

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

July 16, 2023

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Decimoquinto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

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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



The Parable of the Sower

 **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.

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul: (SSBC)
Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings peace to those who are overwhelmed with life's burdens. Pantry needs: Paper towels, size 5 diapers, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit.

Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl: (SSBC) *Su regalo a la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl trae paz a aquellos que están abrumados por las cargas de la vida. Necesidades de la despensa: toallas de papel, pañales tamaño 5, mantequilla de maní, mermelada, fruta enlatada.*

St. Stephen's Sacred Art Prayer Group I Pray and I Create (Oro y Creo): Come join us for our last meeting this summer **July 27th**, from **5:30pm-7:30pm**. We will gather in the Parish Life Center. Please bring an art project you are working on and/or supplies needed to start on something.

These cannot be stored at the church, so only bring what you can easily pack in/out and clean up without leaving a mess/stains. That said, you can bring any supplies that you like - paints, pen and ink, journal, needle work, wood carving, etc. Only a small portion of our time will be for sharing, and this will be different from how we generally fellowship; come prepared to pray and create! If you have questions, email: mlane5280@gmail.com.

Amor y Respeto: *El Ministerio Amor y Respeto los invita cordialmente a su VI Aniversario que se llevará a cabo los días: viernes 4 de agosto de 6:00pm-9:00pm y sábado 5 de agosto de 8:00am-6:00pm en el Centro de Vida Parroquial. Para más información, habrá una mesa en el Nártex. ¡Los esperamos!*

Catholic Cruises and Tours: Fatima, Lourdes and Shrines of Spain from October 17th-October 28th 2023. Land starting at \$2,099 per person based on double occupancy.

Starting from picturesque Lisbon, visit some of the world's most treasured Marian shrines, pilgrimage sites, and spiritual places of Portugal, Spain, and France. Hear about the apparition of the Blessed Virgin to the shepherd children in Fátima, learn about the journey taken by pilgrims from all over the world into Santiago de Compostela and visit Loyola and Manresa to get inspired by St. Ignacio's Jesuit mission. In Braga, walk the monumental steps of the Sanctuary of Bom Jesus do Monte and in Burgos, marvel at the majestic Cathedral. Join the nightly Rosary and candlelight procession in Lourdes. Spend one night by the inspiring Montserrat Sanctuary, where you will also attend Mass. End in Barcelona with time to celebrate life, reflect, and rejoice.

This 12-day group tour includes hotels, guides, historians, transportation, 11 breakfasts and 7 dinners. Call **Catholic Cruises and Tours** at 1-860-399-1785 for more information and to make your reservation.

The Apostleship of the Sea of the United States of America (AOS-USA) is pleased to confirm that our two organizations have formed an alliance wherein Catholic Cruises and Tours (CC&T) will source all of their priests for cruises and tours through AOS-USA.



NWA Ignatian Experience Offering: An evening with Vinita Hampton Wright, author of *Set The World on Fire, Female Doctors of the Church*.

Date: Monday, July 31st
Time: 6:00pm-8:00pm
Place: St. Raphael Catholic Church
1386 S. West End
Springdale, AR 72764.

We will be meeting in the St. Michael Room. This event is free, all are invited. We are very excited for this opportunity to receive insights from this special author. Contact Lainie Snider 806-584-4160 or lainiesnider@yahoo.com if you have any questions.



Catholic Young Adults: St. Stephen is excited to announce the formation of a brand new ministry for our parish, Catholic Young Adults! If you are between the ages of 21-39 or know someone who is, please contact Jessica directly at: jpetter@ststephenbentonville.com. She is working on a calendar of events for the CYA community!

