

# ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

May 13, 2018

## ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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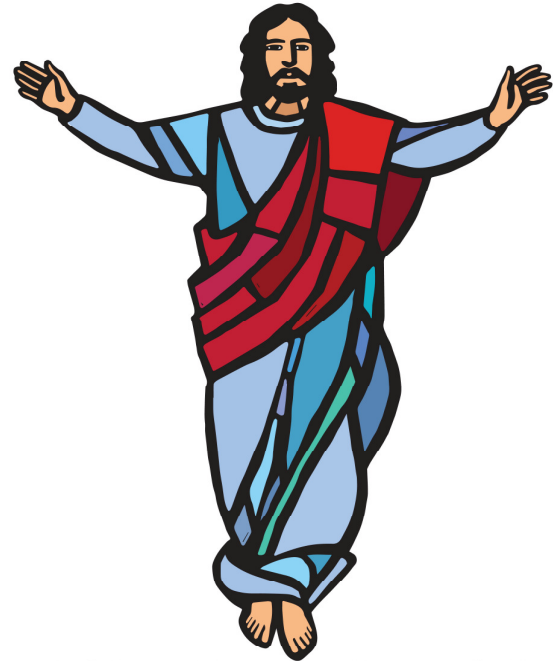
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He ascended INTO Heaven

### Weekday Mass (In the Chapel)

Tuesday Mass 5:30pm

Wednesday Mass 12:00pm

Thursday Mass 8:30am

Friday Mass 12:00pm

### 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.

### Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 7:45am

Sunday 10:00am

Sunday 11:45am - Spanish/Español

Sunday 5:00pm - Life Teen

### 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](mailto: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 - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### Catholic Kids Youth Minister

Monica Shoemaker

Pre-K - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

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#### EDGE/Confirmation Director

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Confirmation: 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### Life Teen Youth Director

Jessica Petter

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

Facebook: LifeTeen Bentonville

*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.

**Altar Servers Needed** – We are greatly in need of altar servers at Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 7:45am, and Life Teen Masses. If your child(ren) would like to serve, please call the parish office to arrange to have them trained.

**Diocesan Priest to appear in American Ninja Warrior** – Father Stephen Gadberry has made it to the NBC show American Ninja Warrior. He will appear in the television show on Wednesday, May 30 at 7:00pm.

**Observance of ASCENSION Day** – In our part of the country and in our Archdiocese, the Solemnity of the ASCENSION of the Lord has been transferred to Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup> (so the current Church calendar indicating it as a Holy Day of obligation on May 10<sup>th</sup> is not accurate for our Diocese).

**Confirmation** – Congratulations to the seventy candidates who made their Confirmation on Saturday, May 5. Please pray that God will bless them and their families as they continue forward with their journey of faith – Mariana Alvarez, JT Anderson, Jonathan Anderson, Lukas Bacon, Missy Baumhover, Alex Beckstead, Gabe Bolle, Calista Boskus, Leena Brandenburg, Abigail Castagna, Nicole Chapman, Mariana Chavez, Abby Crouch, Ella Crouch, Karla Cruz, Megan Dial, Andrew Dziwanowski, Paige Edmund, Annyssa Espinosa, Cindy Ferreyra, Nick Fulton, Joel Gaeta, Andrew Guegan, Eli Helm, Angelica Hernandez, Tyler Hoggatt, Lleyton Hull, Kayla Iannazzo, Hailey Joiner, Rae Juan, Zachary Lammers, Mia Lopez, Nicolas Lorennij, Ana Lucia Meza, Karleene Mugomoka, Selena Munoz-Aguilar, John Nguyen, Emily Owen, Delaney Ray, Kyle Reynolds, Parker Robinson, Ashanti Salazar, Mariel Sanabria, Bryan Sheehan, Faith Shields, Grace Shoemaker, Aiden Simpson, Nikolas Simpson, Hunter Sonnentag, Frankie Suchara, Colin Sylvester, Owen Tesoro, Ander Townzen, Bridget Verkamp, Liam Vernon, Daniel Vogel, Nathan Wewers, Andrew Wurzer, Oscar Barrera, Mike Wyse.

