

Acts 7:55-56

Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. "Look," he said, "I see heaven open & the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God."

St. Stephen Catholic Church  **Iglesia Católica San Esteban**

1300 NE J St, Bentonville, AR 72712

May 15, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Quinto Domingo de Pascua

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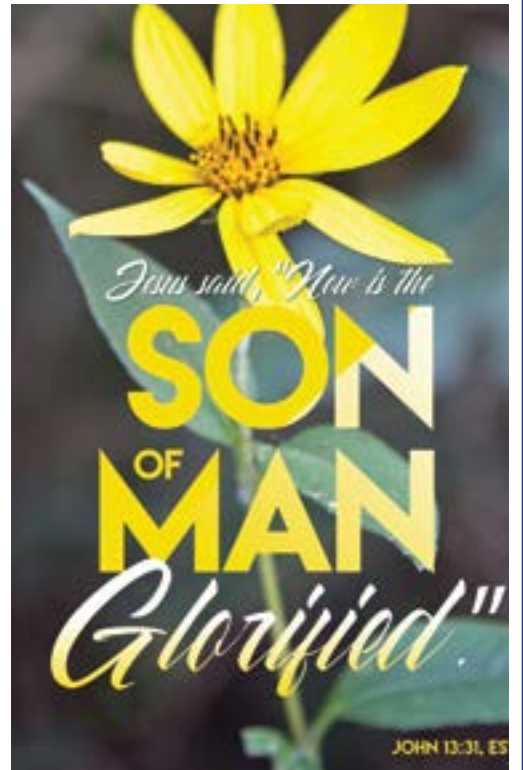
Weekday Mass
Misa Entre Semana (Inglés)
Mon–Fri / Lun–Vie 12:00PM

Sunday MASS & Saturday Vigil
Misas de Domingo y Misa de Vigilia
Saturday 5:00PM
Sunday 7:45AM
Sunday 10:00AM
Sunday – *Español* 11:45AM
Sunday 5:00PM

Reconciliation
Reconciliación
Mon – Fri / Lun – Vie 11:30–11:55AM
Sat (Bilingual) / *Sáb (Bilingüe)* 3:00–4:00PM

Adoration Hours
Horario de Adoración
Mon – Thu / Lun – Jue 9:00–11:30AM
..... & 12:45–3:00PM
Fri / Vie 9:00–11:30AM

*Blessed Stanley Rother Church in Decatur:
Mass Time (Spanish Only): Sat. 6:00PM*



 **Office Hours**
Horario de Oficina

Mon–Thu / Lun–Jue 9:00AM–3:00PM
Friday / *Viernes* 9:00AM–12:00PM

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

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.

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.

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.

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

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 habrá bautismos en diciembre.

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

Catholic Communication Campaign

Collection: This special collection will be taken up in all parishes to support national and diocesan communications. Half of the collection stays in the Diocese of Little Rock to support communications ministries, including Arkansas Catholic print and digital newspaper, newspaper and diocesan websites, newsletter, directory and podcast. With support from previous CCC collections, the diocese has been able to offer most of its content for free. More than 5,000 digital subscriptions have been given to parishioners at no charge.

***Colecta Campaña Católica de la Comunicación:** La mitad de la colecta se queda en la Diócesis de Little Rock para apoyar los ministerios de comunicaciones, incluyendo la edición impresa de Arkansas Catholic y el periódico digital, sitio Web diocesano y del periódico, boletín, directorio y podcast. Con el apoyo de colectas anteriores a CCC, la diócesis ha podido ofrecer la mayoría de este contenido de manera gratuita. Más de 5,000 suscripciones digitales han sido otorgadas a los parroquianos sin costo alguno. El sitio Web diocesano, dolr.org, es actualizado diariamente.*

Vacation Bible Camp: VBC will be June 15-17 from 6:00pm-8:30pm. Our theme this year is Totally Catholic Monumental-Celebrating God's Greatness! Grandparents—please consider volunteering or even just attending with your grandchildren. What a great way to pass on your faith!! Adults, Parents, teens needing service hours and all other kids who have completed the 5th grade—we need you!!! Please volunteer to make this our best VBC yet!! Registration will be open until May 31. Look for the sign up table in the Narthex.

New Statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe: We are excited to announce that a generous family has donated a hand carved statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe to be placed in the arch to the left of the Altar. During this month of May please join us in asking our Heavenly Mother to pray for our parish and nation as the patroness of the Americas and of the unborn. We would like to say thank you to the anonymous family for their donation and to Bishop Taylor for approving the donation.



Estatua nueva de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe: Nos complace anunciar que una familia generosa ha donado una estatua tallada a mano de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe para colocarla en el arco a la izquierda del Altar. Durante este mes de mayo, únase a nosotros para pedirle a nuestra Madre Celestial que ore por nuestra parroquia y nación como la patrona de las Américas y de los no nacidos. Nos gustaría dar las gracias a la familia anónima por su donación y al obispo Taylor por aprobar la donación.

Single and Catholic? We know about the married and religious vocations, but what about the baptismal vocation we all have? Join us this June for a 4-week online interactive series that will help equip you to more fully discover and effectively live your baptismal vocation! Capacity is limited. Sign up today. For more information and to register visit: <https://nationalcatholicingles.com/mission-possible-living-your-baptismal-vocation/>



The National Conference for Single Catholics (NCSC) is directed by Anastasia Northrop, a long time promoter of John Paul II's work and message. She has taken to heart the Church's call to a New Evangelization and ministers in particular to single Catholics. Her conferences have been welcomed in twelve dioceses across the United States, with support from the local ordinaries and bishops of neighboring dioceses. She has recently expanded her work and is hosting online events. Her programs this year have already reached 850+ singles worldwide.

40 Days for Life: It is for days such as these that we are called to boldly, confidently and joyfully proclaim the Gospel of Life! In the midst of leaks, threats of violence and storms of confusion, we stand firm on our foundation Jesus Christ. In Him we are called to be a beacon of Light in the darkness - we promote a Culture of Life in the midst of a Culture of Death. All that we say and do is firmly grounded in Him - so much to keep us on our knees! I talked with a friend earlier this week who is praying for each Supreme Court Justice by name every day - what a great idea! If you'd like to join, Justices are as follows: Samuel Alito, Stephen Breyer, Amy Coney Barrett, Neil Gorsuch, Elena Kagan, Brett Kavanaugh, John Roberts, Sonia Sotomayor, Clarence Thomas.

Speaking of 9 Supreme Court Justices, did you know we have NINE Safe Haven Baby Boxes in Arkansas???? Benton, Conway, El Dorado, Ft. Smith, Jonesboro, Maumelle, Rogers x 2, Springdale. Three babies have been saved: Benton (5/20), Maumelle (11/21) and Conway (2/22). Nine boxes are wonderful but they do no good if a mother in crisis does not know about them. Can you help get the word out?

Are you a Graphic Designer? St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church is looking for a summer Graphic Design Intern to support their Marketing & Communications team in areas such as bulletins, website & social media. Submit your resume & portfolio to: scheduler@svdprogers.com

Summer Camp at Subiaco Abbey: Camp Subiaco, for boys ages 9-13 inclusive, is an active all boys camp with fishing, archery, riflery, go-karts, boating

& tubing, climbing wall and much more. Camp Subiaco is operated by the Subiaco Alumni Association and the Benedictine Monks of Subiaco Abbey. Camp is June 19-25 or June 26-July 2, 2022. Check us out on YouTube! Call (479) 934-1001 for more information. Come join us, it's a blast !! Camp will fill fast. Sign up at: www.CampSubiaco.org

How does our veneration of Mary and the saints relate to our worship of God? The honor we give to God alone is properly called adoration, the highest honor we can give. The honor we give to Mary and the saints is called veneration. Proper veneration of the saints does not interfere with the worship due to God, but rather fosters it. "Our communion with those in heaven, provided that it is understood in the fuller light of faith according to its genuine nature, in no way weakens, but conversely, more thoroughly enriches the latreutic worship we give to God the Father, through Christ, in the Spirit." With this understanding, we see that proper veneration of Mary does not detract from worship of God. Even as the Mother of the Savior, Mary has a place that is in every way subordinate to and dependent upon that of her Son, who is the one mediator between God and humanity. The maternal role that Mary fulfills toward us as Mother of the Church "in no wise obscures or diminishes this unique mediation of Christ, but rather shows His power."

