

ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

Sunday, October 26, 2025

The Twentieth 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

Please welcome The Rev. Nathan Biornstad as our guest preacher and presider.



The Rev. Nathan Biornstad accepted the call to be the Rector at St. Wilfrid of York Episcopal Church in August 2021. Previously he served as the Associate of Pastoral Care at St. Cross

Episcopal Church for three years. He also spent several years at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Monrovia where he oversaw the children's program. His undergraduate degree is from Portland State University, where he double majored in business management and marketing before he moved to California and attended Fuller Theological Seminary.

While studying for his Master's in Divinity at Fuller, a friend invited him to a Taizé service at Church of Our Savior in San Gabriel. This service sparked his curiosity about liturgy and the Episcopal Church. A couple of years later, Nathan joined Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Covina where he became actively involved. Eventually, Holy Trinity became Nathan's sponsoring parish for the priesthood. During his ordination process, Nathan was the Youth Director at Church of the Epiphany in Lincoln Heights and Adult Education Coordinator at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Upland. In May 2014, he completed his degree in Anglican Studies at Bloy House, and in January 2016, Nathan was ordained to priestly orders. He served on HFS Adoption and Foster Care board

from 2020 to 2024. He has also served on Diocesan Council 2020-2021, and the Program Group for Mission Congregations 2021-2025. In Huntington Beach, Nathan has been an Executive Board member since 2022.

Join us for Adult Formation

*Come, explore the
importance of being humble.
A parable about the Tax
Collector and the Pharisee.*

Luke 18:9-14

Sunday, October 26th
9:00 am, in Spurling Hall



We are looking for volunteers to help with the bulletin board committee. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Rosa Holdredge at 805-573-6605.



SCV PRIDE PICNIC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH

11:00AM-4:00PM

DR. RICHARD RIOUX PARK
STEVENSON RANCH



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

Help us remember and honor the cherished souls of those we've lost as we honor All Saints' Sunday by bringing photos of our loved ones who have gone before us and the making of memorial crosses. May their memories continue to live in our hearts and bring us comfort.



This year as we prepare to celebrate All Saints Sunday we will be creating a special Altar of Remembrance in the sanctuary beginning Sunday October 19th. Members of the congregation are invited to bring in photos of loved ones who have passed on and place them on the altar though All Saints' Sunday.



You may also place an order in person on Sundays or by calling the church office.

**Price List — For Pickup at
St. Stephen's AFTER Thanksgiving**

22" Noble Fir Wreath - \$28.00
22" Mixed Evergreen Wreath - \$29.00
28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath - \$39.00
10' Western Cedar Garland - \$29.00
Door Swag - \$28.00

**Price List — For items delivered via US Mail
anywhere in the U.S.**

Delivery December 1-14

22" Mixed Evergreen Wreath - \$50.00
28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath - \$27.00
Two 10' Western Cedar Garland - \$60.00
Door Swag - \$48.00
Holiday Centerpiece - \$46.00
Cone Gift Basket - \$43.00



**EAGLE SCOUT
PROJECT: FLAGPOLE
FORECOURT** Erwin Huertas, a life scout from our sponsored troop 2222, is working on his eagle project

right outside our church. Just outside the Choir door along the parking lot, you can see there are pavers on the ground with three flagpoles to be installed. Erwin has invited our community to help fundraise his project. Custom engraved bricks can be ordered for \$100. Erwin will be in the Parish Hall on Sunday with more detailed information about the bricks and the engravings. The deadline to reserve your customized pavers is Sunday 11/2/25. You can find the order for [here](#) and you can make your electronic payment [here](#) by selecting the "Flagpole Forecourt Pavers" in the fund dropdown menu. You can also write checks to St. Stephen's Episcopal Church with "Flagpole Forecourt Pavers" written in the memo and deliver your payment and check to the parish office.



Thanksgiving Turkey Basket Donations Needed

Collection of food for Thanksgiving Turkey Baskets to assist local needy families begins Oct. 19-Nov. 14.

Turkeys 12-18 lbs. Dressing Mix

Gravy Package Mixes (2 packs)

Potatoes (5 or 10 lb. Bag)

**Canned Corn (2) 15 oz. cans
or one large**

**Canned Green Beans (2) 15 oz. cans
or one large**

Canned Cranberry Sauce

**Canned Sweet Potatoes (2) 15 oz. cans
or 1 large**

**Brownie Mix or Cake Mix
w/Canned Icing**

**Optional: Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix,
Rolls, Napkins**

If you prefer others to do the shopping for your basket, you may donate \$38.00 at St. Stephen's website (Click on Give then Thanksgiving Turkey Collection) or donate at the Turkey Basket Table in Spurling Hall after each Sunday service.

