

**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."



1300 NE J St, Bentonville, AR 72712

July 31, 2022

# **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Decimoctavo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario*

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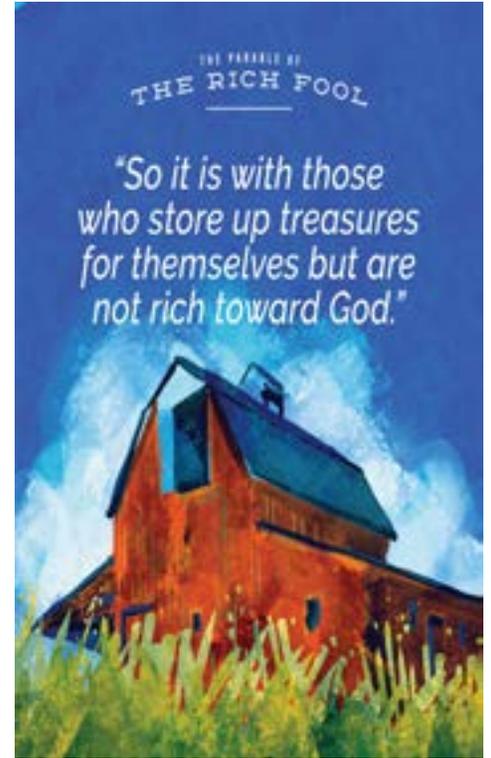
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**Weekday Mass**  
*Misa Entre Semana (Inglés)*  
Mon–Fri / Lun–Vie ..... 12:00PM

**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



 **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.

**RCIA:** 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.

**Life Teen Summer:** Life Teen is back for summer events .

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.



**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. To pre-register, please contact the parish office email: [ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:ststephen@ststephenbentonville.com) or call 479-273-1240. 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:** Children's Adoration will be Aug. 5th at 11:30am in the Chapel. We hope to see all of your children there. We are looking for someone to help lead the Children's Adoration. It would be during school breaks and the summer. If you feel called to this ministry and for more information, please email [adoration@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:adoration@ststephenbentonville.com).

**Adoración de Niños:** *La Adoración de Niños será el 5 de agosto a las 11:30 am en la Capilla. Esperamos ver a todos sus hijos allí. Estamos buscando a alguien para ayudar a dirigir la Adoración de los Niños. Sería durante las vacaciones escolares y el verano. Si se siente llamado a este ministerio y para obtener más información, envíe un correo electrónico a [adoration@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:adoration@ststephenbentonville.com).*



**Small Group Leader Sign Ups:** Our fall wseason of Encounter, our adult small group ministry, will

be starting in September. This season we will be learning more about the Bible. If you would like to meet others and grow in your faith, consider joining us as a small group leader. Groups will be meeting in person and online. There will be a table in the Narthex with more information and a QR Code for sign up.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSBC):** Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul provide assistance with utilities by bringing respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat. Thank you for returning the blue envelopes to help our neighbors in need.

**Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl (SSBC):** *Ayude a la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl a brindar asistencia con los servicios públicos brindando un respiro y esperanza a los ancianos que no pueden encontrar alivio del calor del verano. Gracias por devolver los sobres azules para ayudar a nuestros vecinos necesitados.*

**Respect Life:** Abortions were not easy for NWA residents to obtain prior to the Dobbs decision, and now it is impossible. That's the good news!



Unfortunately the bad news is that Arkansas residents obtaining abortions in Kansas has gone up 185%. Currently abortions are performed in Kansas through 9 months for any reason. The good news is there is something you can do to help save the lives of these pre-born babies.

The first opportunity for a pro-life referendum post-Dobbs will come on August 2nd, 2022, in Kansas. Citizens will have the chance to pass an amendment that clarifies their state constitution does not include a right to abortion. Things you can do to help:

1. Please pray.
2. Reach out to your family/friends/ contacts in Kansas and encourage them to vote "Yes" on August 2nd.
3. It's a close race - early polls show 47% "Yes," 43% "No" and 10% undecided. Value Them Both campaign headquarters needs help with phone calls. Would you be willing to make some calls to undecided voters? You will download a free app on your phone and there is a short 30-minutes zoom training call. Email [GregM@valuethemboth.com](mailto:GregM@valuethemboth.com) if interested.
4. A real hotbed of needed outreach is in the college town of Pittsburg, KS. Pro-lifers are needed to "canvas" - going door to door - to encourage the pro-life vote. Pittsburg is in Southeast Kansas and, depending on where you live in NWA, about an hour and a half drive. Leaving early morning and returning late afternoon, I will be going to Kansas Wednesday, 7/27 - Sunday, 7/31 to help in this effort. If you would like to join me in one/several/all of these days please e-mail or txt me at 469-231-1959.

