

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 25, 2024

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigésimo-primero Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

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.

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.

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

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

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.



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Musicians Wanted! We are looking for accompanists that would be available to play occasionally for weekend masses. If you can play the piano and would like to give your gift back to God as part of the music ministry at St. Stephen, please contact our Music Director, Jennifer Teague at music@stephenbentonville.com.

Calling all children who LOVE to sing! Our **Youth Choir** is open to 2nd thru 8th grade students who are parishioners of St. Stephen. The choir will be singing at 10:00am mass in Oct, Nov, and Feb, as well as for the 4:00pm Christmas Eve mass. We will practice on Wednesday nights from 6:00-6:30pm and will hold our first practice on Wed. September 11. If your child would like to participate, or you would like more information, please contact Jennifer Teague, Music director, @ music@ststephenbentonville.com

Blood Drive: Monday, September 9th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm the Knights of Columbus invite the parish to our blood drive in the Parish Life Center. The American Red Cross will be there taking blood donations. Walk-ins are welcome or make your reservation online at redcrossblood.org. Juice and snacks will be provided.

New Music at Mass: You may have noticed new music recently being sung at most masses during the Gloria, Holy, Memorial Acclamation, Amen and Lamb of God. This music comes from a setting called the Mass of Peace. In order to follow and sing along, you can find the music toward the front of the Source and Summit missal on page numbers 53, 54 and 55. You can also listen and learn the mass parts by using the following link: <https://app.sourceandsummit.com/share/35286141-ea35-42c1-b94d-ee7c729e15d1?choir>. We hope this information will help you feel more comfortable in joining your voice with the cantor/choir as we praise Our Heavenly Father.



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13 CLASES DEL 09 DE SEPTIEMBRE AL 02 DE DICIEMBRE
LOS LUNES DE 7:00 A 8:30 PM

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH
1300 NE J ST. BENTONVILLE, AR, 72712

INFORMES:
LILY FARLEY: (201) 384-1631 - lillyfey@hotmail.com
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VIERNES AGOSTO 30 6:00PM-9:00PM
SABADO AGOSTO 31 8:00AM-5:30PM

"HIJOS OBEDEZCAN EN EL SEÑOR A SUS PADRES POR QUE ESTO ES JUSTO" (EFESIOS 6:1)

PADRE RODRIGO ARRAZOLA
DCO. JESUS RAMOS

ST STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
1300 NE J ST BENTONVILLE AR 72712

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GUSTAVO CHAVEZ:479 633 0991
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on Saturday, September 14 at 6 pm in the Parish Life Center. The number of correct answers your team gets is absolutely NOT proportional to the fun you will have! We promise you a great time! Register in advance using our QR code. The cost is \$25 per person and includes tacos, nachos, drinks and prizes. Make your own team of up to 8 or be placed on a team and make new friends.

Example question: On which mountain did Noah's ark come to rest?
Answer: Ararat



Kindergarten-6th grade girls are invited to join Little Flowers Girls' Club, a fun faith filled Catholic club for girls to learn about the saints, live the virtues, and love the faith. The group will meet monthly at St. Stephen. For more information and to sign up go to <https://tinyurl.com/52e2u86w> or email nwalittleflowers@gmail.com

Get your diocesan directory - The 2025 Diocese of Little Rock Directory is coming soon. It is an invaluable resource to keep in your house or car to find Mass times for another parish or to call or e-mail a parish, priest, deacon or religious in the diocese. It costs only \$18, which includes shipping. Send your check to Directory, Arkansas Catholic, P.O. Box 7417, Little Rock, AR 72217 or order online at arkansas-catholic.org/. Directories will be shipped in October.



Mark your calendar for Thursday, September 19th from 4:30p - 6:00p. **NWA Respect Life** will prepare and serve food to the homeless at the 8th Street Motel in Rogers. Sign up Genius soon to follow.



Invitation to Personal Prayer

Do you desire "more" from your prayer life? Do you find it difficult to pray regularly? Do you desire to be able to listen more while praying? If you answer "yes" to any of these questions, *Invitation to Personal Prayer* is for you!

Pray-ers commit to 15 minutes a day of prayer, and groups meet once a week for 9 weeks. Groups are in-person or by zoom, are limited in size and are forming now.

For more information or to register, use QR code at right.




Invitation to Personal Prayer II

If you have already prayed *Invitation to Personal Prayer*, then *Invitation to Personal Prayer II* is for you! You said you wanted more, so we have more - more prayer, more practice, more relationship with the Lord. Continue your journey!

Pray-ers commit to growing their prayer time from 15 minutes to 30 minutes daily. Groups meet for 60 minutes/week and meet for 9 weeks. Groups are forming now, and held in-person and by zoom. Group is limited in size.

