

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

April 29, 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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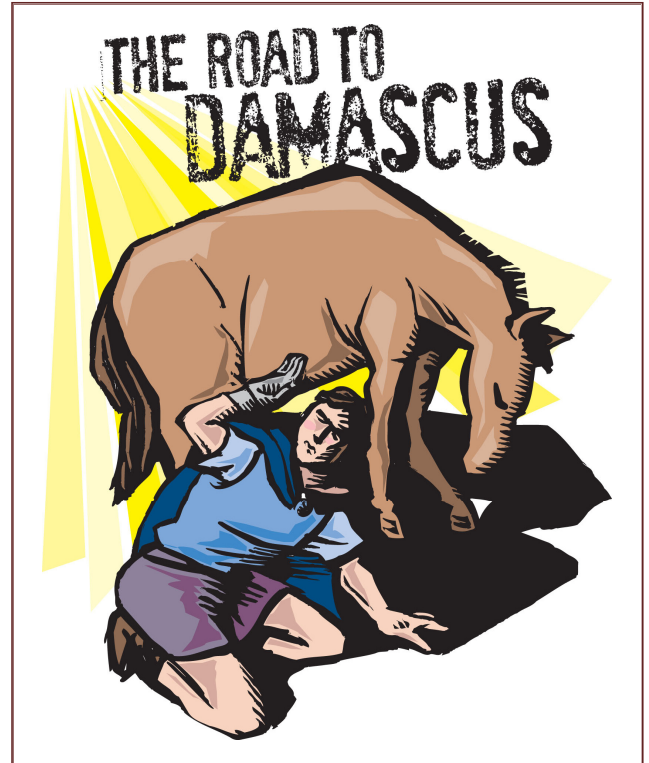
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Weekday Mass (In the Chapel)

Tuesday Mass 5:30pm

Wednesday Mass 12:00pm

Thursday Mass 8:30am

Friday Mass 12:00pm

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 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

preschool@ststephenbentonville.com

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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Pre-K - 6th Grade

Catholic Kids Youth Minister

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EDGE: 7th & 8th Grade

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Confirmation: 8th & 9th Grade

Life Teen Youth Director

Jessica Petter

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9th Grade - 12th Grade

Facebook: LifeTeen Bentonville

Prayer for the Souls in Purgatory:

Our Lord told St. Gertude that this prayer would release 1000 souls from purgatory each time it is said:

Prayer of St. Gertrude the Great

Eternal Father, I offer Thee

*The Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus,
In union with the Masses said throughout the world
today, For all the Holy Souls in Purgatory,
For sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal
church, those in my own home and within my family.
Amen*

Oracion para las Almas en Purgatorio

Nuestro Señor le dijo a San Gertrudis que cada vez que se rezara, esta oración podría librar 1,000 almas del purgatorio:

Oracion de San Gertrudis la Mayor

*Padre Eterno, yo te ofrezco La preciosa Sangre de Tu
Divino Hijo Jesus, En union con todas las misas
realizadas en el mundo entero en el dia de ahoy.
Por todas las benditas almas del purgatorio.
Por todos los pecadores del mundo.
Por los pecadores en la iglesia universal.
Por aquellos en propia casa y dentro de mi familia.
Amen*

Cheese and Wine Social – Thank you everyone who came to the First Annual Wine Social. We hope you all had a wonderful evening. We can't wait to do it again next year!

Registration for Fall Classes – Classes for Religious Education for kids/youth 4yrs through the 12th grade will start next weekend for the 2018-2019 year. Look for the forms at the registration table located in the Narthex. Please also consider volunteering as a co-teacher or small group leader and all religious fees will be waived.

Inscripción para las clases de Educación Religiosa

– Clases de Educación Religiosa para los niños y jóvenes de 4 años hasta el grado 12 comenzara la proxima fin de semana para el año académico de 2018-2019. Las formas para inscripción están en la mesa localizada en el Nártex. Usted también puede ofrecerse como un co-maestro o líder de grupo pequeño y no tiene que pagar el costo para la clase.

Introducing Parent Life – Our first ever Life Teen Parent Night will be on Monday, May 14 from 7:00-8:00pm in the Family Life Center. The topic will be Staying Catholic in College and is for parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, or other adults. This talk is intended to help you navigate the world of your teen beginning college, and how to help them remain faithful to the Church and her teachings once they are there.

