

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

March 3, 2019

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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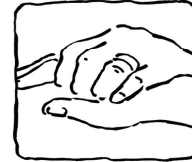
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Always
give
yourselves
fully to
the work
of the
Lord ...

1 Corinthians 15:58

Weekday Mass (In the Chapel)

Tuesday Mass 5:30pm

Ash Wednesday

Word & Ash Service - 6:30am English
Masses - 12:00pm & 5:30pm English
7:30pm Spanish

Thursday Mass 8:30am

Thursday Mass 12:00pm

Friday Mass 12:00pm

Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 7:45am & 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.

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday by 12:00pm (5 days prior to the publication date of the bulletin).

Drop off articles to the parish office or e-mail them to the receptionist.

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.

If you plan on getting married, always be sure to contact the church before officially setting a date or booking a reception site.

Membership

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

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.

Kids/Youth Faith Formation

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Office Hours: M-W-F

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

Hard Hat Collection – This weekend we will have 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.

New Lenten Weekday Masses – St. Stephen has added one more weekday Mass for the Lenten season only. We will celebrate an additional Mass on Thursdays at noon. We will continue to have our 8:30am weekday Mass time as usual.

Ash Wednesday and Word & Ash Service, March 6 – New this year is one Word & Ash Service (NO MASS) scheduled for 6:30am in English. We also have three Masses with the distribution of ashes scheduled for Noon and 5:30pm in English and 7:30pm in Spanish.

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

- *March 8, 5:30pm - hosted by EDGE with Fish Fry.
- *March 15, 5:30pm - lead by Catholic Kids with dinner.
- *March 22, 5:30pm - hosted by Msgr. Scott.
- *March 29, 5:30pm - hosted by IMPACT with dinner.
- *April 5, 5:30pm - hosted by Life Teen with Fish Fry.
- *April 12, 5:30pm - hosted by Women's Scripture Study with dinner.

****Please Note** – A special Live Stations of the Cross will be performed in the Family Life Center by our Life Teen students on Sunday, April 7th.

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.

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., March 12, 6:30pm – St. Joseph, Tontitown
Thur., March 14, 7pm – St. Stephen, Bentonville
Tues., March 26, 7pm – St. Joseph, Fayetteville
Thur., March 28, 7pm – St. Thomas UofA, Fayetteville
Tues., April 2, 11:45am – St. Bernard, Bella Vista
Tues., April 2, 6:30pm – St. Vincent, Rogers
Tues., April 9, 5pm - St. Raphael, Springdale
Wed., April 10, 5pm - St. Anne, Berryville
Thur., April 11, 7pm – St. Mary's, Siloam Springs

Fish Fry/Crab Cake Dinner – The Knights of Columbus serve fresh hand breaded fried fish and crab cake dinners on March 8th for the First Friday in 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 family is \$35.

Pescado Frito/ Pastel de Cangrejo (Fish Fry/Crab Cake Dinner) – El primer Viernes de Vigilia será el 8 de Marzo, por tal motivo los Caballeros de Colón estarán sirviendo una cena de Pescado Frito/Pastel de Cangrejo (Fish Fry/Crab Cake). También habrá macarrones con queso para los niños. El evento se llevará a cabo en el Centro de Vida Familiar de la Parroquia de 5–7:30pm. El costo será \$10 por adulto, \$5 para niños de 6 a 12 años y los niños menores de 6 años comerán gratis. El costo por familia no será mayor de \$35.

RCIA Calendar – There will be NO RCIA this Wednesday, March 6 due to Ash Wednesday. The next session will be Wednesday, March 13 an Introduction to Morality and Conscience led by Msgr. Marczuk. We will meet in the St. Jerome room. RCIA meets every Wednesday night starting at 7:00pm.

Girl Scout Cookies – Parishioners from Girl Scout Troop 5850 will be selling cookies after Mass next weekend. Cookies are \$5.00 per box. Donated cookies will be given to SSBC.

Ministry Schedule – Work will be starting soon on the ministry schedule for the months of April, May and June. This schedule will include special Masses for Holy Week (April 18-21). Let us know of any conflicts you might have for the next quarter before Monday, March 11 by calling the church office at 479-273-1240 or via email ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com. No response indicates that you do not have any conflicts for your preferred Mass time. Also, please make use of the sub list if you are unable to attend Mass when you are scheduled – a friendly reminder that the parish office does not find subs.

High School Seniors – Scholarship Application time is finally here! The forms are all online and will include your RSVP for Grad Night Dinner. Apply at bit.ly/LTSeniors. April 1st is the deadline to apply. No late applications will be accepted.

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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 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 grade that brings the most will get a Pizza/Donut party in April. All items go to our own St. Stephen Benevolent Society 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.

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: Good Friday is a day of fasting & 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 ages 18-59.

