



# BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

DECEMBER 19, 2021

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Parish Offices:

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### Email:

[office@catholicjonesboro.com](mailto:office@catholicjonesboro.com)

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870-932-2529

### Office Hours:

Tuesday–Friday  
8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

### Children's & Youth Ministry:

PreK—12 Grade  
[www.catholicjonesborocym.com](http://www.catholicjonesborocym.com)

### Blessed Sacrament School:

PreK—6th Grade  
1105 E. Highland Drive  
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### St. Vincent de Paul Ministry:

324 W. Huntington Avenue  
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.  
870-316-0229

### Motherhood Ministry:

324 W. Huntington Avenue  
Wednesday 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

### Knights of Columbus Council 1702

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Mary set out and traveled to  
the hill country in haste  
to a town of Judah,  
where she entered  
the house of Zechariah  
and greeted Elizabeth.

Luke 1:39–40

FOURTH

Sunday  
OF  
*Advent*



### PARISH STAFF

Msgr. Scott Friend, Pastor  
Fr. Daniel Ramos, Associate Pastor  
Dcn. Ramon Ramirez, Pastoral Associate of Hispanic Ministry  
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THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED PLEASE CALL:  
870-206-3255 or 501-687-7299

**MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, December 20 - Mass  
8:15 a.m. Scott Rennels †  
by Tommy & Mary Tucker

Tuesday, December 21 - Mass  
5:30 p.m. Bernard Messersmith †  
by The Sustich Family

Wednesday, December 22 - Mass  
7:00 a.m. Mike Garner †  
by Ann Garner Little

Thursday, December 23 - Mass  
5:30 p.m. Bob Massanelli †  
by Tommy & Mary Tucker

Friday, December 24 - Mass  
4:00 p.m. Int. of Paul & Kathy  
Hickman's 50th Wedding Anniversary  
by Dean & Janice Massey †  
6:00 p.m. Art Ray & Lucy Bramon †  
By Inez Ray

Saturday, December 25 - Mass  
Public & Livestreamed Mass †  
12:00 a.m. Jay Mitchell †  
by the Roberson Family †  
8:00 a.m. Henry Throesch †  
by Ruth Throesch Family

Sunday, December 26 - Mass †  
8:00 a.m. Agnes Tipton †  
by Tommy & Mary Tucker †  
10:00 a.m. Mass for Parishioners †  
12:00 p.m. Adrian Vazquez Flores †  
By Sara Vazquez

*Confessions: Saturdays 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Church or by appointment, 870-932-2529.*

**MARRIAGE GUIDELINES**

Those considering marriage need to notify the parish priest or deacon of their intention to marry at least six months prior to their intended wedding date. Wedding dates will be finalized only after consultation with the priest or deacon. Attendance of an approved marriage preparation program is required. Please call the parish office, 932-2529 for further information and/or an appointment.



**PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK**

Parish Office Hours  
Monday—Friday  
8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Monday December 20  
9:00 a.m.—7:30 p.m. Adoration  
8:15 a.m.—Mass  
5:00 p.m. Rosary

Tuesday December 21  
*St. Peter Canisius*  
7:30 a.m.—5:15 p.m. Adoration  
5:30 p.m. Mass

Wednesday December 22  
7:00 a.m. Mass  
7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Adoration

Thursday December 23  
*Parish Office Closed*  
*St. John of Kanty*  
7:30 a.m.—5:30 p.m. Adoration  
5:30 p.m. Mass

Friday December 24  
*Parish Office Closed*  
No Adoration  
4:00 p.m. Children's Mass  
6:00 p.m. Mass  
8:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Saturday December 25  
*The Nativity of the Lord*  
12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass  
8:00 a.m. Mass  
No Confessions  
11:00 a.m. Filipino Christmas Mass

Sunday December 26  
*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*  
8 a.m. Mass  
10 a.m. Mass  
12 p.m. Mass—Spanish

