



# ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH IGLESIA CATOLICA DE SAN ESTEBAN



1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

July 25, 2021

## SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME DECIMOSÉPTIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

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### Weekday MASS in English / Misa entre semana en Inglés

Monday – Friday / lunes – Viernes

12:00 PM – English

### Saturday Vigil & Sunday MASSES / Misa de Vigilia y Misas en domingo

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:45 AM

Sunday 10:00 AM

Sunday 11:45 AM – Español

Sunday 5:00 PM

### Reconciliation / Reconciliación

Monday / lunes – Friday / viernes

11:30 - 11:55am

Saturday / sábado – Bilingual / Bilingüe

3:00 - 4:00 PM

### Adoration Hours / Horario de Adoración

Monday / lunes – Thursday / jueves

9:00 – 11:30 AM and 12:45 – 3:00 PM

Friday / Viernes – 9:00- 11:30 AM

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

Mass Time (Spanish Only)

Saturday Mass 6:00 PM

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

**Membresía** - Extendemos nuestras manos y corazones en Confradía Cristiana. Los residentes o recién llegados, póngase en contacto con la oficina de parish para registrarse.

**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.

**Matrimonio Católico** - Preparación Matrimonial requerido. Comuníquese con la parroquia por lo menos con 9 meses de anticipación. Dos meses de antelación adicionales para la boda en otro país. Si planea casarse, póngase siempre en contacto con la iglesia antes de reservar un lugar de recepción o fijar una fecha.

**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.**

**Bautismo Infantil** - Se ofrece una vez al mes en inglés y español. Bautismo preparación requerida. Los padres deben ser miembros registrados de San Esteban. **No hay bautismos en diciembre.**

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

**RICA** - Sesiones abiertas a aquellos interesados en aprendizaje o renovación de su conexión con la Fe Católica.

**Bulletin Deadline** - Tuesday by 12:00 PM (5 days prior to publication date). Email articles to [receptionist@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:receptionist@ststephenbentonville.com).

**Fecha límite del Boletín** - martes a las 12:00 PM (5 días antes de la fecha de publicación). Envíe artículos a [receptionist@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:receptionist@ststephenbentonville.com).

**Fake Emails and Texts** – Please be aware, there are impostors claiming to be Msgr. Marczuk and Fr. Bala contacting parishioners via email and text messages, trying to solicit money. If you receive any suspicious emails or texts, or are ever unsure about the legitimacy of a message you have received, please call to report this information to the parish office.

### **Mensajes de Correo Electrónico y Textos Falsos –**

Por favor, tenga en cuenta que hay impostores que afirman ser Msgr. Marczuk y Fr. Bala contactando a feligreses vía correo electrónico y mensajes de texto, tratando de solicitar dinero. Si usted recibe mensajes de correo electrónico o textos sospechosos, o alguna vez no está seguro de la legitimidad de un mensaje que ha recibido, por favor llame para reportar esta información a la oficina de la parroquia.

### **Welcome to the New St. Stephen Staff Member**

Allow us to introduce, Josh Coppick. He was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma. After living in Oklahoma for several years and then Montana just briefly, his family settled in Northwest Arkansas in 2009 and joined St Stephen Catholic Church, where they remain today. Josh attended and graduated from Bentonville High School, and returned to Oklahoma to pursue a Bachelor of Architecture degree from Oklahoma State University. He graduated during the start of the pandemic, and began working remotely for an architecture firm north of Seattle, while remaining in his college town of Stillwater, Oklahoma. Josh lived on his landlord's property in Stillwater, caring for the plants and gardens and helping to renew and design the property. He spends his free time building furniture, playing his banjo, and striking up conversations with the people around him. And on a rainy day - if he isn't out enjoying the rain - you might catch Josh settled down with some coffee and a good book.

**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 comenzó este fin de semana para el año académico de 2021-2022. Las formas para inscripción están en la mesa localizada en el Nártex o puede registrarse en <https://ststephenbentonville.weshareonline.org/>. Usted también puede ofrecerse como un co-maestro o líder de grupo pequeño y no tiene que pagar el costo para la clase.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSBC)** – Your donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is indeed a sign of God's extravagant love to the lonely and the poor. Thank you for your donations. \*\*Pantry needs are paper towels, cake mix and brownies.