We would also like to congratulate the five candidates that joined us from St. John the Evangelist Church in Huntsville – Edgar Alexander Aleman, Eduardo Hernandez, Omar Orduna, Bryan Sandoval, Daniel Sandoval, Brene De Jesus Sotz.

**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.

**Vacation Bible School (VBS)** – VBS will be on June 20-22 from 6:00-8:30pm. 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.

**Save the Date** – We will be hosting a farewell social for Fr. Kevin on Sunday, June 3 after the LifeTeen Mass. If you are interested in volunteering to help, please contact the parish office.

**Reserve la Fecha** – Vamos a organizar una despedida para el Padre Kevin el domingo, 3 de junio, después de la misa de LifeTeen. Si usted está interesado en ser voluntario para ayudar, por favor, llame a la oficina de la parroquia.

**Life Teen News** – Last Sunday, May 6, we celebrated the upcoming graduation of our St. Stephen High School seniors. We are proud of all that they have accomplished and are thankful for all that they have done for our St. Stephen community – many have helped at Mass and have volunteered a lot of their time helping with our education program! As they prepare for their graduation on Saturday May 19, please keep them in your prayers. Congratulations to our Life Teen Scholarship winners: Bessie Sullivan, Carl Alexander, Maeve Penman, Nicholas La Chance, Alex Paprocki, and Happy Nguyen. These students have given countless hours of their time to St. Stephen Life Teen, have served on the Teen Leadership team this past year, and have mentored many of their younger peers. They have hearts of service and compassion for others – we are so proud of them!

Reminder, we have our first Life Teen Parent Night this Monday, May 14 from 7:00 – 8:00pm in the Family Life Center. All adults from the parish are encouraged to attend, especially parents!

Nuestra primera Noche de Vida para Padres será este lunes, 14 de mayo de 7:00 a 8:00pm en el Centro de Vida Familiar. El tema será para todos los adultos en nuestra parroquia especialmente los padres. La charla será bilingüe.

**Volunteer Eucharistic Minister Needed** – Mercy Hospital needs a volunteer Eucharistic Minister to serve their patients each Tuesday. The volunteer must presently be a Eucharistic Minister at their parish and be willing to pray with and distribute communion to their 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](mailto:Anita.DeSalvo@Mercy.Net) or (479)338-3338.

**Registration for Fall Classes** – Classes for Religious Education for kids/youth 4yrs through the 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

*Volunteers are love in motion!* ~ Author Unknown

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

The Knights of Columbus will be supporting the lifesaving work at Loving Choices with the Baby Bottle Campaign. The Spring Baby Bottle Campaign will start May 13, please help us to support this campaign.

**SSBC Corner** – When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts. \*Pantry needs: Powder milk, Condensed milk, Boxed potatoes.

**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 and 11:45am on Sundays. We are also looking for volunteers who can help in the nursery during these times.

**St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Fayetteville** - Due to the change of pastoral duties of Fr. Andrew and Fr. Jason, as recently announced by Bishop Taylor they will no longer have have regularly scheduled Saturday 9:00am Mass or 9:30am confessions as a part of its weekly schedule. All other weekly Mass and confession times will remain the same, and we hope to add additional confession times during the week when the fall semester begins.

**St Vincent de Paul Catholic School** – Now enrolling PreK through 8<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2018-19 academic year. A tradition of high academic achievements focused on the Catholic faith with service to others, limited openings remain for next year. Contact Sandra Stephens to register or schedule a tour at [admissions@svdpschool.net](mailto:admissions@svdpschool.net) or (479)636-4421.

**Catholic Bible Institute** will hold their retreat June 15-17 at St. John Center in Little Rock. Bro. John Barker, OFM, will address "Treasuring the Old Testament Witness to God" throughout the weekend. Paid registration of \$125 is due by Friday, June 1. Contact LRSS for more information [lrss@dolr.org](mailto:lrss@dolr.org), (501)664-6102 or download the form here [cdnlrss.blob.core.windows.net/pdfs/BI\\_2018.pdf](http://cdnlrss.blob.core.windows.net/pdfs/BI_2018.pdf).

