

# ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

January 7, 2018

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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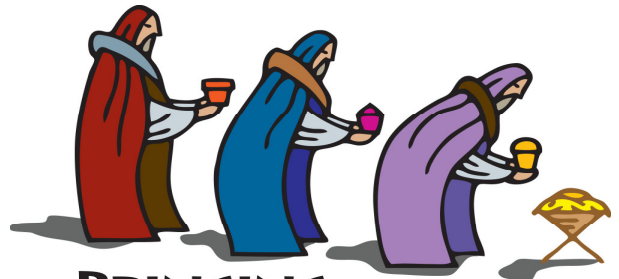
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& incense



BRINGING OUR GIFTS

### Weekday Mass (In the Chapel)

Monday Mass 8:30am

Tuesday Mass 5:30pm

Wednesday Mass 12:00pm

Thursday Mass 8:30am

Friday Mass 12:00pm

Saturday Mass 9:00am

### Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 7:45am

Sunday 10:00am

Sunday 11:45am - Spanish/Español

Sunday 5:00pm - Life Teen

### Reconciliation/Reconciliación

Every Saturday/Cada Sábado

Bilingual/Bilingüe 3:30-4:30pm

30 minutes before each Weekday

Mass/30 minutos antes de cada

Misa de los días entre semana

### No hay reconciliación los domingos

### Membership

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian Fellowship. Longtime residents or newly arrived, contact the parish office to register.

### Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday by 12:00pm (5 days prior to the publication date of the bulletin). Drop off or e-mail articles to the parish office.

### Catholic Marriage

Marriage preparation required. Contact the Pastor at least nine months in advance. Two additional months' notice is needed for a wedding in another country.

### RCIA

Sessions open to those interested in learning about or renewing their connection to the Catholic Faith.

### Infant Baptism

Contact the parish office to schedule. Baptism preparation required. Parents need to be registered members of St. Stephen.

### No baptisms in December.

### Pre-School Director

Cathy Townzen

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Office Hours: M-W-F

9:00am-12:00pm September-May

### St. Stephen also attends to St. John the Evangelist Church in Huntsville:

Mass Times

Sunday Mass 9:00am

Sunday Mass 11:00am - Spanish

Reconciliation 30 minutes before Mass

### Kids/Youth Faith Formation

#### Catholic Kids & IMPACT Director

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9<sup>th</sup> Grade - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

Facebook: LifeTeen Bentonville

**Thank you from the Parish Office** – The staff here at St. Stephen would like to extend an appreciative thank you to all our volunteers. We could not do our Masses without your help as lectors, ministers, ushers, servers, sacristans and rosary leaders. If you are interested in being trained to serve in Mass please contact the parish office at (479)273-1240.

**RCIA Calendar** – Our next session will be on Wednesday, January 10, on Baptism and Confirmation led by Bruce Peterson. We will meet in the St. Jerome room. RCIA meets every Wednesday night starting at 7:00pm.

**Parish Council Elections** – Parish Council elections will take place, after each Mass, the weekend of January 13 /14. A table will be set up in the Narthex where you may cast your vote for two. If you have any questions please call the parish office at 273-1240.



*It's not enough to attend church  
and pray every Sunday; you  
have to act. ~ Abbe Pierre*

**Ministers** – We are in need of your help! If you are a trained minister and can serve any of the following dates, please call Bethany in the parish office:

- Feb 18 - 7:45am - Sacristan
- Feb 25 - 7:45am - Sacristan
- Mar 25 - 10:00am - 1 cup minister
- Mar 25 - LifeTeen - 1 usher
- Mar 30 - 7:30pm Good Friday (Spanish)-Lock up
- April 1 - 7:45am Easter - 1 cup minister, 1 usher

**Hard Hat Collection Weekend** – This weekend, January 6/7 there will be a second collection for the church loan. All donations go to repay our loan with the Diocese of Little Rock. We appreciate your prayerful consideration and support of this effort.

**The St. Stephen Annual Mardi Gras** event will take place on Saturday, February the 10th at 6:15 in the Family Life Center. This event is for 21+ only. Tickets are priced at \$50 or \$350 for a table that seats eight. Ticket sales will begin the first weekend in January after all weekend Masses. This year we are offering a limited number of bistro-style tables that seat two. For any questions contact Rebecca Bollinger at (479)531-5907 or [becca.bollinger@gmail.com](mailto:becca.bollinger@gmail.com).

**Silent Auction Items Needed** – All Mardi Gras proceeds raised for the church are from the silent auction. We are looking for new items, gift baskets, gift certificates, autographed keepsakes or perhaps even Christmas gifts that you might re-gift. Most items we will sell are valued at \$25-\$100. If you able to donate, please contact Dan Reiff at (479)685-3561 or Joseph Bollinger at (479)531-0788 and we'll arrange for pickup.