Les presentamos Vida de Padres (Parent Life) – Nuestra primera Noche de Vida para Padres será el lunes, 14 de mayo de 7:00 a 8:00pm en el Centro de Vida Familiar. El tema será Ser Catolico en el Colegio y es para padres, abuelos, tías, tíos u otros adultos. Esta charla está destinada a ayudarlo a navegar el mundo de su adolescente que comienza la universidad, y cómo ayudarlos a permanecer fieles a la Iglesia y sus enseñanzas una vez que están allí. El tema será bilingüe.

Cancel Your Envelopes – For those parishioners donating regularly online, you may no longer be using your weekly envelopes. If you aren't using them, please let us know so we can take your name off the list. Doing so will help us save on printing and shipping costs, and we greatly appreciate your help.

If you aren't currently using electronic giving but would like to enroll, there are forms for automatic bank transfers in the Narthex, or you can click "Donate" on the St. Stephen website, or the parish app. Please call the accounting office with any questions.

Confirmation News – This Saturday, May 5 at 10am, 67 candidates of the parish will be confirmed by Bishop Anthony Taylor. Please keep the candidates in your prayers as this important day approaches.

As a reminder to the candidates, we will have a mandatory Confirmation practice on Wednesday, May 2 at 6:00pm. All candidates must attend in order to be eligible for Confirmation.

Hard Hat Collection Weekend – Next weekend, May 5/6 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.

Thank You – Thank you for your participation in the Operation Rice Bowl during this past Lenten season. We raised over \$400 to send to Catholic Relief Services. Twenty-five percent of your gifts remain in your diocese to support local hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. To learn more visit orb.crs.org.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) – VBS will be on June 20-22 from 6-8:30pm. Our theme is Shipwrecked-Rescued by Jesus! Each day, kids will experience the stories and teachings of sacred Scripture, meet a new, real-life Saint and learn about the beliefs and practices of our Catholic faith. Registration is open until May 27. Look for the sign up table in the Narthex.

Knights of Columbus 2nd Annual Rummage Sale will be Saturday, May 12. This year, they are taking adult and children's clothing, including shoes. If you have used furniture, sports equipment, home decor, tools, books, etc...we'd be delighted to pick them up and sell them. To schedule a pickup, or have questions call Dan Reiff (479)685-3561 or Troy Ward (479)899-2196.

SSBC Corner – Your gift to SSBC showed that you are indeed disciples of Jesus. Your love helped to assist 60 families, \$4151 with food, rent and utilities. SSBC will have a "Black Bag" collection this weekend.

St. Stephen Nursery is available for kids the age of 1 to 3 years old for parishioners and guests. The nursery is open during the Mass times of 10:00am & 11:45am on Sundays. We are also looking for volunteers who can help in the nursery during these times.

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

The Heritage Edition of The Saint John's Bible is spending 2018 in Arkansas. From now through May 30, Mercy of NW Arkansas will host this piece of sacred art and offer viewings to the public. We will have a "page turning" and Scripture reflection every Wednesday at 11:45am in the lobby. The official blessing for the presentation of the Bible to the public will be April 5 at 10am in the Mercy Hospital lobby. From now thru May 30 the Bible will be on display in the Mercy Hospital lobby daily, Monday through Friday, from 6:45am until 4:00pm. Church groups are welcome but please email Sr. Anita Anita.DeSalvo@Mercy.Net in order to set a date and time.

Volunteer Eucharistic Minister Needed –

Mercy Hospital needs a volunteer Eucharistic Minister to serve our patients each Tuesday. The volunteer must presently be a Eucharistic Minister at their parish and be willing to pray with and distribute communion to our Catholic Patients on Tuesdays. The time commitment is not more than an hour each week. If you are interested please contact Sr. Anita DeSalvo at: Anita.DeSalvo@Mercy.Net or (479)338-3338.

Summer Camp at Subiaco Abbey – A fun camp for boys ages 9 – 13. The camp is an active boys camp with fishing, archery, riflery, go-carts, climbing wall, boating & tubing, and much more. Camp is June 17 - 23 and June 24 - 30. Register at campsubiaco.org or call Pat Franz, Camp Director at (479)934-1001 for more information.

Ozark Catholic Academy (Opening August 2018)



They are accepting Applications ozarkcatholic.com. They need interested people as volunteers. Please contact John Rocha john.rocha@ozarkcatholic.org or Susan Thornton susan.thornton@ozark.org

with questions. They especially need individuals with skills in marketing, graphic skills, and operations.

