

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

August 14, 2022

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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



*I came to bring
fire to the earth...*

LUKE 12:49, NRSV



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.

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.

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.

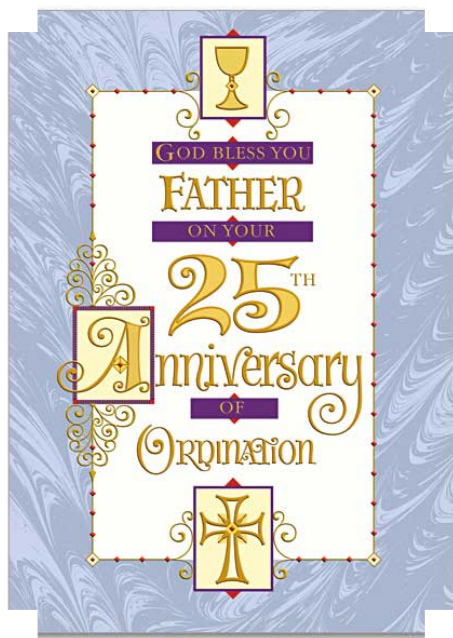
RCIA: Sessions open to those interested in learning about or renewing their connection to the Catholic Faith.

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



Father Polycarp's Welcome and 25th Ordination Anniversary: Join us today 8/14 after the 10:00am Mass, (Parish Life Center) to welcome to our Parish Father Polycarp Ssebowa and to celebrate his 25th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination.

Congratulations and best wishes on your 25th Anniversary of Priesthood Father Polycarp! Thank you for your holy devotion to the Lord and to His Church. May God bless you abundantly in your priestly ministry.



Bienvenida del Padre Polycarp y 25 Aniversario de Ordenación: Únase a nosotros hoy 8/14 después de la Misa de las 10:00 a.m. (Centro de Vida Parroquial) para dar la bienvenida a nuestra Parroquia al Padre Polycarp Ssebowa y celebrar su 25 Aniversario de Ordenación Sacerdotal.

¡Felicitaciones y nuestros mejores deseos por su 25 Aniversario de Sacerdocio Padre Polycarp! Gracias por su santa devoción al Señor y a su Iglesia. Que Dios los bendiga abundantemente en su ministerio sacerdotal.

NWA Ignatian Experience: Come and See! An Introduction to Ignatian Prayer and Spirituality.

Pope Francis tells us that "The cannonball that wounded Ignatius of Loyola 500 years ago not only changed the saint's life but also the course of the world." Come and See what Ignatian spirituality is all about—how Ignatius' understanding of "Finding God in All Things" continues to be vital to each of us in our 21st century lives.

We are offering many NWA opportunities to **Come and See:** All are welcome!

St. Stephen:

Wed. Aug. 31st 6:30pm-8:00pm in Parish Life Center.

For more information: please contact Lainie Snider: lainiesnider@yahoo.com or call -806-584-4160.

St. Raphael:

Mon, Aug 29th, 6:30pm-8:00pm & Wed, Aug 31st, 9:30am-11am in the St. Gabriel Room

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St. Vincent de Paul:

Debi Snyder at 479-366-7543.

Armchair Mystic: Longing for a deeper prayer life and a closer relationship with Jesus? If so, you are invited to join us in our Five-Week prayer experience using the book, *Armchair Mystic* by Mark Thibodeaux, S.J. This book explores many forms of prayer, meditations and reflections that provide us with opportunities to grow deeper in our relationship with God. Participants commit to daily prayer and weekly small group meetings beginning Tuesday Sept 13 - October 11th or Wednesday, Sept 14th - Oct 12th from 6:30pm-8:00pm.

The fee is only \$25 plus the cost of the book. Please refer to the contact list above to sign up.

RCIA: Come join us this Wednesday, August 17th at 7:00pm in St. Jerome Room. Msgr. Scott will speak on a topic "*Journey of Faith/Call to Holiness.*" All are welcome!

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: By tradition, the holy day is observed every August 15th. This year, the Feast of the Assumption occurs on Monday, August 15, 2022. Therefore, when this Solemnity falls on a Monday or Saturday, the obligation to attend Mass is abrogated.

The importance of this event in Mary's life is only surpassed by her role in the virgin birth of Jesus Christ. The moment of Mary's ascension into heaven has been depicted in dozens of painting masterpieces and became a central theme in Renaissance art.

This significant feast day recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.

Venerable Pope Pius XII confirmed this belief about the Virgin Mary as the perennial teaching of the Church when he defined it formally as a dogma of Catholic faith in 1950, invoking papal infallibility to proclaim, "that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."

His Apostolic Constitution "Munificentissimus Deus" (Most Bountiful God), which defined the dogma, contained the Pontiff's accounts of many longstanding traditions by which the Church has celebrated the Assumption throughout its history.

The constitution also cited testimonies from the early Church fathers on the subject, and described the history of theological reflection on many Biblical passages which are seen as indicating that Mary was assumed into heaven following her death.

Although the bodily assumption of Mary is not explicitly recorded in Scripture, Catholic tradition identifies her with the

"woman clothed with the sun" who is described in the 12th chapter of the Book of Revelation.

The passage calls that woman's appearance "a great sign" which "appeared in heaven," indicating that she is the mother of the Jewish Messiah and has "the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars." Accordingly, Catholic iconography of the Western tradition often depicts the Virgin Mary's assumption into heaven in this manner.

