



ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH



1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

June 21, 2020

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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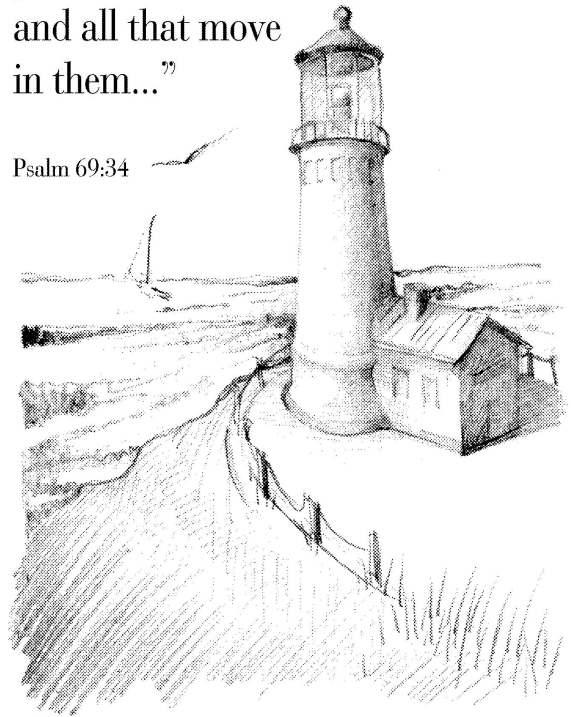
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“Let heaven and earth
praise him, the seas
and all that move
in them...”

Psalm 69:34



Temporary Weekday MASS

Monday - Friday 12:00 PM - English

Saturday Vigil & Sunday MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:45 AM & 10:00 AM

Sunday 11:45 AM – Spanish

Sunday 2:00 PM (Temporary)

Sunday 5:00 PM

Reconciliation/Reconciliación

Saturday / sábado - Bilingual/Bilingüe
3:00 - 4:00 PM

Monday – Friday / miércoles - viernes
11:30 - 11:55am

Adoration Times / Horario de Adoración

Monday – Thursday / lunes – jueves
9:00am – 11:30am & 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Friday / viernes 9:00am – 11:30am

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday by 12:00 PM (5 days prior to the publication date). Email articles to receptionist@ststephenbentonville.com.

Membership

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

Infant Baptism

Offered once a month in English and Spanish. Baptism preparation required. Parents must be registered members of St. Stephen. **No baptisms in December.**

Catholic Marriage

Marriage preparation required. Contact the parish at least 9 months in advance. Two additional months' notice needed for wedding in another country. If you plan on getting married, always contact the church before booking a reception site or setting a date.

RCIA

Sessions open to those interested in learning about or renewing their connection to the Catholic Faith.

Pre-School Director

Cathy Townzen
preschool@ststephenbentonville.com

Office Hours: M-W-F

8:30 AM -12:30 PM September - May

St. Stephen also attends to Blessed Stanley Rother Church in Decatur:

Mass Time (Spanish Only)

Saturday Mass 6:00 PM

Kids/Youth Faith Formation:

Catholic Kids & IMPACT Director

Suzanne Sutton

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Pre-K – 6th Grade

Catholic Kids Youth Minister

Monica Shoemaker

youthoffice@ststephenbentonville.com

Pre-K – 4th Grade

EDGE/Confirmation Director

Chris Teague

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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

Instagram: Lifeteenststephen

Church Guidelines – Bishop Taylor’s dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation remains in effect. Both an English and a Spanish Mass will be Live Streamed on Sunday.

- Please stay home, if you do not feel well or have been exposed to COVID-19.
- A mask is required for all individuals 10 years of age and up.
- Please make sure to use hand sanitizer prior to entering the church. If possible, please supply your own.
- Remember to keep physical distance of 6 feet while entering the church, sitting in the pews, in line for communion and when exiting the church.
- Families may sit together.
- Procedures for taking communion will be explained prior to and during the Mass.

Your full cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Directivos de La Iglesia – La dispensa del obispo Taylor de la obligación de la misa dominical sigue vigente. Tanto una misa en inglés como en español se transmitirá en vivo el domingo.