Upcoming Pilgrimages:

Trip to The Holy Land – Time to check this one off your bucket list! Nazareth, Cana, Jerusalem, Sea of Galilee, Via Dolorosa and much more! Join them on a Pilgrimage to the Holy Land February 16–24, 2019. Contact Dc. John at jhall3rd@sbcglobal.net, (501)831-1762 or unitours.com/showtrip.aspx?tripid=1369 for more information. A portion of the proceeds benefit The Catholic Schools of Arkansas Scholarship Fund.

A Lenten Pilgrimage – Arkansas Catholic is hosting a 12-day pilgrimage to see the shrines of France April 1-12, 2019. Father Tony Robbins will be the spiritual director. Single and double occupancy rooms available. An informational meeting will be at St. John Center in Little Rock at 3:00pm, Sunday, May 6. RSVP for the meeting at frenchpilgrimage2019.eventbrite.com.

More seats available – Arkansas Catholic is hosting a second bus for an 11-day pilgrimage to see the world-famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, June 17-27, 2020. Informational meeting will be Sunday, May 6, 4:30pm, St. John Center in Little Rock. RSVP for meeting at 2020pilgrims.eventbrite.com. For details on either pilgrimage or to sign up, visit arkansas-catholic.org or call Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at (501)771-0987.

The Little Rock Scripture Study will a retreat on June 15-17. The retreat "A Lively Sense of God" – Treasuring the Old Testament Witness to God will be at St. John Cener, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock. Registration fee of \$125 must be paid in advance. The fee includes three meals on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday. Housing is additional. Deadline to register is Friday, June 1. Full refund to those who cancel by Friday, June 8 and \$75 to those who cancel after June 8.

The 12th Annual St. Joseph Catholic School Men's Night will be held on Saturday, May 12, from 6:30pm to 10:00pm at the Big Red Barn in Fayetteville. Bring your friends and unwind for a night of fellowship and good times! The all-inclusive ticket comes with a steak dinner, top shelf bar, and cigars. There will be auction items including golf, fishing, and hunting packages; sports memorabilia, Razorback and Notre Dame ticket packages, and many more great items. Must be 21 or older to enter the event. Sponsorships, tickets, and tables are available at bidpal.net/nwamensnight. For more information email mensnight@sfay.com.

Annual Pilgrimage at Our Lady of the Ozarks Shrine –

The pilgrimage begins with Confessions at 9:00am followed by Mass at 9:30am on Sunday, May 6. They will assemble outside after Mass at 10:30, and we will recite the rosary as we process from one statue to another throughout the grounds of the church. Once finished you will return to the church for a 15-minute meditation and the placing of our written intentions in the Lady Chapel to the left of the altar. Our Lady of the Ozarks Shrine is located 25 miles south of Fayetteville and 42 miles north of Fort Smith at 22741 N. Highway 71, Winslow, in the middle of the beautiful Boston Mountains. For more information on the pilgrimage contact Deacon Mike Henry, (479)530-3792.

April is National Child Abuse Prevention month

An important mission that TOGETHER our actions should display our care for all minors around us. This is a great opportunity to spend some time and share throughout this month, that child abuse in all its forms can be prevented. We do not only want to prevent child sexual abuse, but ALL other abuses as well – bullying, verbal and emotional abuse, child maltreatment.....this list can go on and on.

St. John Catholic School in Hot Springs is seeking applications for the position of principal. St. John is a PK-8 grade school located in Hot Springs, Arkansas with an enrollment of 126 students. Qualifications include five years teaching or administrative experience in a Catholic school system and a MSE or its equivalent in Educational Leadership. Salary is commensurate with experience. Interested parties should send a cover letter, a complete resume, and a copy of licensure or transcript to: Vernell Bowen, Superintendent, Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207 or vbowen@dolr.org. Deadline is April 30.

No one is more cherished in this world than someone who lightens the burden of another. Thank you!

