

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

May 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter

Tercer Domingo de Pascua

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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

11:30AM-11:55AM

Sat / Sáb

3:00PM-4:00PM

Adoration Hours / Horario de Adoración

Mon-Fri 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

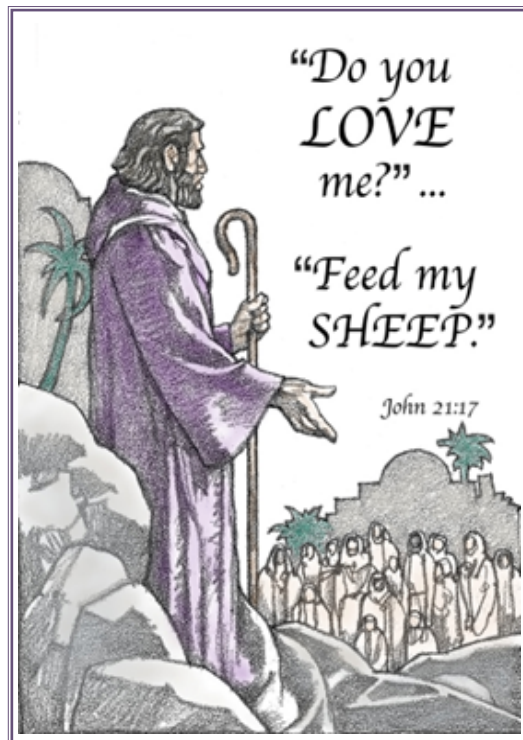
Fri/Vie 9:00AM-12:00PM

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 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.



St. Stephen's Requiem Bilingual Mass: Will be celebrated on Monday, May 5th at 6:00pm for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis. All are welcome! (This is the last official day of mourning.)

Misa bilingüe de Réquiem en San Esteban: Se celebrará el lunes 5 de mayo a las 6:00pm por el eterno descanso del alma del Papa Francisco. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!



A note from SSBC: In this Sunday's Gospel, the disciples in their struggle finally recognize Jesus and proclaim "It is the Lord!" Have you considered answering the call to "help the poor recognize the Lord in their life" by joining the St. Stephen Benevolent Conference? Email ssbcpres@gmail.com to learn more.

Red Bird MINISTRIES

St. Stephen will host a Memorial Mass, also known as a Mass of Remembrance, in honor of our departed children on Monday, May 12th at 6:00PM in the main church with a light dinner 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. Email Lauren McAdams with any questions at: redbird@ststephenbentonville.com



First Holy Communion Gifts: Are available for purchase on a table in the Narthex. Confirmation gifts will be available for 2 weeks in May leading up to the Confirmation Mass.



Project Rachel Virtual Healing Resource (VHR): Anyone suffering from the trauma of a past abortion is invited to join a virtual small prayer group and discussion meeting on Monday, May 5, 2025, from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

You may join anonymously from the comfort of your own space. This non-judgmental group desires to assist anyone who is searching for healing, peace, and forgiveness. Please call or text our CONFIDENTIAL helpline at 501-663-0996 or email projectrachel@dolr.org for confidential link.

St. Joseph Parish, Tontitown: Seeks a Business Manager to support daily operations in areas that include finance, procurement, human resources, facilities and property management and maintain parish website, social media, network systems and electronic equipment. Position offers 40 hour a week schedule, competitive salary, health insurance, paid time off and requires Catholic with accounting degree or extensive finance/bookkeeping experience, knowledge of employment, finance, liability and property insurance legal requirements, strong computer skills including Microsoft Office and finance software, and interpersonal skills to effectively manage staff and interact professionally and effectively with a diverse population. To apply, e-mail cover letter and resume to Melinda Whinnery at mwhinnery@stjoetontitown.org.