Eastern Christians have also traditionally held Mary's assumption into heaven as an essential component of their faith. Pius XII cited several early Byzantine liturgical texts, as well as the eighth-century Arab Christian theologian St. John of Damascus, in his own authoritative definition of her assumption.

"It was fitting," St. John of Damascus wrote in a sermon on the assumption, "that she, who had kept her virginity intact in childbirth, should keep her own body free from all corruption even after death," and "that she, who had carried the creator as a child at her breast, should dwell in the divine tabernacles." Source: catholicnewsagency.com



Prayer for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

Father in heaven, all creation rightly gives you praise, for all life and all holiness come from you.

In the plan of your wisdom she who bore the Christ in her womb was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven.

May we follow her example in reflecting your holiness and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Source: catholic.org

Encounter

Adult Small Groups

Last week for Small Group Leader Sign Ups: This is the last week for small group leader sign ups for the fall season of Encounter. 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 is a table in the Narthex with more information. Go to <https://bit.ly/3bhqMmo> sign up to be a small group leader.

Última semana para inscripciones de Líderes de Grupos Pequeños: Esta es la última semana para inscripciones de líderes de grupos pequeños para la temporada de otoño de Encounter. Esta temporada estaremos aprendiendo más acerca de la Biblia. Si desea conocer a otros y crecer en su fe, considere unirse a nosotros como líder de un grupo pequeño. Los grupos se reunirán en persona y en línea. Hay una mesa en el Narthex con más información. Visite: <https://bit.ly/3bhqMmo> regístrese para ser un líder de grupo pequeño.

Deliver me, Lord Jesus Christ, from all my iniquities and from every evil, make me ever hold fast to Thy commandments and never allow me to be separated from Thee. Amen.

Source: Catholic.org

Bible Quiz

A few Bible books have only one chapter. Which of the following is not among them?

- A. Obadiah
- B. Philemon
- C. 1 John
- D. 2 John
- E. 3 John
- F. Jude

Answer: C



Puzzle!

Search for and circle all the bold words from Psalm 18:2, which reminds us where we find our strength.

The **LORD** is **MY ROCK**, my **FORTRESS** and my **DELIVERER**; my **GOD** is my rock, in whom I **TAKE REFUGE**. **HE** is my **SHIELD** and the **HORN** of my **SALVATION**, my **STRONGHOLD**.

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GOD ROCKS!

Church Operations for August

Operating Expenses\$51,002.45

As the Lord rescued Jeremiah from potential famine while imprisoned in the cistern, we should be grateful that He has come to our aid with many blessings from His providential care. In gratitude, let us return to Him a portion of our time, talent and treasure.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$47,577.76	\$135,000
Growth Fund	\$3,795.67	\$ 15,000

Scripture Readings for 08/21/2022

Is 66: 18-21

Ps 117 (116): 1, 2

Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13

Lk 13: 22-30

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12:00 PM (5 días antes de la fecha de

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 13

5:00PM Fr. Rick Hobbs

Sunday, August 14

7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses

10:00AM Scripture Sisters

11:45AM Felicitas Orodicas †

Maximo Lopez †

5:00PM Elaine Richard †

Monday, August 15

12:00PM Ron Smith †

5:30PM Special Intention

7:00PM Parishioners/Feligreses

Tuesday, August 16

12:00PM Marcelino Carandang Jr. †

Wednesday, August 17

12:00PM Edwin M. Mckeon †

Thursday, August 18

12:00PM Marjorie Sakraida †

Friday, August 19

12:00PM Kaitlin Dietz

Saturday, August 20

5:00PM Jim Barth †

Sunday, August 21

7:45AM Megan Stewart †

10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses

11:45AM Todas las Almas del Purgatorio

5:00PM Andrew Lac Tran †

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August 20-21	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host & Cup	Usher	Lock Up	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, August 20 5:00 PM	David Krueckeberg	Jon Terlouw	Lori Terlouw NOT FILLED <i>Cup:</i> Janet Palmer Phillip Palmer	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED Steve Saulsbery NOT FILLED	Jon Terlouw	Jon Terlouw
Sunday, August 21 7:45 AM	Irma Holasek	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Kira O'Shaughnessy Robbie Estes <i>Cup:</i> Tom Stawicki April Appleby	Karen Howard Peggy Estes Jake Estes Amanda Cantu (F)		Amanda Cantu
Sunday, August 21 10:00 AM	Paul Krapf	Charlotte Champagne	TJ LaPlant Pam Willis <i>Cup:</i> Rose Hartnett Joe Hartnett	NOT FILLED Steve Harrington Daniel Cruz NOT FILLED		Kathryn Gough
Sunday, August 21 11:45 AM	Rosalba Ortiz	Iván Sanabria	Eva Miramón Maria Nino <i>Cup:</i> Marí Elena Calderon Olga Serrano	José Ortiz NOT FILLED J. Concepción Serrano María Salcedo		Iván Sanabria
Sunday, August 21 5:00 PM	Sylvester Fernandes	Cary Richard	Susan Davis Chris Davis <i>Cup:</i> Lisa Juan Lisa Richard	Rob Brothers NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Cary Richard	Cary Richard