**Taste of Faith:** All are invited to watch "Taste of Faith: Virtual Edition" live from the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock on Saturday, Aug. 6 at 7 p.m. on the Taste of Faith website [tasteoffaith.org](http://tasteoffaith.org) to support seminarian education in the Diocese of Little Rock. The seminarians have a faith-filled event planned for you that will include interviews with priests from around our diocese, encouraging talks from our future priests and vocation

director, and the opportunity to meet our newest seminarians. Donate anytime at: [tasteoffaith.org/give](http://tasteoffaith.org/give). For more information on attending in person, email Dianne Brady, director of stewardship and development, at [dbrady@dolr.org](mailto:dbrady@dolr.org) or call her (501) 664-0340, ext. 391.

***Prueba de Fe:** Todos están invitados a ver "Prueba de Fe: Edición Virtual" en vivo desde el Centro de Convenciones Statehouse en Little Rock el sábado 6 de agosto a las 7 p.m. en el sitio web de Taste of Faith [tasteoffaith.org](http://tasteoffaith.org) para apoyar la educación de seminaristas en la Diócesis de Little Rock. Los seminaristas tienen un evento lleno de fe planeado para ustedes que incluirá entrevistas con sacerdotes de toda nuestra diócesis, conversaciones interesantes de nuestros futuros sacerdotes y director de vocaciones, y la oportunidad de conocer a nuestros nuevos seminaristas. Para obtener más información sobre como atender en persona, envíe un correo electrónico a Dianne Brady, directora de corresponsabilidad y desarrollo, a [dbrady@dolr.org](mailto:dbrady@dolr.org) o llámela al (501) 664-0340, Ext. 391.*

**St. John Vianney:** St. John Marie Vianney was born on May 8, 1786 in the French town of Dardilly, France. He was the fourth child in a humble family of six children born to Matthieu Vianney and his wife, Marie. The Vianneys were devout followers of the Catholic Faith and helped the needy.

St. Vianney started drawing pilgrims who sought his advice. By 1855, about 20,000 people would visit him, seeking his counsel. In the last ten years of his life, he would spend 16 to 18 hours per day in the confessional.

He was known for his devotion to the Virgin Mary and to St. Philomena and was dedicated to the sacrament of reconciliation (confession) for his parishioners. From 1824 he suffered attacks that he believed were caused by the Devil, who allegedly on one occasion set fire to Vianney's bed.

St. Vianney was canonized in 1925 by Pope Pius XI and was made the patron saint of parish priests. His feast day was added to the General Roman Calendar to be celebrated on August 9. This date was later moved to August 4, the day of his death. On August 4, 1859, St. Vianney

died at the age of 73. More than 6,000 people and 300 priests attended the funeral and it was presided by the bishop. He was proclaimed "venerable" by Pope Pius IX on October 3, 1874 and declared Blessed on January 1905 by Pope Pius X.

**What are some miracles he is known for?** The greatest miracles of all that occurred in Ars, the Curé of Ars insisted, were the miracles of conversion. The conversion of someone from a state of mortal sin to grace, he said, is "a greater miracle than what the Lord did to raise Lazarus!" "The body is so very little" in comparison, he said, to the "sacrament that heals the wounds of our soul!" These were the types of miracles for which the patron saint of priests implored God the most, and, having witnessed so many of them as a confessor, it's somewhat predictable that he trusted totally in the Lord's ability to work the "lesser" miracles of the body.

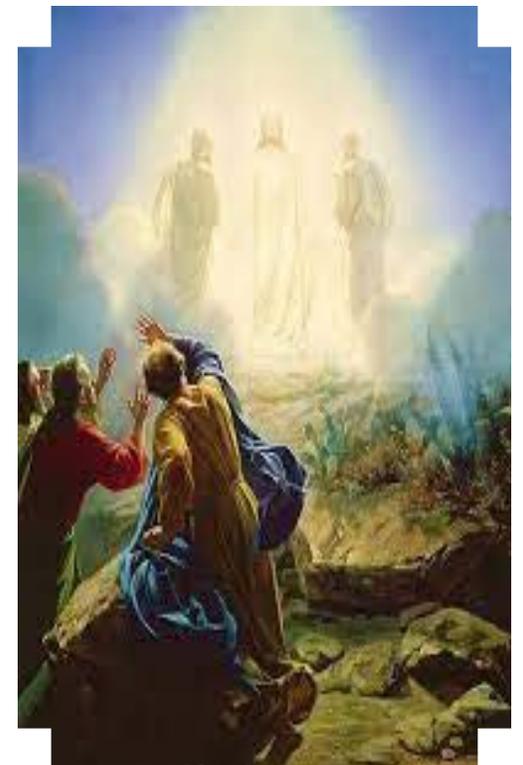


Since miracles always require faith, and morals flow from faith, Fr. Vianney demanded this living faith from those who came with such requests. To a young epileptic from Marseilles who was not living chastely, he said, "That is not the way to behave for one who desires to be cured." To a young girl with a paralyzed, shortened leg, he told her that her leg would be cured to the extent that she became truly respectful of her mother. Over the course of the next three months, she worked on it and her leg inexplicably began to grow and acquire complete neuromuscular control.