For more information or to register, use QR code at right.



Also available are additional prayer groups listed below. For more information and registration, follow QR code, go to www.infinitegraced.com or contact Elizabeth Garrett, elizabeth@infinitegraced.com, Zola Afonso, zola@infinitegraced.com or Kristine Grille, kristine.grille@gmail.com

Invitation to Oración Personal		Choosing Christ in the World (The Spiritual Exercises)
Invitation to Deeper Prayer		Praying with the Beatitudes
Walking with Our Emotions		Spiritual Direction Formation Program

Encounter

Adult Small Groups

Encounter Adult Small Groups Want to meet other Catholics and grow in your faith? Join an Encounter adult small group! Groups start meeting in September and will be studying the Acts of the Apostles. Scan the qr code or go to <https://tinyurl.com/5t52vm2h> to sign up. Questions? Contact encounter@ststephenbentonville.com.



Holy Doors Pilgrimage: Arkansas Catholic's first pilgrimage to Italy for the Holy Year sold out, but a second tour has been added to accommodate everyone who wants to participate. Father Brian Cundall, pastor of Christ the King Church in Fort Smith, will be the spiritual director for the tour October 29-November 8, 2025. You can experience Florence on All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, plus stops in Milan, Turin, Orvieto and Montecassino. Pilgrims will have four days in Rome and walk through the Holy Doors. To sign up, download the brochure at arkansas-catholic.org/pilgrimage. Register by September 30, 2024, and save \$100. If you have any questions, contact Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at kathy@suesmithvacation or 501-771-0987.



Estate Planning Seminar
with Trust & Wealth Advisor
Matthew Koll, CFP, CTFA

- Do you know what documents you need to protect you and your family?
- Do you know the difference between a will and a trust?
- Do you know the responsibilities of an executor and successor trustee?

Join us for a FREE educational seminar to cover the fundamentals of estate planning.

Time: Starting At: **6:30pm** Date: **24 September 2024**

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ARKANSAS PEACE WEEK & THE INTERFAITH CENTER PRESENT:

PEACE ACROSS FAITHS

Cultivating a culture of peace

HOSTED AT:
WESTOVER HILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
6400 KAVANAUGH BLVD

An Annual Interfaith Dinner

Join us in celebrating peace from different religious and non-religious perspectives. We will pray, share a vegetarian meal, and kickoff Arkansas Peace Week together.

Free and open to the public. Childcare and pizza dinner for children provided.

September 15, 2024
5:30 - 8:00 PM

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Find us online
arkansaspeaceweek.com
theinterfaithcenter.org

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St. Stephen is starting a new Marriage Enrichment ministry called **Together in Holiness**. We will be meeting once a month starting Wednesday, September 25th in the Parish Life Center from 5:30 - 7:00 pm. We will have dinner from 5:30 - 6:00 and 6 - 7 will be the video, group discussion, ending in prayer. Childcare will also be provided. Please see the Narthex for handouts or to sign up. The fee is \$75 but can be waived. Contact Elizabeth in Parish Office for details.

St. Stephen SPEAKER SERIES

2024 Fall Speaker Series: We have a very exciting lineup for the fall and hope you can all join us! Unless otherwise advertised all talks will kick off at 6:30pm with snacks and socializing with the speakers and the talks will start at 7:00 pm.

Wednesday, September 11
Catholic Artist Derek Brooks will speak on "Beauty in the Eucharist."

Wednesday, October 9
Catholic Apologist, author, and podcast host Jimmy Akin will speak on "Defending our Faith."

Wednesday, November 20
Randall Colton, Director of Ethics at Mercy, will speak about "Why we Protect Life."

Project Rachel: Are you, or is there someone you know, hurting from a past abortion? Our Lord of infinite Mercy knows that you are in pain and He opens His arms of Unconditional Love to you. Do not be discouraged and do not be afraid. PROJECT RACHEL is offering two upcoming retreats for Healing:

*Saturday, August 24 from 9-5 (English) in NWA

*Saturday, September 28 from 9-5 (Spanish) in Little Rock

Project Rachel is safe and confidential. It is open to men and women of any or no religious denomination. For more information call or text confidential line 501-663-0996.

Virtual Healing Resource (VHR)

This is a confidential, non-judgmental small group meeting for anyone who has been affected by the trauma of abortion.

Available to join via ZOOM, so that anyone, anywhere, can participate from the comfort of their own space, anonymously if desired.

