



**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 22, 2022

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

*Sexto 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*

**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.*

**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 habrá bautismos en diciembre.*



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

**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.*

**RICA:** 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.*

### **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 placed in the arch to the left of the Altar. During this month of May please join us in asking our Heavenly Mother patroness of the Americas and of the unborn to pray for our parish and nation. We would like to thank Bishop Taylor for approving the donation. As Mother of the Americas, may she bless all her children of every nationality.



### **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 colocada en el arco a la izquierda del Altar. Durante este mes de mayo, únase a nosotros para pedirle a nuestra Madre Celestial, patrona de las Américas y de los no nacidos, que ore por nuestra parroquia y nación. Agradecemos al obispo Taylor por aprobar la donación. Como Madre de las Américas, que bendiga a todos sus hijos de todas las nacionalidades.*

**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.

**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://nationalcatholicsingles.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.



### **Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSBC):**

By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you show that you have love for one another, especially those suffering and poor, and that indeed you are the disciple of Jesus. Pantry needs: ramen noodles, pancake mix and syrup.

### **Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl**

*(SSBC): Con su donación a la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl mostrará que se aman los unos a los otros, especialmente a los que sufren y a los pobres, y que en verdad son discípulos de Jesús. Necesidades de despensa: fideos ramen, mezcla para panqueques y jarabe.*

**Registration for Fall Classes:** Classes for Religious Education for kids/youth 4yrs through the 12th grade will start in July for the 2022-23 year. We will be introducing a new online platform so stay tuned for more information. Please also consider volunteering as a co-teacher or small group leader and religious fees will be waived.

### **Inscripción para clases de Educación Religiosa:**

*Las clases de educación religiosa para niños/jóvenes de 4 años hasta el grado 12 comenzarán en julio para el año 2022-23. Estaremos presentando una nueva plataforma en línea, así que permanezca atento para obtener más información. Considere también ser voluntario como co-maestro o líder de un grupo pequeño y no se aplicarán las tarifas religiosas.*

### **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:: [www.CampSubiaco.org](http://www.CampSubiaco.org)

### **Search #150 Retreat:**

Registrations are now being accepted for Search #150, 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 summer Search is open to in-coming juniors, seniors, and recently graduated seniors. Search #150 will be held at St. John Center, Little Rock, over the dates of June 24-26, 2022. The fee is \$135.00. For more information and registration forms visit our website at: <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-150.pdf> If you have questions, you may contact Trish Gentry [tgentry@dolr.org](mailto:tgentry@dolr.org) at the Diocese of Little Rock Youth Ministry office: 501-664-0340, ext 418.

### **Respect Life Novena:**

On May 31st, the Church celebrates the *Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. This feast commemorates the Blessed Mother's visit to her cousin Elizabeth



and the encounter of Jesus and St. John the Baptist while in the wombs of their mothers. Join us in praying "A Novena for Life" from May 22-30. For the Novena, visit: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/novena-life-feast-visitation-blessed-virgin-mary>

***Novena por la Vida:** El 31 de mayo, la Iglesia celebra la Fiesta de la Visitación de la Santísima Virgen María. Esta fiesta conmemora la visita de la Santísima Madre a su prima Isabel y el encuentro de Jesús y San Juan Bautista en el vientre de sus madres. Únase a nosotros para rezar "Una Novena por la Vida" del 22 al 30 de mayo. Para la Novena, visite: El 31 de mayo, la Iglesia celebra la Fiesta de la Visitación de la Santísima Virgen María. Esta fiesta conmemora la visita de la Santísima Madre a su prima Isabel y el encuentro de Jesús y San Juan Bautista en el vientre de sus madres. Únase a nosotros para rezar "Una Novena por la Vida" del 22 al 30 de mayo. Para la Novena, visite: <https://www.usccb.org/resources/novena-life-feast-visitation-blessed-virgin-mary>*

**Save the Date! The Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Renewal Service** invites everyone to the Catholic Charismatic Conference to be held July 22-24, 2022 at the Wyndham Riverfront Hotel in North Little Rock. Speakers will be Fr. Patrick Gonyeau of "Encounter Ministries" and Mrs. Barbara Heil, founder of "From His Heart" ministry. The conference will open on Friday evening with mass. Closing will be with Sunday Mass at 11:30 am. Other weekend activities will be a youth track, praise and worship, children's ministry, book store and prayer teams. Registration/information can be found at: [www.arkcc.org](http://www.arkcc.org). If you have any questions, please call Call Marion at 479-692-1937.

