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St. John

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Mass Schedule

St. John

Saturday 4:00p
Sunday 11:15a English
1:00p en español
Wednesday 11:00a

St. Stephen

Sunday 9:00a
Communion Service
Tuesday, 12:15p
Holy Days 7:00p

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45p

By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners!

We are a Stewardship community, who share our time, talent, and treasure in life-giving ways.
We invite you to register with us by going to our website and completing the form on the Home page.

Sacrament Preparation

Call S. Janis, (336) 835-4542

Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA)

A way of exploring and seeking Christ through the Catholic faith.

Sacrament of Anointing and Pastoral Care of the Sick

If you, or someone you know is desirous of God's healing, contact S. Janis

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

June 29, 2025

☪ Cree...

Ata y desata en el nombre de Jesús

¡Buenos días, Iglesia!

A diferencia de todo lo demás en la vida, la fe no es un logro, algo que se obtiene y se conserva. La fe es relación, nuestra relación con lo Divino. El Dr. Anthony Padovano dice: “Crear no es poca cosa”, y el P. Ron Rolheiser dice: “Algunos días caminas sobre el agua y otros días te hundes como una Piedra”.

En mi experiencia personal y como guía espiritual, el movimiento entre la fe y la duda es pura gracia. “La fe invariablemente cede ante la duda antes de recuperar la confianza, y luego la vuelve a perder”. ~Rolheiser

Nosotras conocemos la historia del evangelio cuando Jesús cruza el lago de noche hacia los discípulos, que eran zarandeados por la tormenta. Pedro dice: «Señor, si eres tú, mándame ir a ti sobre las aguas». Es una escena dramática: Pedro baja de la barca y empieza a caminar. Entonces, se da cuenta de lo que hace y empieza a hundirse. Pedro perdió la fe en Jesús y en sí mismo, y Jesús tuvo que rescatarlo.

La fe no se trata de usar nuestros poderes. Es una relación orgánica, con altibajos, que no puede funcionar si solo dependemos de nosotros mismos para que las cosas sucedan.

Juliana de Norwich, una mística de renombre con una fe excepcional, vaciló como Pedro. Su confianza llegó, pero también se fue. «Me sentí completamente llena de una certeza eterna, poderosamente sostenida sin ningún temor doloroso... Esto duró solo un tiempo, y fui transformada y abandonada a mí misma en la tristeza y el cansancio de mi vida...».

La fe funciona así: Podemos caminar sobre el agua solo si no creemos que lo estamos haciendo con nuestras propias fuerzas.

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En
la Uno,
somos
una.
~Papa León

🌱 TRABAJO del CORAZÓN *Reflexionando sobre la Palabra*

¿De qué manera ha crecido o disminuido tu fe desde tu bautismo?

Believe... Bind and Loose in Jesus' Name

Morning, Church!

Unlike everything else in life, faith is not something we achieve, something we get and keep. Faith is relationship, our relationship with The Divine. Dr. Anthony Padovano says, "To believe is no small thing", and Fr. Ron Rolheiser says about faith, "Some days you walk on water and other days you sink like a stone."

In my personal experience, and as a spiritual director, the figure eight of faith and doubt is pure grace. "Faith invariably gives way to doubt before it again recovers its confidence, then it loses it again." ~ Rolheiser

We know the gospel story of Jesus walking across the lake toward his disciples as they were being tossed about in the night storm. Peter says, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." It's a dramatic scene as Peter steps out of the boat and starts walking. Then, he realizes what *he's* doing and *he* begins to sink. Peter lost faith *in Jesus and himself*. Jesus had to rescue him.

Faith is not about using *our* power. It is an organic, up and down relationship that cannot work if we rely only on ourselves to make things happen.

Julian of Norwich, a renowned mystic with an exceptional faith, vacillated as Peter did. Julian's confident feelings came ~ but they also left. "I was completely filled with everlasting certainty, powerfully sustained without any painful fear...This lasted only a while, and I was changed and left to myself in such sadness and weariness of my life..."

To believe is no small thing. We can walk on water only as long as we don't think that we are doing it with our own strength.

In the One, we are one in CommUNITY,











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*In
the One,
We are
one.*
~ Pope Leo

 **HEARTwork** ~ Reflecting on the Word

In what ways has your faith grown or diminished since your Baptism?

