

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

September 10, 2023

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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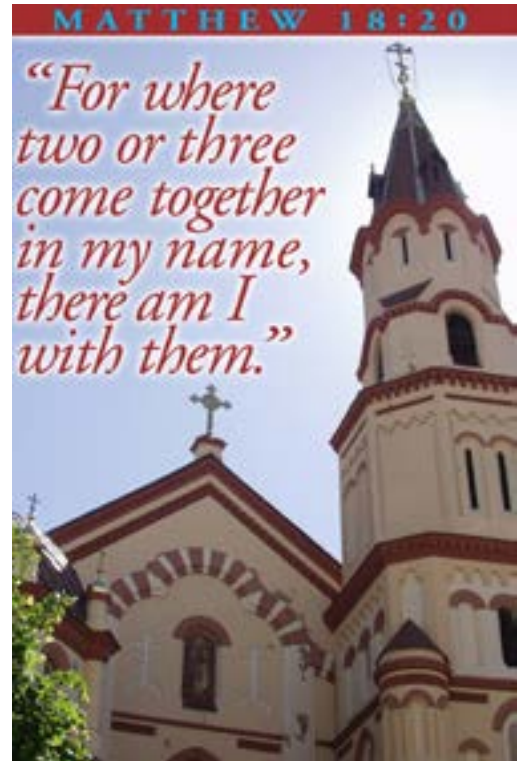
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Weekday Mass
Misa Entre Semana (Inglés)
Mon-Fri / Lun-Vie 12:00PM

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.

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.



RCIA: Join us this **Wednesday, September 13th at 7:00pm** in the **St. Jerome room**. Topic: **"The Study of Scripture,"** led by Dcn. Ken Hunter. All are welcome!



Ladies Bible Study: The Ladies of Grace Bible class will start the Fall season on **Friday, September 15**, from 10:00am to 11:30am. We will be studying the book **Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist**. Each week, for 7 sessions, there will be a video, study guide and discussion. The study guide is \$6.00/person. If you would like to join us and/or want more detail, please call or email Mikey Morgan or Rose Ann Jolly at the following numbers:

Mikey Morgan: 316-644-0472 or email: tmorgan35@cox.net

Rose Ann Jolly: 913-645-8143 or email: rajolly1975@att.net

*Love the Lord your God with all your heart,
soul, mind and strength.
Mark 12:30*



Seven Sisters Apostolate: All women are given the invitation to emulate our most Holy Blessed Virgin Mother Mary's fidelity as the first and most perfect disciple, in "hidden" support of her Divine Son, the Great High Priest. Our priests at Saint Stephen Catholic Church are called to shepherd us. Therefore, like Mother Mary, we are called to "hidden" prayer support for our priestly Shepherds, Rev. Msgr. Scott L. Marczuk and Fr. Paulin Raj.

The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop—a "holy wasting" (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ.

Each of the seven women commits to a different day of the week and will offer one Holy Hour on that day for the designated priest, thus offering a seamless week of Holy Hours for that priest. The gift is for a year. This apostolate is not an exclusive group.

All are welcome. Those who have previously participated in the Seven Sisters Holy Hour, please make contact also.

For further information or to commit, contact MaryClaireMay: 605-863-1083 (call or text) or email: mmay@gwtc.net

Eucharistic Revival Retreat: We will be hosting a Eucharistic Revival Retreat led by Dr. Jared Staudt of Exodus 90. The day will start at **8:00am** on **Saturday, October 28th** and conclude at 2:45pm. with Confession and Mass to follow. Cost to register will be \$10 and lunch is included. Scan the QR Code to register or visit our website for more information.



Coffee Social: Join us this Sunday (**Sep.10th**) after the **10:00am** Mass. Coffee, juice, and pastries will be served, sponsored by the Adoration Ministry. Come hear how you can support them and grow in your own faith!



