

ST. STEPHEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

1300 NE J Street, Bentonville, AR 72712

September 27, 2020

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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GOD
also highly exalted
HIM
and gave him
THE NAME
that is above every name ...

Philippians 2:9, NRSV

Weekday MASS

First Saturday 9:00 AM

Monday - Friday 12:00 PM - English

Saturday Vigil & Sunday MASSES

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 7:45 AM & 10:00 AM

Sunday 11:45 AM - Spanish

Sunday 5:00 PM

Reconciliation/Reconciliación

Saturday / sábado - Bilingual/Bilingüe
3:00 - 4:00 PM

Monday - Friday / miércoles - viernes
11:30 - 11:55am

Adoration Times / Horario de Adoración

Monday - Thursday / lunes - jueves

9:00am - 11:30am & 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Friday / viernes 9:00am - 11:30am

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday by 12:00 PM (5 days prior to the publication date). Email articles to receptionist@ststephenbentonville.com.

Membership

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

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.**

Catholic Marriage

Marriage preparation required. Contact the parish at least 9 months in advance. Two additional months' notice needed for wedding in another country. If you plan on getting married, always contact the church before booking a reception site or setting a date.

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: Monday-Thursday

8:30 AM - 12:30 PM September - May

St. Stephen also attends to Blessed Stanley Rother Church in Decatur:

Mass Time (Spanish Only)

Saturday Mass 6:00 PM

Kids/Youth Faith Formation:

Catholic Kids & IMPACT Director

Suzanne Sutton

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Pre-K - 6th Grade

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Confirmation: 8th & 9th Grade

Life Teen Youth

Jessica Petter

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9th Grade - 12th Grade

Instagram: Lifeteenststephen

RCIA Calendar – Wednesday, September 30 the session will be on Demonstration of The Mass led by Msgr. Scott. RCIA meets every Wednesday night at 7:00pm in the Church.

Holy Hour – We will have a Holy Hour with chanted vespers in the Church and online on Tuesday, September 29 from 7:00–8:00pm for the Safety of Students and Teachers in this new academic year.



Hora Santa – Habrá una Hora Santa con vísperas cantadas en Inglés la Iglesias y en línea el martes, 29 de septiembre de 7:00 a 8:00pm para

la Seguridad de Estudiantes y Maestros en este nuevo año académico.



Life Teen is hosting the annual Pet Blessing in honor of the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi. Our pet blessing will take place with Msgr. Marczuk on Saturday, October 3rd at 10:00 AM. Participants need to bring their pet and a face mask! This event takes place outside and will include the blessing of your family pet. All animals welcome, dogs, cats, giraffes, horses, and sloths too! Life Teen will be accepting donations that assist in providing scholarships for students who would otherwise be unable to attend events. We hope that you will bring your pet to receive this special blessing in honor of St. Francis.

Hard Hat Collection will be next weekend, October 3/4. The collection goes toward paying the loan we received from the Diocese for church repairs. As hard hats will not be passed around, please place your donation in the regular collection basket. Our goal is to collect \$19,440 each month to cover the loan payment. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Colecta Casco será el 3/4 de octubre. La colecta es para pagar el préstamo que recibimos de la Diócesis para las reparaciones de la iglesia. Como no se pasarán los cascos, coloque su donación en la canasta de colecta regular. Nuestro objetivo es recaudar \$19,440 cada mes para cubrir el pago del préstamo. Gracias por su consideración en oración.

Columbarium All Souls Special Blessing – The Columbarium Committee will be hosting the annual All Saints/All Souls Blessing on Sunday, November 1, immediately following the 11:45am Mass. *This Special Blessing will be recorded for viewing on our church website at www.ststephenbentonville.com.*

Bendición Especial Anual del Columbario para Todas las Almas (Difuntos) – El Comité del Columbario presentará una bendición anual de Todas las Almas el domingo, 1 de noviembre, inmediatamente después de la Misa de las 11:45 AM. *Esta bendición especial será grabada para verse en el sitio web de nuestra parroquia www.ststephenbentonville.com.*

Pumpkin Painting during the Fall Fest – On October 18th, during the Fall Fest, we will be having our annual Pumpkin Painting. You will buy tickets at the Fall Fest and use them for Pumpkin Painting and other activities. However, I still need to know how many pumpkins and supplies to buy so look for the signup table in the Narthex.