Join Benton County Right to Life for a Pro-Life Apologetics informational session in the Family Life Center, on Saturday, March 9th from 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM. We will discuss how to change hearts and save lives by making a persuasive case for life. We'll have a coffee and hot chocolate bar there. Children are welcome! Please RSVP to bcright2life@gmail.com by Thursday, March 7th.

40 Days for Life – This Lenten Season consider offering one hour/week to the spring vigil of 40 Days for Life beginning March 6th Ash Wednesday thru April 14th Palm Sunday. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful vigil prayer in front of the Planned Parenthood abortion center in Fayetteville where faithful Christians peacefully pray from 7:00am-7:00pm, seven days a week for 40 Days. Former abortion center director Abby Johnson stated that when people stood in prayer in front of her Planned Parenthood, they would experience as much as 75% cancellation rate of abortion appointments. Your presence saves lives! For further information visit 40daysforlife.com/fayetteville or text Sheila at (469)231-1959.

Post-Abortion Support Group – The Respect Life Office, through Project Rachel, is starting support groups, beginning in March. The spiritual journey lasts 8 weeks, with small groups meeting once per week. Groups will be formed in different locations throughout Arkansas. All names and meeting places are strictly confidential. For details call 501-663-0996 or email hevans@dolr.org. Please inquire soon- groups are forming now.

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School Open House - Join them on Thursday, March 7th from 8:15-9:00am for a PreK / Kindergarten open house. Meet the staff, tour the facilities and learn about the benefits of a SVdP education. Applications for the 2019-20 school year are now being accepted, contact Sandra Stephens, Admissions Director at stephens@svdpschool.net for more information.

St. Vincent de Paul School PTO is offering two \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors. Scholarship criteria and application can be found at goo.gl/DAFkoV. The deadline to submit the application is Monday, March 11. For more information, contact Teisha Weisenfels this year's PTO Scholarship Chairperson at teisha.weisenfels@rpsar.net.

Summer Camp at Subiaco Abbey – Camp Subiaco is for boys ages 9-13. The camp is an active all boys camp with fishing, archery, riflery, go-carts, boating & tubing, and more. Camp is June 16-22 or June 23-29. You may sign up at CampSubiaco.org or call 479-934-1001 for more info. Sign-up today! Camp Subiaco is operated by Subiaco Alumni and Benedictine Monks of Subiaco Abbey.

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: Viernes Santo es día 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 la edad de 14 años. La ley del ayuno obliga a todos entre las edades de 18-59.

Ozark Catholic Academy is accepting applications for grades 9-11 for the 2019-2020 school year. Apply online at ozarkcatholic.org/application-process or call 479-316-3445. Follow them @ozarkcatholic! #onlyoca

Mark your calendars for St Joseph-Fayetteville Lenten Mission – Tony Melendez an inspirational speaker and musician will present "You are the New Evangelist" based on Bishop Barron's New Evangelization. Come join this free event:

*Sunday, March 24, 7-8:30pm

*Monday, March 25, 6-8pm & Adoration 8-8:30pm

*Tuesday, March 26, 6-7pm & Reconciliation & Music 7-8pm

Originally from Nicaragua, Tony was born without arms due to the drug, Thalidomide that his mother was prescribed for morning sickness. Tony travels with his brother Jose and together they share with everyone their story and music. Tony has presented in all 50 states and 44 countries as well as doing World Youth Day. Come see for yourself what then Pope John Paul II applauded as a message of hope and inspiration.

Reboot – A fun, inspiring and practical experience of applying the beauty and genius of the heart of the Gospel to every aspect of your life. No part of your life will be left untouched! The event will be Thursday, April 4 from 7:00-9:30pm at St. Raphael in Springdale! Featuring acclaimed speaker, author & TV host Chris Stefanick. Tickets are \$25 per person and may be purchased at St. Raphael or reallifecatholic.com.

Lenten Session – St. Thomas Aquinas University Parish presents "Trusting in Divine Sufficiency." Guest speaker Sr. Mary Clare Bezner, OSB is an Olivetan Benedictine in the community of Holy Angels Convent in Jonesboro, AR. Currently, she serves as the community's Vocations Director and Minister of the Religious for the Diocese of Little Rock. As Lent begins, this evening will help you to deepen your faith in God and his goodness. Join them on Thursday, March 7 at 6:30pm at 603 N. Leverett Ave. Fayetteville AR, 72701. Reception to follow.

Pilgrims to Eternity – Lenten Lessons & Reflections on 1 John, Chapter 3 is the topic of Lenten Day of Recollection Wednesday, March 13, at Coury House Retreat Center in Subiaco. Registration at 8:30am followed by conferences, reconciliation, Stations of the Cross, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Noon Prayer with the monks, lunch and 2:30pm Mass to end the day. Call 479-934-1292 before March 6 to register. Cost is \$25.