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK  
DECEMBER 19, 2021**

Sunday Mi 5:1-4a  
Heb 10:5-10  
Lk 1:39-45

Monday Is 7:10-14  
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday Zeb 3:14-18a  
Lk 1:39-45

Wednesday 1 Sm 1:24-28  
Lk 1:46-56

Thursday Mal 3:1-4, 23-24  
Lk 1:57-66

Friday 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16  
Lk 1:67-79

Saturday Is 52:7-10  
Heb 1:1-6  
Jn 1:1-18

Sunday Sir 3:2-6, 12-14  
Col 3:12-21  
Lk 2:41-52



**BAPTISM PREPARATION**

Prior to the Baptism of a child, parents are to meet with Msgr. Friend or Father Daniel. After the parents have met with one of the Priests, parents and godparents are required to attend a Baptism Class. For more information and/or to set up a meeting with one of the priests please contact the parish office.





**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
MINISTRY UPDATE**

For those in our community in need of assistance (rent or utility), volunteers are taking calls at 870-316-0229.

*Priority is given to members of our parish family.*

During the past week:  
Utility assistance for 5 families  
Rental assistance for 3 families  
were provided.

We thank you for answering our prayers and ask for your continued support! God bless you all.

**Children's Ministry**

Classes are each Sunday morning  
11:00 am - 11:55 am



**Mask are  
required to  
attend until  
January 1st.**

We have a limited supply of mask, so please bring one from home that fits your child correctly.



**No Classes  
December  
22nd & 29th**



The Youth Department have a Giving Tree set up in the Parish Office. All items used to decorate the tree will be donated to our Motherhood Ministry. Suggested items are hats, gloves, socks, etc. All parishioners are welcome to donate.



The Children's Mass will be held on Friday, December 24th at 4:00 pm. Students are asked to bring items to donate to our Motherhood Ministry.

**Youth Ministry  
Drive-Thru  
Living Nativity**

Sunday, December 19th  
4:30 - 5:30 pm  
1101 E Highland Drive



**Spaghetti Dinner**

**Sunday, December 19, 2021  
Parish Hall**

Blessed Sacrament Moms' Ministry will host a Spaghetti Dinner in conjunction with the Youth Ministry Drive-Thru Nativity.

Drive-Thru Nativity from 4:30-5:30 pm  
Doors open for Dinner 5:00 pm

Feel free to bring a dessert, salad, or appetizer to share if you would like.

**Everyone is invited to attend!!**

For more information or questions, contact:  
SaraBeth Cook 870-897-3279 or sarabethcook@gmail.com  
or the Parish Offices 870-932-2529



**Parish Financial  
Report**

**GENERAL COLLECTIONS**

	Goal	Actual
July	\$64,615.38	\$63,131.93
August	\$80,769.25	\$75,483.90
September	\$64,615.38	\$76,469.56
October	\$64,615.38	\$65,668.85
November	\$80,769.25	\$87,501.24
December		
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		

YTD (Jul-Present) **\$355,384.62** **\$368,255.48**

YTD Budget Surplus / Shortage **\$12,870.86**

**Thank you for your  
parish support!!**



**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**CHRISTMAS EVE** • 4:00 PM (Childrens Mass)  
**DECEMBER 24** • 6:00 PM (English)  
• 8:00 PM (Spanish)

**CHRISTMAS DAY** • 12:00 AM  
**DECEMBER 25** • 8:00 AM  
• 11:00 AM (Filipino)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** The special intentions of parishioners, especially those homebound or Hospitalized: Ann Schaaf, Calvey Babin, Bill McKee, Taylor Perrin, Mike & Becky Davis, Jesus Ramirez, Matthew Boswell, Brandon & Micah Schmersal, Melody Kennedy, Dorothy Smith, Shelby Ward, Jody Amick, Peggy George, Kathy Plessinger, Rita Puryear, Paul Black, Millie & Bill Kueter, Daniel & Charlie Cline, Debbie Marthey, James Adams, Mike Massanelli, Tara Banks, Carolyn Schilly, John & Sharon Aleman, Nancy Stillman, Hank Pfriemer, Leticia Fernandez, Terry Brimhall, Paul Osborn, Margaret Teelint, David Intres, Don Nguyen, Genie Davis, Mike Simmons, Ray Stevenson, Steve Reeves, Stacy Gibson and COVID-19 sufferers.