Novena: Following the noon Holy Mass, **September 7-15**, we invite you to pray with us the **Novena to Our Lady of Sorrows** in preparation of the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15. On the weekend that falls in the middle of this Novena, we encourage you to follow along on your own at <https://mycatholic.life/catholic-prayers/novena-to-our-lady-of-sorrows/>

Life Teen (9th-12th): Life Teen is for our 9th through 12th grade students, and it kicks off this **Sunday, Sept. 10th at 6pm**. We ALWAYS serve dinner so come hungry! We will be playing Ultimate Gaga (for those of you who grew up going to Catholic School, they call it Bosco Ball) as well as other activities. Be a friend, bring a friend.

Life Teen meets every **Wednesday** for **Bible Study from 6:30pm-8:00pm at the Bosco House**. We have dinner and games from 6:30pm-7:00pm, and then open the Word! Life Teen is going on a retreat to Branson over Fall Break (October 13th-15th). Spots are limited and running out quickly, so please return the form to Jessica as soon as possible! Includes your lodging at a 26-person Airbnb, Silver Dollar City ticket, mini-golf, and much more!

Edge (7th-8th): Edge is for our 7th and 8th grade students, and it kicks off on **Monday, September 11th at 6:30pm**. We do not serve dinner, but light refreshments will be provided. We will be playing Ultimate Gaga (for those of you who grew up going to Catholic School, they call it Bosco Ball) as well as other activities.



Come join us! Timothy Glemkowski, President and Founder of L'Alto Catholic Institute, a not-for-profit apostolate that works with parishes to help them become more effective at forming disciples, will lead the following topics:

"Why the Eucharist?" at 6:00pm.

"Why I believe the Church's Teachings on the Eucharist." at 7:00pm. **September 19th, 2023** at the Parish Life Center.

NWA Respect Life: Once again we have the privilege of serving the poor a "home cooked" meal. Back by popular demand, we will be grilling burgers & hot dogs along with all the fixings. A Sign-up Genius for the event will be following soon. **Date:** Thursday, September 21st. **Time:** 4:30pm; **Place:** The Eighth Street Motel (915 S. 8th St. Rogers, AR 72756.)

Encounter: Want to learn more about the Eucharist and meet others at our parish? Join an Encounter small group! Groups start meeting in September. Scan the QR go to <https://tinyurl.com/pz36kh5u> to sign up. Questions? Contact Desirae at encounter@ststephenbentonville.com



New Choir Members



Welcome!

Do you find yourself singing or humming to your favorite song throughout the day; in your car, at the office, or even in the shower?

Have you thought about singing in the church choir? After all, singing is praying twice. If you can carry a tune, come carry it with us! We would love to see new faces join as we lead the congregation in song.

Who: Everyone (High school students welcome!)

What: St. Stephen Adult Choir (10:00am Mass starting Oct. 1)

When: Every Thursday from 6:30pm-8:00pm (starting Sept. 28)

Where: Choir Room (St. Cecilia Room)

Why: Use your gift to glorify God! For more information, please contact Jennifer Teague at music@ststephenbentonville.co



SSBC Catholic Trivia Night II: It's Coming! Save the Date! Spread the Word! Start Practicing!

Question: St. Hilary of Poitiers is the Patron Saint Against Snake Bites. What is his Feast Day?

Answer: January 13th and **January 13th** just happens to be the next date for our **SSBC Catholic Trivia Night**. OK, that question might have been a little hard, but when the weather gets cold outside, get ready for warm fellowship and a Catholic-centered evening full of fun! Mark your calendars. See you there!



Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSBC) and 2nd Year Confirmation Students Food Drive: During the weekend of **Sept. 23rd-24th**, after all Holy Masses, students from the **2nd Year Confirmation** classes will be distributing paper bags with the list of needs for the Food Pantry.

The collection of the bags will be on the weekend of **Sept. 30th and Oct. 1st**.

St. Stephen Knights of Columbus: Are having their 1st annual Coats for Families for those in need of coats this Fall and Winter season. Please check your closets for any gentle used coats. We will also be accepting new coats as well. We will begin collecting new coats at the Fall Festival on **Sun. Oct. 22nd 2023**. As always, thank you for your continuing generosity and prayers.

