

**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

January 19, 2025

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Segundo 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-Th / Lun-Jue 9:00AM-3:00PM

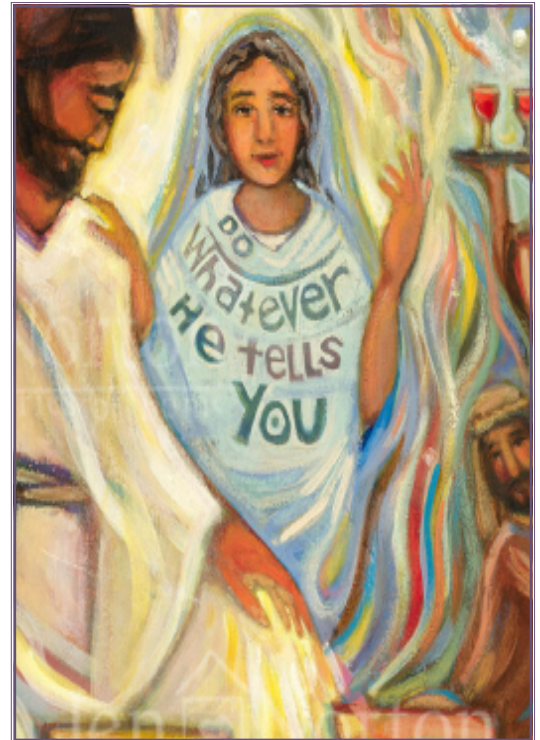
Friday / Viernes 9:00AM-12:00PM

**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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Aug-May

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**OCIA:** Our next class will be Wednesday, January 22nd at 6:45pm. Join us in the Main Church as we discuss Baptism and Confirmation. All are welcome!

**Helping Hands Coordinator Needed:**

Helping Hands Inc. is a non-profit organization operated as a partnership of over 20 churches throughout Benton County. Established in 1976, Helping Hands has been aiding those in need for 46 years through operation of a thrift store located at 2602 SW D St in Bentonville. Proceeds from the thrift store are used to meet the needs of Benton County residents in times of hardship, meeting its vision of a community where everyone experiences hope, and no one goes to bed hungry or in need of shelter, and where all people are treated with dignity. St. Stephen Catholic Church was a long-time volunteer parish, along with St. Vincent de Paul in Rogers. During the pandemic, many partnership churches were unable to serve Helping Hands due to public health safety measures and never returned to a regular volunteer schedule, including St. Stephen's.

We are now seeking a parish member willing to share his or her time and talent to help coordinate a group of volunteers to work a rotation of 2-3 Saturday afternoons per year at Helping Hands, providing support working the cash registers, bagging, stocking, and receiving donations from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Staffing generally only requires 6-10 parishioners, though no volunteers will be turned away and it's also a great way for families to serve together or for students to earn service hours. John Carney of St. Vincent de Paul Church has kindly offered to introduce and train a member of our parish to help us reestablish this social outreach ministry. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to serve our parish and our brothers and sisters of need in Benton County. If you have any questions, or feel called to lead this ministry for St. Stephen, please contact John Carney at 479-381-4385 or via email at John.Carney@ofi.com



**Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference:** Registration is now open. The conference is free but donations are accepted to help cover costs. Please visit [arcatholicmen.com](http://arcatholicmen.com) for more information or to register.



**Seven Sisters Apostolate:** 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 our St. Stephen Catholic Church priests, Msgr. Rev. Scott L. Marczuk and Fr. Divya Nathan Paulin Raj Vatakali. It is a "holy wasting" (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for the priests' deeper conformity to Christ. Fourteen sisters and three substitutes have prayed a year for our priests. We are in need of a praying sister replacement for Tuesday of each week; and one sister for Saturday of each week. More information can be found at <https://sevensistersapostolate.org/> or contact Mary Claire May at 605-863-1083.

