

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Now faith is
being sure
of what we hope for.
Hebrews 11:1

Weekday MASS

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 & 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

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday by 12:00pm (5 days prior to the publication date). Please email articles to the receptionist office
receptionist@ststephenbentonville.com.

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:

Catholic Kids & IMPACT Director

Suzanne Sutton
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Pre-K – 6th Grade

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youthoffice@ststephenbentonville.com

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Edge: 7th & 8th Grade
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Confirmation: 8th & 9th Grade

Life Teen Youth

Jessica Petter
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9th Grade – 12th Grade
Facebook: Life Teen Bentonville

Pre-School Director

Cathy Townzen
preschool@ststephenbentonville.com
Office Hours: M–W–F
9:00am–12:00pm September–May

RCIA Registration Begins – We welcome all who are interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith to our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Classes for RCIA officially begin Wednesday, September 4 at 7:00pm in the St. Jerome room. We begin with what is called time of Inquiry. The Inquiry period is a time for individuals seeking information and guidance into the rites, doctrines and sacraments that are intricate parts of Catholic religion. We welcome all who would like to journey with us this fall to email the parish office at ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com or call 479-273-1240 to register. Our schedule follows the school calendar. We meet every Wednesday except for Thanksgiving week, Christmas and Spring Break. Schedules with topics will be furnished along with easy to read materials for weekly discussion. All are welcome.

Sacristans Wanted – If you would like to be trained as a Sacristan (setting up for Mass), please contact the parish office to be trained for this special ministry. This ministry requires being early for Mass, and setting up for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. You must be trained as a Minister of Holy Communion, have received Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation, and be in full communion with the Church to serve as Sacristan.

Help in Mass – Have you considered serving as a minister of Holy Communion in Mass? Reading in Mass? Ushering? We are always in need of volunteers to help at all Masses. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in helping with any of these ministries.

St. Stephen Nursery provides care for children ages 1-3 during the 10:00am and 11:45am Sunday Masses and weekly activities as needed. The following supplies are requested for donation: Clorox wipes, Kleenex, Crayons, Construction Paper, Play-do, Expo markers, Batteries size D, AAA, AA. Donations can be delivered to the nursery located in the St. Jude room. Also, please consider donating your time as a volunteer! You can sign up to volunteer in the nursery or contact Sarah Greenbank at sarahgreenbank1@gmail.com.

Guardería de San Esteban está disponible para los niños de 1 a 3 años de edad durante las 10:00am y las 11:45am en los domingos y actividades semanales según necesario. Se requiere que se registre una vez. Se solicitan los siguientes suministros para la donación: toallitas Clorox, Kleenex, crayones, baterías de tamaño D, AAA, AA, papel de construcción, marcadores Expo, Play-do. Las donaciones se pueden entregar o enviar a la guardería ubicado en la sala de San Judas. También, por favor considera donar tu tiempo como voluntario! Puede inscribirse como voluntario en la guardería o contacte a Sarah Greenbank en sarahgreenbank1@gmail.com.

26th Annual Nature's Call Campout for young adults will be Labor Day weekend! You and other young Catholic adults from across the Midwest will enjoy a relaxing getaway to Lake Pomme de Terre, where you can pitch a tent or simply hang a hammock in the several acres of land on the lake! You will meet and grow in friendship with 100+ young faithful while swimming, live music, dancing, hiking, cooking competition, sports, and more! Holy Mass and Confessions will be available. Food and beverages are not provided. Stores are nearby for any necessities. The campsite has restrooms with running water and shower facilities. To learn more and/or purchase tickets (\$25 online or \$30 at the door). For questions visit naturescall.camp. We look forward to seeing you!

Ministry Scheduling – Work will be starting soon on the ministry schedule for the months of October, November, and December. This will include special Masses for All Saints Day & All Souls Day (Oct. 31, Nov. 1-2), Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 28), Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. Please let us know of any conflicts you might have for the next quarter before Monday, September 16 by emailing ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com or by calling the church office at (479) 273-1240. No response indicates that you do not have any conflicts for your preferred Mass time. A friendly reminder that the parish office does not find subs.

Friends of the Poor Walk – This Year's annual Friends of the Poor Walk will be September 28, leaving from the church at 9:00 AM. Come join us and bring your family and friends as we enjoy a fun morning of exercise and fellowship. The Knights of Columbus will provide breakfast after the walk for all walkers. Most importantly, we will be raising money for our neighbors in need. Registration will be available in the Narthex after Saturday 5:00 PM Mass and Sunday's 7:45 and 10:00 AM Masses this weekend.