**Motherhood Ministry**

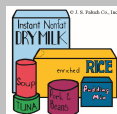
is located at 324 Huntington. Each Wednesday, volunteers assist those in need 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Expectant mothers may obtain free maternity clothes. Free clothing for children, infancy to size 14,

**WORK OF MERCY**

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry has received 231.5 lbs of food donations from our parish this last week. Thank you!

**F.Y.I.**

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry Drive Thru hours are: Mondays, Tuesday & Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. (*weather permitting*) HNFP is located on the corner of Huntington and Vine. For more information please contact HNFP at 935-7298.



**The Fiat Group is collecting donations for the NEA Food Bank**

The Fiat Group is collecting donations to provide meals for those in need. Requested items: peanut butter, canned soups, pasta & sauce, cereal, boxed meals, canned meats, canned fruits & vegetables. With your donation you are helping 18.6% of NEA residents that live in food insecure households. A collection box is available in the Narthex.



**Helping Neighbors**



The Helping Neighbors Food Pantry needs volunteers and food items to fill holiday packs for Christmas. Wish List items include green beans, cream soups, stuffing mixed, cake mixes, canned frosting, canned breadcrumbs and canned pumpkin pie mix. A donation box is located in the Narthex. Thank you for giving so generously.

*Merry Christmas*  
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

From Msgr. Friend, Fr. Ramos and the Parish Staff

**The Sunday Morning Club**  
Invites you to our Advent Series:  
**Three Comings of Christ**

11AM  
Dec. 5, 12, 19  
Parish Hall

**THIS SEASON, GIVE YOUR GIFTS ONLINE**



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- 1 Visit [www.catholicjonesboro.com](http://www.catholicjonesboro.com) and click on Online Giving
- 2 Select a collection(s) of your choice and set up your donation payment. That's it!!



### Clergy Welfare Collection December 24th and 25th

The collection at all masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will be for the Clergy Welfare Fund. This fund provides retirement and health care benefits to retired and infirm priests around our diocese. Our priests spend every day of their adult lives as humble and devoted servants, doing God's work and serving us until age or infirmity calls them to retirement. Your contributions to the Clergy Welfare Fund make our priests' retirement possible.

Please share with them the generosity that they continue to share with us.

#### Parish Gift Shop

Our Parish Gift Shop has Bibles, Crucifixes, Rosaries, Medals, First Communion and Confirmation Gifts, Jewelry, Car Decals, & other religious articles available in the parish office, Monday through Friday 9a.m.—3p.m. 1107 East Highland



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For pastoral assistance please contact: **Diocese of Little Rock Victim Assistance Coordinator, Laura Gottsponer, 501-664-0340, ext. 425.**



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**Have you prayed the Rosary today?**

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



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#### ADORERS NEEDED

Jesus waits for YOU! Adoration is open Monday-Friday. To sign up for a Holy Hour, call Inez Ray at 870-273-6535 or Luisa Aquino at 870-761-0909.

#### Sodality of the Rosary of the Blessed Mother

Meets every Monday at 5:00 p.m. in the church for recitation of the Rosary.

Join us for half an hour to say the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Mother and learn of the fifteen promises of the Rosary given to us by our Blessed Mother.

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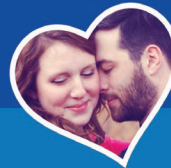
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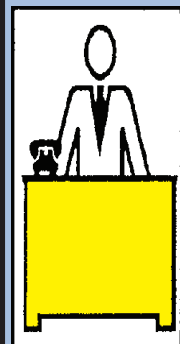
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