

#### **Pastor**

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

### **Associate Pastor**

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# **Faith Formation Director** (7th - 12th Grade)

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1300 NE J St, Bentonville, AR 72712

July 24, 2022

# **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Decimoséptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

# **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 "Lord, teach us to Luke 11:1

# 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.

**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.



**Saturday, July 30th:** After the 5pm Mass, we will be having a party to celebrate the last payment on our loan to the Diocese. The theme is "Keep the Fire Burning" but it applies to more than the debt. We want to keep the fire of Christ burning in us and reignite our parish. We will have a sit-down dinner followed by a few words from Monsignor and our Parish & Finance Councils, a burning of the note, dancing and drinks to follow. This event is free but all must RSVP. Visit: bit.ly/3Rq0JJL

Sábado, 30 de julio: Después de la Misa de las 5:00pm, tendremos una fiesta para celebrar el último pago de nuestro préstamo a la Diócesis. El tema es "Mantener el fuego encendido", pero se aplica a más que la deuda. Queremos mantener el fuego de Cristo ardiendo en nosotros y reavivar nuestra parroquia. Tendremos una cena informal seguida de unas palabras de Monseñor y nuestros Consejos Parroquiales y Financieros, quema de la nota, baile y bebidas. Este evento es gratuito, pero todos deben confirmar su asistencia. (R.S.V.P.) Visite: bit.ly/3Rq0JJL

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

This week, as you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, you are realizing that in giving you indeed receive. Thank you for continuing to return your food drive bags. Donations are always welcome! Pantry needs: cake mix, brownies & frosting. (These items cannot be purchased by SSBC at the food bank and are received by donations.)

**Life Teen Summer & Float Trip!** Life Teen is back for summer events July 22 to August 10!

July 29: Float Trip! 8am-4pm

July 31: Movie Night

6:00pm- 7:30pm

August 3: Escape Room 6pm....

August 7: Movie Night

6pm-7:30pm

August 10: Campfire & S'mores 6pm-7:30pm

Please consider helping to volunteer, as we are still short on volunteers. If we do not have enough volunteers for any event (at least two days in advance) the event will be canceled.

Contact Josh for more information: jcoppick@ststephenbentonville.com

Registration for Fall Classes: Registration for religious education for all grades, Pre K – 12th grade, is open for the 2022-2023 school year. Religious Education fees are \$50 per child w/ a maximum \$200 per family. Please register in person at St. Stephen during regular office hours or after Mass

Religious education programs depend on parent and parish volunteers. Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to use your gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Remember that co-teachers and small group leaders do not have to pay registration fees. **Deadline to sign up for religious education is July 31.** 



Inscripción para clases de Educación Religiosa: Inscripción para las clases de otoño: la inscripción para la educación religiosa para todos los grados, desde Pre-K hasta el grado 12, está abierta para el año escolar 2022-2023. Las tarifas de educación religiosa son de \$50 por niño con un máximo de \$200 por familia. Regístrese en persona en St. Stephen durante el horario regular de oficina o después de la Misa.

Los programas de educación religiosa dependen de los padres y los voluntarios de la parroquia. Considere en oración cómo Dios lo está llamando a usar sus dones de tiempo, talento y tesoro. Recuerde que los profesores adjuntos y los líderes de grupos pequeños no tienen que pagar cuotas de inscripción. La fecha límite para inscribirse en la educación religiosa es el 31 de julio.

**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. 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, although it 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, to our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Classes for RCIA officially begin Wednesday, August 10th 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. We welcome all who would like to journey with us this fall to email the parish office at ststephen@ ststephenbentonville.com or call 479-273-1240 to pre-register. Our schedule follows the school calendar. We meet every Wednesday except for Thanksgiving week, Christmas & Spring Break. Schedules with topics will be furnished along with easy to read materials for weekly discussion. All are welcome.

**Children's Adoration:** There will be children's adoration on Friday, July 29th and Friday, August 5th at 11:30am in the Saint Francis of Assisi Chapel. We hope to see your children there!

**Adoración de Niños:** Habrá adoración para niños el viernes, 29 de julio y viernes, 5 de agosto a las 11:30am en la Capilla San Francisco de Asís. ¡Esperamos ver a sus hijos allí!

Project Rachael: You are not alone. There is hope. Healing is possible. Project Rachel Ministry is offering a one-day, post abortion healing retreat for women on Saturday, August 6, 2022 near Benton, AR. (The exact location is disclosed only to participants.) This retreat is confidential and provides a safe, non-judgmental place to begin or continue your journey to hope and healing after an abortion. Call or text our confidential phone line 501-663-0996 for more information or to register. Please contact Project Rachel. We care. We understand. Please note: This retreat is in English.