**Habitat for Humanity of Benton County** is asking for our prayers. They are asking for the Lord to continue to show them grace/mercy and safety on their build. To give them wisdom and discernment as they reach their calendar and financial goals before the home dedication for a single grandmother and her 7 year old grandson on May 31.

**Catholic Communication Campaign Collection (CCC)** – Next weekend the CCC will be collected. Half of the collection stays in the Diocese of Little Rock to support the communications ministries, including the newspaper and Internet. Your donation will help give more than 700 complimentary Arkansas Catholic subscriptions to churches, schools, prisons and to those who can't afford it. Please give generously.

**Priesthood Ordinations** – Please keep the following men and all of our seminarians in your prayers. The schedule of upcoming ordinations to the Priesthood for 2018 is as follows:

- \*May 26 – Dc. Tuyen Do associate pastor of Christ the King in Little Rock.
- \*May 26 – Dc. Patrick Friend chaplain of Catholic High School for Boys in Little Rock.
- \*May 26 – Dc. Jeff Hebert associate pastor of St. Joseph Church in Conway.
- \*May 26 – Dc. Keith Higginbotham part-time chaplain of Mount St. Mary Academy in Little Rock and part-time associate pastor of St. Edward Church in Little Rock.
- \*June 2 – Dc. Joseph de Orbegozo part-time associate pastor of St. Theresa Church in Little Rock and a part-time teacher at the diocesan House of Formation in Little Rock.
- \*June 2 – Dc. Stephen Elser associate pastor of Immaculate Conception Church in Fort Smith and chaplain of Trinity Junior High in Fort Smith.
- \*June 2 – Dc. Michael Johns associate pastor St. John the Baptist Church in Hot Springs.
- \*June 2 – Dc. Daniel Ramos associate pastor of St. Raphael Church in Springdale and St. Joseph Church in Tontitown.

**Search #144 Retreat** – Registrations are now being accepted for Search #144 retreat. This retreat is to help juniors and seniors in high school get to know themselves better, deepen their friendship with Christ, and find support in living out their faith. Search #144 will be held at St. John Center, Little Rock, June 22-24. For more information and/or registration forms visit [dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-144.pdf](http://dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-144.pdf). The fee is \$135. Scholarships forms are available at [dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/diocescholarshipapplication.pdf](http://dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/diocescholarshipapplication.pdf). If you have questions please contact Trish Gentry at [tgentry@dolr.org](mailto:tgentry@dolr.org) or call the Diocese of Little Rock Youth Ministry office (501)664-0340, ext. 418.

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

**Health & Wellness Workshop** – The Cathedral of St. Andrew is hosting a free Health & Wellness Workshop on Saturday, May 19 from 8:00am until 2:00pm. Lunch is provided and everything is free. For more information please visit [csalr.org](http://csalr.org). To register, email Fr. Joseph Chan [fatherjosephchan@csalr.org](mailto:fatherjosephchan@csalr.org).

**Colecta para los Servicios de Comunicación** – El próximo fin de semana será la colecta para la Campaña Católica de la Comunicación. La mitad de la colecta se queda en la Diócesis de Little Rock para ayudar los ministerios de comunicación, que incluyen periódico e Internet. Su donación ayudará a donar más de 700 suscripciones católicas gratuitas de Arkansas a iglesias, escuelas, y prisiones. Por favor den generosamente.

**Church Operations for May**

Month-to-Date Expenses – \$ 43,203.72  
 \*\*\***Loan Balance** – \$ 2,431,862.21

We celebrate the feast of the Lord’s Ascension into Heaven, where He has prepared a place for us. As we wait for our promised eternal inheritance, may we remain faithful in our love and service of God and others through sharing of volunteer time and resources.

