

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

March 17, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent
Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma

Weekday Mass

Misa Entre Semana (Inglés)

Tue–Fri / Mar–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

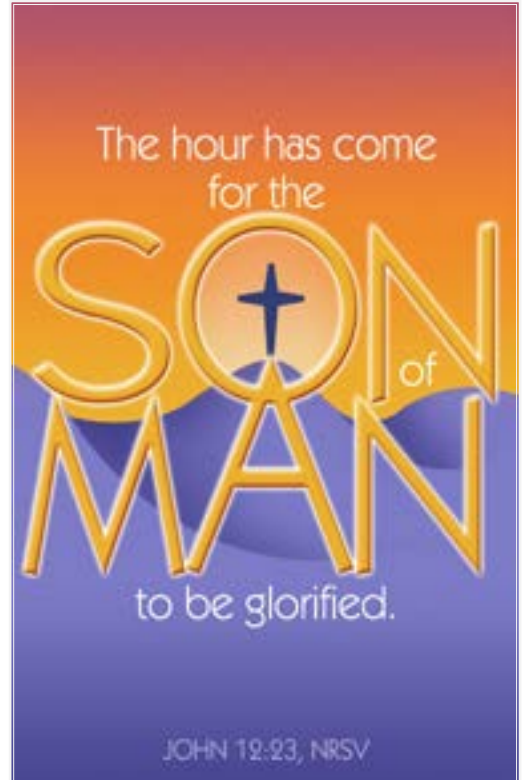
Tue – Fri / Mar – Vie 11:30–11:55AM

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



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Friday / Viernes 9:00AM–12:00PM

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 **Office Hours**

Horario de Oficina

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.

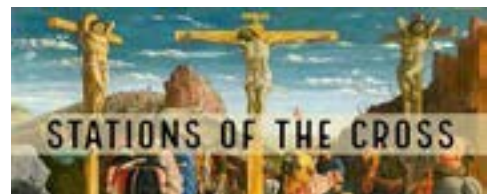
Catholic Marriage: Marriage preparation required. Contact the parish at least 9 months in advance. Two additional months' notice for wedding in another country. If you plan on getting married, always contact the church before booking a reception site or setting a date.

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.

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

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RCIA: Come join us Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00pm for Rehearsal for Easter Vigil. There will be no March 20th class.



Stations of the Cross: Will be offered each Friday during Lent. Stations will be in **English** at 5:30pm (5:00pm Rosary) and **Spanish** at 7:00pm (6:30pm Rosary.) **Please notice there have been changes, see below for details.**

Mar. 22: Rosary 5:00pm; 5:30pm Stations led by **Ignatian Adventure Prayer Group.** No dinner.

Vía Crucis: Se ofrecerán todos los viernes durante la Cuaresma. Las estaciones serán en inglés a las 5:30 p. m. (5:00 p. m. Rosario) y **en español a las 7:00 p. m. (6:30 p. m. Rosario).**

22 de marzo: Rosario Dominical



St. Thomas: (Fayetteville) Tue. March 26 at 6:00pm.



St. Stephen Preschool: Is currently enrolling students for the **2024-2025 Pre-K classes.** If your child will be four by August 1, 2024 and you are interested in our program or require additional information, please email: preschool@ststephenbentonville.com (Cathy Townzen)



SSBC (Society of St. Vincent de Paul): There is a St. Joseph's Altar in the Narthex celebrating the feast of St. Joseph on March 19th. We ask you to bring non-perishable foods such as pasta,

pasta sauce, rice, peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, canned vegetables (peas, corn, potatoes, carrots, green beans), and shampoo.

Place your offering on the St. Joseph altar, say a prayer of thanksgiving for all you have and for those you are helping, and pray for your family to be a replica of the Holy Family. If you are blessed with work, enough to eat and money for a rainy day, give thanks to God for His goodness. Thank you for your support in honor of St. Joseph & our Neighbors in Need!

SSBC (Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl): Hay un Altar de San José en el Nártex que celebra la fiesta de San José el 19 de marzo. Le pedimos traer alimentos no perecederos como pasta, salsa para pasta, arroz, mantequilla de maní, gelatina, frutas enlatadas, verduras enlatadas (arvejas, maíz, papas, zanahorias, judías verdes) y champú.

Coloque sus ofrendas en el altar de San José, haga una oración de agradecimiento por todo lo que tiene y por las personas que usted ayudará con su donativo. Haga una oración para que su familia sea una réplica de la Sagrada Familia. Si tiene la bendición de tener trabajo, suficiente comida y lo necesario para sus gastos, de gracias a Dios por su bondad. Gracias por su apoyo en honor a San José y por ayudar a nuestros vecinos en necesidad.

Camp Subiaco: Summer Camp at Subiaco Abbey. Camp Subiaco, for boys ages 9 - 13 inclusive, is an active all boys camp with fishing, archery, riflery, go-karts, boating & tubing, climbing wall and much more. Camp Subiaco is operated by the Subiaco Alumni Association and the Benedictine Monks of Subiaco Abbey.