**La Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl (SSBC)** – Su donativos a la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl de nuestra parroquia son, de verdad, signos también del amor extravagante de Dios a los más abandonados y pobres. Gracias por sus donaciones. \*\*Las necesidades para la de distribución de alimentos son toallas de papel, mezcla de pasteles y brownies.

**Taste of Faith Live** – In the past 11 years, Arkansas Catholics have donated more than \$4 million through Taste of Faith. Your money has been used exclusively for seminarian education expenses. It would be impossible to prepare these men for priesthood without your help. Your generosity has been incredible! Please continue to invest in seminarian formation. This year Taste of Faith will be at 7:00p.m. on Saturday, August 7 on [www.tasteofaith.org](http://www.tasteofaith.org) or you may donate at [www.tasteoffaith.org/give](http://www.tasteoffaith.org/give). Thank you for praying for our seminarians & an increase in vocations.

**What is RCIA?** - RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This process of formation, also called the "catechumenate," was the normal way people became Christians in the early Church. Over time, the practice gradually disappeared. It was restored by the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965) to meet the needs of an increasingly secular population in Europe and North America, and in places like Africa and Asia where the Gospel was still relatively unknown.

RCIA is not a program, but a gradual process in which one who, after hearing the mystery of Christ explained, freely chooses to follow him in the faith of the Holy Catholic Church. RCIA consists of four periods: the period of Inquiry, the Catechumenate, Purification and Enlightenment, and Mystagogy.

The first period, the period of Inquiry, the individuals are introduced to Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church. This period focuses on the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) which reveal the true face of Christ. It can last any length of time, but usually lasts about three months. No commitment is expected at this time. It is simply a time for listening and asking questions.

After this introductory period, you may decide to take the first step in becoming Catholic. During this period, you will learn about Catholic beliefs and practice with a view toward making a firm commitment to Christ & his Church. This period is called the Catechumenate. Like the period of Inquiry, the Catechumenate can last any length of time, usually lasts about three or four months.

The next step begins the period of Purification and Enlightenment. This period coincides with the season of Lent (early spring). It is a time of strengthening one's commitment through prayer, fasting and careful reflection on what it means to follow Christ in his Church. This period culminates at the Easter Vigil with the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion.

Once a person has received the sacraments of initiation he or she becomes a "neophyte," which means "beginner" or "novice." The fourth & final period is called Mystagogy, which lasts for seven weeks and ends at Pentecost (around June 1). During this period the meaning of God's Word, the sacraments, Christian life and prayer is experienced and reflected upon more deeply. It is a time of growth as one's faith matures through worship, study and prayer.

**RCIA Registration Begins** – We welcome all who are interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the Catholic faith. Classes begin Wednesday, August 25 at 7:00pm in the St. Jerome room. We always 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 the Catholic religion. Anyone who would like to journey with us this fall email [ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com) or call 479-273-1240 to pre-register. Our schedule follows the school calendar. We meet every Wednesday except for Thanksgiving, Christmas & Spring Break weeks. Schedules with topics will be furnished along with easy to read materials for weekly discussion. All are welcome.

**The Knights of Columbus and NWA Respect Life** are pleased to host the Memorial Cross display again this year on the grounds of our parish. The display is to remember the 3,000+ people who die from abortion each year in AR. We also pray for hope and healing for their parents and for an end to abortion. Please plan to help us place the crosses on Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00am. Crosses will be removed Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. Please bring a rubber mallet if you have one! Any questions email Eduardo Maiz at [1leacorn@gmail.com](mailto:1leacorn@gmail.com) or [nwarespectlifecouncil@gmail.com](mailto:nwarespectlifecouncil@gmail.com).

**Kid's Bulletins** are now available on the table at the main entrance of the church next to the regular bulletins. They are a great way for your kids to learn more about our Catholic faith & better understand the Sunday readings.