Introducing Video Club – If you miss having the opportunity to grow or explore your faith, we have something for you. If you miss sharing and connecting with your fellow parishioners, there is something for you. Join the St. Stephen Video Club as we explore our Catholic faith with the “Symbolon” video series. Every week we will watch a video, then virtually come together for discussion and sharing. We will meet over Zoom (videoconferencing tool). The videos are available on www.Formed.org, so please signup. Once you go to formed.org please select “I belong to a parish,” followed entering the church name, then make an account using the parish access code: *KFNNGY*. The club will start September 28th and meets every Monday for 7 weeks at 7:00pm for an hour. To sign up, email Ken Hunter StStephenVideoClub@arhunters.us. We will email the instructions you need to get started. We look forward to connecting with you!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Due to covid-19 Eucharistic Adoration has move to St. Francis of Assisi Chapel and is available Mon. – Thur. 9:00 – 11:50am and 1:00 – 3:00pm and Friday 9:00 – 11:50am. Jesus said: “Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.” Are you tired because of the burden of your duties, because of frustration due to unsuccessful projects, because many misunderstand you? Are you heavy laden with guilt from past sins? Are you trying to find hope and meaning in life? Do not lose your heart! Abandon yourself to Jesus in this “Sacrament of Love” He will refresh you! Those who are devoted to the Eucharistic Adoration program witness a happier and more content life knowing that the Lord is with them always. For every hour we give Him, He showers us with many, many gifts including peace of mind and heart. The Guardian Angels of the Blessed Sacrament ministry is in need of adorers who would like to commit One Hour every week. Our goal is to have a permanent and continuing Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament during this time of difficulties. If you are interest it please call parish office to schedule a proper training.

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento – Debido al covid-19, la Adoración Eucarística se trasladó a la Capilla San Francis de Asisi y está disponible de lunes a jueves de 9:00 a 11:50AM y de 1:00 a 3PM. Viernes 9:00 - 11:50 AM. Jesús dijo: “Vengan a mí todos los que están cansados de trabajo, y yo les daré descanso” ¿Estás cansado por la carga de tus deberes, por la frustración por proyectos fallidos, porque muchos te malinterpretan? ¿Estás cargado de culpa por pecados pasados? ¿Estás tratando de encontrar esperanza y sentido a la vida? ¡No pierdas el corazón! Abandonarte a Jesús en este “Sacramento de Amor” ¡Él te refrescará! Aquellos que se dedican a la Adoración Eucarística dan testimonio de una vida más feliz, más contenta, sabiendo que el Señor está con ellos siempre. Por cada hora que le damos, Él nos colma de muchos, muchos dones, incluyendo paz mental y de corazón. El ministerio de los Ángeles Guardianes del Santísimo Sacramento necesita adoradores que quieran dedicar Una Hora cada semana. Nuestro objetivo es tener una Exposición permanente y continua del Santísimo Sacramento durante este tiempo de dificultades. Si está interesado, llame a la oficina parroquial para programar la capacitación adecuada.

2 Peter 3:10: But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

Spiritual Work of Mercy – It is a Spiritual Work of Mercy to pray for the deceased. The death toll now in the United States is 200,428+ and world-wide death toll is now at 966,000+ due to Covid-19. Many of these persons have been buried without the customary religious services, & some have no one to pray for the repose of their souls. While we continue to pray for an end to the pandemic & all those who have been affected, in charity, let us not forget to assist the faithful departed with our prayers & Masses.

Faithful Departed Prayer

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen

Obra Espiritual de Misericordia – Es una Obra Espiritual de Misericordia orar por los difuntos. El número de muertes en los Estados Unidos es 200,428+ y el número de muertes en todo el mundo debido al Covid-19 ahora es de 966,000+. Muchas de estas personas han sido enterradas sin los servicios religiosos habituales, y algunas no tienen a nadie para rezar por el descanso de sus almas. Mientras continuamos orando por el fin de la pandemia y todos los que han sido afectados, por caridad, no olvidemos ayudar a los fieles difuntos con nuestras oraciones y misas.

