



ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH



1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

May 30, 2021

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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Weekday MASS

Monday - Friday 12:00 PM - English

Saturday Vigil & Sunday MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:45 AM

Sunday 10:00 AM

Sunday 11:45 AM - Spanish

Sunday 5:00 PM

Reconciliation / Reconciliación

Monday / lunes - Friday / viernes

11:30 - 11:55am

Saturday / sábado - Bilingual / Bilingüe

3:00 - 4:00 PM

Adoration Times / Horario de

Adoración

Monday / lunes - Thursday / jueves

9:00am - 11:30 AM and 12:45 - 3:00 PM

Friday / Viernes - 9:00- 11:30 AM

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 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.

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

Mass Time (Spanish Only)

Saturday Mass 6:00 PM

Pre-School Director

Cathy Townzen

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday

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

Youth Faith Formation:

Catholic Kids & IMPACT Director

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Pre-K - 6th Grade

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Pre-K - 4th / Confirmation: 8th & 9th Grades

Life Teen / EDGE Youth

7th Grade - 12th Grade

Parish Office News – The parish office will close this Monday, May 31st in observance of Memorial Day. Please hold all calls and visits until Tuesday, June 1st.

Presentation on the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Since June is the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, on Wednesday, June 2nd Msgr. Scott will give a presentation at 6:30 pm. The evening will include Acts of Consecration and Reparation and the Litany to the Sacred Heart, with explanation of the blessings promised to those who practice this devotion. Msgr. Marczuk will also present a power-point talk on this devotion, from Church History, Scripture, teachings of popes and saints, including various mystics and visionaries, especially St. Margaret Mary. The presentation will be in the Family Life Center.

Corpus Christi Festival and BBQ – Join us Sunday, June 6th for our first annual Corpus Christi Festival! The fun starts after the 10:00am Mass until 3:00pm. Tickets are \$10/person or \$25/family this includes unlimited food, bounce houses, pot painting, Bingo, karaoke, and so much more! The Knights will also be providing a beer garden. You may purchase tickets on WeShare. For questions please contact Elizabeth Ganey at marketing@ststephenbentonville.com.

Festival de Corpus Christi y BBQ – ¡Únase a nosotros el domingo 6 de junio para nuestro primer festival anual de Corpus Christi! La diversión comienza después de la Misa de 10:00am hasta las 3:00pm. La entrada es de \$10/persona o \$25/familia, esto incluye comida ilimitada, casas de rebote, pintura para pintar maceteras, bingo, karaoke, y mucho más. Los Caballeros también proveerán un jardín de cerveza. Puede comprar sus entradas en WeShare. Si tiene alguna pregunta, póngase en contacto con marketing@ststephenbentonville.com.



Ministry Schedule – Work will be starting soon on the ministry schedule for the months of July, August and September. Please let us know of any conflicts you might have for the next quarter before Monday, June 14 by emailing us at ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com or calling the church office. 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.

***Last Chance Vacation Bible School** – VBS will be June 16-18 from 6:00-8:30pm. Our theme this year is Rocky Railway-Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through. The kids will explore Jesus' power and how we can trust Jesus to pull us through when life feels like a valley or a mountaintop. Registration will be open until May 30. Look for the sign up table in the Narthex or register online at <https://ststephenbentonville.weshareonline.org/>.

***Ultima Oportunidad La Doctrina de Verano para Niños** se llevarán a cabo del 16 al 18 de junio de 6:00 a 8:30pm. Nuestro tema de este año es "El poder de Jesús nos atrae." Los niños explorarán el poder de Jesús y cómo podemos confiar en que Jesús nos ayudará cuando la vida se sienta como un valle o la cima de una montaña. Busque la hoja de registro en el Nártex para inscribir a sus hijos. El costo para cada niño/a es \$10 dólares. Las inscripciones estarán disponibles hasta el 30 de mayo. Para inscripción busque la mesa en el Nártex o regístrese en <https://ststephenbentonville.weshareonline.org/>.

