

# ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE SAN ESTEBAN

1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

January 9, 2022

## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD BAUTISMO DEL SEÑOR

### Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Scott L. Marczuk, J.C.L.

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Monday – Thursday / Lunes -Jueves 9:00am-3:00pm

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And a voice came from heaven:

“You are my Son,  
whom I love;  
with you I  
am well  
pleased.”



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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 - Thursday / Lunes - 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 Cofradía Cristiana. Los residentes o recién llegados, póngase en contacto con la oficina de la parroquia 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. Se requiere preparación para Bautismo. Los padres deben ser miembros registrados de San Esteban.

**No habrán 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 [bulletin@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:bulletin@ststephenbentonville.com).

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

**RCIA Calendar** – Our next session will be Wednesday, January 12, “Jesus Christ” -This is our Faith” Part I, Chapter 7, led by Bruce Peterson. We will meet in the St. Jerome room. RCIA meets every Wednesday night starting at 7:00pm. All are welcome.

**2022 Calendars** – Be sure to get your copy of the 2022 Calendar while we have them. They are located on the bulletin table as you exit the church.

**Calendarios de 2022** – Asegúrese de obtener su copia del calendario 2022 mientras duren en existencia. Están colocados en la mesa de los boletines al salir de la iglesia.

**Procession of Roses** – Mark your Calendar! Saturday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, **NWA Respect Life** will again sponsor a *PROCESSION OF ROSES* and Pastor James Longmate from New Hope Assembly of God, 2626 W. New Hope Rd., Rogers welcomes, you to their church! The procession is a beautiful and sobering service to remember the little ones who have been aborted since the legalization of abortion in 1973. We have a person born in each year since 1973 to carry a rose to the altar. But we need your help! Were you or someone you know born after 1973? If you have any questions, contact Mary Young at [young.mary.louse@gmail.com](mailto:young.mary.louse@gmail.com) or you may sign up at [www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D45AE822A1FD0-2022](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040D45AE822A1FD0-2022).

**Parish Council Elections** – Parish Council elections will take place after each Mass this weekend. A table will be set-up in the Narthex where you may cast your vote for two.

**Elecciones del Consejo Parroquial** – Las elecciones del Consejo Parroquial se llevarán a cabo después de cada Misa este fin de semana. Se establecerá una mesa en el Nártex, donde podrá emitir su voto para dos.

**Eucharistic Procession & Mass for Life:** On Sunday January 16, 2022, Bishop Anthony Taylor will preside at our annual diocesan Mass for Life. The Mass will be celebrated in the Wally Allen Ballroom of the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock at noon. Bishop Taylor will lead the Eucharistic Procession for Life, beginning at 10:00 a.m. on the plaza in front of the DoubleTree Hotel (Broadway and Markham Sts.), through the Riverfront Park in downtown Little Rock, approximately 3/4 mile. There will be Eucharistic Adoration before Mass. Please contact the Respect Life Office 501-664-0340 ext. 326 or email [cphillips@dolr.org](mailto:cphillips@dolr.org) for more information.

**Procesión Eucarística y Misa por la Vida:** El domingo 16 de enero de 2022, el Obispo Anthony Taylor presidirá nuestra Misa por la Vida diocesana anual. La misa se celebrará en el Wally Allen Ballroom del Centro de Convenciones Statehouse en Little Rock al mediodía. El Obispo Taylor dirigirá la Procesión Eucarística por la Vida, comenzando a las 10:00 a.m. en la plaza frente al Hotel DoubleTree (Broadway y Markham Sts), a través del Riverfront Park en el centro de Little Rock, aproximadamente 3/4 de milla. ¡Únase a cientos de católicos en este evento mientras damos testimonio público de nuestra fe y esperanza en Jesucristo! Comuníquese con la Oficina de Respeto a la Vida al 501-664-0340 ext. 326 o envíe un correo electrónico a [cphillips@dolr.org](mailto:cphillips@dolr.org) para obtener más información.

**Winter Weather Policy** – With winter approaching we would like to remind you of our policy regarding the cancellation of programs, except for Mass times. We follow the Bentonville school district; if they cancel school, then we cancel our programs. This policy will also apply to the parish office; if Bentonville schools are closed, the parish office is closed. We will also post our cancellations on KNWA, KHOG 40/29, and KFSM.

**Hearts for Life Conference:** The Hearts for Life Conference will be held on Saturday January 15, 2022 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at St. John Center, 2500 N. Tyler, Little Rock. This conference is will explore pro-life issues and will include dinner. The conference is free, but preregistration is required. Registration deadline is January 7, 2022. To register, please call 501-664-0340 ext 326 or email the Respect Life Office [cphillips@dolr.org](mailto:cphillips@dolr.org).