Revenue	Month to Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 29,460.18	\$105,000
Building Fund	\$ 7,734.65	\$20,000

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, May 12**

5:00pm Susan S. Cain †

**Ascension of the Lord Sunday, May 13**

7:45am George Abide †  
 10:00am Maria Guadalupe Flores †  
 11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses  
 5:00pm Frank Kidd †

**Tuesday, May 15**

5:30pm Fr. Greg Hart †

**Wednesday, May 16**

12:00pm Mary Behanan †

**Thursday, May 17**

8:30am Phyllis Nulty †

**Friday, May 18**

12:00pm Peter Thong Le †

**Saturday, May 19**

5:00pm Mary Alice Mayer †

**Pentecost Sunday, May 20**

7:45am Liz Murphy †  
 10:00am In Thanksgiving  
 11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses  
 5:00pm Bud Hesse †

**SCRIPTURE READINGS for 5/20/18**

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11  
 Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34  
 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13  
 John 20:19-23

**This Week – 5/14/18 to 5/20/18**

Mon: 7:00pm Life Teen Parent Night  
 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: 6:30-8:00pm LT Bible Study  
 Thu: 8:30am **MASS**  
 Thu: 9:00am-9:00pm Eucharist Adoration  
 Thu: 9:30-11:30am Mujeres de Fe  
 Fri: 12:00pm **MASS**  
 Fri: 6:00pm Quineañera Rehearsal  
 Sat: 11:00am Quineañera  
 Sat: 3:30-4:30pm Bilingual Reconciliation  
 Sat: 5:00pm **MASS**  
 Sat: 6:30pm Rosary Prayer Group  
**Pentecost Sunday**  
 Sun: 7:45am **MASS**  
 Sun: 8:45am SSBC Mtg.  
 Sun: 10:00am **MASS**  
 Sun: 11:45am **MASS – Spanish/Español**  
 Sun: 5:00pm **MASS – Life Teen**  
 Sun: 6:00-8:00pm EDGE – Summer Kick-Off



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May 19 - 20	Lector	EMC - Host	EMC - Cup	Head Minister	Usher	Lock-Up	Altar Server	Sacristan
<b>Saturday, 5:00 PM</b>	Bryan Bacon	Mo Tignor Jane Cornell Bonnie Kupillas Doris Clement Margie O'Grady	Lois Crow Kim Dial Loretta Meisenbacher Jon Terlouw Jon Clement Lori Terlouw	Philip Palmer	Kevin Cornell Todd Albert Dave Brandenburg	Janet Palmer	Paige Edmund Sarah Palmer Katie Palmer	Mark Jechura
<b>Sunday, 7:45 AM</b>	James Gaffigan	Gerry Whiting Bruce Peterson Amanda Cantu	Theresa Gaffigan Peggy Estes Robbie Estes Susan Eagleson	Maggie Peterson	Geri Oswald Len Oswald Karen Howard		Meghan Estes Jake Estes Zachery Whiting	Bruce Peterson
<b>Sunday, 10:00 AM</b>	Katherine Brumley  Mary Pablo	Pam Willis Thomas Ganey Imelda Robinson Kristine Epright Gina Koch	Marie Barnak Kathleen Crouch Michaelene Morgan Brian Rabal Greg or Mandy Brandenburg Mary Kate Beckham	Bruce Beckham	Robert Hutchings Tim Koch Ken Butler		Paige Koch Martin Brandenburg John Brandenburg	Charlotte Champagne
<b>Sunday, 11:45 PM (Spanish Mass)</b>	Fernando Barbosa  Luz Carmen Sanchez	Maria Rodriguez Jesus Zuno Herlinda Zuno	Beatriz Aguirre Raquel Perez Crimilda Viera Ingrid Chavez	Mirna Serrano	Bertha Valdez Nadia Calderon Antonio Sanchez		Isaac Barbosa Ashley Arana Erick Chavez Karen Chavez	Fernando Perez
<b>Sunday, 5:00 PM (Life Teen)</b>	Teen	Michelle Johnson Melanie Ray	Katie Morris Paul Krapf	Cary Richard	Joe Poe Steve Saulsbery		Hayden Poe Mary Poe Peter Kreuter	Cary Richard