

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

February 11, 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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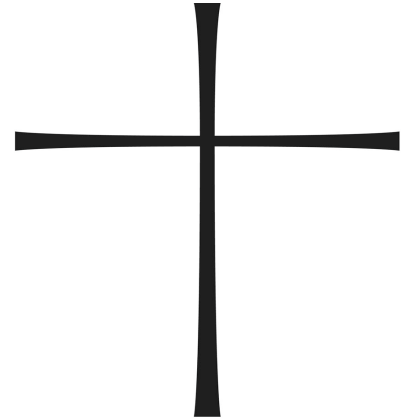
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Happy are those whose
transgression
is forgiven,
whose sin
is covered.

PSALM 32:1, NRSV

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

Please note: any changes to the regular Mass schedule will be posted inside the bulletin.

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

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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

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9th Grade - 12th Grade

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****New Lenten Weekday Masses** – Beginning this Thursday, February 15, St. Stephen will add two more weekday Masses for the Lenten season only. We will celebrate additional Masses on Tuesdays at noon and Thursdays, also at noon. We will continue to have our regular weekday Mass times as usual.

RCIA Calendar – There will be NO RCIA on Wednesday, February 14 due to Ash Wednesday. Our next session will be Wednesday, February 21, on Introduction to Morality/Conscience led by Msgr. Marczuk. We will meet in the St. Jerome room. RCIA meets every Wednesday night starting at 7:00pm.

Hard Hat Collection Weekend – This weekend, February 10/11 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.

Palm Fronds Collection – Are you wondering what to do with last year's palm fronds? We will be collecting palms from last year, beginning this weekend. They will then be burnt for use in this year's Ash Wednesday services on February 14.



Ash Wednesday – There are four Masses with the distribution of ashes scheduled for Ash Wednesday, February 14: 6:30am, Noon and 5:30pm in English and 7:30pm in Spanish/Español.



Lenten Penance Services – The following are dates of Penance Services offered in our area during the season of Lent. Several priests will be available at each:
Tues., Feb. 27, 6:30pm – St. Joseph – Tontitown
Wed., Feb. 28, 6:30pm – St. Thomas Aquinas – Fayetteville
Thur., March 1, 7:00pm – St. Joseph – Fayetteville
Tues., March 6, 7:00pm – St. Mary – Siloam Springs
Thur., March 8, 7:00pm – St. Stephen – Bentonville
Tues., March 13, 6:30pm – St. Vincent de Paul – Rogers
Tues., March 20, 11:45am – St. Bernard – Bella Vista
Tues., March 20, 5:00pm – St. Raphael – Springdale

Stations of the Cross will be offered each Friday during Lent. Stations will be in English at 5:30pm and Spanish at 7:00pm.

- *Feb. 16, 5:30pm - hosted by EDGE with Knights of Columbus fish fry.
- *Feb. 23, 5:30pm - lead by Catholic Kids with dinner.
- *March 2, 5:30pm - hosted by LifeTeen, no dinner.
- *March 9, 5:30pm - hosted by IMPACT with dinner.
- *March 16, 5:30pm - hosted by Women's Scripture Study with a light dinner to follow.
- *March 23, 5:30pm - hosted by Msgr. Scott, no dinner.

A special Live Stations of the Cross will be performed in the Family Life Center by our LifeTeen students on Sunday, Feb. 18 at 6:00pm. Please note that the date changed from Saturday, Feb. 17 to Sunday, Feb. 18.

Estaciones de la Cruz se ofrecerán todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma. Las estaciones se llevarán a cabo a las 5:30pm en inglés y a las 7:00pm español.

Vía Crucis Viviente se llevará a cabo el domingo 11 de marzo a la 1:00pm después de la Misa en Español y el lunes, 12 de marzo a las 7:00pm. La obra será realizada por los niños de nuestra parroquia en el Centro de Vida Familiar.

Lenten Presentation – The Ladies of Grace (Women's Bible Study Group) are sponsoring a Lenten evening of prayerful reflection on *The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary*, according to the meditations of St. Alphonsus Ligouri, which will be presented by Msgr. Scott. The presentation is scheduled for Monday, February 19 at 7:00pm here in the St. Stephen Family Life Center.

Mass Intentions – Please contact the parish office if you would like to schedule a Mass (current dates are available). The Diocese stipulates that a standard stipend for a Mass Intention is \$10.00.