**New Adult Ministry** – This fall we will be starting up Encounter, our adult small group ministry at St. Stephen. Encounter is where adults at St. Stephen can meet in small groups to encounter God, our faith, and each other through fellowship, learning, and prayer. Our first season of small groups will be a video based series called The Search by Chris Stefanick. We are needing small group leaders to host the meetings. We are also looking for Spanish speaking small group leaders. There will be 8 sessions from September-November. To sign up, scan the QR code or email [encounter@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:encounter@ststephenbentonville.com). There is also a table in the Narthex with small group leader sign up forms and a FAQ sheet of common questions about being a small group leader. Small group participant sign ups will be in August.



**Nuevo Ministerio de Adultos** – Este otoño iniciaremos el Encuentro, nuestro ministerio de grupos pequeños de adultos en San Esteban. El encuentro es que los adultos en San Esteban pueden reunirse en pequeños grupos para encontrar a Dios, nuestra fe, y unos a otros a través de la comunión, el aprendizaje y la oración. Nuestra primera temporada de pequeños grupos será una serie basada en video llamada "La Búsqueda" por Chris Stefanick, a partir de septiembre. Necesitamos líderes de grupos pequeños para organizar las reuniones. También estamos buscando líderes de grupos pequeños que hablen español. Habrá ocho sesiones de septiembre a noviembre. Para registrarse, escanee el código QR o envíe un correo electrónico a [encounter@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:encounter@ststephenbentonville.com). Hay una mesa en el Nartex con formularios de inscripción de líderes de grupos pequeños y una hoja de preguntas frecuentes sobre ser un líder de grupos. Las registraciones de los participantes del grupo serán en agosto.

**NWA Respect Life** will have a tent/booth at the U of A annual Razorbash on Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 11:00am – 2:00pm. It is a very popular event where thousands of students pass by dozens of booths and get info from local vendors and organizations. Everything from pizza places to cell phone companies, to Loving Choices and, unfortunately, Planned Parenthood have a booth. They are looking for volunteers to help at the booth and hand-out information. It is an awesome opportunity to give witness to the pro-life message for an excellent target audience. If you'd like to participate please email [nwarespectlifecouncil@gmail.com](mailto:nwarespectlifecouncil@gmail.com).

**The Ladies of Charity of Arkansas**, a local chapter of a worldwide organization started 400 years ago by St. Vincent de Paul, the "Apostle of Charity", in 1617 in the Diocese of Lyons located in the region of eastern France. Today, the Ladies of Charity are in over 50 countries with over 260,000 lay volunteers. Our local chapter was founded in 2008 and is the only Ladies of Charity in the state of Arkansas. They are a non-profit 501c3 and are listed in the catholic directory for the Diocese of Little Rock. If you would like to help but are involved in many organizations, membership requirements are minimal. Attending meetings are not a requirement. Annual dues are \$25, which helps fund their programs. For more information please contact us at [LCArk@dolr.org](mailto:LCArk@dolr.org).

**Living Out Our Baptism** – Fr. Mauricio Carrasco will lead the 2021 Women's Retreat at Coury House (the retreat center on the grounds of Subiaco Abbey in Subiaco, Ark) August 20-22. The theme is "Living Out Our Baptism." Cost is \$200 for a private room; \$150 per person in a shared room; and \$75 for commuters. Room rates include two nights, six meals, conferences & Saturday night social. Commuter rate includes four meals, conferences & social. Please call 479-934-1290 to register or e-mail: [couryhouse@subi.org](mailto:couryhouse@subi.org).

**Retiro (Día de Oración y de Sanación)** – Es para las mujeres solo en español, el sábado 14 de agosto. El retiro será en Fort Smith, AR; pero ubicación exacta solo se revelará a las participantes. Para inscripción o información llama o envía un mensaje de texto al 501-663-0996. Todas las consultas son confidenciales. No estás sola. El retiro es sin juzgar, ambiente seguro, y si hay esperanza.

**Rediscover Program for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders** – On August 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, participants will meet and depart from Ozark Catholic Academy and go to Roaring River State Park in Missouri. Rediscover is a program that gives participants an experience of a lifetime in the outdoors. The cost is \$25. For questions, sign up or for information, please contact Mary Abide at [maryabide@yahoo.com](mailto:maryabide@yahoo.com) or [REDISCOVERprogram@yahoo.com](mailto:REDISCOVERprogram@yahoo.com).