- Por favor, quédese en casa si no se siente bien o ha estado expuesto a COVID-19.
- Se requiere una máscara para todas las personas de 10 años y mayor.
- Use desinfectante para manos antes de entrar a la iglesia. Si es posible, proporcione el suyo.
- Recuerde mantener una distancia física de 6 pies entrando a la iglesia, mientras se sienta en las bancas, cuando hace fila para la comunión y a la salida.
- Las familias pueden sentarse juntas.
- Los procedimientos para la comunión se explicarán antes y durante la Misa.

Su cooperación será muy apreciada.

Religious Freedom Week will start June 22 and end June 29, as we pray, reflect, and take action on religious liberty, both here in this country and abroad. For more details visit www.usccb.org/.

- Monday, June 22 - Freedom to Serve in Health Care
- Tuesday, June 23 - Respect for Houses of Worship
- Wednesday, June 24 - Religious Minorities in China
- Thursday, June 25 - Adoption and Foster Care
- Friday, June 26 - Border Wall Dispute in the Diocese of Brownsville
- Saturday, June 27 - Catholic Schools
- Sunday, June 28 - Central African Republic
- Monday, June 29 - Civilize It

Semana de la Libertad Religiosa comenzará el 22 de junio y finalizará el 29 de junio, mientras oramos, reflexionamos y tomamos medidas sobre la libertad religiosa, tanto aquí como en el extranjero. Para más detalles visite www.usccb.org/.

- lunes, 22 de junio - La libertad de servir en la atención Médica y los servicios sociales
- martes, 23 de junio - Respeto por los lugares de culto
- miércoles, 24 de junio - Minorías religiosas en China
- jueves, 25 de junio - La adopción y el cuidado temporal
- viernes, 26 de junio - Disputa por borde fronterizo en diócesis de Brownsville
- sábado, 27 de junio - Escuelas católicas
- domingo, 28 de junio - República Centroafricana
- lunes, 29 de junio - Civismo

Spiritual Work of Mercy – It is a Spiritual Work of Mercy to pray for the deceased. The death toll now in the United States is 118,385+ and world-wide death toll is now at 432,000+ due to Covid-19. Many of these persons have been buried without the customary religious services, and some have no one to pray for the repose of their souls. While we continue to pray for an end to the pandemic & all those who have been affected, in charity, let us not forget to assist the faithful departed with our prayers & Masses.

Faithful Departed Prayer

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen

Obra Espiritual de Misericordia – Es una Obra Espiritual de Misericordia orar por los difuntos. El número de muertes en los Estados Unidos es 118,385+ y el número de muertes todo el mundo debido al Covid-19 ahora es de 432,000+. Muchas de estas personas han sido enterradas sin los servicios religiosos habituales, y algunas no tienen a nadie para rezar por el descanso de sus almas. Mientras continuamos orando por el fin de la pandemia y todos los que han sido afectados por ella, por caridad, no olvidemos ayudar a los fieles difuntos con nuestras oraciones y misas.

Fiel Oración por los Difuntos

Concédeles Señor, el descanso eterno, y brille para ellos la luz perpetua. Que las almas de los fieles difuntos, por la misericordia de Dios, descansen en paz. Amén

Masks for Masses – Thanks to everyone who has supported the Masks for Masses program with proceeds funding the St. Stephen Benevolent Conference. The response has been overwhelming. Anyone able to sew and willing to donate their time to this ministry would be appreciated. Fabric and other supplies can be provided to you. Please call Donna Werst at 479-640-2618 if you are interested. Thank you.

Life Teen News – We would like to congratulate the Senior Class of 2020 on their graduation from High School, we are proud of all of you! We are pleased to announce that the following students are recipients of the parish scholarship this year: Lauren Rabal, Sydney Morris, Kaitlynn Teague, Ben Haddinger, Daryl Easterling, Andres Alvarado, and Keith Doke. Thank you all for your participation in Life Teen and your commitment to serving our parish throughout your high school careers. May God bless you and keep you as you take these next important steps into the world. You will always be part of our Life Teen family!

Knights of Columbus News – Congratulations to the recipients of the K of C scholarships. Based on academic achievements and church/community activities, the scholarships were presented to Kennedy Ray, Kaitlynn Teague, Lauren Rabal, Sydney Morris & Brooke Addison.

