

**ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS**

Sunday, June 7, 2026

*The Second Sunday after Pentecost —  
Proper 5*

**WELCOME!**

If you are worshipping at St. Stephen's for the first time today, you are welcome to share in the Holy Communion. Please fill out a "Visitor" card at one of the Greeters tables and/or the guest book on the podium before you leave and get a welcome packet.

**COMMUNION**

If you are in need of a gluten free wafer during Communion, please let an usher know before the offertory or let one of the persons serving the host know. If you have a mobility problem, please let an usher know before the service begins and communion will be brought to you.

**LOOKING FORWARD**



*Intercultural*  
**MINISTRY**  
**FROM WELCOME TO BELONGING**

Join us as we delve into how the Spirit may be encouraging St. Stephen's to deepen its connection with the rich diversity of its community!

Saturday June 20th at St Stephen's  
8:30 am to 3 pm; lunch to be served  
led by Ms. Linda Allport, former Bloy House dean, and the  
Rev. Dr. Melissa Campbell-Langdell from All Saints/Todos  
los Santos, Oxnard

QR code

Join us on June 20<sup>th</sup> for this free workshop!  
Sign up using the QR Code or via this link:  
<https://tinyurl.com/57uewpm6>



**NAACP**  
Santa Clarita Branch

**St Stephen's**  
ANTI-RACISM  
COALITION

**JUNETEENTH**  
Family Day at the Park

**VOLUNTEERS  
NEEDED**

**Saturday**  
**June 20**  
10AM-3PM

QR code

St. Stephen's Anti-Racism Coalition is putting together a team to host a booth at the upcoming NAACP Family Day at the Park, and we'd love to have you join us! It's going to be a fun, relaxed day at the park, and the perfect opportunity for St. Stephen's to get out and support our community! We need a few people to help us set up/tear down, hang out at the booth, and chat with our visitors. To sign up, scan the QR code, or visit <https://forms.gle/Tf12GQ3cG4EpjzuA8> If you have any questions, please text Erick Castro-Gaeta: 661-877-6861 or Cheryl Sena: 661-309-2412

Join the NAACP Santa Clarita Branch for an extraordinary afternoon of community, culture, and joy!

We are thrilled to invite the entire Santa Clarita Valley community to come together for a beautiful day outside. Whether you're looking to dance, shop, or just enjoy the sunshine with family and friends, there is something here for everyone. Grab your picnic blankets, chairs, bring your loved ones, and let's celebrate community together!

What to Expect:

Live Music & Dancing: Get ready to move and celebrate together!

Children's Activities: Fun, games, and entertainment for the little ones.

Local Shopping: Support local vendors and discover great finds.

Community Connection: Community leaders will attend.

A perfect day in the park to connect with your neighbors in the SCV.

## Event Details

Saturday, June 20, 2026 • 10:00am - 3:00pm  
Canyon Country Community Center, 18410 Sierra Highway, Canyon Country, CA 91351  
Free and open to the public!



**NAACP**  
Santa Clarita Branch  
JOIN US!  
3RD ANNUAL SANTA CLARITA  
**JUNETEENTH**  
Juneteenth Celebration  
**Family Day in the Park**  
The Entire Community is Invited!  
**SATURDAY**  
JUNE 20  
10 AM - 3 PM  
Canyon Country Community Center Park  
FREE TO THE PUBLIC  
Music, Activities, Vendors, Family Fun!  
18410 Sierra Highway, Canyon Country, CA 91351  
info@naacpsc.org



JOIN THE  
**EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES**  
— for the Annual —  
**LA PRIDE PARADE**  
ON SUNDAY JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup> AT 11:00 AM  
HOLY EUCHARIST  
with  
BISHOP-ELECT GALLARDO L.  
BE PART OF WITNESSING TO  
*The Way of Love*  
BY RISING WITH PRIDE  
FOR ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN.  
REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

The Bishop's Commission on LGBTQ+ Ministries warmly invites the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles community and friends to join the Annual LA Pride Parade on Sunday, June 14, at 11 a.m. "This year's LA Pride theme, 'Rising with Pride,' calls us to show up with courage, joy, and faith — bearing witness to the Way of Love in the heart of our city," planners say. "As a diocese, our presence at Pride is more than participation—it is proclamation. Together, we embody a Church that celebrates, affirms, and stands alongside LGBTQ+ people as beloved children of God. We will gather as an official diocesan parade contingent, offering a visible and faithful witness of inclusion and love. A Holy Eucharist service will be offered prior to the parade, with Bishop-elect Rev. Dr. Antonio José Gallardo Lucena grounding our witness in prayer and community." "Now more than ever, we are called to be visible in our faith in Christ—proclaiming that all of God's children deserve dignity, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity," said Thomas Diaz, chair of the Bishop's Commission on LGBTQ+ Ministries. "We are called to be bearers of that love, making it known that the Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles not only welcomes you, but affirms that all LGBTQ+ people are beloved children of God."



Vote for St. Stephen's Preschool as Best Preschool in SCV!  
[Best of 2026 | Santa Clarita Valley Signal](#)



**GIVING TO ST. STEPHEN'S**  
If you are able to continue supporting the mission and ministry of St. Stephen's, you can pay your pledge or make a new or recurring donation online here [st-stephens.org/giving](http://st-stephens.org/giving). You can also text your donation by texting the word GIVE to 661.228.8909 and following the prompts. Click here for an easy [How To Use Text Giving guide](#). We are deeply grateful for your commitment and support.