New Greeter Ministry: Want to contribute to a welcoming environment at St. Stephen? Volunteer to greet parishioners and visitors as they come to Mass. Simply open the door, say "hello," and answer any occasional question. Just arrive 15 minutes before Mass. Volunteer as often as you want and no more than once per month. It's a great way to volunteer individually, as a family, or with friends. Sign up to volunteer at tinyurl.com/84c8748z. For questions, contact: mark.reichhardt@alumni.duke.edu

Spiritual Adoption Month 4: Well, your little baby now weighs six ounces. He/she has fingernails and eyelashes, own unique fingerprints, which will remain the same until he/she dies. His/her tastebuds are working, sense of hearing is developing and present at 14 weeks. There are no major developments anymore. Your spiritually adopted baby is already well-formed, internally and externally. All he/she needs now is time to gain weight and grow strong. What a miracle he/she is!

Month 5: Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound now. His/her mother can feel his/her movement now. Before he/she was too small for her to feel. Although he/she swam with ease in his/her watery world, he/she needed to be big and strong enough to kick hard against the outside wall and dent it. The inside wall of the uterus has no feeling. We are mid-way through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped your baby's mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.



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 16th 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, send email to: **KHunter@ststephenbentonville.com** or call 479-273-1240 (Parish Office.)

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!

Holy Family Foster and Adoption Support Ministry: Is a support group for current foster or adoptive families or families seeking to foster or adopt through the foster care system.

We would like to invite you to our upcoming event **July 22-23**. We will have a table in the Narthex after each Mass for anyone interested to stop and learn more. As you enter the building the weekend of July 22-23, you will see walls with pictures of children in Arkansas waiting to be adopted through the foster care system. Please stop by our table to learn more and how you can provide help.

If you would like to help or join our ministry. Please email us at fostersupportministry@svdprogers.com.

Donate to help waiting children: We will be collecting school supplies until July 23rd for children in foster care.

Items needed are: *Pencils, markers, spiral notebooks, three prong folders, wide ruled paper, black or blue pens, colored pencils, crayons, Pencil bags, glue sticks, pink erasers, expo markers, hair ties for girls, fidget spinners.*

Please drop donations in labeled bins in Narthex. Thank you for your generous contribution.

St. Stephen Catholic Church Financial Update: Our Parish's financial year began July 1st. St. Stephen has grown to be the 3rd largest parish in the Diocese of Little Rock. Our 2023-2024 budget calls for **Stewardship** to be **\$1,825,000** or **\$152,083.33** per month and the **Growth Fund** to be **\$175,000** or **\$14,583.33** per month.

Please prayerfully consider our Parish's funding needs in your monthly budget. Our growth has required larger financial contributions to provide quality programs, maintain and improve our building and hire/retain quality staff. Projects dedicated to our **Growth Fund** are well underway with some already complete. See the poster in the Narthex for a list of the **Growth Fund** projects. The Finance Council, along with Monsignor, are very conscientious of your giving and the cost of operations.

Thank you for all you have provided St. Stephen to reach this point. Our parish will continue to flourish with your spiritual and financial support.

St. Mary Magdalene: "Apostle of the Apostles" is the title given Mary Magdalene by St Thomas Aquinas. Her name comes from her home town of Magdala, a fishing village on the western shore of Lake Tiberias. St Luke the Evangelist tells us, in Chapter 8 of his Gospel, how Jesus went from town to town announcing the Good News of the Kingdom of God, and how the Twelve Apostles were with Him together with some women who had been healed of evil spirits or infirmities, and were serving them. Among these was a certain "Mary, called the Magdalene, from whom seven demons came out." **Feast Day July 22nd:** Pope Francis elevated the memory of Mary Magdalene to the status of Festivity on July 22nd, 2016 in order to stress the importance of this faithful disciple of Christ. Source: vaticannews.com



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 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*

Church Operations for July

Operating Expenses\$49,365

May the Word of the Lord achieve the end for which it was sent. May the seed sown in us bear many-fold, and then in return a portion of this abundant harvest we present to the Lord.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$45,203	\$135,000
Growth Fund	\$6,275	\$21,000