WE'RE HIRING

Communication & Events Coordinator

Full-Time Position with Benefits

Send your Resume to: apply@ststephenbentonville.com

APPLY NOW

Qualifications/Responsibilities:

- Excellent communication skills
- Exceptional project management skills
- Proficient computer skills
- Schedule, plan and coordinate events
- Handle correspondence (emails, calls, and forms)
- Engage parishioners in church ministries



Registration Deadlines for:

Faith Formation & VBC - May 23rd
Steubenville - May 26th

Steubenville Conference
 July 11th-13th, Springfield, Missouri
 All Incoming 9th-Graduated High School Seniors
 Space Limited, Please fill out registration form and turn in to
 Marta Hernandez

What is Steubenville?
 A high-energy youth conference where over 5,000 teens all come together to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group-discussions, and fellowship with other teens

Cost \$200
 Payment plans available per request. Donations accepted to cover the cost of students who can't afford it. Please reach out if you can help.

Cost Includes:
 Conference Ticket
 Lodging
 Meals
 T-shirts
 Transportation

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Diocese of Springfield
 STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCE

Catholics Returning Home: Catholics Returning Home is a six-week series that started April 24, 2025 at St. Raphael Catholic Church in Springdale. These sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Church. All classes begin at 6:30pm

Week 3: 5/8 The Church today: Changes since Vatican II

Week 4: 5/15 Explanation of the Mass
Week 5: 5/22 Explanation of the Sacraments

Week 6: 5/29 Explanation of the Nicene Creed

No reservations required. Contact St. Raphael Catholic Church Parish Office at 479-756-6711.

Theology of the Body Study: Join us for a summer study on the Theology of the Body. Come for fellowship and to learn more about God's plan for our lives. Go to <http://tiny.cc/085i001> to sign up and for information on dates and times.

Interested in leading a Theology of the Body group this summer? Please email: encounter@ststephenbentonville.com

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The Diocese of Little Rock: Is seeking an Associate Superintendent of Catholic Schools to support principals in areas that include planning, marketing, public relations, development, finances, and technology. Position requirements include being Catholic, a Masters in Education or Educational Leadership, three (3) years of academic administrative experience, a commitment to Catholic education and spiritual formation, and the ability to travel including some evenings and weekends. Along with a competitive salary, compensation includes excellent health insurance, paid time off and a retirement plan. For more information or to apply by e-mailing a cover letter and resume, contact Theresa Hall, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, at thall@dolr.org.

St. Stephen's Sacred Art and Prayer

Group, I Pray and I Create (Oro Y Creo): Will meet Thursday, May 8th from 9:30am-11:30am, in the church library. You are welcome to come whether you do creative work or not. If you appreciate art and want to pray and contemplate a work of art, we would love to have you.

You can bring an art project you are working on and/or supplies needed to start on something.

Come prepared to pray and create, share and receive. Beauty lifts our hearts up; take time to seek The Father through it.

TRUE NORTH
Trusting Jesus in a Wild World

VACATION BIBLE CAMP
CAMPAMENTO BIBLICO DE VACACIONES
JULY 23-25, 6PM-830PM

YOUTH REGISTRATION
 REGISTRO DE JOVENES

St. Stephen
 Catholic Church

Volunteer
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Save the Date:

Sunday, May 11th: Mother's Day
Wednesday, May 14th: Confirmation Rehearsal at 6:30pm. Check-in 6:15pm
Thursday, May 15th: Theology for the Body. 7:30pm-9:00pm
Sat. May 17th & Sun. May 18th: Catholic Communication Campaign after all Masses.
Monday, May 19th: Red Cross Blood Drive 1:00pm-5:0pm (Sponsored by Knights of Columbus)
Tuesday, May 20th: Confirmation Mass at 6:00pm/Candidate meeting in PLC at 5:15pm
Monday, May 26th: Memorial Day, Parish Office Closed

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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 April

Operating Expenses\$270,952

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| Revenue | Month-to-Date | Monthly Goal |
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| Stewardship & Other | \$156,693 | \$135,000 |
| Growth Fund | \$13,889 | \$ 21,000 |

Happiness doesn't result from what we get, but from what we give.

