



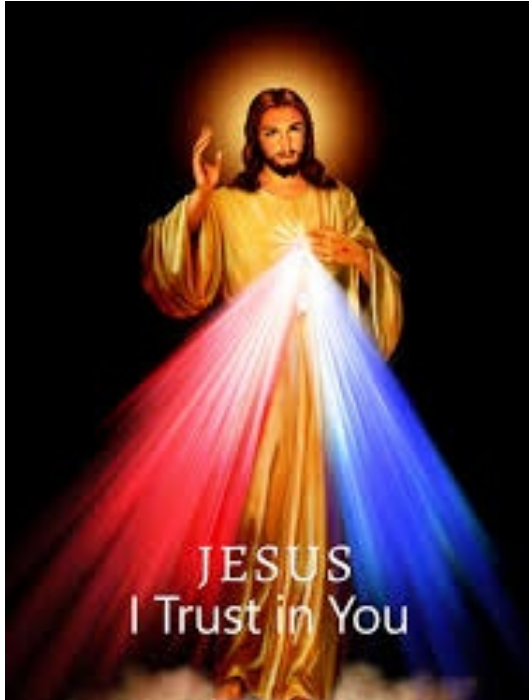
ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH



1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

April 6, 2024

SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY



Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Scott L. Marczuk, J.C.L.

Associate Pastor / Pastor Asociado

Fr. Divya Nathan Paulin Raj Vatakali

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Ken Hunter

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eblevins@ststephenbentonville.com

Marketing/Event Coordinator

Coordinadora de Mercado y Eventos
Elizabeth Ganey
marketing@ststephenbentonville.com

Weekday Mass

Tuesday Mass 12:00 PM
Wednesday Mass 12:00 PM
Thursday Mass 12:00 PM
Friday Mass 12:00 PM

Weekend Mass

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 7:45 AM & 10:00 AM
Sunday 11:45 AM – Spanish
Sunday 5:00 PM – LifeTeen

Holy Days as announced

Reconciliation

Every Saturday
Bilingual 3:00-4:00 PM
30 minutes before each
Weekday Mass

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday by 12:00pm (5 days
prior to the publication date of
the bulletin). Drop off or e-mail
articles to the parish office.

Membership

We extend our hands and hearts
in Christian Fellowship. Longtime
residents or newly arrived,
contact the parish office.

Infant Baptism

Offered once a month.
No Baptisms in December
Contact the parish office.
Baptism preparation required.
Parents need to be registered
members of St. Stephen.

Catholic Marriage

Marriage preparation required.
Contact the Pastor at least nine
months in advance.

RCIA

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

Pre-School Director

Cathy Townzen
preschool@ststephenbentonville.com
Office Hours: M-W-F
8:00am-1:00pm September-May

Faith Formation Director (K-6th Grade)

Marta Hernandez
mhernandez@ststephenbentonville.com

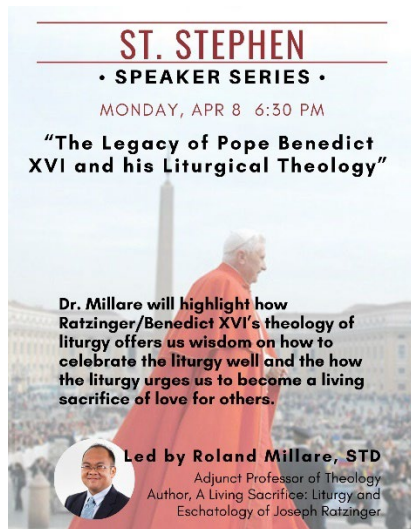
Faith Formation Director (Sacraments)

Monica Shoemaker
youthoffice@ststephenbentonville.com

Faith Formation (7th-12th Grade)

Jessica Petter
jpetter@ststephenbentonville.com

Thank You – We see your dedication and passion as a steward of the church and minister for all the volunteering you do in your calling. You work tirelessly to help us share your gifts and talents, and we are grateful to serve each and every one of you in return.



Congratulations – To our 2023-2024 RCIA/RCIC candidates and catechumens who have entered the Catholic Faith: Kenny Branham, David Barrientos, Alan Lopez, Ryan Navedo, Kathryn Johnson, Cameron Hope Glory, Augusta Fields Branham, David Alexander Walker, Jeanine Byers, Sharon Marlinda Bilgischer, Darrell Blake Foster, Luis Angel Colunga, Hope Lafahye Gorney, Jeremiah Ray Johnson, Katelyn Renee Lee, Liam Wyatt Johnson, Nikita Aymilee Reinecke, Rachel Diane Johnson, Etta Francine Thomas, Myles Wayne Johnson, Julia Lynn Bussiere, Hayden Walker Johnson, Kristopher Michael Keen, Montana Klorise Reed, Michelle Ann Smith, Clayton Jonathan Akehurst, Abygail Gaucin, Madison Glory, Hugo Ortega, and Natali Sanchez.