Camp is **June 16 - 22** or **June 23 - 29**, 2024. Check us out on YouTube! Sign up at: www.CampSubiaco.org Don't delay!

Catholics Returning Home: Catholics Returning Home is a six-week series that starts April 4. **Week 1:** Welcome, Overview of the Series, Faith Sharing **Week 2:** Sharing Stories of Faith **Week 3:** The Church Today: Changes since Vatican II **Week 4:** Explanation of the Mass **Week 5:** Explanation of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) **Week 6:** Explanation of the Nicene Creed "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it?"

When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance." Gospel of St. Luke, 15:3-7

Where? St. Raphael Catholic Church • 1386 S. West End Street, Springdale At the intersection of Sunset Avenue (Hwy 412) and West End Street.

When? Thursday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m. Indoor signs will direct you to Faith Hall. No reservation is required.

Good Friday Collection: Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land. In these challenging times in the Middle East, your support means that our church will conduct parish ministry, provide Catholic education, feed the hungry, build housing for Christians, maintain shrines and operate refugee centers in the Holy Land.

Christians, along with all of the clergy and religious who serve in the Holy Land, will deeply appreciate your prayers and financial help! The political, religious, and military challenges in the Holy Land are more complex than ever. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians. Our parish will support Christians in the Holy Land through the Good Friday Collection, as requested by Pope Francis. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

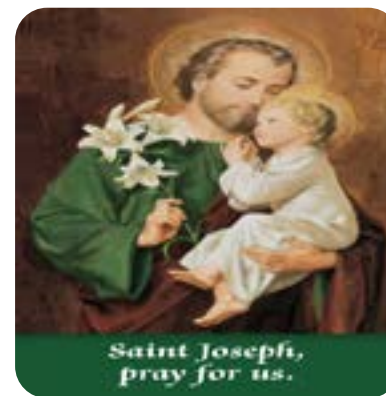
Colecta de Viernes Santo: El Papa Francisco ha pedido a nuestra parroquia apoyar a los cristianos en la Tierra Santa. A través de la Colecta de Viernes Santo, usted se une a católicos en todo el mundo para solidarizarse con la Iglesia en la Tierra Santa. Cuando usted contribuye a la Colecta Pontificia de Viernes Santo, usted se convierte en un instrumento de paz en una tierra turbulenta. En estos tiempos desafiantes en el Medio Oriente, su apoyo significa que nuestra iglesia conducirá ministerio parroquial, proveerá educación católica, alimentará a los hambrientos, construirá viviendas para los cristianos, preservará santuarios y operará centros de refugiados en la Tierra Santa.

Cristianos, junto con todo el clero y religiosos que sirven en la Tierra Santa, ¡agradecerán profundamente sus oraciones y ayuda económica! Los desafíos políticos, religiosos y militares en la Tierra Santa son más complejos que nunca. Las guerras, la inquietud e inestabilidad han sido especialmente difíciles para los cristianos. Nuestra parroquia apoyará a los cristianos en la Tierra Santa a través de la Colecta de Viernes Santo, como lo pidió el Papa Francisco. Así como Simón de Cirene, usted puede ayudar a cargar la cruz bajo circunstancias muy difíciles en la Tierra Santa. ¡Por favor, sea generoso!

Para más información sobre los cristianos en la Tierra Santa, visite: www.myfranciscan.org/good-friday.

Return to Our Lady: His Eminence Cardinal Burke is calling on every Catholic in America to return to Our Lady and join in prayer. Visit: novena.cardinalburke.com for more information.

Saint Joseph's Feast Day: March 19th. Saint Joseph's Day, also called the Feast of Saint Joseph or the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, is in Western Christianity the principal feast day of Saint Joseph, husband of the Virgin Mary and legal father of Jesus Christ, celebrated on 19 March. It has the rank of a solemnity in the Catholic Church. Patron of Universal Church, unborn children, fathers, workers, travelers, immigrants and a happy death.



Steubenville: Dear parish family, we need your assistance! Our **Life Teen** youth group is scheduled to attend the largest summer conference for teens in the USA, Steubenville MidAmerica, this July. Cost has gone up substantially over the last few years and we wanted to invite you to participate in this opportunity with us by inviting you to help sponsor a teen. We are taking donations to make this encounter with Christ possible for the youth of **our** parish. **Can you financially help us get there?** Contact Jessica Petter at jpetter@ststephenbentonville.com for more information.



Death and Resurrection: The Gospel according to John introduces the metaphor of a grain of wheat that must die to produce life, illustrating the necessary passage through death to reach the fullness of life. This theme is central to the Lenten journey, pointing towards Jesus' death and resurrection as the path to new life for all believers.