Scripture Readings for 07/23/2023

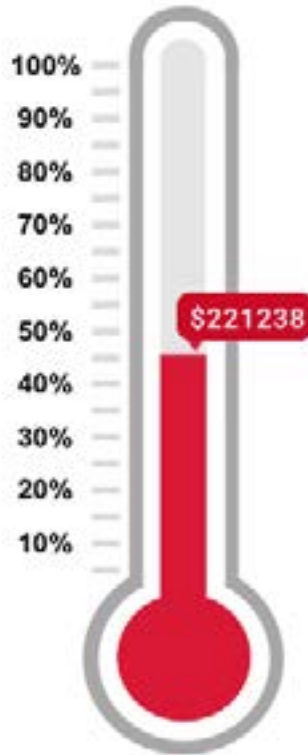
Wis 12: 13, 16-19

Ps 86 (85): 5-6, 9-10, 15-16

Rom 8: 26-27

Mt 13: 24-43

Growth Fund Progress



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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 15

5:00PM Jeffrey Peter Tassani †

Sunday, July 16

7:45AM Dwyer Family
 10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 11:45AM María & Andrés De Santiago †
 5:00PM Felipe Andrés Mendoza †

Monday, July 17

12:00PM Hazel Massanelli

Tuesday, July 18

12:00PM Megan Mumaugh

Wednesday, July 19

12:00PM Chris & Jennifer Teague Family

Thursday, July 20

12:00PM Alice Jansen

Friday, July 21

12:00PM Special Intention

Saturday, July 22

5:00PM John † & Dorothy Pacheco †

Sunday, July 23

7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 10:00AM Scripture Sisters
 11:45AM Almas del Purgatorio
 5:00PM Msgr. Scott Marczuk

Annulment Advocates: Joe & Rose Hartnett 479-855-2344
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July	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host	Eucharistic Minister Cup	Usher	Lock Up	Altar Server	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, July 22 5:00 PM	Michael Janick (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Jon Terlouw	Jill Saulsbery (1) Davina Collins (2)	Nicholas Tyburski (C1) Jack McDaniel (C2)	Steve Saulsbery (A-B) Annabella Tyburski (C) Jack Kelley (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Steve Saulsbery	Jackson Coco Emma Coco John Harrington	Jon Terlouw
Sunday, July 23 7:45 AM	Irma Holasek (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Christina Baker (1) Tony Baker (2)	Karen Howard (C1) Robbie Estes (C2)	Greg Woodell (A-B) Amanda Cantu (C) Peggy Estes (D-E) NOT FILLED (F) NEW (F)		NOT FILLED Wyatt Jones Cole Jones	Mark Jechura
Sunday, July 23 10:00 AM	Pam Willis (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Ted Brauburger	Gina Koch (1) Paul Krapf (2)	Theresa Brauburger (C1) Claudia Garcia (C2)	Tim Koch (A-B) Mark Kreuter (C) Steve Harrington (D-E) Kevin Clemens (F)		Nicholas Cawein Gerhardt Brady Alex Shoemaker Steven Zink	Ted Brauburger
Sunday, July 23 11:45 AM	Ramón Portilla (Todas Lecturas y Peticiones y Anuncios)	Mirna Serrano	Olga Serrano (A) Héctor Rangel (B)	Julián Serrano (C1) María Niño (C2) Eva Miramón (C3) Ricardo Almaraz (C4)	María Hernández (A-B) María Dalia López (C) Victor López (D-E) José Ortiz (F)		Aldo Trujillo Alondra Niño- Pérez Rick Almaras	Mirna Serrano
Sunday, July 23 5:00PM	Eric Belin (Both Readings and Announcements)	Cary Richard	Dcn. Ken Hunter (1 & Petitions) Lisa Richard (2)	Terry Shepard (C1) Bryan Bacon (C2)	Rob Brothers (A-B) NOT FILLED (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Cary Richard	Brian Ganey Brennan Ganey	Cary Richard