Memorial Mass – St. Stephen will host a Memorial Mass, also known as a Mass of Remembrance, in honor of our departed children on Monday, May 13th at 6:00PM in the main church with a potluck reception to

follow. Please attend if you or someone you know has suffered the loss of a child. If possible, please RSVP using the QR code. You can also use the QR code to add a child's name to the program, to request a copy of the program, to request your child's name to be announced before the start of Mass, and/or to volunteer to bring food to the reception.

Red Bird Ministries is a Catholic, pro-life, and pro-family grief support ministry that focuses on supporting individuals and couples who have experienced the loss of a child of any age and any circumstance including miscarriage, stillbirth, or after birth as an infant, child, adolescent, or adult. Please email Lauren McAdams with any questions at redbird@ststephenbentonville.com.

Circle of Grace: Our Safe Environment Program, will be presented to our youth attending classes for Pre-K-6th grade as follows: *Life Teen* on **April 7, 2024 at 6:00pm**. Safe Environment Training for minors is a requirement by the United State Conference of Catholic Bishops. This is a requirement for all dioceses in the United States which is mandated in the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People.

Círculo de Gracia: Nuestro programa de Ambiente Seguro, se presentará a nuestros jóvenes que asisten a clases de Pre-K-6to. grado de la siguiente manera: Life Teen el 7 de abril 2024 a las 6:00pm.
La capacitación del Medio Ambiente Seguro para menores es un requisito de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos. Este es un requisito para todas las Diócesis en los Estados Unidos que está establecido en la Carta para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes.

Eucharist Revival Night
Wednesday, April 10
6:00 PM Holy Hour
6:30 - 7:30 PM Reconciliation

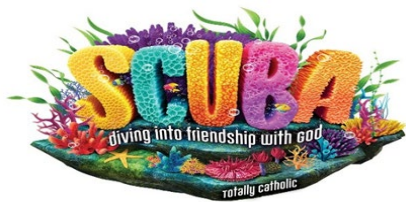


Noche de Avivamiento Eucarístico
Miércoles 10 de Abril
7:00 PM Hora Santa
6:30 - 7:30 PM Reconciliación

Knights of Columbus is once again offering a \$1,000 scholarship to any qualified Senior who is a parishioner of St. Stephen and attends a high school other than Bentonville or Bentonville West. The Knights currently participate in another program for BHS and BWHS Seniors. Any interested Senior can contact Phil Pesek at ppesek24@yahoo.com for an application or questions. The deadline for submitting an application is Tuesday, April 30, 2024.



Summer is approaching quickly and for Vacation Bible Camp to be a success we need 40 Adult Volunteers. VBC is scheduled for July 17-19 from 6-8:30pm each day. Please contact Marta Hernandez (mhernandez@ststephenbentonville.com)



El verano se acerca rápidamente y para que el Campamento Bíblico de Vacaciones sea un éxito necesitamos 40 Voluntarios Adultos. Está programado para julio de 17-19 de 6-8:30pm cada día. Por favor, comuníquese con Marta Hernández (mhernandez@ststephenbentonville.com) si está dispuesto y disponible para ayudar

Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal (CASA) – Mi CASA es tu casa. This Hispanic saying holds a special meaning for us here in Arkansas. CASA is a way for all of us to make a difference right here at home. As they say, many hands make the work light. If we all give a little, with God's blessing, it will be enough. Become a CASA supporter today; return your Gift/Pledge in the envelopes provided.

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USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities is inviting Catholics to join a focused effort of prayer for the end of abortion and the protection of women and preborn children, beginning on the eve of the oral arguments, and the anniversary of St. John Paul II's landmark, pro-life encyclical, In particular, we will invoke the intercession of St. Joseph, Defender of Life with this prayer:

Dearest St. Joseph, at the word of an angel, you lovingly took Mary into your home. As God's humble servant, you guided the Holy Family on the road to Bethlehem, welcomed Jesus as your own son in the shelter of a manger, and fled far from your homeland for the safety of both Mother and Child. We praise God that as their faithful protector, you never hesitated to sacrifice for those entrusted to you. May your example inspire us also to welcome, cherish, and safeguard God's most precious gift of life. Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen.



St. Vincent de Paul Church
Are you experiencing grief from the loss of a loved one either recently or from the past? We would like to extend a heartfelt message of consolation and God's blessing in the loss of your loved one. Our ministry brings together those who seek support during a time of great grief who are searching for an understanding on how to cope after such a life-changing event has occurred.