Church Operations for February

Month-to-Date - \$ 94,549.69

Loan Balance - \$ 1,895,035.49

May good fruit come forth as a result of our stewardship, motivated by being "fully devoted to the work of the Lord."

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 88,120.64	\$ 117,000
Building Fund	\$ 15,436.91	\$ 23,000

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 2

9:00am Anton Vy Nguyen

5:00pm Joseph Hesse †

Sunday, March 3

7:45am Rose Ferraro

10:00am Andrew Lac Tran †

11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses

5:00pm Russel Yoho, Jr. †

Tuesday, March 5

5:30pm Charles E. Harper †

Ash Wednesday, March 6

12:00pm Anton Vy Nguyen

5:30pm Charles E. Harper †

Thursday, March 7

8:30am Charles E. Harper †

12:00pm Jonathan Fraka †

Friday, March 8

12:00pm Sandy Buckley †

Saturday, March 9

5:00pm Read Bush †

Sunday, March 10

7:45am Dorothy Hesse †

10:00am Special Intention

11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses

5:00pm Andrew Lac Tran †

SCRIPTURE READINGS for 03/10/19

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Psalm 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15

Romans 10:8-13

Luke 4:1-13

This Week – 03/04/19 to 03/10/19

Tue: 5:30pm **MASS**

Tue: 6:30pm Choir Practice

Tue: 7:00pm Spanish Choir

Ash Wednesday - No Meat

(Fasting & Abstinence)

Wed: 6:30am **Ash Services Only**

Wed: 12:00pm **MASS - Ash Wednesday**

Wed: 12:30pm Legion of Mary

Wed: 5:30pm **MASS - Ash Wednesday - Eng**

Wed: 6:30-8:00pm LT Bible Study

Wed: 7:00-8:00pm NO RCIA

Wed: 7:30pm **MISA - Miercoles de Ceniza**

Thu: 8:30am **MASS**

Thu: 9:00am-9:00pm Eucharist Adoration

Thu: 9:30-11:30am Mujeres de Fe

Thu: 12:00pm **MASS**

Thu: 6:00-8:00pm Amor y Respeto

Friday - No Meat

Fri: 10:15-11:30am Women's Scripture Study

Fri: 12:00pm **MASS**

Fri: 5:30pm Station of the Cross – English hosted by EDGE

Fri: 5:00-7:30pm Knights of Columbus (Fish Fry/ Pescado Frito)

Fri: 7:00pm Estaciones de la Cruz - Español

Sat: 11:00am Rite of Elect at SvDP

Sat: 3:30-4:30pm Bilingual Reconciliation

Sat: 5:00pm **MASS**

Sun: 7:45am **MASS**

Sun: 8:45am CK

Sun: 10:00am **MASS**

Sun: 11:45am **MASS - Spanish/Español**

Sun: 5:00pm **MASS - Life Teen**

Sun: 6:00-8:00pm LT Life Night

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March 9 – 10	Lectors	EMC -Head Minister	EMC - Host	EMC - Cup	Usher	Lock-Up	Altar Server	Sacristan
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Mark Jechura	Jon Terlouw	Jill Saulsbery Kim Dial Margie Story Not Filled	Joyce Moppin Ron Brophy Bonnie Kupillas Pam Gander Amy Fulmer Not Filled	Steve Saulsbery Lori Terlouw Joseph Giovannucci	Joseph Giovannucci	Beverly Harrington Leacadia Harrington Gabrielle Stockand	Mark Jechura
Sunday, 7:45 AM	Mike Fontana	Gary Delperdang	Robbie Estes Peggy Estes Lance Crider	Chris O'Shaughnessy Kira O'Shaughnessy Susan Eagleson Amanda Cantu	Karen Howard Brian Swisher Michael Swisher		Meghan Estes Jake Estes Nicholas Glory	Gary Delperdang
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Children's Mass	Mary Kate Beckham	Patricia LaChance Bruce Beckham Matthew Lawrence Mike Mohr Dayna Mohr	Steve Harrington Thomas Ganey Krista Dooley Greg or Mandy Brandenburg Joe Hartnett Rose Hartnett	Brock Schulte Daniel Cruz Jeff Maas		Gabriel Rocha Patrick Rocha Thomas Rocha	Joe Hartnett
Sunday 11:45 AM Spanish / Español	Rosalba Ortiz Teresita Perez	Ivan Sanabria	Emilia Ortiz Maria Elena Calderon Olga Serrano	Carmen Sepulveda Eva Miramon Mirna Serrano Beatriz Aguirre	Martha Mendoza Bertha Valdez Jose Ortiz		April Limon Angela Munoz Karen Chavez Erick Chavez	Crimilda Viera
Sunday, 5:00 PM Life Teen	Teen	Bill Murphy	Jodi Durkin Cathy Townzen	Rob Brothers Bryan Bacon	Beatriz Segura Joe Poe		Andrew Brothers Jack Brothers William Durkin	Jolene Murphy