**Free video series:** Men and women, young and old, strengthen and grow in your faith for your families with five short videos produced by the Knights of Columbus called the "Mission of the Family." The videos can be found on the Knights of Columbus website for free! [kofc.org/en/campaigns/](http://kofc.org/en/campaigns/). The five videos are less than 14 minutes in length. You can also find the original "Into The Breach" video series by scrolling down on this page and under CATEGORIES click on "Into The Breach." This series is also free of charge and is sure to help you grow in your faith.



**MINISTRY FAIR**

**Ministry Fair:** Looking for ways to get involved and make a difference in our church community? The Ministry Fair is the perfect opportunity to learn about the various ministries and opportunities available at St. Stephen. Whether you're passionate about service, hospitality, children's ministry, or outreach, there's a place for you to grow and serve. Come explore, ask questions, and find a ministry where you can contribute your time, talents, and faith.

**Date: Sunday, January 26th**

**Time: 11:00am - 2:30pm**

**Location: St. Stephen Parish Life Center**

We can't wait to see you there and help you find your place in God's work!

**Jubilee Year Pilgrimage:** Arkansas Catholic is traveling to Italy October 28-November 8 for the Holy Year and we want you to join us. Father Brian Cundall, pastor of Christ the King Church in Fort Smith, will be the spiritual director for this tour. You can experience Florence and Siena 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. An informational meeting will be held Sunday, February 16 at 3 p.m. at Christ the King Church Parish Hall in Fort Smith. RSVP at [bit.ly/ACPilgrimage202](http://bit.ly/ACPilgrimage202). If you have any questions, contact Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at [kathy@suesmithvacation.com](mailto:kathy@suesmithvacation.com) or 501-771-0987.



**A note from SSBC:** In the Gospel today, at the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus reveals himself to his disciples and they begin to believe in him. Every day, God also gives us signs of his love and we also can respond in faith and trust. Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul becomes a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust. Thank you!

# Encounter

Adult Small Groups

**Encounter Leader Sign-ups:** Our next season of Encounter, our adult small group ministry, will be starting in February. If you would like to meet others and grow in your faith consider joining us as a small group leader. Groups will be meeting in person and online. Scan the QR code or go to <http://tiny.cc/3o94001> to sign up to be a small group leader. Small group participant sign ups will be soon. Questions? Contact Desirae Cox [encounter@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:encounter@ststephenbentonville.com)



**Ladies Bible Study:** The Ladies of Grace Bible study will start the Winter/Spring season on Friday, January 24, 2025, from 10:00am to 11:30am in the St. Jerome Room. We will be studying The Gospel According to Luke, Parts One and Two. Each part is \$13/book. This is approximately a 12-13 week course for the entire season using our book/study guide, viewing short videos, and discussions. For more details contact: Mikey Morgan: 316-644-0472, [mikeymorgan97@gmail.com](mailto:mikeymorgan97@gmail.com) Rose Ann Jolly: 913-645-8143, [rajolly1975@att.net](mailto:rajolly1975@att.net)

**Our Lady's Rosary Makers:** Our Lady's Rosary Makers, along with Fr. Paul, would like to thank everyone who contributed to our venture of providing mission rosaries for Fr. Paul to take to India. With your help we were able to make over 2,000 rosaries in four months! Your overwhelming support was amazing. Through your rosaries "vice can be destroyed, sin decreased, and heresies defeated" as promised by Our Blessed Mother. Your help was no small act. Fr. Paul is so very grateful and is excited to be able to share the rosaries with his former parishes back in India.

We will continue to make rosaries for other missions and our own parish, so come join us on Thursday, January 23, 9:30-11:30am, in the St. Jerome room, for our first gathering of 2025. For additional info, email Lisa Richard at [olrm.sponsor551@passmail.com](mailto:olrm.sponsor551@passmail.com).

**Winter Weather Policy:** With winter approaching we would like to remind you of our policy regarding the closing of the parish office and the cancellation of classes and activities. We follow the Bentonville school district. If school is canceled, the parish office is closed and all activities and classes will be canceled, except for Mass. Mass will always be celebrated regardless of weather. St Stephen cancellations are also posted on KNWA, KHOG 40/29, and KFSM.