Online Giving – You can now donate to second collections on our WeShare online giving platform. Please consider enrolling in electronic giving. Contact the accounting office with questions at accounting@ststephenbentonville.com!

Bereavement Committee – Coming together as family is essential during times of grief. As we work to resume normalcy, we plan to again offer meals to families following a loved one's funeral. If you are interested in volunteering with this ministry, please contact Amy Robertson at akr1@swbell.net. We are not currently scheduling, but would like to be ready when these and other ministries are open. Thank you for considering this important gift of love and solace to our church family.

Registration for Religious Education Classes is now open for kids/youth 4yrs through the 12th grade for the 2021-2022 year. Look for the forms at the registration table located in the Narthex or you may register at <https://ststephenbentonville.weshareonline.org/>. 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 para los niños y jóvenes de 4 años hasta el grado 12 ya comenzo este fin de semana para el año académico de 2021-2022. 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.

Hard Hat Collection – Next weekend there will be a Hard Hat collection on June 5/6 to go toward paying the loan we received from the Diocese for church repairs. As the hard hats will not be passed around, please place your donation in the regular collection basket. Our goal is to collect \$23,000 each month to cover the loan payment. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Colecta Casco – El proximo fin de semana, el 5 y 6 de junio habrá una Colecta de Casco para pagar el préstamo que recibimos de la Diócesis para las reparaciones de la iglesia. Como no se pasarán los cascos, coloque su donación en la canasta de colecta regular. Nuestro objetivo es recaudar \$23,000 cada mes para cubrir el pago del préstamo. Gracias por su consideración en oración.



Why Eucharistic Adoration? Have you ever attended Eucharistic Adoration here at St. Stephen? Do you realize it is offered for you? Eucharistic Adoration is the practice of worship before the tabernacle, keeping the Lord company. This means spending time with the Lord at least one hour a week, placing before Him your own concerns and those of the community. Silenced Prayer can include moments of adoration, contrition, and thanksgiving, as well as petitions. For every hour we give Him, He showers us with many gifts including peace of mind and heart. You may visit our Lord (Blessed Sacrament) from Monday through Thursday from 9:00am – 3:00pm, and Friday 9:00am-12:00pm, close for noon Mass. Please consider joining us in our holy prayer time, once a routine is established, it will be easier to continue.

Hospitality Ministry – We are starting a Hospitality Ministry at St. Stephen / Part of the Hospitality Ministry is our Event Team. We are looking for people to join our Event Team and help others feel welcomed at events at our parish. This would include holding doors open and greeting people, welcoming people and chatting with them or introducing them to others at events like pot lucks. You are not obligated to help at every event, just the ones you can help at. If you would like to be a part of our Hospitality Event Team please email ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com.

Pilgrimage of a Lifetime – Arkansas Catholic is hosting an 11-day pilgrimage to see the world-famous Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany, June 22-July 2, 2022. Pilgrims will visit Austria, Switzerland and Lichtenstein. Father William Burmester will be the spiritual adviser and will celebrate Mass for the group daily. Only 20 spots are left so sign up today. This event happens every 10 years there are only 20 tickets are highly coveted sign up today For details, contact Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at (501) 771-0987 or kathy@suesmithvacations.com.

Search #148 Retreat – Registrations are now being accepted for a retreat that helps juniors and seniors in high school and recently graduated seniors to get to know themselves better, deepen their friendship with Christ, and find support in living out their faith. Search #148 will be at St. John Center, Little Rock, on July 16-18. Cost is \$135. For information and/or for registration forms visit www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-148_0.pdf. Partial scholarships are available at <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/diocesan-scholarshipapplication.pdf>. For any questions please contact Trish Gentry tgentry@dolr.org or at the diocese of office 501-664-0340, ext. 418.

Glory on the Grounds Youth Festival will be held outside St. John's Catholic Center in Little Rock on Sunday, June 6th from 11:00am to 6:00pm. Bring your lawn chairs! The festival will close with an outdoor Mass. Cost is \$25 per person. All youth, Junior High and High School are invited. For information and/or to register visit www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/outdoor-youth-rally-registration-21.pdf. Scholarships available at www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/diocesan-scholarshipapplication.pdf.

Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal (CASA) – If you have not returned your CASA pledge card please do so as soon as possible. You can drop it in the collection basket or return in the attached pre-paid envelope. To date we have collected a total of \$ 52,806.70 or 64% toward our parish goal of \$46,650. Thanks so much for your generous support in helping our diocese continue to grow and carry on the missionary work of Jesus.

Campana Católica de Arkansas a Compartir (CASA) Si no ha regresado su tarjeta de promesa de donativo de la Campana Católica de Arkansas a Compartir por favor hágalo lo más pronto posible. 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 \$ 52,806.70 o 64% hacia nuestra meta de la parroquia de \$46,650. Muchas gracias por su generoso apoyo al ayudar a nuestra diócesis a seguir creciendo y llevando a cabo el trabajo misionero de Jesús.

Save the Date – Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Conference will celebrate their 50th anniversary at Wyndham Riverfront Hotel, North Little Rock on July 23 thru 25. The speakers are Fr. Phillip Scott, Fr. Jose Maria, and Johnnette Benkovic Williams. For registration and/or information please visit www.arkcc.org or call Marion at (479)692-1937.

Rosary Month – Pope Francis first appealed to Catholics worldwide to pray the rosary to end the COVID-19 pandemic in May 2020. In Catholic tradition, the month of May is dedicated to Mary. Throughout May, a livestream of the 30 chosen Marian shrines will lead the prayer at 6:00 PM Rome time (11:00 AM central) on Vatican media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, YouTube). Pope Francis will conclude the rosary on May 31.

Mes del Rosario – El Papa Francisco primero pidió a los católicos en todo el mundo rezar el rosario por el fin de la pandemia COVID-19 en mayo 2020. En la tradición católica, el mes de mayo está dedicado a María. A lo largo del mes de mayo, habrá transmisiones en vivo desde uno de los 30 santuarios Marianos elegidos para guiar la oración a las 6:00 PM horario de Roma (11:00 AM hora del centro) en plataformas de medios de comunicación del Vaticano (Facebook, Twitter, YouTube). El Papa Francisco concluirá el 31 de mayo.

A Morning Offering Prayer through Joseph

Receive me, dear and chosen Father, and the offering of every movement of my body and soul, which I desire to present through thee to my blessed Lord. Purify all! Make all a perfect holocaust! May every pulsation of my heart be a Spiritual Communion, every look and thought an act of love, every action a sweet sacrifice, every word an arrow of Divine love, every step an advance toward Jesus, every visit to Our Lord as pleasing to God as the errands of Angels, every thought of thee, dear Saint, an act to remind thee that I am thy child. I recommend to thee the occasions in which I usually fail, particularly . . . [Mention these]. Accept each little devotion of the day, though replete with imperfection, and offer it to Jesus, Whose mercy will overlook all, since He regards not so much the gift as the love of the giver. Amen

A Prayer for Troops

All-powerful and ever-living God, when Abraham left his native land and departed from his people you kept him safe through all his journeys. Protect these soldiers. Be their constant companion and their strength in battle, their refuge in every adversity. Guide them, O Lord, that they may return home in safety. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Congratulations to all graduating high school seniors! Many blessings on your new chapter in life. May the Holy Spirit guide you in this journey that you are about to start. From your St. Stephen Catholic Church staff.

"May love and service be the first rules of your lives! By sacrificing yourselves you will discover what you yourselves have received." – from St. John Paul II

Church Operations for May

Expenses Month-to-Date - \$ 107,428.38

Loan Balance - \$ 779,839.47

The Lord God who created us, His Son Jesus who redeemed us, and the Holy Spirit who sanctifies us. May we praise Him and honor Him by our sacrificial offerings, our volunteer time and talent.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 105,720.09	\$ 117,000
Building Fund	\$ 11,936.72	\$ 23,000

