

ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

Sunday, September 13, 2026

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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



Join us following one 9 AM service to learn about St. Stephen's many ministries and opportunities for involvement! Explore ways to share your time and talent, play some games and plan to stay for some fun snacks. Ministry leaders, we will be setting up on Saturday the 26th between 10 and 12 am. For more information contact Kathleen Jensen, jensencurl@gmail.com or Michael Branda, michael.branda@yahoo.com.



Saturday, October 3rd

Walk Site Opens 8:00am
Ceremony Begins 9:00am
Walk Begins 9:30am

Bridgeport Park



You are invited to join St. Stephen's Church & Preschool's Walk to End Alzheimer's team! Information can be found at the QR code above. Before the walk, our team will gather near the Promise Garden. Team tee shirts are available for purchase in the Spurling Hall book store on Sunday mornings. Please send any questions you may have about this event to Sarah Simmons: [618-292-7407](tel:618-292-7407).

Treasurer Needed

Duties Include:

- Generating and analyzing the finances for the church and preschool
- Presenting reports monthly to both the Finance Com. Vestry

Basic background of finance preferred.
Strong organizational skills.

Volunteer position

If interested please contact

Nick Vestuto at seniorwarden@st-stephens.org or
John Alexopoulos at juniorwarden@st-stephens.org



Book Drive!

WE ARE ASKING FOR
NEW & GENTLY USED BOOKS FOR
PRESCHOOL • ELEMENTARY
MIDDLE SCHOOL • HIGH SCHOOL



girl scouts
bronze awards

Lily T and
Community Troop 225
are working on their
Girl Scout Bronze Awards
by building and filling
Little Libraries throughout
our community.
Please help us
stock them
by donating!



Lily T
Community Troop 225

Donations needed by
SEPTEMBER 15

To donate gently used books,
please place them in the
"Lily's Bronze Award Donations"
box located in the narthex.

Thank you!
for helping us build a
community full of
stories and opportunities!

Family Promise
of Santa Clarita Valley
KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER.
NO CHILD LEFT UNHOUSED.

You're Invited!

RIBBON CUTTING EVENT

Join us as we celebrate two incredible Eagle Scout projects
that have created new spaces for the families and children
we serve at our Resource Center!



BLAINE KO
TROOP 2222
Outdoor BBQ & Family Gathering Area



PAVI PREMADASAN
TROOP 26
Basketball Court Project

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 3, 2026

11:00 AM

FAMILY PROMISE
NEWHALL RESOURCE CENTER
23652 Newhall Ave.
Santa Clarita, CA 91321

Please join Family Promise of Santa Clarita Valley as we celebrate two incredible Eagle Scout projects that have transformed our Newhall Resource Center and created new spaces for the families and children we serve.

These Scouts, their troops, families, volunteers, donors, and community partners have worked incredibly hard to bring these projects to life. Now we want our community to come together and celebrate with us!

We would love to have our entire community celebrate with us!

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026
4:00PM - COURTYARD

Bring your pets and
come celebrate!



TRUNK OR TREAT

Halloween Event

Saturday, October 24th
4:00-6:00pm

Sign up for Car Registration or
Volunteering here:

<https://tinyurl.com/nuuatv9j>



We will have games & activities as well as food trucks! <https://tinyurl.com/nuuatv9j>



Red Robin® will give

**20% OF FOOD SALES*
BACK TO**

THE ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION

**Show this flyer or simply mention the fundraiser to
your server to have your sales counted.**

FUNDRAISER DETAILS

27063 McBean Pkwy, Valencia, CA 91355

October 1, 2026*

If ordering online, please follow these instructions:

- 1** Start your order at redrobin.com/order and select the restaurant above.
- 2** In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
- 3** Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4** Add your meal items and check out.
- 5** Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

*Fundraiser during restaurant operating hours. Visit redrobin.com and find this location to view hours. Donation based on all eligible net dine-in and to-go food sales only. Excludes sales from catering (at select locations), 3rd party ordering and delivery sites, alcohol, gift cards, retail, tax and gratuity. Offer void if flyer is distributed in or near the restaurant during fundraiser day & hours.

Red Robin



St. Stephen's Prayer List

Current Needs: Joanne, Innocent victims of lobar and domestic conflicts and wars, especially involving the U.S. involvement in the Middle East, Bill, John and the Nelson family, , Lilly and husband, Patrick, Maria, Moses, Jerome, Debbie, Jose Manuel, Sandy H., Peggy, Kevin, Keith, Mehar, Marionette, B.J., Rae, Susan, Claudia, Bob, Susan, Phyllis and Stu, Linda and Charlie, Maria, Greg, Neville, Tom and Desiree, Jim and Donna, Greg and Cathy, Gia, Caroline, Carolyn, Karen, Angeline, Judy, Laurie, Stephen, Cathy, Berta, Sue, Stacy, Lily, K. C., the Barlow Family, Brendan, Rebecca, Raye, Collette, Nicole, Judith, Vince and Fran, Nadine, Vickie, Rebecca, Dennis and Joy, Mike, Daniel, Pastor Ron's family, Diane, Jake, Brad, Carole and Hal, Walton Family, Madelyn, Claire, the Burkly Family, Rosario, **Brad, Julie, Patty, Juan, Jim and family, Ann Marie, Jeff, Patti**

Rest in Peace:: Jeff Barlow, John Domeniccuci, James Finn, Helen Walton, Nancy Burkly, **Christina**

If you would like prayers for yourself or someone else, please email Peggy Stabile at pstable@pegasus2.net or call the church at 661.259.7307. Please be aware that your prayer request will be shared with the prayer chain. If you wish to hold your prayer request in confidence, please clarify that in your submission. Prayer requests remain for 4 weeks and must be renewed through Peggy or the office.



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. 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 no later than 5:00pm on Thursdays with all of the relevant details.

St. Stephen's Week	September 13, 2026 to September 20, 2026
TODAY'S SERVICE 7:45 & 10:30 AM	
SUNDAY 9/13	VPOD: Erick Castro-Gaeta
7:45am	Holy Eucharist
10:30am	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)
10:30am	Sunday School / Spurling Hall
MONDAY 9/14	
6:45pm	Troop 2019 / Spurling Hall
TUESDAY 9/15	
6:30pm	Preschool Board meeting / Spurling Hall
WED. 9/16	
7:00am	Holy Eucharist followed by breakfast
9:30am	Circle of Gratitude / Zoom
6:00pm	EFM / Room 8
THURS. 9/17	
9:30am	Book Study Group / Sacristy
7:30pm	Parish Choir rehearsal
FRIDAY 9/18	
SAT. 9/19	
NEXT SUNDAY 9/20	
VPOD: Kelsey Raub	
7:45am	Holy Eucharist
10:30am	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)
10:30am	Sunday School / Spurling Hall
12:00pm	Y.E.S.S. / Youth Room