

ST. STEPHEN'S NEWS

Sunday, November 2, 2025

All Saints' Sunday

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



Dear St. Stephen's Family,

We are excited to begin the second week of our pledge drive to enable mission and ministry to

thrive at St. Stephen's in 2026! We hope by now you've had a chance to check out the narrative budget and see how it reflects our hopes and dreams for the coming year. If you did not receive it by either email or paper mail, there are copies available in the narthex.

We are looking forward to our upcoming Q & A sessions and hope that you can join us on November 5th at 6:00pm or November 9th after the 10:30am service, both in Spurling Hall, either in person or via Zoom.

If you haven't yet marked your calendar for Gratitude Sunday, Nov. 23rd, make sure you do. This is the day we will present our pledges and prayers for special blessing during one combined service at 9AM. The prayers collected at this service will be stored and used as kindling for the new fire at the Easter Vigil in 2026. Following the service there will be a community potluck for which you can sign up **here**. It's a really fun day!

We pray that you have a sense of excitement about all the wonderful things that happen at St. Stephen's. We urge you to consider how walking in love as a community makes a difference in people's lives. We encourage you to pray about and

make your commitment, either electronically or on paper no later than November 23, 2025, so that St. Stephen's mission and ministry continue to thrive in 2026. [Click here to pledge.](#)

Walking with you in Love,

St. Stephen's Stewardship Committee
Kathleen Jensen, Michael Branda, Bob Gregor,
Richard Holdredge, Marybeth Knox, Steve Plote,
and Marianne Zinkewicz

Zoom Information

Topic: 2026 Pledge Drive Q & A Sessions

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81163829145?pwd=Vr4ZcPUNCbzjDtoXUaQd635JCIFs3r.1>

Meeting ID: 811 6382 9145

Passcode: 611265



Come join us for The Welcome Table on Tuesday, November 4, 2025 at 7PM in the Chapel.

The Welcome Table is an experience crafted by and for the LGBTQ+ community. Gather with us as we eat, pray, discuss, share communion, celebrate diversity and explore our faith in community as our true, authentic selves. Come as you are, this place is for you.

Dinner is potluck style. You can sign up for your contribution here: <https://tinyurl.com/yy7csfe5>

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	Canned Cranberry Sauce
Gravy Package Mixes (2 packs)	Canned Sweet Potatoes (2) 15 oz. cans or 1 large
Potatoes (5 or 10 lb. Bag)	Brownie Mix or Cake Mix w/Canned Icing
Canned Corn (2) 15 oz. cans or one large	Optional: Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix, Rolls, Napkins
Canned Green Beans (2) 15 oz. cans or one large	

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 Turkey Baskets) or donate at Turkey Basket Table in Spurling Hall after each Sunday service.



Click on picture above to donate.

The ARC team is providing holiday meal "baskets" to the vulnerable Hart School District students and families. We need your help! \$15-\$20 gift cards (for turkeys) from groceries (Aldi's and Walmart preferred), and cash are always welcome! A \$38 donation provides a holiday meal for a family. Cash donations can also be made through the church's online giving site. Please choose "Thanksgiving turkey/food collection".

Most wanted: Reuseable (reinforced) bags, canned sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, 5-10 lb. bags of potatoes, and "turkey gift cards".

Thanks for helping our local, vulnerable neighbors! Your ARC team



URGENT NEEDS at our Santa Clarita Valley Food Pantry

As we await a decision on whether federal food assistance will continue during the current government shutdown, our friends at the SCV Food

Pantry have asked us to increase our support to keep our SCV neighbors fed during this uncertain and anxious time.

They ask for the following:

* **CASH DONATIONS** made by credit card through their website. (scvfoodpantry.org). They are particularly short of protein foods such as meat and eggs and need funds to purchase these items.

Food may also be deposited in the boxes found in the Church Narthex if you will be attending a service this Sunday.

They remind everyone that donated food must not display an expired date.

CRITICAL NEEDS:

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

Let's step up as we always do, St. Stephen's!



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.



Click on picture above to order.

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



laundry love.

Wednesday, November 5th from 5:30-7:30pm
Coin & Drop Off Laundry
24725 Railroad Ave. in Newhall

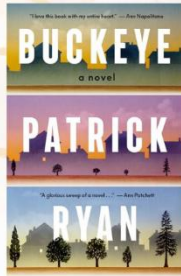


Join us for

BOOK GROUP

Tuesday, Nov. 3rd at 6:00pm
Chapel

Book:
Buckeye by Patrick Ryan





**CRAFTER'S
GROUP
MEETING
SATURDAY,
NOV. 8TH
1-4 PM
LOUNGE**



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 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.



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.

St. Stephen's Week	November 2, 2025 to November 9, 2025
TODAY'S SERVICE 7:45 & 10:30 AM	
SUNDAY 11/2	VPOD: Nick Vestuto
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
MONDAY 11/3	
6:00pm	Book Discussion Group / Chapel
6:45pm	Troop 2019 / Spurling Hall
TUESDAY 11/4	
7:00pm	The Welcome Table / Chapel
WED. 11/5	
7:00am	Holy Eucharist
7:30am	Breakfast at Lily's Café / Newhall
9:30am	Circle of Gratitude / Zoom
5:30pm	Laundry Love / Coin Op Laundry in Newhall
6:00pm	Stewardship Q & A Session / Spurling Hall or Zoom
6:00pm	EfM / Room 8
THURS. 11/6	
9:30am	Book Study / Sacristy
6:30pm	Troop 2222 / Spurling Hall
7:30pm	Parish Choir Rehearsal / Church
FRIDAY 11/7	
SAT. 11/8	
1:00pm	Crafter's Group / Lounge
NEXT SUNDAY 11/9	VPOD: Nick Vestuto
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	Stewardship Q & A Session / Spurling Hall or Zoom