Fiel Oración por los Difuntos

Concédeles Señor, el descanso eterno, y brille para ellos la luz perpetua. Que las almas de los fieles difuntos, por la misericordia de Dios, descansen en paz. Amén

Knights of Columbus (K of C) will hold a modified and safe Fall Fest & Rummage Sale on the weekend of October 17/18. The events are still in planning since modifications are necessary & precautions needed. This year, no clothing is accepted since it gets handled quite a bit, but electronics, small appliances, tools, small furniture (i.e. no armoires), working sports equipment, etc. If you have a donation contact Dan Reiff at djr13151@gmail.com or 479-685-3561 or Troy Ward at 479-899-2196 or chiefsfaninark@gmail.com. Please contact John Brunner, Grand Knight johnbrunner62@yahoo.com /801-450-0384 for input on the event.

Diocesan Directory – The 2021 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 \$15, which includes shipping. Send your check or money order to Directory, Arkansas Catholic, P.O. Box 7417, Little Rock, AR 72217. Directories will be shipped in late October.

One Church – The diocesan initiative One Church invests each year in a small mission church in our diocese that needs a leg up to become a thriving community. The 2020-2021 partner is St. Bartholomew Church in Little Rock. All funds donated to One Church for the next 12 months will help the parish build a new Parish Life Center, which they currently don't have. Please pray for this project and give today. To give or for more information www.dolr.org/one-church.

Hope and Healing by Project Rachel is a virtual Bible Study for women wounded by abortion. This Bible study is twelve weeks of biblical stories of twelve amazing women. Join from the comfort of your own space, remain anonymous or connect via zoom. This is for beginners or continue your personal journey. You are not alone. To register please call or text confidentially to 501-663-0996.

Encuentro Matrimonial – Para más información o para registrarse, llama a Adrián y Reyna Álvarez (773)213-9593 o (870)642-2256. Favor de registrarse antes del 19 de octubre, 2020. Vive un Encuentro Matrimonial el 23, 24 y 25 de octubre. ¡Jesús Quiere entrar en tu vida, dé jalo entrar no te arrepentirás! “Ama sin condición y entrega todo!” Vive siempre enamorado de tu esposa/o como cuando se conocieron! Juntos pueden ser y hacer la diferencia!

Encuentro Matrimonial (Spanish Marriage Encounter) is a Marriage Encounter in Spanish and is a program of 44 hours in which couples can leave work, children, housework, and telephone in order to focus only on each other. If you are looking to grow in your relationship, to make it more profound and to enrich it, then you will like the difference that a weekend of Worldwide Marriage Encounter can make in your lives. The next weekend will be held October 23-24 at St. John Center. For information or to register, call 870-642-2256 or 773-213-9593. Registration deadline Monday, October 19.

Surviving Divorce (Helping You Find Peace, Power & Passion after Your Divorce) – This group is open to any adult who has experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. It is for the newly separated, divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. In this video/discussion program, you will listen and learn from Catholic men and women who share their stories of finding help in coping with the devastating effects of divorce. Join them in this powerful journey to hope and healing. Meetings will be on-line on Mondays, October 5 - December 21 at 6:30 PM. To register or for more information visit WWW.CDOM.ORG.

NWA Respect Life (40 Days for Life) – 40 Days for Life is a campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful vigil in front of abortion businesses. The fall campaign in Little Rock is now - November 1 and will take place across the street from Planned Parenthood 1501 Aldersgate Road. Please contact Marsha Boss 501-960-5051 or Nancy Meneley 501-952-3141 or visit the Little Rock campaign website to sign up for vigil hours or for more information. Bishop Taylor will lead a Rosary for Life on October 23 at 11:00 AM outside Planned Parenthood. Everyone is invited to join him.

40 Days for Life Coach Crusade – A generous volunteer in Northwest Arkansas has offered his Motor Coach to bring pro-lifers to the 40 Days vigil in Little Rock. A maximum of 6 volunteers plan to travel in style and spread out a bit in the motor home. If more sign-up for a particular day, the plan is to arrange a caravan. Crusaders will pray for 4 hours in shifts - in between shifts prayer volunteers can rest, eat lunch, nap, etc. in the coach. Travel days planned so far are Oct. 7, 16, 22, and 28. For information please contact Sheila Pursell 469-231-1959.

