

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

November 24, 2024

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey Del Universo

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.*

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

OICA: *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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OCIA: Our next class will be Wednesday, December 4th at 6:45pm. Join us in the Main Church as we learn about the Liturgical Seasons and Calendar. All are welcome!

Readership survey: Arkansas Catholic is conducting an online readership survey with readers of the print and/or digital editions. The survey will take about five to six minutes to complete, covering various topics related to articles and advertising in the diocesan newspaper and its digital platforms. All readers 18 years old and older are invited to complete the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZPZ6ZZ3>. One winner of a \$250 Amazon gift card will be chosen from those who completed the survey and shared their contact information with us. No purchase is necessary to enter the sweepstakes. The survey will be open until Dec. 8. The winner will be randomly drawn on or around Dec. 10.



The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by Clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964 and the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Den. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottsponer at (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

La Diócesis Católica de Little Rock está comprometida a proteger a los niños y jóvenes. Si usted está enterado de algún abuso o ha sido abusado por Clérigos, voluntarios o funcionarios de la Iglesia, por favor comuníquese a la Línea de Ayuda del Estado de Arkansas para Crímenes contra Niños al (800) 482-5964 y con el Canciller para Asuntos Canónicos, Diác. Matthew A. Glover (501) 664-0340, ext. 361. Para asistencia pastoral, por favor comuníquese con la Coordinadora de Asistencia para Víctimas de la Diócesis de Little Rock Laura Gottsponer (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diócesis de Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

Circle of Grace, our Safe Environment program, will be presented to our youth attending classes for Pre-K-12th grade as follows:

- 2nd Year Confirmation on December 11, 2024

Safe Environment Training for minors is a requirement by the United States 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-12 grado de la siguiente manera:

- 2nd año de Confirmación el 11 de Diciembre de 2024

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.

Our Advent Penance Service will be Tuesday, December 3rd at 6:00pm. Several priests will be available to hear confession in English and Spanish.

Nuestra parroquia ofrecerá una celebración penitencial el martes el 3 de diciembre a las 6pm. Se trata de una oración guiada por el sacerdote para ayudar a la comunidad, cuyo fin es llevarnos al arrepentimiento y deseos de reconciliarnos con Dios y nuestros hermanos. Varios sacerdotes se reunirán para confesar en inglés y español.



Thank you so much for supporting the St. Stephen Benevolent Conference food drive! Your generous support will make a Thanksgiving meal possible for so many of our neighbors in need. And, don't forget to save the date! The SSBC Cookie Exchange is Dec. 14-15. Signups to bake cookies start next weekend. Thank you for your support!

Cursillo 2025 will be held at the St. John's Center in Little Rock the following weekends in English: the men's weekend will be February 20-23, and the women's weekend will be April 24-27. The NWA Ultreya is held the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm at the St. Vincent DePaul ministry building in Rogers.

ENCUENTROS DE PROMOCIÓN JUVENIL
ENCUENTRO MIXTO #33
Enero 9 -12, 2025

Regístrate [QR Code]

Requisitos:
 -Ser Católico bautizado
 -Tener Primera Comunión
 -No estar casado/a, ni vivir en unión libre, o tener hijos
 -Tener edad entre 18 a 31

No te pierdas la oportunidad de tener un Encuentro. Con Dios. Con gente. Y con los demás.

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Parish Council Elections – It's that time of year when we think about parish council elections. If you are a registered parishioner in good standing in the Catholic Church, are over the age of 18 and interested in running for parish council or know of someone who is, please fill out one of the nomination forms in the Narthex and drop it in the nomination box. Out of courtesy, please ask the person first before you submit their name. All names must be submitted by Sunday, December 15.

Elecciones del Consejo Parroquial – Esta temporada del año es cuando pensamos en las elecciones del consejo parroquial. Si usted es un feligrés registrado en buen estado con la Iglesia Católica, mayor de 18 años y está interesado en el consejo parroquial o sabe de alguien que lo este, por favor llene una de las formas de nominación en el Nártex y deposítelo en la caja de nominación. Por cortesía, por favor, primero pregúntele a la persona antes de enviar su nombre. Todos los nombres deben ser enviados antes del día domingo, 15 de diciembre.



Ultreya en Español
 Viernes a las 6:30pm

En el salón San Jerónimo

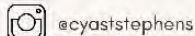
Para mas información, póngase en contacto con:

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St. Stephen's Catholic Young Adults

Join Us!