Musician Needed – St. Stephen is looking for a musician for the Sunday 5:00 PM Mass. Training is provided, music and licensing also provided. The position is also well compensated for your time spent. If you are a musician and are ready to answer the call to serve in this important ministry please contact Jessica Petter, Life Teen Director for more information Lifeteen@ststephenbentonville.com.

Explore the Faith and Culture of Mexico – Arkansas Catholic is hosting a 6-day pilgrimage to Mexico in February 2020. Pilgrims will visit the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe to see the miraculous tilma (cloak) of St. Juan Diego bearing the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Father Tony Robbins will be the spiritual director. Only 40 seats available so sign up today. A free informational meeting will be held at 3 p.m., Sunday, September 15 at St. John Center in Little Rock. RSVP for the meeting at mexicopilgrimage.eventbrite.com. For details or to sign up, visit arkansas-catholic.org or call Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at (501) 771-0987.

Healing Ministry – A new healing ministry for all abuse victims, their families and those who support their recovery is being introduced to the Diocese of Little Rock. A free introductory meeting will be led by Father Gavin Vaverek, JCL, and Miguel Prats of the Maria Goretti Network in the Diocese of Tyler, Texas. The meeting will be held from 6:30-8 p.m., Friday, September 27 at St. Joseph Church in Conway. No reservation is needed to attend. More information on the ministry is available at mgoretti.org. For more information, call Fr. Tony Robbins at (501) 327-6568.

God's Powerful Love – Living in the Spirit will be led by Deacon Larry Oney and his wife Andi. Presented by St. Joseph Church in Conway and the Magnificat, Central Arkansas Chapter. The goal of the conference is to help each person in attendance grow closer to God by becoming even more open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit in our lives. The conference is on Sept. 14 from 8 AM until 3:15 PM followed by a special Mass for those in attendance. For tickets call Debbie Eckert 501-339-7632 or register online at tinyurl.com/godslove914. Free childcare is available, but you'll need to reserve a spot by emailing ctrantina@sparish.org.

The Miracle of Christmas is a story of the birth of Jesus being presented at the Sight & Sound Theater in Branson on Saturday, November 16. A bus trip has been scheduled to the show along with reserved seating at a cost of \$79 per person. The bus will load at 8 am and depart at 8:30 am from the St. Bernard parking lot. Call Dean Mechels at 479-8760-8884 or 479-685-9514 to make reservations. Make checks out to Knights of Columbus and mail to Dean Mechels, 8 Canopy Lane, Bella Vista, Ar 72714. This event sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #9514. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call them.

Incoming Freshmen and Transfer Students – Are you or do you know of someone attending Arkansas Tech University in the Fall? If so, please contact St. Leo the Great Catholic University Parish on ATU's campus. They are trying to contact incoming freshmen and transfer students, please provide them with any information as soon as possible. Contact them at stleoatu@gmail.com or through our Facebook page (St. Leo the Great Catholic University Parish at Arkansas Tech University). You can message Pat Buford or Mary Corkins with any questions you might have. We are located at 509 West "L" Street across from Baswell Residence Hall Parking. We look forward to meeting you and starting a great school year!

Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal (CASA) – 'Charity should begin at home' is an old proverb, and for Catholics across our state, charity really begins at CASA. The Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal is our annual campaign to fund a multitude of projects around our diocese. You name it and it is probably supported by CASA: Catholic Schools, a charitable Medical Clinic, Youth Ministries, Seminarian Education, Disaster Relief, Adoption Services...the list is almost endless. Charity does begin at home, so please give generously and make a difference in our own back yard by becoming a CASA supporter.

If you have not returned your CASA pledge card please do so. You can drop it in the collection basket or return in the attached pre-paid envelope. To date we have collected a total of **\$32,772.00** or **84%** donated by **131** parishioners toward our parish goal of **\$38,944.50**. Thank you for your generous support in helping our diocese continue to grow and carry on the missionary work of Jesus.