**Winter Weather Policy** – With winter here we would like to remind you of our policy regarding the cancellation of programs, except for the Masses. We follow the Bentonville school district; if they cancel school, then we cancel our programs. This policy will also apply to the parish office; if Bentonville schools are closed the parish office is closed as well. We will also post our cancellations on KNWA, KHOG 40/29, & KFSM.

**Coffee Social** – Join us next Sunday, January 14 after the 10:00am Mass for coffee, refreshments, and fellowship in the Family Life Center. A special invitation is extended to new parishioners who would like to get better acquainted with St. Stephen.

**St. Stephen Benevolent Conference (SSBC)** – Thank you for your generous support to the SSBC through last weekend's "Black Bag" collection. If you missed the "Black Bag" collection, you may always place your donation in the poor boxes located in the Narthex.

**St. Stephen Nursery** is available for children ages 1 to 3 years old for parishioners and guests. The nursery is open during 10:00am and 11:45am Mass on Sundays. We are also looking for volunteers to help in the nursery for 10:00am and 11:45am Masses.

**La Guardería San Esteban** está disponible para niños de 1 a 3 años de edad, para feligreses e invitados. Disponible para las misas de 10:00am y 11:45am. También necesitamos voluntarios que ayuden durante estas Misas.

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**Online Giving** using your credit card is now available with WeShare. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure. Please visit [ststephenbentonville.weshareonline.org](http://ststephenbentonville.weshareonline.org) to enroll, and set up a one-time or a recurring donation. Links to this site are on our website and the St. Stephen app. You may also make automatic donations from your bank account. Withdrawals can occur weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. Forms are available in the Narthex or online.

**Electronic giving** allows the parish to budget more accurately and reduce administrative costs. Plus, it is more convenient for parishioners – donations occur even if you are unable to attend Mass. Thank you to all those who participate. If you want to change the amount or frequency of your donations, or have any questions or concerns, please contact the accounting office.

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- Visit/Visite: [formed.org](http://formed.org)
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- Enter Code/Introduzca el Código: **KFNNGY**

Enjoy and share with others in our community!  
Disfrute y comparte con otros en nuestra  
comunidad!

**Life Teen News** – There is no Life Night this Sunday, January, 7. We will resume regular Sunday Life Night classes next Sunday, January 14 from 6-8pm in the Family Life Center.

Life Teen Bible study will start meeting this Wednesday, January 10 in the Bosco House. We will meet every Wednesday unless other wise notified. We will have snacks. Bring a friend!

**40 Days for Life (Fayetteville March for Life)** – If you are not planning on the March in Washington D.C. or in Little Rock, please plan on joining NWA Pro-Lifers on Sunday, January 21 at 2:30pm starting at St. Joseph Church in Fayetteville. We will walk approx. 2.9 miles to Planned Parenthood abortion center for a short rally. Fayetteville Judge Joseph Wood will be our key note speaker. Hot cocoa and refreshments will be served at St. Joseph following rally.

**One Hour with Me - Jesus asks you, "Can you not spend one hour with Me?" (Matt 26:40)** – One Hour with Me is an outreach to all Pro-Lifers in the area to make a commitment to prayer for just one hour per month in front of Planned Parenthood. Your prayers can save a life! Go to [onehourwithme.com](http://onehourwithme.com) to learn more or sign-up. To stay up to date with One Hour with Me "like" [facebook.com/onehourwithmenwa](https://www.facebook.com/onehourwithmenwa).

**Guardian Angels of the Blessed Sacrament** is a ministry integrated by people that are called Adorers. Adorers make a commitment to be before the Blessed Sacrament for one hour every Thursday. As an Adorer you spend your time praying, meditating, telling God your worries, joys and asking blessings for your family, friends and the community. At the same time, without knowing, you become a Guardian Angel of the Blessed Sacrament before Him. In the presence of the Blessed Sacrament you make sure that nobody is going to hurt Him or do something inappropriate, assuring that He won't be alone. If you would like to be part of this ministry, we have time slots available: 10:00am, 4:00pm and 5:00pm. Please call the parish to sign-up or for additional information.

**Mass for Life** – The 2018 Mass for Life will be celebrated by Bishop Taylor on Sunday, January 21 at 12:05pm at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew, 7<sup>th</sup> & Louisiana, Little Rock. Preceding the Mass, a Rosary for Life will be prayed at 11:30am. The Vigil for Life at the Cathedral will begin with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:30pm Saturday, January 20, and continue with Adoration throughout the night until 7:00am Sunday morning. Everyone is invited to participate in the precious gift of all life.

