

**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 13, 2023

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Decimonoveno Domingo de 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



 **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.*

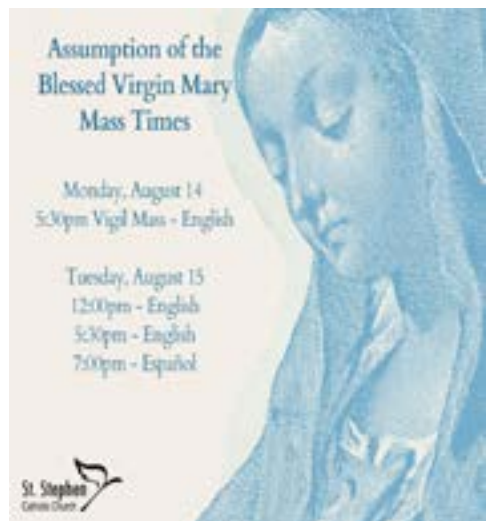
**Infant Baptism:** Offered once a month in English and Spanish. Baptism preparation required. Parents must be registered members of St. Stephen. No baptisms in December.

**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.*

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

**Reverential Silence before Mass:** With a busy week, for many of us the only period of peace and quiet we can experience is at Church before the Mass begins. So, while friendship and socializing has its place in our lives, when we enter the Church it is to primarily prepare for our spiritual encounter with the Lord Himself, through prayer. In order that our reception of Holy Communion may be as fruitful as possible, for ourselves and others around us, let us maintain the sacred custom of keeping silence before Mass begins, especially the last ten minutes beforehand, so that the Lord can speak to us.



Classes for RCIA officially begin **Wednesday, August 16th at 7:00pm** in the **St. Jerome room**. Topic: **Journey of Faith/Call to Holiness**. All are welcome!

**The Legion of Mary:** Do you pray the Rosary daily? The Legion of Mary at St. Stephen needs you as an auxiliary member. The auxiliaries are the left wing of the Legion's praying army. Its service consists in the daily recitation of the prayers in the Tesserá with your daily Rosary. Tesserá pamphlets will be in cabinet beside the office.



**La Legión de María:** ¿Rezas el Rosario a diario? La Legión de María en San Esteban la necesita como miembro auxiliar. Los auxiliares son el ala izquierda del ejército de oración de la Legión. Su servicio consiste en el rezo diario de las oraciones en la Tesserá con su Rosario diario. Los folletos de Tesserá estarán en un gabinete al lado de la oficina.



**Last Week for Encounter Leader Sign Ups:** Our next season of Encounter, our adult small group ministry, will be starting in September. 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. Scan the QR code or go to <https://tinyurl.com/54wb5vfr> to sign up to be a small group leader. Small group participant sign ups will be soon. Questions? Contact Desirae Cox [encounter@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:encounter@ststephenbentonville.com)



**This Sunday!** Come hear from Fr. Jeff Bayhi and Fr. Chuck Swanson, the founders of *Metanoia Manor*, a residential facility in Louisiana that provides a place of refuge for young women who have been victims of human trafficking by supporting them with mental, physical, and spiritual health, instruction in academics, life skills, and job training.

**Topic:** *Human Trafficking: The Modern Form of Slavery*

**Date:** Sunday, August 13

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**Place:** Parish Life Center



**Knights of Columbus:** Again this year, the Knights of Columbus will hold a rummage sale in conjunction with Fallfest in late October. Beginning **August 1**, we'll begin accepting new and gently used items for the sale. Examples of items that really seem to move are **clothing, yard tools, small**

**furniture items, dishware, sporting goods and home décor.** Items that don't sell well and that we no longer want are armoires, box-TV's, ceiling fans and ceiling mounted chandeliers.

We appreciate all of your efforts. For pickup service or for questions, please contact **Dan Reiff** at 479-685-3561 or **Troy Ward** at 479-899-2196.

**Catholic Kids and Impact Classes:** Due to unforeseen circumstances, the start dates for **Catholic Kids and Impact** will **not be until October of this year**. This does not include 2nd year confirmation and 2nd year communion which will both be starting soon. Please visit the website to see the full schedule.

**Catholic Kids e Impact:** Debido a circunstancias imprevistas, **las fechas de inicio de Catholic Kids e Impact no serán hasta octubre de este año**. Esto no incluye la confirmación del segundo año y la comunión del segundo año, que comenzarán pronto. Visite el sitio web para ver el programa completo.