La Campana Católica de Arkansas a Compartir (CASA) – 'La caridad debe comenzar en el hogar' es un viejo proverbio. Y para los católicos en el estado, la caridad verdadera mente comienza en CASA. La Campana Católica de Arkansas a Compartir es nuestra campaña anual para financiar una inmensidad de proyectos en nuestra diócesis. Nómbrelo y probablemente es un proyecto apoyado por CASA: Escuelas Católicas, una Clínica Médica caritativa, Ministerio de Jóvenes, Educación para Seminaristas, Ayuda de Emergencia, Servicios de Adopción... la lista casi nunca termina. La caridad comienza en el hogar, así que de generosamente para hacer la diferencia en nuestro propio jardín al convertirse en un colaborador de CASA.

Si no ha regresado su tarjeta de promesa de donativo de la Campana Católica de Arkansas a Compartir por favor hágalo. La puede poner en la canasta de la colecta o en el sobre pre pagado que venía adjunto. A la fecha se han colectado un total de **\$32,772.00** o **84%** donado por **131** filigreses hacia nuestra meta de la parroquia de **\$38,944.50**. Muchas gracias por su generoso apoyo al ayudar a nuestra diócesis a seguir creciendo y llevando a cabo el trabajo misionero de Jesús.

Ozark Catholic Academy (OCA) Save the Date – Saturday, September 7 for OCA's only fundraiser for the 2019/2020 school year! Both events will take place at 192 E. Henri de Tonti Blvd. We hope all can join them for a day of comradery and fun! OCA Amazing Race is a fun, family-friendly fundraiser unique to NWA and you won't want to miss it! The event is from 10:00am-12:30pm. Inspired by the TV show The Amazing Race, teams of 4 will compete in physical and mental challenges! All events will be on the fields next to the church/school, no car travel is involved in the race. Cost is \$100 per team, and sponsorship support is encouraged and rewarded with jump start bonus points. To register and/or sign up your team, visit OzarkCatholic.org/AmazingRace. The OCA Dinner Auction from 6-10pm is an adult only evening dinner, entertainment by local favorite band, silent and live auction items benefitting OCA. Tickets are \$50 each. For auction preview or buy tickets visit OzarkCatholic.org/oca-dinner-auction.

Called and Gifted – The Catholic Church teaches that every baptized Christian has been gifted with Charisms that are meant to be used in service to the Body of Christ. How can you begin to find what your gifts are and how to use them? Begin to explore the process of Discernment, learn what the Charisms are, how you might have been gifted. How can you begin? Begin the journey, discover your Charism. Each location will host Part I which will guide you through an understanding of the charisms and how they are played in daily life. Upon discerning what charism the Holy Spirit has given you, Part II helps you use these gifts to be the eyes, ears, hands and feet of Jesus to everyone around you. For information, to find the classes or to register before August 28th, email called.giftedarkansas@gmail.com.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal – Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your donations support programs, such as religious education, seminary formation, and lay ministry training, to build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information at usccb.org/home-missions.

Colecta para las Misiones Católicas - En estos momentos, más del 40% de las diócesis en Estados Unidos es considerado territorio misionero pues no le es posible financiar las labores pastorales básicas en sus comunidades. Su donativo financia programas como la educación religiosa, la formación de seminaristas y la capacitación de ministros laicos con el fin de construir unas comunidades de fe llenas de vida aquí en Estados Unidos. Por favor, contribuya generosamente. Encuentre más información en usccb.org/home-missions.

Employment Opportunity at St. Raphael Catholic Church, Springdale. This is a part time position for a bilingual Youth Director. The applicant must be at least 25 years old and willing to work flexible hours with Youth Groups in 6th -12th grades. Some evenings and weekends are required. Send in your resume or call Rebecca at the Church Office for more information, 479-756-6711. 1386 S. West End St., Springdale, AR 72762.

Joplin Area Catholic Schools are seeking a licensed bus driver to run a route twice a day for the 2019-20 school year. Please call Toni LoPresti, 417-438-0681 to apply and for more information.

Church Operations for August

Month-to-Date - \$ 31,581.20

Loan Balance - \$ 1,731,598.66

As the Lord rescued Jeremiah from potential famine while imprisoned in the cistern, we should be grateful that He has come to our aid with many blessings from His providential care. In gratitude, let us return to Him a portion of our time, talent and treasure.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 45,045.09	\$ 117,000
Building Fund	\$ 12,365.25	\$ 23,000