Thursday Evenings | 6:30pm | Young Adults
@ St. Stephen's Bosco House



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Check GroupMe for the latest updates!
https://grou.me.com/join_group/9496620C/eVeCpQl5



The Parish Office will close this Wednesday at noon and reopen Monday, December 2nd. Our weekday Mass schedule remains the same except for Thanksgiving Day, Mass is at 10:00am.

La Oficina Parroquial cerrará al mediodía de este miércoles y permanecerá cerrada hasta el lunes 2 de diciembre. Nuestro horario de misa de lunes a viernes sigue siendo el mismo, con la excepción de la misa del Día de Acción de Gracias a las 10:00 a.m. en inglés.

Ministry Schedules: The parish office will begin working on the ministry schedules for the next quarter. Please contact the office or send an email with any conflicts you may have. The deadline is Wednesday, December 11th.

La oficina de la parroquia comenzará trabajando en los horarios de ministros para el próximo trimestre. Por favor llame la oficina o envíe un correo electrónico e háganos saber de cualquier conflicto que pueda tener. La fecha límite es el miércoles, 11 de diciembre.

Arkansas Catholic schools provide a nurturing, Christ-centered education for our students, but the cost of tuition can be a significant barrier for many families who desire the quality Catholic education for their children that our schools offer. The LEARNS Act provides funding for tuition and some fees through Education Freedom Accounts for students who meet the criteria. Although the categories have expanded this year, many students who need financial assistance still do not qualify. The cost of paying full tuition remains an obstacle for many families. Our students are our future leaders, and your support can make a significant impact on their lives and the future of our world.



We have received the following message from the Diocesan Director of Divine Worship:

For many years, USCCB norms provided that Holy Days of Obligation during Advent, Lent, or Easter seasons which fell on a Sunday were transferred to Monday, but without the obligation to attend Mass on that transferred solemnity. Those same norms also provided that when a Holy Day of Obligation fell on a Saturday or a Monday, the obligation to attend Mass was dispensed from.

However, on September 4, 2024, the Holy See's Dicastery for Legislative Texts issued a response to a question from the USCCB, which announced an immediate change to this practice.

From now on, all Holy Days of Obligation in the United States, regardless of the day of the week, will carry both the solemnity and the **obligation to attend Mass**. Additionally, if a Holy Day of Obligation is transferred to another date—such as the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception—there remains the obligation to attend Mass on the date to which it is transferred.

Sunday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. The feast day will transfer over to Monday, December 9th and it is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. We will have Mass at noon and 5:30pm in English, and 7:00 PM in Spanish. The Parish office will be closed.

El 9 de diciembre celebraremos la Fiesta de la Inmaculada concepción. Los horarios de misas son: al medio día y a las 5:30 pm en Inglés y a las 7pm en español. Recuerde que este día, es día de obligación. Se ofrecerá un novenario previo a la fiesta del 30 de noviembre al 8 de diciembre después de las misas de medio día en Inglés.

BINGO SATURDAY
JANUARY 11, 2025
ST. JOSEPH TONITOWN PARISH HALL
CHECK-IN AT 5PM - DINNER AT 5:15
BINGO WILL START AT 6:30PM
9 STANDARD BINGO GAMES - \$100 PRIZE PER GAME
*1 SPECIAL GAME - \$2,000 CASH PROGRESSIVE JACKPOT
*Limited Tickets Available
Tickets are \$25 each. This is a 21+ event
Lasagna Dinner, Drinks, and two Bingo cards
[Extra Cards can be purchased for \$10 each
Contact Rose Kleiner at rose.kleiner@ozarkcatholic.org
or Connie Haynes at 601-832-8707 for questions
PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE ST. JOSEPH FOOD PANTRY AND OCA STUDENT LEADERSHIP TRIPS

Save the Dates:

- Saturday, December 7 Advent by Candlelight
- Monday, December 9 Feast of the Immaculate Conception (**DAY OF OBLIGATION**) Parish Office closed, English Mass at 12:00 & 5:30PM, Spanish Mass at 7:00PM
- Thursday, December 12 at 7:00PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass and Celebration in Spanish
- Weekend of December 14/15 SSBC Cookie Exchange
- Sunday, December 15 - Monday, December 23 Las Posadas 7:00PM
- Monday, December 16 at 6:30pm BHS Chamber Orchestra Christmas Concert

Thanksgiving
WEDNESDAY, NOV 27
• Parish Office closes at noon
• Adoration ends at noon
THURSDAY, NOV 28
• Parish Office closed
• Reconciliation at 9:30am
• Mass at 10:00am
• No Reconciliation, adoration, or noon Mass
FRIDAY, NOV 29
• Parish Office closed
• No Adoration
• Reconciliation at 11:30am
• Mass at 12:00pm
St. Stephen Catholic Church

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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

To book rooms for meetings please email events@ststephenbentonville.com at least 2 weeks before your date.