If you wish to have your birthday or anniversary prayed for during Sunday services or if you would like a white rose to signify a death in your family or a red rose to signify a birth in your family, please email Tracy in the Church office at [office@st-stephens.org](mailto:office@st-stephens.org) no later than 5:00pm on Thursdays with all of the relevant details.

**NAACP Santa Clarita**

**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY**

# Back-to-School Fundraiser

Help us create at least 50 backpacks by July 20, 2026

Volunteer Sign-Up

Amazon Wishlist

We are partnering with NAACP and Boys & Girls Club to ensure local students head into the new school year with everything they need to succeed. Our goal is to create 50 Supply-Filled Backpacks by July 24, 2026.

Help us by donating:

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Backpacks                 | Rulers                |
| Glue Sticks               | White School Glue     |
| Lunch Box or Lunch Snacks | Loose-Leaf Paper      |
| Pencils                   | 3-Ring Binders        |
| Pencil Cases              | Black, Blue, Red Pens |
| Scissors                  | Composition Books     |
| Tissues                   | Flash Drives          |
| Backpacks                 | Index Cards           |
| Colored Pencils           | Organizers/Planners   |
| Crayons                   | Pocket Folders        |
| Erasers                   | White Out Tape        |
| Highlighters              | Staplers              |
| Markers                   | 8 Tab Dividers        |
| Pencil Sharpeners         | Post-it Notes         |

Our Amazon Wish-list can be found at: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/OZDDTIS91W73?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/OZDDTIS91W73?ref=wl_share)

If you'd like to volunteer and help us put these backpacks together, please sign up through this link: <https://forms.gle/qXMW9rtdOq3LJBBh8> or text Erick at 661-877-6861

Contributions of any size are appreciated and will make a meaningful impact in supporting students' success

For updates, please register through the QR code or visit: <https://forms.gle/8znLRsTNFs6UiWU46>

For questions, contact Erick Castro-Gaeta: 661-877-6861.

## SAGES Luncheon at Red Robin

Thursday, June 11, 2026

1:00 PM

Please RSVP to Sharon Stephens



### St. Stephen's Prayer List

**Current Needs:** Joanne, Innocent victims of global and domestic conflicts and wars, especially in the U.S., Israel, Iran war, Jim and Judy, Laura, Trudy, Gayle, Lisa and Lou, Lella, Eliza, Janet, Gail, Summer, Bill, John and the Nelson family, Marie, Lilly and husband, Nevelle, Patrick, Amy, Dolores and family, Steve, Heather, Maria, Jerome, Moses, Joy and Dennis, Nancy, Don, Greg, Debbie, Terry, Hank, and their family, Ron, Rebecca, Jose Manuel, Peggy, Sandy H., Fred C., Carlos, Barbara, Jenny, Kevin, Brisa, Sandra, Claudia, Rosemary, Ivy, Keith, Mary, Samantha and Nate, Amy, Marionette, Malcolm, Patsy, Mehar, Angie, Brook, Robert, B.J., Vickie, Rae, Susan, Flo, Judy, Claudia, Juniper, Shireen, Jennifer, Stephanie, Bob, Tom, Susana, Clarence, Jerri, Jeff, Vince, Fran, Phyllis and Stu, Linda and Charlie, Madelyn, Maria

**Rest in Peace::** Carlos Benitez, Alfredo Mendez, Nancy Atkins-Klein, Elena Grace Simley

If you would like to have prayers for yourself or someone else, please email Peggy Stabile at [pstable@pegasus2.net](mailto:pstable@pegasus2.net) or call the church office at 661.259.7307. Please be aware that your prayer request content will be shared with the members of the prayer chain. If you wish for Peggy to hold your prayer request in confidence, please clarify that in your submission. Prayer requests remain active for 4 weeks and must be renewed thru Peggy or the office to be on the list again.

St. Stephen's Week	June 7, 2026 to June 14, 2026
<b>TODAY'S SERVICE 7:45 &amp; 10:30 AM</b>	
<b>SUNDAY 6/7</b>	VPOD: Nick Vestuto
7:45am	Holy Eucharist
10:30am	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)
10:30am	Sunday School / Spurling Hall
12:00pm	Daughters of the King / Lounge
<b>MONDAY 6/8</b>	
6:45pm	Troop 2019 / Spurling Hall
<b>TUESDAY 6/9</b>	
6:30pm	Finance Committee mtg / Spurling Hall
<b>WED. 6/10</b>	
7:00am	Holy Eucharist followed by breakfast
9:30am	Circle of Gratitude / Zoom
6:00pm	EfM / Room 8
<b>THURS. 6/11</b>	
9:30am	Book Study Group / Sacristy
1:00pm	SAGES Luncheon / Red Robin
6:30pm	Troop 2222 / Spurling Hall
7:30pm	Parish Choir rehearsal / Church
<b>FRIDAY 6/12</b>	
11:00am	4 <sup>th</sup> of July meeting / Lounge
1:00-4:00pm	Crafters Group / Lounge
<b>SAT. 6/13</b>	
<b>NEXT SUNDAY 6/14</b>	
7:45am	VPOD: Jared Simmons Holy Eucharist
10:30am	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)
10:30am	Sunday School / Spurling Hall