

Welcome to Saint Stephen's – If you are new or visiting today, please know that we are so glad that you are here, and that you are welcome in this community of faith. S. Stephen's is an Episcopal parish in the Diocese of Rhode Island and is part of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Located in the midst of Brown University, it serves the communities of Providence and beyond. S. Stephen's has stood within the Anglo-Catholic tradition since its founding, and so the Mass or the Eucharist is at the center of our common life, with ancient and timeless ceremonial used to draw attention to the Living God in our very midst. We strive to be a diverse community and come from many various backgrounds, while united in One Body through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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The Rev. Benjamin Straley, Rector

THIS COMING WEEK AT S. STEPHEN'S

Later Today! Sunday 6 March

Pre-Evensong Organ Recital 5:00 pm Evensong & Benediction 5:30 pm

Monday 7 March

Perpetua and her Companions, Martyrs at Carthage, 202 Evening Prayer 5:30 pm Low Mass 6:00 pm

Tuesday 8 March

Lenten Feria Noonday Prayer & Low Mass 12:00 Vestry Meeting 7:00 pm (via Zoom)

Wednesday 9 March

Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, c. 394
Evening Prayer 5:30 pm
Low Mass 6:00 pm
Lenten Book Study 7:00 pm (via Zoom)

Thursday 10 March
Lenten Feria
Noonday Prayer & Low Mass 12:00

Friday 11 March

Lenten Feria Noonday Prayer & Low Mass 12:00

Saturday 12 March

Gregory the Great, Bishop of Rome, 604 Morning Prayer 9:30 am Low Mass 10 am Epiphany Soup Kitchen 2:30-4:00 pm

> Next Sunday 13 March Second Sunday in Lent

Morning Prayer and Low Mass 8 am Sunday School 9:55 am Solemn Mass 10 am Coffee Hour 11:15 am

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers have been requested for: Charles and Sandra Calverley, Fr. Norman Catir, Trudy Egan, Fr. Harrington Gordon, Richard Hogarth, Beverly Myers, Bryan Ripley, Beth Shirley, Rhoda Steinhart, Christopher Whittingham. Birthdays this week: George Ryan (3/6); Austin Wilson (3/6). The faithful departed: Year's Mind: Susan B. Brazil (3/8); Robert Russel Sandstrom (3/10); Donald S. Chase (3/11). In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we are asked to pray for The Anglican Church of Korea (3/6); Kigeme – Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda (3/7); The Diocese of Kigezi – The Church of the Province of Uganda (3/8); North Kigezi – The Church of the Province of Uganda (3/9); Mount Kilimanjaro – The Anglican Church of Tanzania (3/10); Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh – The Church of Ireland (3/11); Kimberley & Kuruman – The Anglican Church of Southern Africa (3/12). In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we are asked to pray for our retired bishops, George Hunt and Geralyn Wolf.

GUEST PREACHER TODAY AT SOLEMN MASS

Today we welcome to our pulpit Mr. Drake Douglas, who is a postulant in the Diocese of Rhode Island, and in his first year at Berkeley Divinity School at Yale. Before beginning Divinity School, Drake worked at Brown University and the University of Rhode Island, where he oversaw the directors in charge of student and residential life. In that capacity, Drake incorporated a commitment to holistic student development, an ethics- and justice-oriented leadership style, and a belief in the importance building intentional community in the Academy. Drake and his husband Charles Carroll are active parishioners at Grace Church downtown, and live in Cranston with their dog Berkeley and cat Isabelle. Mr. Carroll works at Brown University as Assistant Director of the Sheridan Center and as Assistant Professor of History.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL/STUDY GROUP

This year's Lenten series will be a group study of Luke's Gospel, using N.T. Wright's Lent for Everyone: Luke, Year C. Books are provided free of cost – so far 15 have been ordered. If you would like a book, please contact the office or the Rector. More can be ordered, and you may also download in electronic form from Amazon to your Kindle. We will meet via Zoom on Wednesday evenings from approximately 7:00 to 8:00, beginning on March 9th and concluding on April 6th. The link is in the e-news that goes out every Friday and will also be on the S. Stephen's homepage (sstephens.org). This week we will cover the first week's-worth of readings, Ash Wednesday to this Wednesday inclusive.

COFFEE HOUR

Please come to the 2nd floor of the Guild House and enjoy a time of fellowship after Mass. The Guild Hall is located through the doors at the back of the church, and up the stairs to the left. If you are interested in signing up to help host a coffee hour, please reach out to Leanna Hooks.

PRE-EVENSONG ORGAN RECITAL

Tonight, we will mark the beginning of Lent with Evensong & Benediction at 5:30 pm, preceded by an Organ Recital at 5:00 pm offered by Jeffrey Mills. Basking in the beauty of choral music and the presence of Our Lord is the perfect way to end the day. All are welcome.