Her friends*

Donald Lopez † - *Monika Mohos*

The deceased members of the St. Stephen Society - St. Stephen Society

Georgia Lang †, Angéla Gombos † and Gloria Mittelstadt † - *Téglás-Székely Families*

**September 21, Sunday – The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Green**

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

Dr. Warren Line Jr. and the living and deceased members of the Line family - *In Gratitude*

Pro populo / For the Faithful

István Prihisztál † - *The Prihisztál Family*

Brenda Thompson † - *Her friends*

Nándor and Ildikó Vodnák (25th wedding anniv) Nandor Sr. † and Erzsébet Vodnák † - *The Vodnák Family*

**September 28, Sunday – The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Green**

Pro populo / For the Faithful

For the souls in purgatory of the parishioners of St. Stephen's

Franz Klara - *His Friends*

Attila Tóth † - *His friends*

László Lantos † - *His friends*

Mihály, Michael and Imre Télás - *Téglás and Székely Families*

Teréz Iván † - *Her friends*