~ Author Unknown

Church Operations for April

Month-to-Date Expenses – \$ 99,387.66
 *****Loan Balance** – \$ 2,431,862.21

Our desire is to remain as branches on the True Vine of Christ so to produce much fruit in eternity. Our regular offerings, accompanied by our use of talents and volunteerism, signify this desire.

| Revenue | Month to Date | Monthly Goal |
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| Stewardship and Other | \$ 113,545.81 | \$105,000 |
| Building Fund | \$ 21,273.39 | \$20,000 |

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 28
 9:00am NO MASS
 5:00pm Joseph & Lucy Sprute
Sunday, April 29
 7:45am Parishioners/Feligreses
 10:00am Ben Birchem †
 11:45am Stanley Joseph Zegan †
 5:00pm Andrew Lac Tran †
Monday, April 30
 8:30am NO MASS
Tuesday, May 1
 5:30pm Max K. Graham †
Wednesday, May 2
 12:00pm Stephen Hacala †
Thursday, May 3
 8:30am Max K. Graham †
Friday, May 4
 12:00pm Claro & Ruben & Trinidad Aliangan †
Saturday, May 5
 9:00am NO MASS
 10:00am Mark Kugler †
 5:00pm Bertha Pigeon †
Sunday, May 6
 7:45am Stanley Zegan †
 10:00am Andrew Lac Tran †
 11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses
 5:00pm Rosibel Ramchand † & Macario Aliangan †

SCRIPTURE READINGS for 5/06/18

Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
 Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4
 1 John 4:7-10
 John 15:9-17

This Week – 4/30/18 to 5/06/18

Mon: 8:30am **NO MASS**
 Tue: 5:30pm **MASS**
 Tue: 6:30pm Choir Practice
 Tue: 7:00pm Spanish Choir
 Wed: 12:00pm **MASS**
 Wed: 12:30pm Legion of Mary
 Wed: 6:00-8:00pm Confirmation Rehearsal
 Wed: 6:30-8:00pm Catholic Kids Blue
 Wed: 6:30-8:00pm LT Bible Study
 Thu: 8:30am **MASS**
 Thu: 9:00am-9:00pm Adoration
 Thu: 9:30-11:30am Mujeres de Fe
 Fri: 12:00pm **MASS**
 Sat: 9:00am **NO MASS**
 Sat: 10:00am Confirmation
 Sat: 3:30-4:30pm Bilingual Reconciliation
 Sat: 5:00pm **MASS**
 Sun: 7:45am **MASS**
 Sun: 10:00am **MASS – May Crowning**
 Sun: 11:45am **MASS – Spanish/Español**
 Sun: 5:00pm **MASS – Life Teen**
 Sun: 6:00pm Graduation Dinner



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| May 5 - 6 | Lector | EMC - Host | EMC - Cup | Head Minister | Usher | Lock-Up | Altar Server | Sacristan |
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| Saturday, 5:00 PM | Bryan Bacon | Bob Monfils Kim Monfils Rosemary Power Bonnie Kupillas Pam Gander | Jane Cornell Mo Tignor Michaelene Morgan Mark Jechura Amy Fulmer Kim Dial | Philip Palmer | Mike Power Gary VanOverschelde Kevin Cornell | Joseph Giovannucci | Erik Bacon Helena Bacon Lukas Bacon | Loretta Meisenbacher |
| Sunday, 7:45 AM | Pat Moberley | Gerry Whiting Susan Eagleson Peggy Estes | Amanda Cantu Robbie Estes Karen Howard Chris O'Shaughnessy | Mark Jechura | Geri Oswald Len Oswald Anita Rausch | | Hans Edlund Katrina Edlund Zachery Whiting | Barb Hamernik |
| Sunday, 10:00 AM | Maria Mendez Paul Prebil | Patricia LaChance Gina Koch Matthew Lawrence Kristine Epright Pamm Prebil | Bruce Beckham Dayna Mohr Mike Mohr Charlotte Champagne Rose Hartnett Joe Hartnett | Mary Kate Beckham | Tim Koch Daniel Cruz Robert Hutchings | | Gabriel Rocha Patrick Rocha Thomas Rocha | Joe Hartnett |
| Sunday, 11:45 PM (Spanish Mass) | Luz Carmen Sanchez Fernando Barbosa | Raquel Perez Maria Rodriguez Olga Serrano | Mirna Serrano J. Concepcion Serrano Ingrid Chavez Maria Elena Calderon | Fernando Perez | Marugel Monzalvo Antonio Sanchez Mayra Serrano | | Miguel Balderas Jose Ramirez Luis Ramirez Isaac Barbosa | Fernando Perez |
| Sunday, 5:00 PM (Life Teen) | Teen | Michelle Johnson Melissa Godoy | Karen Coppick Tommy Coppick | Bill Murphy | Beatriz Segura Juan Carlos Segura | | Juan Pablo Segura Lulu Segura Jesse Coppick | Jolene Murphy |