Para reservar salas para reuniones, envíe un correo electrónico a events@ststephenbentonville.com al menos 2 semanas antes de la fecha.

Church Operations for November

Operating Expenses\$148,246
 Christ the King of the Universe, robed in majesty, has formed us into His Kingdom where He has everlasting dominion. To Him belongs all glory. Humbly we present to Him ourselves, symbolized in our voluntary gift of time, talent and treasures.

| Revenue | Month-to-Date | Monthly Goal |
|---------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Stewardship & Other | \$112,419 | \$135,000 |
| Growth Fund | \$4,962 | \$21,000 |

Scripture Readings for 12/1/2024

Jer 33: 14-16
 Ps 25(24): 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14
 1 Thes 3: 12 - 4: 2
 Lk 21: 25-28, 34-36

The generous will prosper.

Growth Fund Goal: Goal: \$500,000

We surpassed our Goal!



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Mass Intentions for the Week

- Saturday, November 23**
 5:00PM Peter Paraskos †
- Sunday, November 24**
 7:45AM All Souls
 10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 11:45AM Theresa & David Shaw & family
 5:00PM Edward Sidwell †
- Monday, November 25**
 12:00PM Marlene Wehar †
- Tuesday, November 26**
 12:00PM Shirley Dwyer † & family
- Wednesday, November 27**
 12:00PM Los Difuntos
- Thursday, November 28**
 10:00AM All Souls
- Friday, November 29**
 12:00PM Donna L. Farney
- Saturday, November 30**
 5:00PM All Souls
- Sunday, December 1**
 7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses
 10:00AM Wayne Bene Sr. †
 11:45AM Maria Guadalupe Perea Albarran †
 5:00PM Edward Sidwell †

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| | Lector | Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels | Eucharistic Minister Host | Eucharistic Minister Cup | Usher | Lock Up | Altar Server | Sacristan & Vessels |
|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---|--|--|----------------|--|---------------------|
| Saturday, Nov. 30 5:00 PM | Michael Janick (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements) | Kim Alexander | Susan McDaniel - (H1 & Vessels) Jack McDaniel - EMC - HOST (2) | Pam Gander (C1) James Sutton (C2) | Clayton Akehurst (A-B) NOT FILLED (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F) | Bruce Peterson | Brian Ganey Anthony Cox Rosalina Cox Brennan Ganey | Kim Alexander |
| Sunday, Dec. 1 7:45 AM | Mark Jechura (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements) | Christina Baker | Greg Brandenburg - (H1 & Vessels) April Appleby - EMC - HOST (2) | Amanda Cantu (C1) Tony Baker (C2) | Katie (Leo) Stirton (A-B) Greg Woodell (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) Gerard Davenport (F) | | Dominic Skidd Damian Skidd NOT FILLED Gus Skidd | Mark Jechura |
| Sunday, Dec. 1 10:00 AM | Ed Brown (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements) | Theresa Brauburger | Dcn. Ken Hunter - EMC - HOST (1) Pam Willis - (H2 & Vessels) | Ted Brauburger (C1) Steve Harrington (C2) | Mark Kreuter (A-B) Daniel Cruz (C) Ken Butler (D-E) Charlotte Champagne (F) | | Steven Zink Matthew DeRito NOT FILLED Lucy Pesek | Charlotte Champagne |
| Sunday, Dec. 1 11:45 AM | Marta Hernandez (Todas Lecturas y Peticiones y Anuncios) | Walter Hernandez | Ivan Sanabria - Comunion (A) Maria Elena Calderon - Comunion (B) | Eva Miramón (C1) Marcela Esquivel (C3) Hector Rangel (C4) NOT FILLED (C6) | Víctor Lopez (A-B) Maria Dalia Lopez (C) Roberto Paredes (D-E) Juan Diego Hernandez (F) | | Aldo Trujillo Allison Mata Fatima Mata Eduardo Mata | Walter Hernandez |
| Sunday, Dec. 1 5:00PM | Beatriz Segura (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements) | Cary Richard | Susan Davis - (H1 & Vessels) Chris Davis - EMC - HOST (2) | Lisa Richard (C1) Nicholas Tyburski (C2) | Annabella Tyburski (A-B) David Power (C) Rob Brothers (D-E) NOT FILLED (F) | Cary Richard | Agustin Rosso Francesco Rosso | Cary Richard |