**Post-Abortion Support Group** – Do you feel alone, hurting or unforgiven from a past abortion? The Respect Life Office, through Project Rachel, is starting a support group for men and women, beginning February 19. The spiritual journey lasts 9 weeks, with small groups of 4-6. Groups will be formed in Little Rock, Hot Springs, Fayetteville/Rogers area and other cities in Arkansas depending on the geographic location of the participants. Names and meeting places are strictly confidential. All inquiries must be made by February 19. For more details contact (501)664-0340, ext. 357 or [helenevans@sbcglobal.net](mailto:helenevans@sbcglobal.net).

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend (WMEW) For All Married Couples** – Do you want to give each other something really special this coming year? How about a gift filled with romance and excitement? That is just the beginning of what you will receive on a WMEW. The next WMEW is in Subiaco, February 9-11. Space is limited, apply at [arkansaswwme.org/apply](http://arkansaswwme.org/apply). Deadline registration is February 5. For information contact Ben & Leah Brewer (501)733-1235 or [apply@arkansaswwme.org](mailto:apply@arkansaswwme.org).

**St. Scholastica Retreat Center** will present a Lenten workshop series on three consecutive Thursdays, February 22 through March 8, from 9:30-11:00 AM. Using the book "Seven Stages of Suffering: a Spiritual Path for Transformation," Sister Rachel Dietz, OSB will lead participants through the seven stages with an emphasis on the positive and transformative energy of suffering. Cost is \$60 with a non-refundable, non-transferable registration fee of \$20 required at time of registration. For more information, or to register, call (479)783-1135 or visit [stscho.org/retreat-registration/](http://stscho.org/retreat-registration/).

**A Women's Religious Vocation Discernment Retreat** will be held February 24-25, at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 2500 N. Tyler St., Little Rock, AR 72207. Come see that Sisters are Real People! The retreat is for young women 16-35 years of age who want to learn and discern about Religious Life. The retreat includes talks on Religious Life by Sisters from congregations in Arkansas; time for prayer and reflection; and opportunity to speak with the Sisters. The Retreat is free and deadline to register is February 15. To register or for information contact Sr. Mary Clare, Minister for Religious [smcbezner@dolr.org](mailto:smcbezner@dolr.org), visit [bit.ly/dolrwr2018](http://bit.ly/dolrwr2018) or (501)664-0340, ext. 309.

**El Retiro de Discernimiento Vocacional Religioso para Mujeres** se llevará a cabo el 24-25 de febrero, en el Centro Diocesano Pastoral, 2500 N. Tyler St. Little Rock, AR 72207. ¡Vengan a ver que las Hermanas son personas reales! Este retiro es para mujeres jóvenes entre 16-35 años de edad que desean aprender y discernir sobre la Vida Religiosa. El retiro incluirá Charlas sobre la Vida Religiosa impartidas por las Hermanas de congregaciones en Arkansas; momentos de oración y reflexión; y la oportunidad de hablar con las Hermanas. El retiro es gratuito y la fecha límite de inscripción es el 15 de febrero. Para obtener el formulario de inscripción o más información, visite [bit.ly/dolrwr2018](http://bit.ly/dolrwr2018) o comuníquese con Hna. María Clara, encargada de la Vida Consagrada (501)664-0340, ext. 309 o [smcbezner@dolr.org](mailto:smcbezner@dolr.org).

**Encuentro Matrimonial** – Vive siempre enamorado de su esposa/o como cuando se conocieron! Juntos pueden ser y hacer la diferencia! "Ama sin condición y entrega todo ha Jesús." Jesús quiere entrar en tu vida, dé jalo entrar no te arrepentirás. Vive un Encuentro Matrimonial el 9-11 de febrero. Para información o registrarse, llama Adrián y Reyna Alvarez (773)213-9593 o (870)642-2256. Regístrese antes del 5 de febrero.

*We make a living by what we get: we make life by what we give.* – Winston Churchill (1874-1965)

**Church Operations for January**

Month-to-Date Expenses – \$ 9,537.75  
 Loan Balance – \$ 2,478,155.16

As the Magi offered gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the Christ Child, we offer ourselves symbolized in the regular contributions made to the support of the Church along with our talent and our volunteer service of time.

