

# BOYNE VALLEY CATHOLIC COMMUNITY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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*Christ caring for people through people*

## STEPHEN MINISTRY

### **MINISTRY OF THE MONTH: Stephen Ministry**

*Led by Doug and Jan Reynolds*

Stephen Ministry is a one-to-one caring ministry that equips and empowers people to provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. A ministry in which trained and supervised persons provide one-on-one Christian care to individuals of our community by creating an atmosphere of unconditional acceptance, reassurance and encouragement. They are caregivers who listen and provide support to meet the needs of people who are grieving, in crisis, experiencing divorce, illness, loneliness or facing other life challenges and difficulties.



### CSA Numbers as of

### June 20:

St. Matthew:  
86% of its target  
\$54,338

St. Augustine:  
70% of its target  
\$16,850

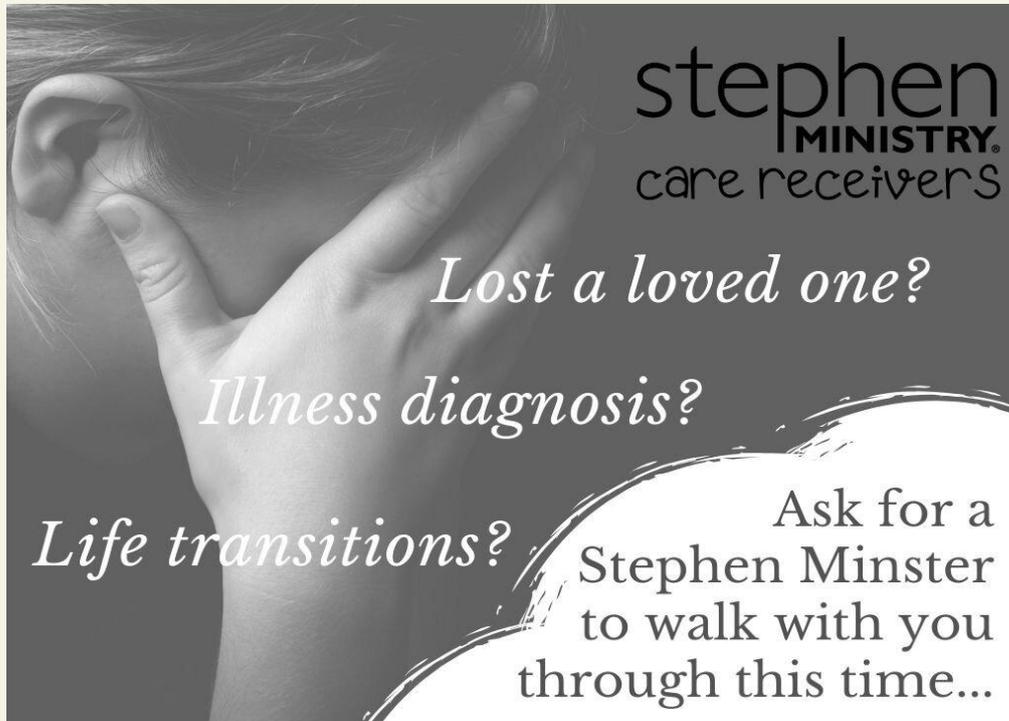
We have just 10  
days left to raise:

\$8592 for  
St. Matthew  
and  
\$6711 for  
St. Augustine.

We can do it!

## *In Need?*

If you are facing any of life's challenges or just want someone to listen to you, a member of the Stephen Ministry is available to meet with you. Call the Parish Office at 231-582-7718.



## *Interested in getting involved?*

If you would like to be part the Ministry or just want to learn what to say and not be afraid to talk with people during difficult times, or with people who appears to be struggling please reach out to Doug and Janice Reynolds at 231-549-2719

We cover topics like: Feelings, Listening, Crisis Theory, Process vs. Results, Depression, Assertiveness, Boundaries, Grief, Confidentiality, and others. Through this program you learn how to listen and understand what people are saying from their point of view and provide care with emotional and spiritual support.

## Virtue of the Month - Justice

One of the four cardinal virtues, justice means to give to each, beginning with God what is due to them because of who they are. Justice sees with the eyes of our hearts so our actions are motivated by charity.

*"Justice is the moral virtue that consists in the constant and firm will to give their due to God and neighbor".*

*- Catechism of the Catholic Church*

## Justice in Action

Doing the right thing even when no one else is watching.

Treating others with dignity respect.

Forgiving others when they hurt us.

Loving God and each other.

Seeing our neighbors as sons/daughters of God.

*Justice upholds the fundamental human right to a dignified life."*

*-Pope Francis*