St Stephen's Announcements May 9-15 2024

- Happy Mother's Day to all our ladies in the church! Please pick up your gift in church on Saturday or Sunday.
- Lasagna and salad lunch after Sunday worship May 12th Skip the lines and waiting at the local restaurants and have lunch with us! Gluten free and regular lasagna, Salad, tea or coffee. 11:30am in the Parish Hall.
- Pentecost Fruit of the Spirit Award voting Please return your superlative votes
- Second Saturday Supper Saturday May11th at 6:30pm. We decided to go to Tombstone
 Brewery in the West End of Sierra Vista for our next gathering. Their menu is available at this link:
 https://docs.google.com/viewer?url=https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DCwplacx7irWVqd0laxDAzjbs25kl8XogyEVJ7A_0LY/export?format=pdf Address is: 332 N Garden Ave, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635
- **PENTECOST WEEKEND** May 18-19, Be sure to wear your RED clothing to celebrate God's Holy Spirit active with God's people!!!
- Episcopal 101 classes on Saturdays: May 18th (No class May 11th), May 25th, June 1st at 10am at the Sierra Vista Library meeting rooms. Topic for May 18th is "What Episcopalians Believe Out Theology". Learn about the Episcopal Church our beliefs and practices. Invite your curious friends.
- May 21st is our next Vestry Meeting Meet in the Ed Bldg at 5:30pm.
- **Memorial Day Weekend** May 25-27. We give thanks to all our veterans and especially those who gave their life for our country in their military service.
- June 9th Bishop Reddall visits with St. Stephen's. Come hear about future plans in our church and diocese from our Bishop. We will have a picnic lunch (sandwiches, chips, cookies) after worship with the Bishop so you can ask her any questions you may have. Vestry will meet with the Bishop after lunch.
- Better Meals Program contributions from St. Stephen's will be submitted by the beginning of June. We have donations from members of the church for outreach but anyone else who would like to add to our donations may do so.
- Please continue to drop off your aluminum cans and pull tabs We will continue to take to Animal Shelter to donate for them.
- **FREE FOR ANYONE** Items on the Table and in the fridge drawer. The fridge drawer has veggies and fruits from time to time. The table has non-refrigerated items.
- Koffee Kitty asks for your donations to help with fellowship snacks and beverages. Please put a little something in the kitty.
- Missing a Nissan Hubcap? Found in the parking lot

Coming Up:

- **Rev. Allison and Robin on vacation June 15-23.** Rev. Keith Saare to serve as priest for worship June 15-16 and 22-23.
- **July 4th Veterans' Park Pet Parade.** Come see pets dressed up for July 4th and help out with offering of Pet Blessings from St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. See Rev. Allison to volunteer to be a "Pet Blesser".
- Late July Lunch and Learn opportunity to hear a speaker from the organization "Veterans for Child Rescue" explain ways to keep kids safe from child trafficking and how to watch for and report suspected child traffickers. Open to the community.
- Wed July 17 Starting an hour of artistic meditation 11am to 12 pm on 3rd Wednesdays of the month. Bring your art supplies to do Rock painting, coloring, mandalas, zen tangles, drawing, writing poetry, whatever you want to do for about an hour. First 15 mins will be silent or listening to soft music. Next 45 mins will be open to sharing thoughts (or not) as you are inspired.