**The Knights of Columbus Council 9514 (St. Bernard)** is sponsoring a bus trip to see the show "Jesus" at the Sight and Sound Theater in Branson. The trip will be Friday, September 17<sup>th</sup> for the 3:30 performance. This is a fund raiser for the Knights and the cost is \$89 per person; includes transportation and reserved seating at the show. To reserve a spot or for more information, call Ron Herold 479-531-6402. Make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus" and mail to Ronald Herold # 8 Shanklin Drive Bella Vista 72715. Payment must be made by August 12<sup>th</sup>. Must have a minimum of 30 to make this trip.

**Preserving Latin** – It is fitting to preserve our Latin prayers. The Popes have always said that the best-known prayers of the Church's tradition should be recited in Latin:

**The Apostles' Creed - English:**

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

**El Credo - Spanish:**

*En el nombre del Padre, y del Hijo, y del Espíritu Santo. Amén*

**Credo - Latin:**

*In nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti. Amen.*

**Church Operations for July**

Expenses Month-to-Date - \$ 88,862.93

Loan Balance - \$ 745,891.61

The Lord Jesus miraculously fed the large crowd with a few loaves and fishes. Today, may the Lord bless our stewardship offerings, multiplying them in order to provide for all the financial needs of such a growing parish.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 71,398.20	\$ 117,000
Building Fund	\$ 10,705.58	\$ 23,000

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**Pre-School Director** - Cathy Townzen[preschool@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:preschool@ststephenbentonville.com)

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday

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

**Faith Formation (Religious Education):****Catholic Kids & IMPACT Director**

Suzanne Sutton (Pre-K – 6th Grade)

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**GOD  
SHINES  
FORTH.**  
**PSALM 50:2**

**Scripture Readings for 08/01/2021**

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Psalm 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

John 6:24-35

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK****Saturday, July 24**

5:00pm Denise Kidd †

**Sunday, July 25**

7:45am Paul J. Vonnegut †

10:00am Joe Massanelli †

11:45am Parishioners / Feligreses

5:00pm Ricardo Almaraz Family

**Monday, July 26**

12:00pm Ethan Putt †

**Tuesday, July 27**

12:00pm Paul Vonnegut †

**Wednesday, July 28**

12:00pm Yasser Conchita †

**Thursday, July 29**

12:00pm Ricardo Almaraz Family

**Friday, July 30**

12:00pm Denise Kidd †

**Saturday, July 31**

5:00pm Joe Giovannucci †

**Sunday, August 1**

7:45am Parishioners / Feligreses

10:00am Fr. Tom Morris †

11:45am Aurelia Garduño †

5:00pm Bui / Le Ancestors



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July 31 August 1	Lector	Eucharist Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharist Minister – Host	Usher	Lock-Up	Sacristan & Vessels	Projector Operator
<b>Saturday, 5:00 PM</b>	Janet Palmer	<b>NOT FILLED</b>	Amy Fulmer  Kim Dial	Philip Palmer Dave Brandenburg Andy Fosdick <b>NOT FILLED</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b>	<b>NOT FILLED</b>
<b>Sunday, 7:45 AM</b>	Irma Holasek	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Christina Baker  Tony Baker	Bruce Peterson Geri Oswald Len Oswald Greg Woodell		Amanda Cantu	Peggy Estes
<b>Sunday, 10:00 AM</b>	Greg Brandenburg	Bruce Beckham	Mary Kate Beckham  Angela Mensah	Tim Koch Jeff Maas Steve Harrington Daniel Cruz <b>NOT FILLED (E-F)</b>		Kathryn Gough	Gina Koch
<b>Domingo, 11:45 AM</b>	Sandra Valdes	Crimilda Viera	Mirna Serrano  Julian Serrano	Maria Salcedo Bertha Váldez Martha Mendoza Maria Munoz		Crimilda Viera	
<b>Sunday, 5:00 PM</b>	Mark Valentine	Bryan Bacon	Ken Hunter  Melissa Godoy	Rob Brothers <b>NOT FILLED (C - F)</b>	Bryan Bacon	Cary Richard	Jennifer Haddinger