28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, OCTOBER 15, 2017

Church Office: 423-892-1261
Church Website: www.ststephenchatt.org
Church Fax: 423-892-3242
Church Email: info@ststephenchatt.org
Church Hours: Mon.-Thur., 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. Fri., 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

PARISH STAFF

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**READINGS**


Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1-4/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-13, 17:18/Lk 10:1-9

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-6ab/Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-8, 14-16/Lk 12:9-12

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

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Bill Reynolds 893-8300

Patti Crownover 344-3575

**CURSILLO ULTREYA**

Micheline Parkey 893-9832

**HEALTH MINISTRY**

Pat Bagley 899-7722
PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH


PLEASE PRAY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Dr. William Buchner, Husband of Dorothy Buchner, & Erma Chrnaloga, Mother of Mary Alice Crapo, & Elizabeth O'Brien, Husband of the late Bernard O'Brien of St. Stephen Parish. Please keep all their families in your prayers. May all the souls of the faithfully departed Rest In Peace.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

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“Picture of Love” Engaged Couples’ Retreat

This marriage preparation retreat is a supplement to the couple’s marriage formation with their parish priest or deacon. The program is designed to help the couple gain a better understanding of the joys and challenges of living the sacrament of Matrimony in their day-to-day lives. The program will help the couple gain insights into their relationship, as well as give them practical ideas and tools to help smooth their journey and become the “Picture of Love” to one another.

- Will teach life skills with emphasis on the sacrament of Matrimony
- Offered 3 times a year
- Cost is $135.00 per couple (Retreat certificate will get the couple a $60.00 discount on their marriage license.)
- The Retreat will start on Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. and end at 10:00 p.m. On Saturday the program will start at 9:00 a.m. and will conclude at 7:00 p.m. Mass, snacks, a light breakfast, lunch and Saturday night’s dinner are included. You must attend the entire program to receive your certificate.

**RETREAT DATE:**

Friday/Saturday, St. Stephen Church- October 20/21, 2017
(7:00 pm – 10:00 pm Friday Evening and 9:00 am – 6:00 pm Saturday)
St. Stephen Parish Life Center
7111 Lee Highway
Chattanooga (37421)

For more information contact: Marian Christiana – Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment at: 423-892-2310 or mchristiana@dioknox.org

The 9th Annual Cursillo Diocesan Encounter & 20th Anniversary

Will be held at St. Thomas Parish, 1580 St. Thomas Way, Lenoir City, TN on Saturday, October 21, 2017. The Encounter begins with Mass at 10 a.m.. Following Mass, we will have a Grand Ultreya and fiesta in the Parish Family Life Center, adjacent to the Church. Please bring a dish to share.

Let’s Celebrate the Sacrament & Commitment of Matrimony!

*Bishop Stika to celebrate bilingual Mass in honor of the sacrament of matrimony*

Couples will have the opportunity to reaffirm their vows during Mass and continue with family and friends at a luncheon following the Mass.

- **Saturday, November 11, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.** Register by Thursday, November 2nd.
- **Shepherd of the Valley Church**
- **Register by due date** and receive free gifts from the Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment, a commemorative certificate and one professional photo with Bishop Stika.
- **To register contact:** Marian Christiana mchristiana@dioknox.org or 423-892-8910 or Karen Byrne kbyrne@dioknox.org or 865-584-3307
- **At time of registration provide the following:**
  - Your names as you want them to appear on the certificate
  - How many years you have been married
  - How many people in your party for the luncheon

*Catholic Charities 360° of Hope Luncheon*

Catholic Charities is hosting an all new event, the 360° of Hope Luncheon, to be held on Friday, Nov. 17th, at 11:30 a.m. at the new Westin Chattanooga! This luncheon seeks to share the mission, purpose and impact of Catholic Charities of East TN in our community. The special guest speaker will be Jim Haslam, founder of Pilot Corporation. Mr. Haslam will share his vision of
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FINANCIAL PLANNING

Remember St. Stephen Church in your will or trust. For more information, contact Fr. Manuel Pérez.