JULY	
01	Communion Service, 12:15p
02	Choir, 7p 
04	Independence Day Pray for peace & unity among us
06	14th Sun OT
07	Ladies Guild, 5p 
08	Communion Service, 12:15p
09	Choir, 7p 
13	15th Sun OT
15	Communion Service, 12:15p
16	Choir, 7p 
17	Wise Ones, 1p 
19	Men's Breakfast, 8:30a, Cracker Barrel, J'ville 
20	16th Sun OT
21	Give Blood Elkin Valley Baptist Ch, 1:30-6p 
22	Communion Service, 12:15p
23	Choir, 7p 
26	Parish Yard Sale 
27	17th Sun OT World Grandparents Day
29	Communion Service, 12:15p
30	Choir, 7p 

☪ Mass Intentions	
06	Carol & Charles McQuade Lou Benton Morris
13	St. Stephen parishioners
20	The Keller, Gore, and Ford families
27	Grandparents

Birthdays & Anniversaries



02 Jorge Lopez	20 Joyce Kelly
04 Matthew Kelly	21 Rose Amelia Kelly
Janis McQuade	22 Barbara DeJohn
David Serafin	24 Kevin Robinson
06 Bryan Wagoner	26 Frank Simon
08 Isidro Rodriguez	27 Abigail Mariano
11 Julia Mantero	29 Julian Espino
12 Ofelia Nava	30 Laura Peruzzo
18 Eileen Ouellette	31 Orlando Trinidad

14 Dianne & Andy Crawford
16 Pauline & Fred Sener
22 Ashley & Aymes Davis
27 Jacquie & John Darcey
31 Cindy Whitley & Ozzie Martinez



Rob Worley for coordinating the reinforcement of the church pews with the help of Andy Crawford, Memo Lara, Sergio Loyola, Jerry Schaufenbuel, Marcelino and Orlando Trinidad. All but five pews have been done. Thank you! We are so grateful for their help!



+Sister Lillian Needham, SSJ	
Born	April 15, 1941
Born to Eternal Life	June 21, 2025
in the 66 th year of religious life	

+Sister Normandie Gaitley, SSJ	
Born	June 19, 1944
Born to Eternal Life	June 26, 2025
in the 63 rd year of religious life	



*Blessings on Pope Leo XIV
our Shepherd.*



PRAY the ROSARY DAILY

for the people of Ukraine & Russia;
for Presidents Zelenskyy, Putin &
Trump; for a peaceful and just end
to this war, and all wars...
Hail Mary, full of grace...



**Remember in prayer
those affected by the
25 U.S. mass shootings in June,
as well shooters & their families.**



**THANK YOU
FOR RECYCLING
YOUR INK CARTRIDGES
AT CHURCH. IT'S GOOD for the EARTH
and IT'S HELPS THE CHURCH.**

Tri-C Almsgiving

Thank you so much !!

JUL

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2025 Jubilee Year of Hope



Pilgrim,
what is your **deepest prayer**
for yourself, your family,
St. Stephen, your Church,
in this time of transition?
Christ has died. Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Peregrino,
¿Cuál es tu **oración más profunda?**
para ti, tu familia, San Esteban,
tu Iglesia, en este tiempo de transición?
Cristo murió. Cristo resucitó.
Cristo volverá.

Survey

Interest has been raised in offering an
Adult Faith Formation series
on our Catholic Faith.
The topics and time frame will be created
based on your response.
Please indicate your willingness to attend.
Thank you!

I'm interested & would attend
afternoon gatherings.

I'm interested & would attend
evening gatherings.

Or

Email: Connect@StStephenNC.org

Encuesta

Se ha despertado interés en ofrecer un ciclo de
Formación en la Fe para Adultos sobre
nuestra fe católica. Los temas y la programación
se definirán según sus respuestas.

Por favor, indique su disposición a asistir.
¡Gracias!

Estoy interesado y quisiera asistir a las
reuniones de la tarde.

Estoy interesado y quisiera asistir a las
reuniones de la noche.

O

Electrónico: Connect@StStephenNC.org

Simon became Peter & Saul became Paul

Today is the Feast of two saints, Peter and Paul. Jesus chose Peter to lead the Apostles and early Christian community. Even though Jesus and Peter were close, Peter denied Jesus three times. Peter felt sorry for that and he became a strong leader for Jesus.

Paul, a Jew like Peter, initially persecuted the early Christians. After Jesus appeared to him, Paul changed his heart and decided to become a Christian and tell everyone he met about Jesus. Paul wrote many letters to the Christian communities to encourage them to stay close to Jesus and follow his teachings.

Both Peter and Paul preached and taught others about Jesus and to have faith in him. The Roman government did not like the Christians.

Their emperor, Nero, began killing the Christians. He had Peter and Paul killed in Rome. Their deaths did not stop the Christian communities from growing and following Jesus.



The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

June 29, 2025



Here is part of a letter Saint Paul wrote shortly before he was martyred. What did he say? Look at the picture in the mirror to find out!

Answers to Fill-in-the-Blanks: LIGHT, PROCLAIM, BODY, CANNOT, FEAR, SPARROWS, PENNY, FATHERS, OF, NOT, MORE, EVERYONE, BEFORE, BUT, God cares for you!