Self-Denial and Service: Jesus' teachings on self-denial and the importance of serving others are key themes in the Gospel. He emphasizes that following Him requires a willingness to let go of personal desires and ambitions in favor of a life dedicated to serving God and others.

Universal Salvation: Jesus' statement about drawing all people to Himself upon being lifted up from the earth speaks to the universal nature of His mission. His death and resurrection are not just for a select few but offer salvation to all who believe in Him, transcending cultural and religious boundaries.

Divine Assurance and Human Response: The divine voice affirming Jesus' mission and the varied responses from the crowd illustrate the theme of faith and doubt. It highlights the challenges believers face in understanding and accepting the mysteries of faith, as well as the assurance that God's plan is being fulfilled through Jesus. Source: young-catholics.com

I ask God for mercy and cleansing from my sins. May He create a pure heart in me, not casting me away, and restore the joy of salvation to guide others.



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Church Operations for March

Operating Expenses\$53,178

Like the grain of wheat, may we die to ourselves, in our committed volunteering of time, talent and Biblical stewardship, so that God will produce much fruit eternally.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$81,501	\$ 135,000
Growth Fund	\$12,096	\$ 21,000

Scripture Readings for 3/24/2024

Is 50: 4-7

Ps 22 (21): 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Phil 2: 6-11

Mk 14: 1-15

Growth Fund Progress

GOAL: \$500,000



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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, Mar. 16

5:00PM Joseph Hach Bui †

Sunday, Mar. 17

7:45AM Gary Baumhover †

10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses

11:45AM Wayne Kleeman †

5:00PM Johanna Wurzer

Monday, Mar. 18

12:00PM Ralph Jechura

Tuesday, Mar. 19

12:00PM Dorothy Pacheco †

Wednesday, Mar. 20

12:00PM Fr. Rick Hobbs

Thursday, Mar.21

12:00PM Special Intention

Friday, Mar. 22

12:00PM Fr. Rick Hobbs

Saturday, Mar. 23

5:00PM Lichti Family

Palm Sunday, Mar. 24

7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses

10:00AM Troy Banzhaf †

11:45AM Familia Hernández

5:00PM Emily Shann †

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	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host	Eucharistic Minister Cup	Usher	Lock Up	Altar Server	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, Mar. 23 5:00 PM	Jen Krueckeberg (Both Readings, Voice, Petitions, & Announcements) David Krueckeberg (Narrator)	Kim Alexander	Anita Fomin - EMC - HOST (1) Margie O'Grady - EMC - HOST (2)	Pam Gander (C1) Davina Collins (C2)	Clayton Akehurst (A-B) Jack Kelley (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Kim Alexander	NOT FILLED John Harrington NOT FILLED	Kim Alexander
Sunday, Mar. 24 7:45 AM	Sylvester Fernandes (Both Readings, Voice, Petitions, and Announcements) Dcn. Ken Hunter (Narrator)	Mark Jechura	April Appleby - EMC - HOST (1) Greg Brandenburg - EMC - HOST (2)	Tom Stawicki (C1) NOT FILLED (C2)	Bruce Peterson (A-B) Amanda Cantu (C) Greg Woodell (D-E) Karen Howard (F)		Will Kopp Joe Kopp NOT FILLED	Mark Jechura
Sunday, Mar. 24 10:00 AM	Maria Mendez (Both Readings, Voice, Petitions, & Announcements) Dcn. Ken Hunter (Narrator)	Joe Hartnett	Dcn. Ken Hunter - EMC - HOST (1) Diedra or Steven Dourth - EMC - HOST (2)	TJ LaPlant (C1) Kathryn Gough (C2)	Mark Kreuter (A-B) Steve Harrington (C) Kevin Clemens (D-E) Tim Koch (F)		Steven Zink Lucy Pesek Ben Seiler Haddie Seiler	Joe Hartnett
Sunday, Mar. 24 11:45PM	Luis Carlos Barquero (Todas Lecturas y Voz y peticiones y Anuncios) Rosalba Ortiz (Comentarista)	Crimilda Viera	Eva Miramón - EMC - Comunión (A) Marcela Esquivel - EMC - Comunión (B)	Maria Elena Calderón (C1) Iván Sanabria (C3) Olga Serrano (C4) Maria Niño (C6)	María Salcedo (A-B) María Dalia López (C) Victor López (D-E) Bertha Valdez (F)		Gustavo Mata Allison Mata Fatima Mata Eduardo Mata	Crimilda Viera
Sunday, Mar. 24 5:00PM	Tracy Sullivan (Both Readings, Voice, Petitions, & Announcements) Nicholas Tyburski (Narrator)	Bryan Bacon	Catherine Garner - EMC - HOST (1) Nicholas Tyburski - EMC - HOST (2)	Susan Davis (C1) Chris Davis (C2)	David Power (A-B) Rob Brothers (C) Annabella Tyburski (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Bryan Bacon	Brian Ganey Brennan Ganey	Bryan Bacon