To Donate



GIVING TO ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH



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.



**Sat., Nov. 1st,
9 —11am
St. Stephen's
Parking Lot**

Think THANKSGIVING Meals!

CRITICAL NEEDS:

- Green Beans & Corn -Cans
- Stuffing Mix
- Cranberry Sauce -Cans
- Gravy packages
- Pasta meals, Chunky Soup
- Tuna & Chicken -Cans
- Cereal & Nutrition Bars
- Vienna Sausage -Cans
- Peanut Butter & Jelly

NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:

Mac & Cheese; Rice & Pasta
Pasta Sauce in jars (NOT Lrg)
Can'd Fruits & Ind. Fruit Cups
Toilet Paper & Paper Towels

OTHER NEEDED ITEMS:

Women's Fem Pads & Baby Diapers
Deodorant, Shave Cream, Razors
Laundry & Dish Detergent
Toothbrushes & Toothpaste, Deodorant

Recycle Day- Sat., Nov. 1st

RECYCLABLE "CRV" plastic, cans, bottles.

Bring pull tabs from cans of soda & food.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!



laundry love.

Wednesday, November 5th from 5:30-7:30pm

Coin & Drop Off Laundry

24725 Railroad Ave. in Newhall



St. Stephen's Prayer List

Current Needs: Joanne, Vickie, Innocent Victims of global and domestic conflicts and wars, Jim and Judy, Laura, Trudy, Gayle, Lisa and Lou, Lella, Eliza, Janet, Gail, Angie, Ruby, Nora and Lonnie, Mary and Sepp, Vera, Patrick, Pat, Peggy, Summer, Bill, Nicole, Rachel, Suzie, Chris, Ron, John and the Nelson family, Kim, Debbie, Malcolm and Coco, Patti and Lou, Sonny, Armando, and Jaing, Shirley, Daniel, Barbara, Jimmy, Wendy, Raph and Jess, Nick, George, Caroline, Elise, Kevin, Marie, Kathy, Diane, Biagio, Mike, Peggy, Carol, Theresa, Kristen, Katie, Luke, Lance, Karen, Fran, Lilly, Rebecca, Lorraine, Neville

Rest in Peace: Sue Fisher Seeger, Robert Villanti, Charlie Kirk, Marc Amling, Pat Gillis, Jane Schall, Randy Watts, Greg Prieto, Anthony Roman, Jimmy Mangone, Grace Nuzzi

If you would like to have prayers for yourself or someone else, please email Peggy Stabile at 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	October 26, 2025 to November 2, 2025
TODAY'S SERVICE 7:45 & 10:30 AM	
SUNDAY 10/26	VPOD: Cheryl Sena
7:45am	Holy Eucharist
9:00am	Adult Formation / Spurling Hall
9:00am	DOK Cross Making / Spurling Hall
10:30am	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)
10:30am	Sunday School / Spurling Hall
11:00am-4:00pm	SCV Pride Picnic / Stevenson Ranch
12:00pm	DOK Cross Making / Spurling Hall
MONDAY 10/27	
6:45pm	Troop 2019 / Spurling Hall
TUESDAY 10/28	
6:00pm	Vestry meeting / Spurling Hall
WED. 10/29	
7:00am	Holy Eucharist
7:30am	Breakfast at Lily's Café / Newhall
9:30am	Circle of Gratitude / Zoom
6:00pm	EfM / Room 8
THURS. 10/30	
9:30am	Book Study / Sacristy
6:30pm	Troop 2222 / Spurling Hall
7:30pm	Parish Choir Rehearsal / Church
FRIDAY 10/31	
SAT. 11/1	
8:00am	Men's Group Breakfast / Dink's
9:00-11:00am	Food & Recycling Collection / Parking Lot
NEXT SUNDAY 11/2	
7:45am	Holy Eucharist
9:00am	Inquirers' Class / Lounge
10:30am	Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed via Facebook live)
10:30am	Sunday School / Spurling Hall
12:00pm	YESS / Youth Room
12:00pm	Daughters of the King / Lounge