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, August 17**

5:00pm All Lonely Souls

Sunday, August 18

7:45am Hannah & Nick Witkowski

10:00am Shirley Morris †

11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses

5:00pm Timothy Brennan †

Tuesday, August 20

5:30pm Special Intention

Wednesday, August 21

12:00pm Eduardo Chuidian †

Thursday, August 22

8:30am Elmer Heier †

Friday, August 23

12:00pm Fr. John Smyth †

Saturday, August 24

5:00pm Bui/Le Ancestors

Sunday, August 25

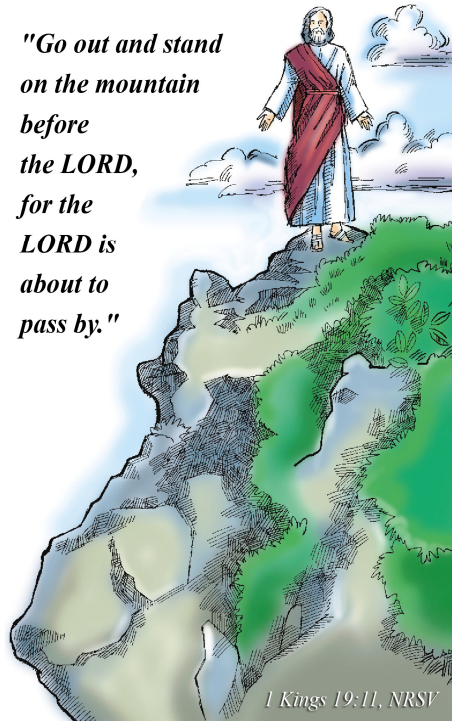
7:45am M. L. Fox †

10:00am Shirley Morris †

11:45am Parishioners/Feligreses

5:00pm Thong Peter Le †

*"Go out and stand
on the mountain
before
the LORD,
for the
LORD is
about to
pass by."*

**Scripture Readings for 08/25/19**

Isaiah 66:18-21

Psalm 117:1, 2

Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Luke 13:22-30

This Week – 08/19/19 to 08/25/19

Mon: 7:00-8:00 Knights of Columbus

4th DegreeTue: 5:30pm **MASS**

Tue: 6:30pm Choir Practice

Tue: 6:30pm Spanish Choir

Wed: 12:00pm **MASS**

Wed: 12:30pm Legion of Mary

Wed: 5:30pm First Communion Teacher Mtg.

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

Thu: 8:30am **MASS**

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

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

Fri: 12:00pm **MASS**

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

Sat: 5:00pm **MASS**Sun: 7:45am **MASS**Sun: 10:00am **MASS**Sun: 11:45am **MASS** - Spanish/EspañolSun: 5:00pm **MASS**

August 24-25	Lector	EMC -Head Minister	EMC - Host	EMC - Cup	Usher	Lock-Up	Altar Server	Sacristan
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Jon Terlouw	Mark Jechura	Kim Monfils Bob Monfils Margie O'Grady	Ron Brophy Kim Dial Jill Saulsbery Joyce Moppin	Lori Terlouw Todd Albert Steve Saulsbery	Kim Monfils	Rachael Saulsbery Gabrielle Stockand Emily Stockand	Mark Jechura
Sunday, 7:45 AM	Bruce Peterson	Maggie Peterson	Amanda Cantu Lance Crider Chris O'Shaughnessy	Ann Watson Karen Howard Bryan Bacon Elizabeth Costantini	Gerard Davenport Greg Woodell Anita Rausch		Tristen Watson Jack Corey Erik Bacon	Barb Hamernik
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Maria Mendez Paul Prebil	Bruce Beckham	Gina Koch Michaelene Morgan Imelda Robinson TJ LaPlant Greg or Mandy Brandenburg	Mary Kate Beckham Paul Krapf Maxine Olson Thomas Ganey Bonnie Kupillas (Pamm Prebil	Tim Koch Jeff Maas Bo Patterson		Ryder Johnson Paige Koch Catherine Duke	Joe Hartnett
Sunday, 11:45 AM (Spanish Mass)	Rosalba Ortiz Dulce Ortiz	Crimilda Viera	Maria Elena Calderon Eva Miramon Emilia Ortiz	Carmen Sepulveda Olga Serrano Beatriz Aguirre Mirna Serrano	Jose Ortiz Martha Mendoza Bertha Valdez		Brayan Miramon Erick Chavez Karen Chavez Angela Munoz	Ivan Sanabria
Sunday, 5:00 PM	Teen	Bill Murphy	Michelle Evans Chris Davis	Terry Shepard Catherine Garner	Rob Brothers		Andrew Brothers Jack Brothers Collin Harris	Jolene Murphy