Meetings are held the first Monday of each month from 6:30 pm- 7:30 pm

- Monday, September 2nd
- Monday, October 7th
- Monday, November 4th
- Monday, December 2nd

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To register, call or text
CONFIDENTIALLY 501-663-0996,
or email: projectrachel@dolr.org

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Bulletin Deadline: Tue. 12:00 PM
 (5 days prior to publication date.)
 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\$116,496
 Joshua asks "Whom will you serve?" We choose to serve the One True God and His Son Jesus Christ. This choice motivates our giving of ourselves in time, talent and resources to His Bride the Church.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship & Other	\$91,992	\$135,000
Growth Fund	\$14,256	\$21,000

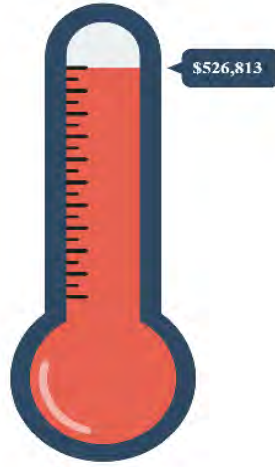
Scripture Readings for 9/1/2024

Dt 4: 1-2 6-8
 Ps 15(14): 2-3, 3-4, 4-5
 Jas 1: 17-18, 21b-22, 27
 Mk 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

God loves a cheerful giver.

Growth Fund Goal: Goal: \$500,000

We surpassed our Goal!



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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 24
 5:00PM Michael † & Virginia Digacomo †

Sunday, August 25
 7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 10:00AM Maria Nhu Bui † Peter Thong Let
 11:45AM Almas del Purgatorio †
 5:00PM Wayne Kleeman †

Monday, August 26
 12:00PM Susan Marie Rabenberg

Tuesday, August 27
 12:00PM Harold Stein †

Wednesday, August 28
 12:00PM Jacob Tyburski

Thursday, August 29
 12:00PM Fausto Aguilar Ocampo †

Friday, August 30
 12:00PM Michael James Yackley

Saturday, August 31
 5:00PM Andrew Lac Tran †

Sunday, September 1
 7:45AM Lainie Snider
 10:00AM Maria Mendez & Eddie Mendez-Torres
 11:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 5:00PM Edward Sidwell †

Annulment Advocates: Joe & Rose Hartnett 479-855-2344
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St. Stephen Benevolent Conference: 479-696-9361

	Lector	Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels	Eucharistic Minister Host	Eucharistic Minister Cup	Usher	Lock Up	Altar Server	Sacristan & Vessels
Saturday, Aug. 31 5:00 PM	Jen Kreuckeberg (Both Readings, Petitions, & Announcements)	Bruce Peterson	Pam Gander - EMC - HOST (1) Davina Collins - EMC - HOST (2)	Anita Formin (C1) James Sutton (C2)	NOT FILLED (A-B) NOT FILLED (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Bruce Peterson	Jackson Coco Emma Coco John Harrington NOT FILLED	Bruce Peterson
Sunday, Sep. 1 7:45 AM	Irma Holsaek (Both Readings, Petitions, & Announcements)	Christina Baker	Tony Baker - EMC - HOST (1) Mark Jechura - EMC - HOST (2)	Chris O'Shaugnessy (C1) Kira O'Shaugnessy (C2)	Gerard Davenport (A-B) NOT FILLED (C) Leo Stirton (D-E) Greg Woodell (F)		Dominic Skidd Damian Skidd NOT FILLED Gus Skidd	Amanda Cantu
Sunday, Sep. 1 10:00 AM	Mark Reichardt (Both Readings, Petitions, & Announcements)	Joe Hartnett	Dcn. Ken Hunter - (H1 & Petitions) Diedra or Steven Dourth - EMC - HOST (2)	Pam Willis (C1) Greg Brandenburg (C2)	Steve Harrington (A-B) Brian Rabal (C) Mark Kreuter (D-E) Ken Butler (F)		Caleb Medders Kai Keller Brecklyn Keller Steven Zink	Joe Hartnett
Sunday, Sep. 1 11:45 AM	Marugel Monzalvo (Todas Lecturas y Peticiones y Anuncios)	Ivan Sanabria	Dcn. Jesus Ramos- EMC - Comunion (A) Maria Elena Calderon - EMC - Comunion (B)	Maria Nino (C1) Hector Rangel (C3) Eva Miramon (C4) Marcela Esquivel (C6)	Juan Diego Hernandez (A-B) Maria Barajas (C) Bertha Valdez (D-E) Roberto Paredes		Aldo Trujillo Alondra Nino-Perez NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Ivan Sanabria
Sunday, Sep. 1 5:00PM	Nicholas Tyburski (Both Readings, Petitions, & Announcements)	Cary Richard	Lisa Richard - EMC - HOST (1) Cathy Townzen - EMC - HOST (2)	Chris Davis (C1) Susan Davis (C2)	Rob Brothers (A-B) David Power (C) Annabella Tyburski (D-E) NOT FILLED (F)	Cary Richard	Agustin Rosso Francesco Rosso	Cary Richard