**Coffee Social:** Join us for our next Sunday Coffee Social after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, **August 20th** in the **Parish Life Center**. We will have several Encounter leaders there to talk with you about our small group ministry. Come for the coffee and snacks, stay for the fellowship.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul: (SSBC)** Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring respite and hope to the elderly who are not able to find relief from the summer heat, and you will bring them faith and hope! Pantry needs: canned chicken/meat, cake/brownie mix, dried beans, crackers, peanut butter, jelly and pasta sauce.

**Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl: (SSBC)** ¡Por favor, ayude a la Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl a brindar respiro y esperanza a los ancianos que no pueden encontrar alivio del calor del verano, y les brindará fe y esperanza! Necesidades de despensa: pollo/carne enlatados, mezcla para pastel/brownie, frijoles secos, galletas saladas, mantequilla de maní, mermelada y salsa para pasta.

**Eucharistic Revival Committee:** St. Stephen is in the planning stages of the Year of the Parish Eucharistic Revival. We are looking for parishioners to help plan and implement these events. Contact [marketings@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:marketings@ststephenbentonville.com).

**NWA Ignatian Experience Offering:** New Book: **Love** - A guide for prayer by Jacqueline Syrup Bergan and Sister Marie Schwan. Prayer is our personal response to God's presence. We become aware that Jesus is present in each of us every day. This Six Week Prayer experience invites participants to commit to daily prayer. We will meet in St. Anne Room.

**August 14th: Getting Started -Faith Sharing** 6:30pm-8:00pm;  
**Sept. 11th: Checking in -Faith Sharing** 6:30pm-8:00pm;  
**Sept. 25th: Final Faith Sharing.** 6:30pm-8:00pm

Please sign up at the table in the Narthex or contact Lainie Snider at 806-584-4160. yahoo.com or 806-584-4160.

**Catholic Home Missions Appeal:** There will be a special collection the week of **August 19th and 20th.** Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal.

**Llamado para las Misiones Católicas:** Habrá colecta especial la semana del **19 y 20 de agosto.** Casi el 40% de las diócesis en los Estados Unidos y sus territorios no pueden financiar el trabajo pastoral esencial que necesitan sus comunidades. Su apoyo a este llamado les ayuda a satisfacer estas necesidades sacramentales y de formación en la fe. Considere en oración cómo puede apoyar este llamado.

**CURSO DE MARIOLOGÍA FUNDAMENTAL**  
 María, ¿Quién Eres Tú?

Conocer a María es el mejor camino para conocer a Jesús.  
 13 CLASES DEL 05 DE SEPTIEMBRE AL 05 DE DICIEMBRE  
 LOS MARTES DE 7:00 A 8:30 PM  
 ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
 1300 NE J ST. BENTONVILLE, AR, 72712  
 INFORMES:  
 LILLY FARLEY: (281) 384-1831 - LILLYEV@HOTMAIL.COM  
 Y EN LA OFICINA DE LA PARROQUIA:  
 (479) 273-1240 - STSTEPHEN@STSTEPHENBENTONVILLE.COM

**Ozark Catholic Academy:** Is hiring a Bilingual Receptionist who will perform various duties, including answering incoming phone calls, serving as an attendance coordinator, and creating a welcoming environment for school visitors. The position is Part-Time. If interested, please contact John Rocha at John.rocha@ozarkcatholic.org or 479-316-3445.

**Called and Gifted Classes:** St. Joseph (Fayetteville) is offering Called and Gifted Classes this Fall.

**Part I:** Fri, Sep. 15th 5:00pm-9:00pm  
 Sat. Sep. 16th 7:00am-3:00pm  
 Sat. Sep. 23rd 7:00am-3:00pm

**Part II:** Sat. Oct. 21st 7:00am-3:00pm  
 Sat. 28th 7:00am-3:00pm; Sat. Nov. 11th 7:00am-3:00pm; Sat. Nov. 18th 7:00am-3:00pm; Sat. Jan. 13th 7:00am-12:00pm

The cost of the classes is \$50.00, which includes books for Parts I and II. All the materials are provided by the St. Catherine of Sienna Institute. You must be 18 years of age or older to participate in the classes. For more information or to register **before September 8th** email: called.giftedarkansas@gmail.com

**St. Raphael Catholic Church:** Invites everyone to join them for their annual Summerfest: Family Fun Day & Indoor Garage Sale Sun. **August 20th** from 8am – 3pm. Enjoy delicious food, great music and fun activities for the kids!!! They would love to see you!

**St. Stephen Knights of Columbus:** Will be sponsoring the Memorial Cross display. 1000 crosses will be placed in our front lawn to remember the 240,000 babies lost to abortion in Arkansas. With enough volunteers, we should be finished by 10:00 a.m. Please call/text Eduardo Maiz, 787-642-3330 with questions and to sign-up. Please be sure to bring your rubber mallet!