Please remember that COVID-19 precautions are necessary during our public witness at 40 Days for Life campaign. We must wear face coverings over our nose and mouth and keep at least 6 feet apart. It is a contradiction to claim that we are pro-life and then willingly endanger the life of another person by disregarding these mandated precautions.

Pray and fast to end abortion. The 40 Days for Life Campaign has begun. Can you participate? Consider virtual options or praying in solidarity within your friends or community. COVID has taught us that we don't necessarily need to go somewhere to participate.

Church Operations for September

Expenses Month-to-Date - \$ 84,974.45

Loan Balance - \$ 1,324,999.70

In Philippians 2:1-11, St. Paul desires that we "do nothing out of selfishness," but that we be of the "same mind, same love, united in heart, one in thinking," so that together we may do the Father's will and praise the name of Jesus. May this message inspire us to also honor Him with our collective act of charitable giving.

Revenue	Month-to-Date	Monthly Goal
Stewardship and Other	\$ 66,990.76	\$ 117,000
Building Fund	\$ 9,838.23	\$ 23,000

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 26

5:00pm Lichti Family

Sunday, September 27

7:45am Anthony Ayala Rodriguez

10:00am Parishioners / Feligreses

11:45am Orlando Jimenez †

5:00pm Ron Summerlin †

Monday, September 28

12:00pm Anthony Ayala Rodriguez

Tuesday, September 29

12:00pm Lily Farley

Wednesday, September 30

12:00pm Pham/Dinh Family

Thursday, October 1

12:00pm Anthony Ayala Rodriguez

Friday, October 2

12:00pm Pham/Dinh Family

Saturday, October 3

9:00am Special Intention

5:00pm Paul Mariotti

Sunday, October 4

7:45am Joyce Mader †

10:00am Holy Souls in Purgatory

11:45am Parishioners / Feligreses

5:00pm Maria Nhu Bui & Peter Thong Le †

WALK BY
Faith,
NOT BY
Sight.

Scripture Readings for 10/04/20

Isaiah 5:1-7

Psalms 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20

Philippians 4:6-9

Matthew 21:33-43

Church News – Monsignor will continue to bless salt, candles, olive oil, water, and religious sacramentals during this time of need. When bringing in the items please place those on the cart outside the office, write your name and phone number on the paper provided. We will call you when the items have been blessed.

Noticias de la Iglesia – El Monseñor continuará bendecir sal, velas, aceite de oliva, agua y sacramentales religiosos durante este tiempo de necesidad. Cuando traiga los artículos, colóquelos en el carrito fuera de la oficina, escriba su nombre y número de teléfono en el papel provisto. Nosotros le llamaremos cuando los artículos hayan sido bendecidos.



October 3 - 4	Lector	Eucharist Minister - Host	Eucharist Minister HEM & Vessels	Usher	Lock-Up	Sacristan & Vessels	Projector Operator
Saturday, 5:00 PM	Janet Palmer	Philip Palmer	Philip Palmer Lori Terlouw	Joseph Giovannucci NOT FILLED (B-G)	Janet Palmer	Jon Terlouw	NOT FILLED
Sunday, 7:45 AM	Tracy Sullivan	Chris O'Shaughnessy	Chris O'Shaughnessy Kira O'Shaughnessy	Bruce Peterson Karen Howard Gerard Davenport NOT FILLED (D-G)		Bruce Peterson	Dan Reiff
Sunday, 10:00 AM	Greg Brandenburg	Joe Hartnett	Claudia Garcia Joe Hartnett	Tim Koch Charlotte Champagne Brian Rabal NOT FILLED (D-G)		Kathryn Gough	Gina Koch
Sunday, 11:45 AM (Spanish MASS)	Ramon Portilla	Raquel Perez	Olga Serrano Raquel Perez	J. Concepcion Serrano Fernando Perez Martha Mendoza Maria Salcedo Maria Rocio Cervantes Victor Lopez Maria Dalia Lopez		Ivan Sanabria	
Sunday, 5:00 PM	Bryan Bacon	Cary Richard	Ken Hunter Lisa Richard	Rob Brothers NOT FILLED (B-G)		Cary Richard	Jennifer Haddinger