The K of C sends out a huge congratulations to Randy Gomez who was chosen as Knight of the Year & also to Dan and Lesa Reiff voted as Knight Family of the Year.

The 2020 Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Conference which was for July 24-26 has been canceled due to COVID-19. Next year will be the 50th anniversary of Charismatic Renewal in Arkansas. The 2021 conference is scheduled for July 23-25 at the Wyndham and there will be three speakers. The ACCC committee was saddened to cancel the conference but looks forward to seeing everyone in 2021. For more information please visit www.ARKCC.ORG.

NWA Respect Life News – AR Right to Life Director Rose Mimms joyfully announced that a baby was saved during the newly implemented program of "Safe Haven Baby Boxes." A location for this safe haven was established - thanks to donations through the Knights of Columbus and Our Lady of Fatima church - at Fire Station #3 in Benton, AR. In mid-May a new born infant was placed in this safe haven. I have been contacted about establishing a Safe Haven Baby Box in NWA. If you would like to assist in this life saving effort, please contact Sheila Pursell, Director of NWA Respect Life nwarespectlifecouncil@gmail.com or 469-231-1959.

Prayer to Overcome Racism:

Mary, Friend and Mother to All,
through your Son, God has found a way
to unite himself to every human being,
called to be one people, sisters and
brothers to each other.
We ask for your help in calling on your
Son, seeking forgiveness for the times
when we have failed to love and respect
one another.
We ask for your help in obtaining from
your Son the grace we need to overcome
the evil of racism and to build a just society.
We ask for your help in following your Son,
so that prejudice and animosity will no longer
infect our minds or hearts but will be replaced
with a love that respects the dignity of each
person.
Mother of the Church, the Spirit of your Son
Jesus warms our hearts: pray for us.
Amen.

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St. Vincent de Paul School – The 2020-2021 School Year registration has started. SVdP School is a 2015 National Blue Ribbon Exemplary High Performing School. The school has approximately 390 students and is divided into 4 programs:

- * Early Childhood Program: 3 yr.-old Part Time (2 days Per week), 4 yr.-old Part Time (3 days per week) and 4 yr. - old Full Time (5 days per week)
- * Elementary School: kindergarten through 4th grade
- * Middle School: 5th and 6th grades
- * Junior High: 7th and 8th grades

Give your child the gift that lasts for a lifetime. Apply today! Please contact Sandra Stephens (479)636-4421 or stephenss@svdpschool.net for more information.

Search #148 Retreat – Registrations are now being accepted for Search #148, a retreat 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. The retreat is open to in-coming juniors, seniors and recently graduated seniors. Search #148 will be at St. John Center, Little Rock, over the dates of July 17-19. **Due to Covid-19** - space will be limited to 30 registrants & all guidelines (wear masks, keep 6 feet of distance, etc.) set by the Bishop will be followed. If you have questions contact Trish Gentry tgentry@dolr.org at (501)664-0340, ext 418 or (501)352-1682. The fee is \$135. For information and registration forms visit <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-148.pdf>.

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

Oración para todas las Almas del Purgatorio -

Nuestro Señor le dijo a Santa Gertrudis la Grande, que esta oración puede librar 1000 almas del purgatorio cada vez que se rece:

Oración de Santa Gertrudis La Mayor

"Padre eterno, yo te ofrezco la preciosísima Sangre de Tu Divino Hijo Jesús, en unión con las misas celebradas hoy día a través del mundo por todas las benditas ánimas 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. Amén."

The Church in Latin America – This weekend, we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America! As the second collection basket will not be passed around, please place your donation in the regular collection basket. Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, & a shortage of ministers. Your generosity makes it possible for our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous to the special collection! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