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:

- Mar 25 – Life Teen - 1 usher
- Mar 30 - 7:30pm Good Friday (Spanish)-Lock up
- April 1 - 7:45am Easter - 1 usher

Lenten Talk by Father Kevin – We invite you to attend a talk Fr. Kevin will be offering during Lent titled **"Experiencing Healing Friendship with Jesus Christ through Praying with the Scriptures."** Join Fr. Kevin on February 26 from 7:00-8:30pm in the church to hear how to apply the traditional prayer method of Lectio Divina to your Lenten journey. The talk will be from 7:00-8:00pm, with time from 8:00-8:30pm for questions and answers for those who want to stay.

Legion of Mary is again sponsoring our Annual Spiritual Adoption of an Unborn Child. We ask you to spiritually adopt a baby which you will name and pray for. Adoption papers are available in the Narthex.

Fasting and Abstinence during Lent – Practicing as the Church instructs is a good beginning. A bodily way to remind ourselves that we need God above all things, fasting is also a sacrifice, a gift back to God of our heart's intent to depend more completely on God. The interior free desire to deepen our relationship to God is the essence of a Lenten fast. The following is a question/answer to help you:

Q: What are the rules about fasting and abstinence?

A: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence. The law of fasting allows one full meal and two smaller ones. The law of abstinence prohibits the eating of meat.

Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence in the United States. The obligation of abstinence begins at age 14. The law of fasting obliges all between the ages of 18-59.

El Ayuno y la Abstinencia durante la Cuaresma – Como la Iglesia instruye la práctica es un buen comienzo. Una forma corporal a recordarnos a nosotros mismos que necesitamos a Dios sobre todas las cosas, el ayuno es también un sacrificio, un regalo para Dios de nuestro corazón a depender más completamente en Él. El libre deseo interior profundizara nuestra relación con Dios es la esencia de un ayuno de Cuaresma. La siguiente es una pregunta/respuesta para ayudarlo:

P: ¿Cuál es la regla sobre el ayuno y la abstinencia?

R: Miércoles de Ceniza y el Viernes Santo son días de ayuno y abstinencia. La ley de ayuno permite una comida completa y dos pequeños. La ley de la abstinencia prohíbe el consumo de carne.

Los viernes de Cuaresma son días de abstinencia en los Estados Unidos. La obligación de la abstinencia comienza a los 14 años de edad. La ley del ayuno obliga a todos entre las edades de 18-59.

Life Teen News – Steubenville Registration will open this weekend, please pick up a registration form on the table in the Narthex. Once the registration is returned and the deposit is submitted, your spot will be secure. Tickets are sold on a first come, first served basis so register early!

Life Teen is hosting Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 2. Please use the following link to sign up to help signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4ba8aa23a0fd0-life7.

****Attention Graduating Seniors** – Senior Scholarship applications are now available! The deadline for the application is April 3, and no late applications will be accepted. Scholarship applications should be turned in to Jessica directly, or to the parish office. Applications will be judged by our Core Team.

Please use the sign up genius to RSVP for Grad Dinner signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4ba8aa23a0fd0-graduate.

Catholic Kids Paper Drive – It's that time of year again for the Catholic Kids to collect paper products for the needy. Starting in Lent, all classes (Preschool through 4th grade) will be competing against one another to see who can collect the most items before Easter. The items needed are toothpaste (adult & child size), toilet paper and paper towels. The grade that brings the most will get a Pizza/Donut party in April. All items go to our own SSBC Food Pantry. Bring your items to your classroom on the day your class meets so it can be counted. Let's take this opportunity to teach our kids compassion for others.



Time to pick up your Rice Bowls – As Pope Francis asks us to "Share the Journey" with migrants and refugees around the world, Catholic Relief Services' (CRS) Rice Bowl offers Catholics in the United States a way to encounter Lent, to encounter the causes of migration and displacement, and to learn about the challenges faced by families around the world in their dioceses, parishes, and homes. **Rice bowls will be available in the Narthex on Ash Wednesday.** Seventy-five percent of every donation goes to CRS programming in targeted countries worldwide while twenty-five percent remains in the local diocese from which the donation came, supporting initiatives that help alleviate poverty. To learn more visit orb.crs.org.



Catholic Kids Pot Painting Activity – On February 25, from 11:00am-2:00pm, we will be having our Spring parent-child activity for kids preschool through the 4th grade. You will be painting clay pots to take home and fill with beautiful flowers. The pots will be available for \$5.00 each and you and your parent will purchase them that day, paint them and take them home when you are finished. All painting supplies and a pizza lunch are included at no additional cost. To determine the quantity of food and clay pots; I will need anyone that is interested to sign up on the sheet located in the Narthex.