Caballeros de Colón de San Esteban: Celebrarán su primera coleccion anual de Abrigos para Familias para aquellos que los necesitan en esta temporada de otoño e invierno. Por favor revise sus armarios en busca de abrigos usados en buen estado. También aceptaremos abrigos nuevos. Comenzaremos a recolectar abrigos en el Festival de Otoño el **domingo. 22 de octubre de 2023**. Como siempre, gracias por su continua generosidad y oraciones.



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 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

Church Operations for August

Operating Expenses\$176,448

As faithful stewards of God, we seek to hear His voice, come into His presence with thanksgiving and give generously of ourselves in our contributions and love for our neighbor.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$122,482	\$135,000
Growth Fund	\$11,811	\$21,000

Scripture Readings for 09/17/2023

Sir 27: 30-28:7

Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

Rom 14: 7-9

Mt 18: 21-35

Growth Fund

Annulment Advocates: Joe & Rose Hartnett 479-855-2344
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Growth Fund Progress



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 9
 5:00PM Harry Schoewe †

Sunday, September 10
 7:45AM In honor of Frederick Ozanam †
 10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 11:45AM Adlaida Bermudez †
 5:00PM Maria Nhu Bui † & Peter Thong Le †

Monday, September 11
 12:00PM Denise Capwell

Tuesday September 12
 12:00PM Phyllis Gulash †

Wednesday, September 13
 12:00PM Knights of Columbus

Thursday, September 14
 12:00PM Ethel Helms †

Friday, September 15
 12:00PM Maurice Willis †

Saturday, September 16
 5:00PM Jeffrey Peter Tassani †

Sunday, September 17
 7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 10:00AM Scripture Sisters
 11:45AM Alirio Alvarado †
 5:00PM Anthony S. †

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host	Eucharistic Minister Cup	Usher	Lock Up	Altar Server	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, Sept. 16 5:00 PM	David Krueckeberg (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Jon Terlouw	James Sutton (H1) Sherolyn Johnson (H2)	Davina Collins (C2) Jack McDaniel (C3)	Jack Kelley (A-B) NOT FILLED (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Jon Terlouw	Jackson Coco Emma Coco John Harrington	Jon Terlouw
Sunday, Sept. 17 7:45 AM	Irma Holasek (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Mark Jechura (H1) Tom Stawicki (H2)	Tony Baker (C2) Christina Baker (C3)	Gerard Davenport (A-B) Karen Howard (C) Greg Woodell (D-E) Peggy Estes (F)		Dominic Skidd Damian Skidd Gus Skidd	Amanda Cantu
Sunday, Sept. 17 10:00 AM	Brian Rabal (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Joe Hartnett	Pam Willis (H1) Ted Brauburger (H2)	Claudia Garcia (C2) Theresa Brauburger (C3)	Mark Kreuter (A-B) Steve Harrington (C) Kevin Clemens (D-E) Tim Koch (F)		Nicholas Cawein Gerhardt Brady Alex Shoemaker Steven Zink	Joe Hartnett
Sunday, Sept. 17 11:45PM	Lily Farely (Todas Lecturas y Peticiones y Anuncios)	Mirna Serrano	Julian Serrano (A) Maria Nino (B)	Brenda Cruz (C1) Noel Perez (C2) Ricardo Almaraz (C3) Maria Elena Calderon (C4)	Maria Dalia Lopez (A-B) Victor Lopez (C) Juan Manuel Duran Martinez (D-E) Maria Barajas (F)		Aldo Trujillo Christian Perez Rick Almaras	Mirna Serrano
Sunday, Sept. 17 5:00PM	Beatriz Segura (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements)	Cary Richard	Katie Morris (H1) Terry Shepard (H2)	Chris Davis (C2) Susan Davis (C3)	David Power (A-B) Rob Brothers (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Cary Richard	Brian Ganey Brennan Ganey	Sherri MacLean