Revenue	Month to date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 36,102.77	\$105,000
Building Fund	\$ 17,073.50	\$20,000

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, January 6**

9:00am Paul Shaughnessy †  
 5:00pm John Meisenbacher †

**Sunday, January 7**

7:45am Special Intention  
 10:00am Peter Thong Le † & Maria Bui †  
 11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses  
 5:00pm Special Intention

**Monday, January 8**

8:30am Sandy Buckley †

**Tuesday, January 9**

5:30pm Juan & Lesley Osorio

**Wednesday, January 10**

12:00pm Bruce Yarger †

**Thursday, January 11**

8:30am Sangeetha

**Friday, January 12**

12:00pm Special Intention

**Saturday, January 13**

9:00am Special Intention  
 5:00pm Deceased Members of the Dunn Family †

**Sunday, January 14**

7:45am Susan S. Cain †  
 10:00am Scripture Sisters  
 11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses  
 5:00pm Helen Quinn †

**SCRIPTURE READINGS for 1/14/17**

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19  
 Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10  
 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20  
 John 1:35-42

**This Week – 1/08/17 to 1/14/17**

Mon: 8:30am **MASS**  
 Tue: 5:30pm **MASS**  
 Tue: 6:30pm Choir Practice  
 Tue: 6:30-8:00pm Momnipotent  
 Wed: 12:00pm **MASS**  
 Wed: 12:30pm Legion of Mary  
 Wed: 6:00-8:00pm EDGE 7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup>  
 Wed: 6:30-8:00pm Catholic Kids Blue  
 Wed: 6:30-8:00pm Bible Study  
 Wed: 7:00pm RCIA  
 Thu: 8:30am **MASS**  
 Thu: 9:00am-9:00pm Adoration  
 Thu: 9:30-11:30am Mujeres de Fe  
 Thu: 6:30pm Spanish Choir  
 Fri: 12:00pm **MASS**  
 Fri: 6:00-9:00pm Bingo Night - Confirmation Trip Fundraiser  
 Sat: 9:00am **MASS**  
 Sat: 9:30am Catecismo para Adultos  
 Sat: 3:30-4:30pm Bilingual Reconciliation  
 Sat: 5:00pm **MASS**  
 Sat. – Sun.: Parish Council Elections  
 Sun: 7:45am **MASS**  
 Sun: 8:45-9:45am Catholic Kids  
 Sun: 10:00am **MASS**  
 Sun: 11:00am Sunday Social  
 Sun: 11:45am **MASS - Spanish/Español**  
 Sun: 4:00-6:00pm Catholic Kids-Roller Skating  
 Sun: 5:00pm **MASS – Life Teen**  
 Sun: 6:00-8:00pm Life Teen - Life Night

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Jan. 13 - 14	Lector	EMC - Host	EMC - Cup	Head Minister	Usher	Lock-Up	Altar Server	Sacristan
<b>Saturday, 5:00 PM</b>	Jon Terlouw	Doris Clement Jane Cornell Margie O'Grady Ron Brophy Mo Tignor	Jon Clement Mark Jechura Kim Dial Pam Gander Amy Fulmer Joyce Moppin	Janet Palmer	Dave Brandenburg Lori Terlouw Kevin Cornell	Joseph Giovannucci	Katie Palmer Lukas Bacon Alexa Stockand	Loretta Meisenbacher
<b>Sunday, 7:45 AM</b>	Pat Moberley	Maggie Peterson Brenda Kleck Gary Kleck	Amanda Cantu Susan Eagleson Gerry Whiting Karen Howard	Bruce Peterson	Anita Rausch Geri Oswald Len Oswald		Dhane Boskus Hans Edlund Katrina Edlund	Barb Hamernik
<b>Sunday, 10:00 AM</b>	Paul Prebil  Katherine Brumley	Krista Dooley Greg or Mandy Brandenburg Michaelene Morgan Kristine Epright Thomas Ganey	Pamm Prebil Bonnie Kupillas Patricia LaChance Dayna Mohr Mike Mohr Steve Harrington	Charlotte Champagne	Daniel Cruz Ken Butler Robert Hutchings		Gabriel Rocha Patrick Rocha Thomas Rocha	Charlotte Champagne
<b>Sunday, 11:45 PM (Spanish Mass)</b>	Luz Carmen Sanchez  Marugel Monzalvo	Crimilda Viera Mirna Serrano Beatriz Aguirre	Raquel Perez Evelyn Dominguez J. Concepcion Serrano Olga Serrano	Fernando Perez	Mayra Serrano Antonio Sanchez Victor Lopez		Brayan Miramon Erick Chavez Karen Chavez Mauricio Villasenor	Oscar Dominguez
<b>Sunday, 5:00 PM (Life Teen)</b>		Cary Richard Cathy Townzen	Jill Saulsbery Terry Shepard	Bill Murphy	Steve Saulsbery Joe Poe		Rachael Saulsbery Samantha Trujillo Lindsey Wewers	Jolene Murphy