**Conferencia Corazones por la Vida:** La Conferencia Corazones por la Vida será el sábado 15 de enero de 2022 de 5:00 a 8:00 p.m. en St. John Center, 2500 N. Tyler, Little Rock. Esta conferencia, que se presentará en inglés, explorará temas pro-vida e incluirá cena. La conferencia es gratuita, pero se requiere inscripción previa. La fecha límite de inscripción es el 7 de enero de 2022. Para registrarse, llame al 501-664-0340 ext 326 o envíe un correo electrónico a la Oficina de Respect Life [cphillips@dolr.org](mailto:cphillips@dolr.org).

**March for Life:** The Respect Life Office invites everyone to participate in the 44th annual March for Life at the State Capitol in downtown Little Rock. This rally against the grave evil of abortion will be held on January 16, 2022 beginning at 2:00 p.m., after the Mass for Life. The staging area is behind the Capitol building on W. Capitol St., between Battery & Wolfe Sts. For more information please contact Arkansas Right to Life 501-663-4237 or email [artl@artl.org](mailto:artl@artl.org). Ozark Right to Life is organizing a caravan to drive down to the event in Little Rock on Sunday, January 16th. They will leave between 9:00am and 9:30am, and be back by 7pm later that evening. For more information contact [ozarkrtl@gmail.com](mailto:ozarkrtl@gmail.com).

**Marcha por la Vida:** La Oficina de Respeto a la Vida invita a todos a participar en la 44ª Marcha por la Vida, patrocinado por Arkansas Right to Life, en el Capitolio del Estado en el centro de Little Rock. Esta manifestación contra el grave mal del aborto provocado será el 16 de enero de 2022, comenzará a las 2:00 p.m., después de la Misa por la Vida. El punto de encuentro está detrás del edificio del Capitolio en W. Capitol St., entre Battery y Wolfe Sts. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Arkansas Right to Life 501-663-4237 o envíe un correo electrónico [artl@artl.org](mailto:artl@artl.org). Ozark Right to Life está organizando una caravana para conducir hasta el evento en Little Rock el domingo 16 de enero. Saldrán entre las 9 y las 9:30am Y regresarán a las 7pm. Comuníquese con [ozarkrtl@gmail.com](mailto:ozarkrtl@gmail.com) para información.

**Charla para Matrimonios** – Acompáñenos este viernes, 7 de enero de 6:30pm – 9:00pm, el expositor Padre Néstor Torres, Capellán de la Universidad La Gran Colombia estará brindando una charla para matrimonios en el Centro de Vida Parroquial.

"Love God, serve God; everything is in that."-St. Clare of Assisi



**Women of Hope Retreat:** Fill your soul and prepare your heart for Lent with inspirational talks, praise & worship, and a small group experience!

**Date:** February 5, 2022

**Time:** 8:45 AM - 3:00 PM

**Location:** 4000 North Rodney Parham Rd.  
Little Rock, AR 72212

**Ticket:** \$55.00

**Register at:** WomenofHopeAR.org

**Retiro de Mujeres de Esperanza:** Llena tu alma y prepara tu corazón para la Cuaresma con charlas inspiradoras, alabanzas y adoración, ¡y una experiencia en grupos pequeños!

**Fecha:** 5 de febrero de 2022

**Hora:** 8:45 AM - 3:00 PM

**Ubicación:** 4000 North Rodney Parham Rd.  
Little Rock, AR 72212

**Boleto:** \$ 55.00

**Regístrate en:** WomenofHopeAR.org

**Online Giving** using your credit card is now available with WeShare. Donating is simple, safe, and secure. You may also make automatic donations from your bank account. Withdrawals can occur weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. Forms are available in the Narthex or online. Please visit [ststephenbentonville.weshareonline.org](http://ststephenbentonville.weshareonline.org) to enroll, and set up a one-time or a recurring donation. Links to this site are on our website and St. Stephen app.

Electronic giving allows the parish to budget accurately and reduce administrative costs. Plus, it is convenient for parishioners – donations occur even if you are unable to attend Mass, if you want to change amount or frequency of your donations, or have any questions or concerns, please contact the accounting office.

**Small Altar Linens** – We need help with laundering the linens from the church. Helping would require weekly stops at the church to pick up and return the linens, folded and ironed with starch. If you are interested, please call Criss in the parish office (479)273-1240.

**Lienzos Pequeños del Altar** – Necesitamos ayuda con el lavado de los lienzos de la iglesia. La ayuda requiere paradas semanales en la iglesia, para recoger y devolver los lienzos, doblado y planchado con almidón. Si usted está interesado, por favor llame a Bethany en la oficina parroquial (479)273-1240.