Fish Fry/Crab Cake Dinner – The Knights of Columbus will be serving fresh hand breaded fried fish and crab cake dinners on February 16 for the First Friday of Lent. There will be mac 'n' cheese available as well. The dinner will be held in the Family Life Center from 5:00pm until 7:30pm. The price for all you can eat fish is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6 to 12, and children under 6 eat free. Crab cakes are \$5 each. The maximum price per household is \$35. Please come out and support this fundraiser that goes towards four college scholarships which we award our graduating high school seniors each year!

Knights of Columbus will be selling and taking orders for gift cards this weekend. They have a number of gift cards available including several for only \$10 for you to purchase and take with you. Stop by and see their card selection. All proceeds go towards reducing the building debt.

St. Stephen Benevolent Conference (SSBC) – Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering. ****Pantry Needs:** chili mix, cornbread mix, and deodorant.

Volunteers Needed for Coffee Social – We are currently seeking volunteers to coordinate the Sunday Socials beginning the Fall. The Sunday Socials are held generally once a month after the 10:00am Mass in the Family Life Center from Fall to Spring. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact the parish office for more information.

Daily Lenten Reflections – This Lent, get daily reflections from Bishop Donald Hying, delivered right to your email, every day. Watch, read and reflect for 10 minutes a day:

- Watch a beautiful video reflection from Bishop Hying's ECHO series
- Read an inspiring passage from the Catechism
- Reflect on how God's truth applies to your daily life

Sign up for Daily Lenten Reflections at Formed.org. You can also invite family and friends to receive daily Lenten reflections!

Reflexiones Cuaresmales Diarias – Esta cuaresma reciba reflexiones cuaresmales en Video del Obispo Donald Hying, directamente a tu correo electrónico, cada día de la cuaresma. Solo 10 minutos al día para ver un video, leer y reflexionar:

- Ve una hermosa reflexión diaria en video de la serie ECHO del Obispo Hying
- Lee un pasaje inspirador del Catecismo
- Reflexiona sobre el poder de Dios en su vida diaria

Inscríbete ahora para reflexiones cuaresmales diarias en Formed.org. Comparte reflexiones cuaresmales diarias con amigos y familiares!

Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal (CASA) – Did you know that your CASA offerings are a source of funding for the education of our Seminarians? Your faithful support helps provide the best in intellectual, personal and spiritual training and education that all of our Seminarians deserve. They have given everything for us and the Church, do we owe them any less than the best that we can give? Become a CASA supporter. We ask that you prayerfully welcome this opportunity to give in support of the overall needs of the Church in our Diocese. This year our parish goal is \$38,944.50.

Pescado Frito/Pastel de Cangrejo - Los Caballeros de Colon estaran sirviendo pescado fresco frito y empanizado a mano tambien pastel de cangrejo el 16 de Febrero primer Viernes de Vigilia. Habrá tambien mac n chesse disponible. La cena será en el Centro de Vida Familiar de 5:00pm a 7:30pm. El precio es de \$10:00 por adulto todo lo que quieras comer (all you can eat), \$5.00 para niños de 6 a 12 años y gratis para niños menores de 6. El pastel de cangrejo tendrá un costo de \$5.00 por pieza. El precio máximo por familia es de \$35.00. Por favor vengan y apoyen este evento, todos los fondos recaudados serán destinanos para patrocinar 4 becas para nuestros jovenes que graduarán de la high school cada año.

Church Operations for February

Month-to-Date Expenses – \$ 46,812.26
 *****Loan Balance** – \$ 2,466,637.27

Following the words of St. Paul, may whatever we do, be done for the glory of God, especially seeking the benefit of others, by our outreach and charitable support, that they may be saved.

Revenue	Month to date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 23,859.38	\$105,000
Building Fund	\$ 4,199.05	\$20,000

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 10

9:00am Byron Mackie †
 5:00pm Russel Yoho †

Sunday, February 11

7:45am Parishioners/Feligreses
 10:00am Special Intention
 11:45am Javier Contreras †
 5:00pm Helen Quinn †

Monday, February 12

8:30am Special Intention

Tuesday, February 13

5:30pm Noreen Witten †

Ash Wednesday, February 14

6:30am Bill Brown †
 12:00pm Scripture Sisters
 5:30pm Zachary Zemora †
 7:30pm Leopoldo Aguilar †