**Saints Anne & Joaquim:** Each year the Church venerates the memory of Saints Anne & Joachim on **July 26th.** An ancient

story dating to the first centuries of the Church's life recalls how Saints Anne & Joachim, like Abraham and Sarah, were scorned by their neighbors because they had no children. Years of longing did not weaken their trust in God, but grief eventually drove Saint Joachim into the wilderness to fast and pray. Saint Anne, remaining at home, dressed in mourning clothes and wept because she had no child of her own. Seeing her mistress distressed, a servant girl reminded Anne to put her trust in God. Saint Anne washed her face, put on her bridal clothes and went to a garden to plead with God for a child. Angels appeared to Saint Anne in her garden and Saint Joachim in the desert, promising that, despite their old age, they would give birth to a child who would be known throughout the world. The new parents ran to meet one another at Jerusalem's Golden Gate, and with a kiss rejoiced in the new life which God had promised would be theirs.

Saints Anne and Joachim are powerful intercessors for all married couples, expectant mothers and married couples who are having difficulty conceiving, as well as all who have grown old. They are also the patrons of grandparents. Source: https://www.usccb.org/

O Lord, God of our Fathers, who bestowed on Saints Joachim and Anne this grace, that of them should be born the Mother of your incarnate Son, grant, through the prayers of both, that we may attain the salvation you have promised to your people.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Source: https://aleteia.org



**St. James Apostle, Feast Day: July 25th:** Nothing is known of St. James the Greater's early life, though it has been established that he is the son of Zebedee and Salome and brother of John the disciple.

Saint James the Greater was one of Jesus' first disciples. James was fishing with his father and John the Apostle when Jesus came to the shores of the Sea of Galilee and called for the fisherman, who were unable to catch any fish that day, to dip their nets in the water once again.

Later, James was one of only three called by Jesus to witness his Transfiguration, and when he and his brother wanted to call fire upon a Samaritan town, both were rebuked by Jesus.

Following Christ's Ascension, James spread the Gospel across Israel and the Roman kingdom as well. He traveled and spread the Word for nearly forty years in Spain.

It is said that one day, as he prayed, The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to him and asked him to build her a church, which he did. Source: https://www.catholic.org/



O glorious Apostle, Saint James, who by reason of thy fervent and generous heart was chosen by Jesus to be witness of His glory on Mount Tabor, and of His agony in Gethsemane; thou, whose very name is a symbol of warfare and victory: obtain for us strength and consolation in the unending warfare of this life, that, having constantly and generously followed Jesus, we may be victors in the strife and deserve to receive the victor's crown in heaven. Amen.



# **Church Operations for July**

Operating Expenses \$80,889.64
Loan Balance \$0.00
Congratulations and Thank you!

As Jesus encourages us to be persistent in our prayer, so may the virtue of fidelity also continue in our regular stewardship contributions throughout the summer holidays.

Revenue	Month-to- Date	Monthly Goal	
Stewardship & Other	\$67,152.12	\$135,000	
Growth Fund	\$ 7,446.98	\$ 15,000	

### Scripture Readings for 07/31/2022

Eccl 1: 2; 2: 21-23

Psalm 90 (89): 3-4, 5-6,12-13, 14, 17

Col. 3: 1-5, 9-11 Luke 12: 13-21

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### **Parish Communications**

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**Bulletin Deadline:** Tue. 12:00 PM (5 days prior to publication date.) Email articles to: 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

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# Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 23

5:00PM Ines Pereyra †

Sunday, July 24

7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses

10:00AM Ben Birchem †

11:45AM Clementina Covarrubias †

Refugio Rodríguez †

5:00PM Elaine Richard †

Monday, July 25

12:00PM Steve Culling †

Tuesday, July 26

12:00PM Jim Barth †

Wednesday, July 27

12:00PM Errol Aliangan

Thursday, July 28

12:00PM Yasser Pablu Conchita †

Friday, July 29

12:00PM Peter Thong Le †

Saturday, July 30

5:00PM Maria Nhu Bui †

Sunday, July 31

7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses

10:00AM Maria Nhu Bui †

11:45AM Jesús Monzalvo Rendón †

5:00PM Maria Nhu Bui †

July 30-31	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host & Cup	Usher	Lock Up	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, July 30 5:00 PM	Michael Janick	Mark Jechura	Susan McDaniel Jill Saulsbery Cup: Janet Palmer Philip Palmer	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED Dave Brandenburg NOT FILLED	Mark Jechura	Mark Jechura
Sunday, July 31 7:45 AM	Tom Stawicki	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Kira O'Shaughnessy Christy Yuska <i>Cup:</i> Amanda Cantu Peggy Estes	Karen Howard Greg Woodell Geri Oswald Len Oswald		Amanda Cantu
Sunday, July 31 10:00 AM	Lily Farley	Ted Brauburger	Diedra or Steven Dourth Gina Koch <i>Cup:</i> Brian Rabal Paul Krapf	Steve Harrington NOT FILLED Tim Koch Charlotte Champagne		Ted Brauburger
Sunday, July 31 11:45 AM	Dulce Ortiz	Iván Sanabria	Olga Serrano Mirna Serrano <i>Cup:</i> María Elena Calderón Julián Serrano	Hector Rangel NOT FILLED J. Concepcion Serrano Jose Ortiz		Iván Sanabria
Sunday, July 31 5:00 PM	Eric Belin	Cary Richard	Catherine Garner Ken Hunter <i>Cup:</i> Lisa Richard Lisa Juan	Rob Brothers NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Cary Richard	Cary Richard