Who would benefit from this ministry: Anyone who has cared for a loved one or friend who has passed on to be with our Lord.

What do we do: We meet once a month to be a **SUPPORT** for each other; **LISTEN** to each other; **ENCOURAGE** each other; **PRAY** for each other; **GROW SPIRITUALLY** with each other; and **YES...CELEBRATE** and **LAUGH** with each other.

When: 1st Saturday of the month at 9:30am to 11:30am in the St. Charles Room. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Dc. Dan Grelle (479-640-6305), Nina Tancredi (479-640-3750), or Sue Yarbrough (479-616-4214), or simply come to our meeting.

Church Operations for March
Operating Expenses \$ 175,368

As we read in the Acts of the Apostles,
the disciples were united as one,
devoting themselves to the communal
life, sharing their financial resources.
May God's Divine Mercy endure
forever on those who continue this
practice of fraternal love, social
outreach and mutual support.

God is always generous
Stewardship is our response.

Revenue	Month-to- Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$ 194,340	\$ 135,000
Growth Fund	\$ 18,926	\$ 21,000

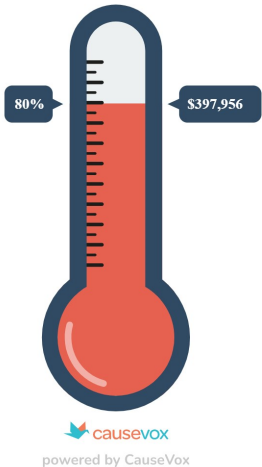
Scripture Readings for 4/14/2024

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9
1Jn 2:1-5a
Luke 24:35-48

Annulment Advocates:.....Joe & Rose Hartnett 479-855-2344
Natural Family Planning:.....Emily Appeldorn 479-466-5321
Columbarium Chairperson:.....Charlotte Champagne 479-531-9345
Parish Council:.....pcouncil@ststephenbentonville.com
St. Stephen Benevolent Conference:.....479-696-9361

Growth Fund Progress

GOAL: \$500,000



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 6
9:00am Jim & Joan Bohata †
5:00pm Maria Neyle Nguyen †

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7
7:45am Larry Wewers †
10:00am Parishioners/Feligreses
11:45am Juan Maya † y Usevia Maya †
5:00pm Emily Shann †

Monday, April 8
12:00pm Special Intentions

Tuesday, April 9
12:00pm Jane Jansen

Wednesday, April 10
12:00pm Pam & Maurice Willis †

Thursday, April 11
12:00pm Mr. & Mrs. Chase Richard

Friday, April 12
12:00pm Almas en Purgatorio

Saturday, April 13
5:00pm Maggie Butler

Sunday, April 14
7:45am Joseph Minh Bui †
10:00am Andrew Lac Tran †
11:45am Feligreses/Parishioners
5:00pm All Souls

April 13-14	Lector	EMC - Host	EMC - Cup	EMC -Head Minister	Usher	Lock-Up	Altar Server	Sacristan
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Michael Janick	Bruce Peterson	Dcn. Ken Hunter Anita Fomin	Jack McDaniel Susan McDaniel	Clayton Akehurst NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Bruce Peterson	Jackson Coco Emma Coco NOT FILLED John Harrington	Bruce Peterson
Sunday, 7:45 AM	Tom Stawicki	Mark Jechura	Dcn. Ken Hunter Amanda Cantu	Peggy Estes Robbie Estes	Karen Howard Greg Woodell Leo Stirton Gerard Davenport		Dominic Skidd Damian Skidd NOT FILLED Gus Skidd	Mark Jechura
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Paul Krapf	Theresa Brauburger	Dcn. Ken Hunter TJ LaPlant	Ted Brauburger Diedra or Steven Dourth	Mark Kreuter Kevin Clemons Brian Rabal Daniel Cruz		Caleb Medders Gerhardt Brady Kai Keller Brecklyn Keller	Kathryn Gough
Sunday, 11:45 AM (Spanish Mass)	Marugel Monzalvo	Crimilda Viera	Eva Miramon Maria Nino	Brenda Cruz Noel Perez Hector Rangel Marcela Esquivel	Maria Salcedo Juan Diego Hernandez Maria Barajas Bertha Valdez		Aldo Trujillo Alondra Nino-Perez Christian Perez NOT FILLED	Crimilda Viera
Sunday, 5:00 PM (LT Mass)	Chris Davis	Cary Richard	Dcn. Ken Hunter Katie Morris	Nicholas Tyburski Susan Davis	David Power Annabella Tyburski NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Cary Richard	Agustin Rosso Francesco Rosso	Sherri MacLean