The Second Vatican Council explained very clearly that Mary can be said to fulfill a mediating role only in a secondary and derivative manner:

For no creature could ever be counted as equal with the Incarnate Word and Redeemer. Just as the priesthood of Christ is shared in various ways both by the ministers and by the faithful, and as the one goodness of God is really communicated in different ways to His creatures, so also the unique mediation of the Redeemer does not exclude but rather gives rise to a manifold cooperation which is but a sharing in this one source.

What Mary does for the salvation of the human family does not come from her own power, but from a gift of divine grace that is bestowed on her through

her Son. All the salvific influence that she bestows on us is produced "not from some inner necessity, but from the divine pleasure. It flows forth from the superabundance of the merits of Christ, rests on His mediation, depends

entirely on it and draws all its power from it." Mary in no way replaces Christ. Rather, her role is to bring us to Christ, as is illustrated in Mary's admonition at the wedding feast of Cana, "Do whatever he tells you." (Jn 2:5). Source: USCCB



Saturday, May 7th, the following young adults were confirmed in Christ:

- Maramarie Abide, Janette Pérez
- Santiago Aguirre, Jhon Peréz
- Allison Baker, Andrew Porta
- Alida Behnke, Sebastian Reyes
- John Brandenburg, Patrick Rocha
- Pearlyn Britto, Michelle Roselli
- Alejandro Cantor, Paloma Rosso
- Samantha Chapman, Isabella Shelton
- Owen Clifford, Jake Sta Ana
- Christina Espinosa, Meleea Swango
- Sylvester Fernandes, Julia Tran
- Ashley Flesher, Annabella Tyburski
- Siena Fusco, Jonathon Veira
- Wilfredo Garcia, Megan Verkamp
- Kimberly Herrera, Olivia Warner
- Nicholas Hinkebein, Isabella Watkins
- Brodie Holz, Zachery Whiting
- Isabel Iuso, Dylan Williams



Church Operations for May

Operating Expenses \$56,534.96
 Loan Balance \$555,255.06
God's Holy City, the Church, is like "a new Jerusalem," beautifully prepared for Him as a Bride. As God's dwelling is with the human race, so may we take care to support His Church on earth, by our volunteering of time, talent and treasure.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$32,968.03	\$105,000.00
Growth Fund	\$10,341.50	\$20,000.00

Scripture Readings for 05/22/2022

Acts 15: 1-2,22-29
 Psalm 67 (66): 2-3, 5, 6, 8
 Rev. 21: 10-14, 22-23
 John 14: 23-29

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 14
 5:00PM Loretta Gallager †

Sunday, May 15
 7:45AM Madelyn Spiller †
 10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 11:45AM Krimelda & Ulpiano Cruz-González
 5:00PM All Lonely Souls

Monday, May 16
 12:00PM Criss Espinosa & Family

Tuesday, May 17
 12:00PM Evelyn Blevins & Family

Wednesday, May 18
 12:00PM Kaylee Nguyen †

Thursday, May 19
 12:00PM Margaret Griffin †

Friday, May 20
 12:00PM Ron D. Smith †

Saturday, May 21
 5:00PM Ron D. Smith †

Sunday, May 22
 7:45AM Andrew Lac Tran †
 10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 11:45AM Arlet Salinas †
 5:00PM María Keily †

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May 21-22	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host	Usher	Lock Up	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, May 21 5:00 PM	Michael Janick	Jon Terlouw	Lori Terlouw Susan McDaniel	Andy Fosdick Dave Brandenburg Steve Saulsbery NOT FILLED	Mark Jechura	John Terlouw
Sunday, May 22 7:45 AM	Irma Holasek	Christina Baker	Robbie Estes Tony Baker	Peggy Estes Jake Estes Amanda Cantu Greg Woodell		Amanda Cantu
Sunday, May 22 10:00 AM	María Méndez	Ted Brauburger	TJ LaPlant Diedra or Steven Dourth Theresa Brauburger	Brian Rabal Steve Harrington Charlotte Champagne Daniel Cruz Ken Butler		Ted Brauburger
Sunday, May 22 11:45 AM	Rosalba Ortiz	Mirna Serrano	Héctor Rangel Julián Serrano	José Ortiz María Barajas María Muñoz María Salcedo J. Concepción Serrano		Iván Sanabria
Sunday, May 22 5:00 PM	Libby Harris	Cary Richard	Lisa Juan Gerry Whiting	Zachery Whiting Rob Brothers NOT FILLED	Cary Richard	Cary Richard