La Iglesia en América Latina – ¡Este fin de semana realizaremos la colecta para la Iglesia en América Latina! Muchas personas en América Latina y el Caribe no tienen acceso a los programas y ministerios de la iglesia debido a una creciente cultura secular, a terrenos rurales difíciles y a la escasez de ministros. Su generosidad hace posible que nuestros hermanos y hermanas en América Latina y el Caribe participen en la vida de la Iglesia y se acerquen más a Cristo. ¡Por favor, sean generosos en esta colecta especial! Para informarse más, visite www.usccb.org/latin-america.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje (October 11 to 20) – You are invited to prayerfully consider answering Our Lady's call to join pilgrims from around the USA travelling to Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina this October. Our Lady invites you to experience, in a special way, the gift of her Son during this prayer-filled journey. (Note: since May 2019, Pilgrimages are authorized and encouraged by the Vatican. A permanent representative from the Vatican, Msgr. Houser, resides there.) Contact Julie Brummitt (a former St. Stephen parishioner) at 817-602-8999 or for information/register at www.pilgrimages.com/brummitt. There are limited seats from XNA to Chicago join the connecting flights to Europe early reservations are suggested or you may join the group in Croatia for the transfer to Medjugorje. Each day is filled with Holy Mass, and an evening program which offers Confession, International Mass, and Adoration, that awaits you. May God Bless you and hope to see you soon!

Church Operations for June

Month-to-Date - \$ 115,850.18

Loan Balance - \$ 1,370,322.08

The Lord is a mighty champion, who protects us from our persecutors. Therefore, we are not afraid. In gratitude let us give generously in thanksgiving to the Lord.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 53,758.50	\$ 117,000
Building Fund	\$ 10,794.60	\$ 23,000

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**Saturday, June 20**

5:00pm Sally Crenshaw †

Sunday, June 21

7:45am Parishioners / Filigreses

10:00am Maria Nhu Bui & Peter Thong Le †

11:45am Maria Jesus Fajardo †

2:00pm Intention of the Celebrant

5:00pm Special Intention

Monday, June 22

12:00pm Louise Smith †

Tuesday, June 23

12:00pm John Palmer †

Wednesday, June 24

12:00pm Amy & Joey Smith

Thursday, June 25

12:00pm Sally Crenshaw †

Friday, June 26

12:00pm Mary Ann Pierson

Saturday, June 27

5:00pm Sally Crenshaw †

Sunday, June 28

7:45am Eriberto & Vanessa Torres-Mendez

10:00am All Lonely Souls

11:45am Parishioners / Filigreses

2:00pm Intention of the Celebrant

5:00pm Lenon Padilla †



Consider
yourselves
dead to sin

and

ALIVE
to **GOD** in
CHRIST
JESUS.

ROMANS 6:11

Scripture Readings for 06/28/20

2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a

Psalm 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19

Romans 6:3-4, 8-11

Matthew 10:37-42

Church News – Monsignor will continue to bless salt, candles, olive oil, water, & religious sacramentals during this time of need. When bringing in the items please place those on the cart outside the office, write your name and phone number on the paper provided. We will call you when the items have been blessed.

Noticias de la Iglesia – El Monseñor continuará bendecir sal, velas, aceite de oliva, agua y sacramentales religiosos durante este tiempo de necesidad. Cuando traiga los artículos, colóquelos en el carrito fuera de la oficina, escriba su nombre y número de teléfono en el papel provisto. Nosotros le llamaremos cuando los artículos hayan sido bendecidos.



June 27 - 28	Lector	Eucharist Minister -HEM & Vessels	Eucharist Minister - Host	Usher	Lock-Up	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Amylynn Smith	NOT FILLED	Margie O'Grady Ron Brophy	Dave Brandenburg Joseph Giovannucci NOT FILLED	Joseph Giovannucci	NOT FILLED
Sunday, 7:45 AM	Irma Holasek	Gary Delperdang	Gary Delperdang Amanda Cantu	Gerard Davenport Geri Oswald Len Oswald		Amanda Cantu
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Rose Hartnett	Joe Hartnett	Joe Hartnett Imelda Robinson	Jeff Maas NOT FILLED Steve Harrington		Joe Hartnett
Sunday, 11:45 AM (Spanish MASS)	Ramon Portilla	Ivan Sanabria	Olga Serrano Maria Elena Calderon	Maria Dalia Lopez Victor Lopez J. Concepcion Serrano		Ivan Sanabria
Sunday, 2:00 PM	Bruce Peterson	Bruce Peterson	Bruce Peterson			Bruce Peterson
Sunday, 5:00 PM	Lukas Bacon	Bryan Bacon	Bryan Bacon Allyson Brothers	Rob Brothers Lukas Bacon NOT FILLED		Bryan Bacon