**Mardi Gras:** Help is needed to plan our annual Mardi Gras parties! This year there will be two events, a Casino Night on Saturday, March 1st at 6:00pm and a Family Fair on Sunday, March 2nd at 11:00am. Not only do we need lots of volunteers but we also need donation items for prizes. Please reach out to Elizabeth Ganey, [marketing@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:marketing@ststephenbentonville.com) or call the Parish Office if you are able to help with either. Laissez les bon temps rouler!

## Save the Dates:

- January 20th Parish Office Closed, No Adoration
- January 23rd at 9:30am Our Lady's Rosary Makers
- January 23rd at 5:30pm Marriage Enrichment
- January 25th Confirmation Retreat
- January 26th at 11:00am Ministry Fair
- January 27th no Reconciliation, no noon Mass
- January 27th at 7:00pm Mariologia
- January 30th at 7:00pm Amor y Respeto
- February 20th at 9:30am Our Lady's Rosary Makers
- March 1st at 6:00pm Mardi Gras Casino Night
- March 2nd at 11:00am Mardi Gras Family Celebration



## Parish Communications

*Comunicación Parroquial*

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**Bulletin Deadline:** Tue. 12:00 PM  
 (5 days prior to publication date.) Email articles to:

[bulletin@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto: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](mailto:bulletin@ststephenbentonville.com)

**To book rooms** for meetings please email [events@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:events@ststephenbentonville.com) at least 2 weeks before your date.

**Para reservar salas** para reuniones, envíe un correo electrónico a [events@ststephenbentonville.com](mailto:events@ststephenbentonville.com) al menos 2 semanas antes de la fecha.

**OZARK CATHOLIC ACADEMY**  
**OPEN HOUSE**  
 Sunday, January 19th  
 1-3 PM  
 192 E. Henri de Tonti Blvd.  
 Tontitown, AR 72770  
 479-316-3445  
[www.ozarkcatholic.org](http://www.ozarkcatholic.org)  
[admissionsoca@ozarkcatholic.org](mailto:admissionsoca@ozarkcatholic.org)

**Symposium on the Dangers of Human Trafficking and Pornography in Arkansas**

**Saturday, January 25, 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Christ the King Church, Little Rock**

Attendees will hear from experts:  
 • Father Jeffery Bayhi • Father Chuck Swanson  
 • Bishop Marcelo Sanchez Sorondo • Former Scotland Yard Inspector Kevin Hyland • Cyber Specialist Kevin Medcalf

\* Free breakfast and lunch, 5 p.m. Mass

**Register for this free symposium at [doirtaskforce.org](http://doirtaskforce.org)**

The Diocese of Little Rock Task Force Against Human Trafficking and Pornography

## Church Operations for January

Operating Expenses .....\$70,132

Many different gifts have been bestowed upon us, yet all are given for the benefit of whole community. As Jesus changed the water into wine, may He bless our offerings and provide them with blessings to help others.

| Revenue             | Month-to-Date | Monthly Goal |
|---------------------|---------------|--------------|
| Stewardship & Other | \$92,753      | \$135,000    |
| Growth Fund         | \$5,011       | \$21,000     |

Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

## Scripture Readings for 1/26/2024

Neh 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10  
 Ps 19(18): 8, 9, 10, 15  
 1 Cor 12: 12-30 or 12: 12-14, 27  
 Lk 1: 1-4; 4: 14-21

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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, January 18

5:00PM John † & Dorothy † Pacheco

### Sunday, January 19

7:45AM Tom Grady †  
 10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses  
 11:45AM Oscar Soto †  
 5:00PM Mary Paula Hennerty †