**What is the Assumption of Mary in the Catholic Church?** Assumption Day commemorates the belief that when Mary, the mother of Jesus Christ, died, her body was "assumed" into heaven to be reunited with her soul, instead of going through the natural process of physical decay upon death. **Where in the Bible does it say the**

**Assumption of Mary into heaven?** *Revelation 12* could be seen as a poetic description of Mary having entered "into heavenly glory." In *Isaiah 61*, the glorification mentioned could refer to Mary's glorification in heaven. There are a number of passages that mention Mary directly and could be used as Scripture-based defenses of her Assumption. **Feast Day: August 15th 2023.**



*Lord Jesus Christ, You have destroyed the power of death and given the hope of eternal life in body and soul. You granted your Mother a special place in your glory, and did not allow decay to touch her body. As we rejoice in the Assumption of Mary, give to us a renewed confidence in the victory of life over death. Amen.*

**Parish Communications**

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Email articles to: bulletin@ststephenbentonville.com

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## Church Operations for August

Operating Expenses .....\$34,922

As Peter walked on the water toward Jesus, so too we are called by the Lord to trust and walk by faith. With our eyes fixed on the Lord, in the midst of the storms of life, may we trust in faith as we practice Biblical tithing.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$42,352	\$135,000
Growth Fund	\$6,041	\$21,000

## Scripture Readings for 08/20/2023

Is 56: 1, 6-7  
 Ps 67 (66): 2-3, 5, 6, 8  
 Rom 11 : 13-15, 29-32  
 Mt 15: 21-28

## Growth Fund Progress



## Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 12

5:00PM Don Gempler †

Sunday, August 13

7:45AM Joseph Minh Bui †  
 10:00AM Scripture Sisters  
 11:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses  
 5:00PM Maria Nhu Bui † & Peter Thong Le †

Monday, August 14

12:00PM Thanksgiving  
 5:30PM St. Stephen Staff

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:00PM Johanna Wurzer †  
 5:30PM Parishioners/Feligreses  
 7:00PM Ricardo & Maria Almaras

Wednesday, August 16

12:00PM Marcelino Carandang Jr. †

Thursday, August 17

12:00PM Egon Teghtmeyer †

Friday, August 18

12:00PM Ronald Douglas Taylor †

Saturday, August 19

5:00PM Jeffrey Peter Tassari †

Sunday, August 20

7:45AM Andrew Lac Tran †  
 10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses  
 11:45AM Francisco Cisneros Serrato †  
 5:00PM Ancestors (Forefathers)

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	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host	Eucharistic Minister Cup	Usher	Lock Up	Altar Server	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, August 19 5:00 PM	David Krueckeberg (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Kim Gollhofer	Susan McDaniel (H1) Jack McDaniel (H2)	Nicholas Tyburski (C2) James Sutton (C3)	Annabella Tyburski (A-B) Jack Kelley (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Kim Gollhofer	Jackson Coco Emma Coco John Harrington	Kim Gollhofer
Sunday, August 20 7:45 AM	Alric Fernandes (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Kira O'Shaughnessy (H1) April Appleby (H2)	Robbie Estes (C2) Amanda Cantu (C3)	Peggy Estes (A-B) Karen Howard (C) Greg Woodell (D-E) Gerard Davenport (F)		NOT FILLED NOT FILLED Oscar Koll	Amanda Cantu
Sunday, August 20 10:00 AM	Lily Farley (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Joe Hartnett	Theresa Brauburger (H1) Rose Hartnett (H2)	Ted Brauburger (C2) Steve Harrington (C3)	Daniel Cruz (A-B) Mark Kreuter (C) Kevin Clemens (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)		Nicholas Cawein Gerhardt Brady Alex Shoemaker Steven Zink	Joe Hartnett
Sunday, August 20 11:45PM	Maria Mendez (Todas Lecturas y Peticiones y Anuncios)	Walter Hernandez	Crimilda Viera (A) Mirna Serrano (B)	Julian Serrano (C1) Ricardo Almaraz (C2) Maria Nino (C3) Ivan Sanabria (C4)	Juan Manuel Duran Martinez (A-B) Maria Barajas (C) Maria Salcedo (D-E) Bertha Valdez (F)		Aldo Trujillo Alondra Nino- Perez Rick Almaras	Ivan Sanabria
Sunday, August 20 5:00PM	Keynes Wright (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Cary Richard	Cathy Townzen (H1) Terry Shepard (H2)	Lisa Richard (C2) Jenny Harris (C3)	Rob Brothers (A-B) NOT FILLED (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Cary Richard	Brian Ganey Brennan Ganey	Cary Richard