Saint John Vianney had extraordinary gifts of reading souls, telling penitents their own sins when they came to him in the confessional. He offered consolation to a woman who had lost her husband to suicide, telling her that he'd repented in his final moments and so was saved, all before the woman had said one word to him. Source: [catholicfaithstore.com](http://catholicfaithstore.com) and [catholiceducation.org](http://catholiceducation.org)

**The Transfiguration of the Lord, August 6th:** Feast of the Transfiguration, Christian commemoration of the occasion upon which Jesus Christ took three of his disciples, Peter, James, and John, up on a mountain, where Moses and Elijah appeared and Jesus was transfigured, his face and clothes becoming dazzlingly bright (Mark 9:2–13; Matthew 17:1–13; Luke 9:28–36).

It was not a miracle that Jesus Christ transfigured Himself on Mount Tabor before the Apostles. It was a miracle that He maintained His common, earthly appearance for the whole of His life. It was a miracle that His face was not glowing like the sun as He walked the hills and valleys of the Holy Land. Christ's normality, His sustained suppression of His divine radiance, was a miracle of humility, of slavish devotion to His vocation to incarnate, teach, suffer, and die for mankind. Source: [mycatholiclife.com](http://mycatholiclife.com)



## Church Operations for July

Operating Expenses .....\$89,948.17

The Scriptures today warn against greed, and fighting about an inheritance, by reminding us of the vanity of storing up an abundance of material goods which will be left behind, when, instead, we should be storing up "riches in Heaven."

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$86,065.42	\$135,000
Growth Fund	\$ 8,078.98	\$ 15,000

## Scripture Readings for 08/07/2022

Wis 18: 6-9

Psalms 33 (32): 1, 12, 18-19, 20-22

Heb II: 1-2, 8-19 or

Heb II: 1-2, 8-12 (short form)

Luke 12: 32-48 or

Luke 12: 35-40 (short form)

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### 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 †

### Monday, August 1

12:00PM Allen Crow †

### Tuesday, August 2

12:00PM Emma Kait Dietz

### Wednesday, August 3

12:00PM Brightridge Dental Staff & Families

### Thursday, August 4

12:00PM Caroline Ameigh

### Friday, August 5

12:00PM Grace Ameigh †

### Saturday, August 6

9:00AM Michael T. Hughs †

5:00PM Peter Thong Le †

### Sunday, August 7

7:45AM Madelyn Spiller †

10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses

11:45AM Clementina Covarrubias †

Refugio Rodríguez †

5:00PM Lisa Richard

August 6-7	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host & Cup	Usher	Lock Up	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, <b>August 6</b> 5:00 PM	Nicholas Tyburski	Jon Terlouw	Lori Terlouw SusanMcDaniel <i>Cup:</i> Janet Palmer Philip Palmer	Andy Fosdick Dave Brandenburg Steve Saulsbery NOT FILLED	Steve Saulsbery	Jon Terlouw
Sunday, <b>August 7</b> 7:45 AM	James Gaffigan	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Theresa Gaffigan Christina Baker <i>Cup:</i> Tony Baker Kira O'Shaughnessy	Gerard Davenport Greg Woodell Karen Howard NOT FILLED		Bruce Peterson
Sunday, <b>August 7</b> 10:00 AM	Maria Mendez	Theresa Brauburger	Ted Brauburger Claudia Garcia <i>Cup:</i> TJ LaPlant Kathryn Gough	Charlotte Champagne Steve Harrington NOT FILLED Tim Koch		Ted Brauburger
Sunday, <b>August 7</b> 11:45 AM	Ramon Portilla	Crimilda Viera	Eva Miramn Olga Serrano <i>Cup:</i> Brenda Cruz Noel Perez	Maria Dalia Lopez Victor Lopez J. Concepcion Serrano NOT FILLED		Crimilda Viera
Sunday, <b>August 7</b> 5:00 PM	Bryan Bacon	Bryan Bacon	Lisa Juan Ken Hunter <i>Cup:</i> Katie Morris Catherine Garner	Rob Brothers NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Bryan Bacon	Bryan Bacon