### Monday, January 20

12:00PM Betty Mae † and Herbert Thomas Gaffigan †

### Tuesday, January 21

12:00PM Maurice Willis †

### Wednesday, January 22

12:00PM Vincente Barrientos †

### Thursday, January 23

12:00PM Amin Mazlúm Abud

### Friday, January 24

12:00PM Michael Kieffer †

### Saturday, January 25

5:00PM Brian Simet †

### Sunday, January 26

7:45AM Hazel Massañelli †  
 10:00AM Rev. Thomas Keller †  
 11:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses  
 5:00PM Scott Antony †

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### Martha's Meal Ministry:

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|                                 | Lector   | Eucharistic Minister<br>HEM & Vessels | Eucharistic Minister<br>Host  | Eucharistic Minister<br>Cup   | Usher  | Lock Up           | Altar Server   | Sacristan & Vessels |
|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------|--|---------------------|
| Saturday,<br>Jan. 25<br>5:00 PM | Diana Goodwin<br>(Both Readings,<br>Petitions, and<br>Announcements) | Bruce Peterson                        | Jack McDaniel<br>- (H1)<br>Susan McDaniel<br>- (H2)                 | Anita Fomin (C2)<br>Lesa Hoover (C3)  | Clayton Akehurst<br>(A-B)<br>NOT FILLED (C)<br>NOT FILLED (D-E)<br>NOT FILLED (F)                  | Bruce Peterson    | Brian Ganey<br>Rosalina Cox<br>Anthony Cox<br>Brennan Ganey      | Bruce Peterson      |
| Sunday,<br>Jan. 26<br>7:45 AM   | Tina Teissere<br>(Both Readings,<br>Petitions, and<br>Announcements) | Chris<br>O'Shaughnessy                | Tom Stawicki - (H1)<br>April Appleby<br>- (H2)                      | Robbie Estes (C2)<br>Kira<br>O'Shaughnessy<br>(C3)  | Peggy Estes (A-B)<br>Greg Woodell (C)<br>Leo Stirton (D-E)<br>Mark Kreuter (F)                     |                   | Will Kopp<br>Wyatt Johnson<br>Joe Kopp<br>Owen Gautier           | Amanda Cantu        |
| Sunday,<br>Jan. 26<br>10:00 AM  | Paul Krapf (Both<br>Readings and<br>Announcements)                   | Ted Brauburger                        | Dcn. Ken Hunter -<br>(H1 & Petitions)<br>Gina Koch - (H2)           | Theresa<br>Brauburger (C2)<br>Diedra or Steven<br>Dourth (C3)                             | Ed Brown (A-B)<br>Tim Koch (C)<br>Daniel Cruz (D-E)<br>Charlotte<br>Champagne (F)                  |                   | Lucy Pesek<br>Matthew DeRito<br>Alex Shoemaker<br>Steven Zink    | Ted Brauburger      |
| Sunday,<br>Jan. 26<br>11:45 AM  | Maria Almaras<br>(Todas Lecturas<br>y Peticiones y<br>Anuncios)      | Walter Hernandez                      | Olga Serrano -<br>Comunion (A)<br>Ricardo Almaras -<br>Comunion (B) | Noel Perez (C1)<br>Brenda Cruz (C2)<br>Maria Elena<br>Calderon (C3)<br>Hector Rangel (C4) | Maria Barajas<br>(A-B)<br>Maria Salcedo (C)<br>J. Concepcion<br>Serrano (D-E)<br>Bertha Valdez (F) |                   | Aldo Trujillo<br>Allison Mata<br>Christian Perez<br>Rick Almaras | Walter Hernandez    |
| Sunday,<br>Jan. 26<br>5:00PM    | Bryan Bacon<br>(Both Readings,<br>Petitions, and<br>Announcements)   | Nicholas Tyburski                     | Lisa Juan - (H1)<br>Lisa Richard - (H2)                             | Bryan Bacon (C2)<br>Catherine Garner<br>(C3)  | David Power (A-B)<br>Rob Brothers (C)<br>NOT FILLED (D-E)<br>NOT FILLED (F)                        | Nicholas Tyburski | Agustin Rosso<br>Francesco Rosso                                 | Nicholas Tyburski   |