Scripture Readings for 5/11/25

Acts 13: 14, 43-52
Ps 100 (99): 1b-2, 3, 5
Rev 7: 9, 14b-17
Jn 10: 27-30

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 3

9:00AM Genaro Almaraz †

5:00PM Vicente Barrientos †

Sunday, May 4

7:45AM Maria Nhu Bui †

10:00AM Parishioners/Feligreses

11:45AM Almas del Purgatorio

2:00PM First Comm. Candidates

5:00PM Colette Pocka †

Monday, May 5

12:00PM Jordan & Savanna Biggs

6:00PM Pope Francis †

Tuesday, May 6

12:00PM Theresa Jones †

Wednesday, May 7

12:00PM Elia Viera †

Thursday, May 8

12:00PM Bridget Ganey

Friday, May 9

12:00PM Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, May 10

5:00PM Maria de Jesús Anguiano

Sunday, May 11

7:45AM Parishioners/Feligreses

10:00AM Scripture Sisters

11:45AM Fam. Rangel Castillo

5:00PM Andrew Lac Tran †

| | Lector | Eucharistic Minister HEM & Vessels | Eucharistic Minister Host | Eucharistic Minister Cup | Usher | Lock Up | Altar Server | Sacristan & Vessels |
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| Saturday, May # 5:00 PM | David Krueckeberg (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements) | Anita Fomin | Dcn. Ken Hunter - EMC - HOST (1) Jill Saulsbery - EMC - HOST (2) | Jack McDaniel (C1) Susan McDaniel (C2) | Jackson Coco (A- Steve Saulsbery Bruce Peterson (D-E) Clayton Akehurst (F) | Steve Saulsbery | Anthony Cox Emma Coco John Harrington NOT FILLED | Anita Fomin |
| Sunday, May # 7:45 AM | Irma Holasek (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements) | Mark Jechura | Dcn. Ken Hunter - EMC - HOST (1) Tony Baker - EMC - HOST (2) | Christina Baker (C1) April Appleby (C2) | Gerard Davenport (A-B) Amanda Cantu (C) Leo Stirton (D-E) Jaxon Yocum (F) | | NOT FILLED Fiona Koll Vince Koll Oscar Koll | Mark Jechura |
| Sunday, ? Sk # 10:00 AM | Ed Brown (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements) | Theresa Brauburger | Dcn. Ken Hunter - Charlotte Champagne - EMC - HOST (2) Gina Koch - (3) Paul Krapf (4) | Diedra or Steven Dourth (C1) Claudia Garcia Ted Brauburger (C3) Pam Willis (C4) | Mark Kreuter (A-B) Daniel Cruz (C) Steve Harrington (D- E) Tim Koch (F) | | Steven Zink Matthew DeRito NOT FILLED NOT FILLED | Kathryn Gough |
| Sunday, ? Sk # 11:45 AM | Luis López Sánchez (Todas Lecturas y Peticones y Anuncios) | Mirna Serrano | Dcn. Jesús Ramos - EMC - Comunión (A) Noel Perez - EMC - Comunión (B) | Héctor Rangel Julián Serrano (C3) Brenda Cruz (C4) Eva Miramón (C6) | Bertha Váldez (A-B) Maria Salcedo (C) Victor Lopez (D-E) Maria Dalia Lopez (F) | | Aldo Trujillo Rick Almaras NOT FILLED Eduardo Mata | Mirna Serrano |
| Sunday, May 11 5:00PM | Marianne Buehler (Both Readings, Petitions, and Announcements) | Bryan Bacon | Dcn. Ken Hunter - EMC - HOST (1) Catherine Garner - EMC - HOST (2) | Lisa Juan (C1) Katie Morris (C2) | David Power (A-B) NOT FILLED (C) NOT FILLED (D-E) NOT FILLED (F) | Bryan Bacon | NOT FILLED NOT FILLED | Bryan Bacon |