**St. Raphael Catholic Book and Gift Shop:** Is looking for a Part-Time employee to work Saturday: 9:00am-5:00pm and Sunday: 9:30am-2:30pm. Must be 18 years or older and go through the Diocese Protecting God's Children training. For more information, call 479-756-6711 ext. 236 or [giftshop@straphaelcc.org](mailto:giftshop@straphaelcc.org)

**The Month of May is Mental Health Awareness Month:** According to the NCPD, (National Catholic Partnership on Disability) one out of every four families struggles with some level of

mental illness. "The stigma attached to mental illness forces many to hide the severity of their symptoms or those of a loved one. Many stop coming to church due to the stigma. Stigma is the single greatest barrier to people getting effective treatment. Leaders of a parish, diocese or other Catholic organizations can fight stigma by learning the signs of mental illness and reaching out to those living with the illness." The organization offers "Each Day I will Recall that I am a Child of God" for anyone struggling with mental illness, as well as resources to help individuals and parishes grow their awareness of mental illness. Please go to: <https://ncpd.org/ministries-programs/specific/mentalillness/resources/mhmonth>

The Arkansas Crisis Center offers intervention and counseling, confidentially and anonymously, links callers with resources in their area, and ultimately, works to save lives by preventing crises from becoming life-threatening. If you or someone you know needs immediate help, call (888) 274-7472. Calls are answered 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The National Alliance on Mental Illness also offers support services and treatment options that may help. Arkansas' NAMI affiliate offers a toll-free helpline at (800) 844-0381 and support groups for anyone with a mental illness who needs support. Support groups for families are also offered.

**Prayer for Those Suffering Mental Illness:** "Loving God, we pray today for those who are confronted by the sadness, ambiguity and confusion of mental illness, and for those upon whom they depend for attention and compassionate care. Look with mercy on all whose afflictions bring them weakness, distress, confusion or isolation. Provide for them homes of dignity and peace; give to them understanding helpers and the willingness to accept help. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

--Catholic Health Association of the United States. One of the saints who can be helpful is St. Dymphna, patron saint of those with mental illness or nervous or emotional disorders.

**Blessed Virgin Mary:** As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us.

Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved. (Lumen Gentium, no. 53)

Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf. -USCCB-



## Church Operations for May

Operating Expenses ..... \$56,534.96  
 Loan Balance ..... \$555,255.06

In this Easter season, we hear the story of the Acts of the Apostles, how the disciples of Jesus and the elders organized the specifics of the early Church established by Christ. As members of this Church, these institutional needs are met by our regular and generous stewardship offerings and volunteer assistance.

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 05/29/2022

Acts 1: 1-11  
 Psalm 47 (46): 2-3, 6-7, 8-9  
 Eph. 1:17-23  
 Heb. 9: 24-28; 10: 19-23

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**Bulletin Deadline:** Tue. 12:00 PM  
 (5 days prior to publication date.)  
 Email articles to:  
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*Fecha límite del Boletín: Martes a las 12:00 PM (5 días antes de la fecha de publicación). Envíe artículos a: bulletin@ststephenbentonville.com.*

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### 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 Maria Keily †

### Monday, May 23

12:00PM Olga Serrano & Family

### Tuesday, May 24

12:00PM Lac Tran †

### Wednesday, May 25

12:00PM Elizabeth Ganey & Family

### Thursday, May 26

12:00PM Ron D. Smith †

### Friday, May 27

12:00PM Margaret Griffin †

### Saturday, May 28

5:00PM Andrew Lac Tran †

### Sunday, May 29

7:45AM Scripture Sisters  
 10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses  
 11:45AM Catalina Villa †  
 w& Benito Perdones †  
 5:00PM Larry Wewers †

May 28-29	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host	Usher	Lock Up	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, May 28 5:00 PM	Jen Krueckeberg	Mark Jechura	Jill Saulsbery Margie O'Grady	Steve Saulsbery Andy Fosdick Dave Brandenburg NOT FILLED	Mark Jechura	Mark Jechura
Sunday, May 29 7:45 AM	Irma Holasek	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Christy Yuska Kira O'Shaughnessy	Karen Howard Greg Woodell Amanda Cantu Gerard Davenport		Amanda Cantu
Sunday, May 29 10:00 AM	Ted Brauburger	Theresa Brauburger	Joe Hartnett Rose Hartnett Paul Krapf	Steve Harrington Daniel Cruz Charlotte Champagne Ken Butler NOT FILLED		Ted Brauburger
Sunday, May 29 11:45 AM	Fernando Barbosa	Crimilda Viera	Olga Serrano Eva Miramón	J. Concepción Serrano María Dalia López Víctor López Bertha Valdez María Barajas María Muñoz		Crimilda Viera
Sunday, May 29 5:00 PM	Eric Belin	Cary Richard	Katie Morris Catherine Garner	Rob Brothers NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Cary Richard	Cary Richard