Thursday, February 15

8:30am Hugh & Beatrice Carney †
 12:00pm Hugh & Beatrice Carney †

Friday, February 16

12:00pm Guillermina Flores †

Saturday, February 17

9:00am Poor Souls of Purgatory
 5:00pm Mary Lou Walsh †

Sunday, February 18

7:45am George Abide †
 10:00am Claire Ciha †
 11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses
 5:00pm Susan S. Cain †

SCRIPTURE READINGS for 2/18/17

Genesis 9:8-15
 Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
 1 Peter 3:18-22
 Mark 1:12-15

This Week – 2/12/18 to 2/18/18

Mon: 8:30am **MASS**
 Mon: 6:00-8:00pm IMPACT
 Mon: 6:30-8:00pm Catholic Kids Yellow
 Tue: 5:30pm **MASS**
 Tue: 6:30-8:00pm Mornipotent
 Tue: 6:30pm Choir Practice
Ash Wednesday Masses:
 Wed: 6:30am **MASS**
 Wed: 12:00pm **MASS**
 Wed: 5:30pm **MASS**
 Wed: 7:30pm **MASS – Spanish/Español**
 Wed: 12:30pm Legion of Mary
 Wed: NO CLASSES
 Wed: 6:30-8:00pm NO Bible Study
 Wed: 7:00pm NO RCIA
 Thu: 7:00-8:00am Men’s Scripture Group
 Thu: 8:30am **MASS**
 Thu: 9:00am-9:00pm Adoration
 Thu: 9:30-11:30am Mujeres de Fe
 Thu: 12:00pm **MASS**
 Thu: 6:30pm Spanish Choir
 Fri: 10:15-11:30am Women’s Scripture
 Fri: 12:00pm **MASS**
 Fri: 5:00-7:30pm Knights of Columbus
 Fish Fry Dinner / Pescado Frito
 Fri: 5:30pm Stations of the Cross – Eng.
 by EDGE/Confirmation
 Fri: 7:00pm Estaciones de la Cruz
 Sat: 9:00am **MASS**
 Sat: 2:00pm Rite of Election
 at St. Vincent de Paul
 Sat: 3:30-4:30pm Bilingual Reconciliation
 Sat: 5:00pm **MASS**
 Sun: 7:45am **MASS**
 Sun: 8:45-9:45am Catholic Kids
 Sun: 10:00am **MASS**
 Sun: 11:45am **MASS – Spanish/Español**
 Sun: 5:00pm **MASS – Life Teen**
 Sun: 6:00pm LT - Live Stations of the Cross
 Sun: 6:00-8:00pm Life Teen - Life Night

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Feb. 17 - 18	Lector	EMC - Host	EMC - Cup	Head Minister	Usher	Lock-Up	Altar Server	Sacristan
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Bryan Bacon	Lois Crow Kim Gollhofer Margie O'Grady Kim Monfils Loretta Meisenbacher	Philip Palmer Ron Brophy Jane Cornell Kim Dial Pam Gander Mo Tignor	Janet Palmer	Kevin Cornell Todd Albert Gary VanOvershelde	Kim Monfils	Katie Palmer Sarah Palmer Gabrielle Stockand	Ana Krus
Sunday, 7:45 AM	James Gaffigan	Cheryl Helms Kira O'Shaughnessy Susan Eagleson	Theresa Gaffigan Amanda Cantu Gerry Whiting Brenda Kleck	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Gerri Oswald Len Oswald Karen Howard		Zachery Whiting Hans Edlund Katrina Edlund	Not Filled
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Paul Prebil Pam Willis	Dayna Mohr Mike Mohr Pamm Prebil Bonnie Kupillas Patricia LaChance	Charlotte Champagne Krista Dooley Kristine Epright Claudia Garcia TJ LaPlant Bruce Beckham	Mary Kate Beckham	Daniel Cruz Tim Koch Robert Hutchings		Audrey Dooley Emily Dooley Trinity Dooley	Ted Brauburger
Sunday, 11:45 PM (Spanish Mass)	Jaime Chavez Rosalba Ortiz	Raquel Perez Fernando Perez J. Concepcion Serrano	Ingrid Chavez Maria Elena Calderon Evelyn Dominguez Olga Serrano	Mirna Serrano	Bertha Váldez Mayra Serrano Victor Lopez		Erick Chavez Karen Chavez Angela Munoz Jomaralee Salas	Oscar Dominguez
Sunday, 5:00 PM (Life Teen)		Katie Morris Jill Saulsbery	Rob Brothers Terry Shepard	Cary Richard	Steve Saulsbery Joe Poe		Rachael Saulsbery Andrew Brothers Jack Brothers	Cary Richard