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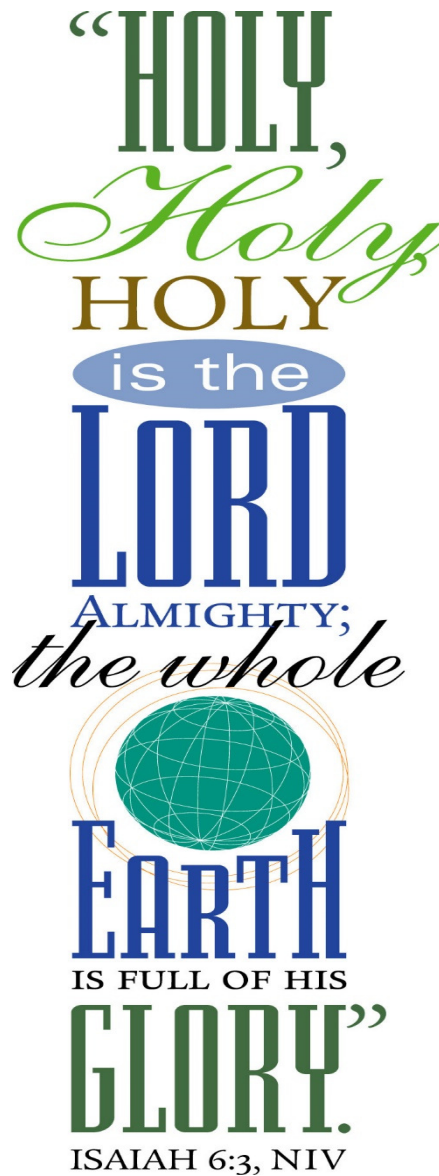
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Scripture Readings for 06/06/2021

Exodus 24:3-8

Psalms 116:2-13, 15-16, 17-18, 20, 22

Romans 8:14-17

Matthew 28:16-20

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 29

5:00pm Larry Wewers †

Sunday, May 30

7:45am Peter Thong Le †

10:00am Parishioners / Feligreses

11:45am Herminia y Cirilo Garcia Morales †

5:00pm Frank Verucchi †

Monday, May 31

12:00pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, June 1

12:00pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, June 2

12:00pm Pasquale Edward Morrone †

Thursday, June 3

12:00pm Patrick Swan

Friday, June 4

12:00pm Pasquale Edward Morrone †

Saturday, June 5

9:00am Denise Kidd †

5:00pm Herschel & Olive Robertson †

Sunday, June 6

7:45am Maria Nhu Bui †

10:00am Parishioners / Feligreses

11:45am Maria Guadalupe Perea † y

Isaias Perea †

5:00pm Andrew Lac Tran †



June 5 - 6	Lector	Eucharist Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharist Minister - Host	Usher	Lock-Up	Sacristan & Vessels	Projector Operator
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Janet Palmer	Jon Terlouw	Sherolyn Johnson Jon Terlouw	Philip Palmer Andy Fosdick Dave Brandenburg NOT FILLED (F - Overflow)	Janet Palmer	Amy Fulmer	NOT FILLED
Sunday, 7:45 AM	Mark Jechura	Christina Baker	Christina Baker Tony Baker	Karen Howard Greg Woodell Gerard Davenport Bruce Peterson Amanda Cantu		Mark Jechura	NOT FILLED
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Maria Mendez	Ted Brauburger	Claudia Garcia Ted Brauburger	Daniel Cruz Charlotte Champagne Brian Rabal Steve Harrington Tim Koch (Narthex) NOT FILLED (PLC)		Kathryn Gough	Gina Koch
Domingo, 11:45 AM	Teresita Perez	Raquel Perez	Eva Miramon Raquel Perez	Martha Mendoza Victor Lopez Maria Dalia Lopez Maria Salcedo Maria Munoz Bertha Valdez J. Concepcion Serrano		Crimilda Viera	
Sunday, 5:00 PM	Mark Valentine	Bryan Bacon	Susan Davis Chris Davis	Rob Brothers NOT FILLED (C - Overflow)	Bryan Bacon	Bryan Bacon	Jennifer Haddinger