After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:21-22

**The Baptism of the Lord** – Today the church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

In the Eastern Church this feast is called Theophany because at the baptism of Christ in the River Jordan God appeared in three persons. The baptism of John was a sort of sacramental preparatory for the Baptism of Christ. It moved men to sentiments of repentance and induced them to confess their sins. Christ did not need the baptism of John. Although He appeared in the "substance of our flesh" and was recognized "outwardly like unto ourselves", He was absolutely sinless and impeccable. He conferred upon the water the power of the true Baptism which would remove all the sins of the world: "Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him Who takes away the sin of the world".

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolical of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin. — Excerpted from Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas

**Let us pray (in silence) [that we will be faithful to our baptism]**

*Eternal Father,  
you have given us your only-begotten Son  
to take our nature upon him,  
and revealed him to us  
at his baptism in the River Jordan,  
grant that we, who have been born again of water and the  
Holy Spirit,  
and made your children by adoption and grace,  
may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit,  
through Jesus Christ, our Saviour,  
who is alive with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and forever.  
Amen. – Thomas Cranmer's Theological Collects*



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**Church Operations for December**

Expenses Month-to-Date - \$145,477.48  
 Loan Balance - \$677,342.34

Being baptized into Jesus Christ, we share in His graces "richly poured out on us." May our regular stewardship demonstrate our fidelity to His mission, and may He reward us with His generous love.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$144,636.31	\$105,000
Building Fund	\$13,458.27	\$20,000

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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)  
[ssutton@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:ssutton@ststephenbentonville.com)

**Confirmation Prep. Coordinator**  
 Monica Shoemaker  
[youthoffice@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:youthoffice@ststephenbentonville.com)

**Faith Formation Coordinator**  
 Josh Coppick (7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade)  
[jcoppick@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:jcoppick@ststephenbentonville.com)



**Scripture Readings for 1/16/2022**

Isaiah 62: 1-5  
 Psalm 96 (95): 1-2,2-3,7-8,9-10  
 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11  
 John 2: 1-11

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Saturday, January 8**  
 5:00pm William Urban †  
**Sunday, January 9**  
 7:45am Parishioners/Feligreses  
 10:00am Mauricio Barrera  
 11:45am Deceased Members  
 Rodríguez & López Family  
 Ann Brandenburg-Schroeder †  
**Monday, January 10**  
 12:00pm Cheryl Coleman O'Donnell †  
**Tuesday, January 11**  
 12:00pm In Thanksgiving (Sangeetha)  
**Wednesday, January 12**  
 12:00pm Mary Ann Mincic †  
**Thursday, January 13**  
 12:00pm Alexis Cates  
**Friday, January 14**  
 12:00pm Ron D. Smith †  
**Saturday, January 15**  
 5:00pm Deceased Members of the  
 Pacheco & DiGiacomo Families  
**Sunday, January 16**  
 7:45am Parishioners/Feligreses  
 10:00am Oscar Barrera  
 11:45am Familia Aldaco  
 5:00pm Michael & Cecilia Mayer †



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Jan 15-16	Lector	Eucharist Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharist Minister – Host	Usher	Lock-Up	Sacristan & Vessels
<b>Saturday, Jan. 15</b> <b>5:00PM</b>	David Krueckeberg	Jon Terlouw	Amy Fulmer Lori Terlouw	Andy Fosdick Dave Brandenburg Steve Saulsbery <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Mark Jechura	Jon Terlouw
<b>Sunday, Jan. 16</b> <b>7:45 AM</b>	Tom Stawicki	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Christina Baker Tony Baker	Greg Woodell Karen Howard Gerard Davenport Bruce Peterson		Bruce Peterson
<b>Sunday, Jan. 16</b> <b>10:00AM</b>	Greg Brandenburg	Charlotte Champagne	Gina Koch Brian Rabal	Tim Koch Steve Harrington Daniel Cruz Ken Butler <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>		Charlotte Champagne
<b>Sunday Jan. 16,</b> <b>11:45 AM</b>	Fernando Barbosa	Ivan Sanabria	Maria Elena Calderón Eva Miramón	Maria Barajas Maria Muñoz Martha Mendoza Bertha Valdez Maria Dalia López Víctor López		Ivan Sanabria
<b>Sunday, Jan. 16,</b> <b>5:00 PM</b>	Chris Davis	Bryan Bacon	Susan Davis Terry Shepard	Rob Brothers <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b> <b>NOT FILLED</b>	Bryan Bacon	Bryan Bacon