



# BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 26, 2021

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### Office Hours:

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8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

### Children's & Youth Ministry:

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[www.catholicjonesborocym.com](http://www.catholicjonesborocym.com)

### Blessed Sacrament School:

PreK—6th Grade  
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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

1103 E. Highland Drive  
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## *The Holy Family*

OF JESUS, MARY,  
AND JOSEPH

*After three days Jesus' parents  
found him in the temple,  
sitting in the midst of the teachers,  
listening to them and  
asking them questions.*

Luke 2:46

### PARISH STAFF

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THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED PLEASE CALL:  
870-206-3255 or 501-687-7299

**MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, December 27 - No Mass

Tuesday, December 28 - No Mass

Wednesday, December 29 - No Mass

Thursday, December 30 - No Mass

Friday, December 31 - Mass  
6:00 p.m. Mass for Parishioners

Saturday, January 1 - Mass  
Public & Livestreamed Mass  
8:00 a.m. Palicarpio Lugo †  
by Mercedita Thrasher  
5:30 p.m. Lillian Fowler †  
by Tommy & Mary Tucker

Sunday, January 2 - Mass  
8:00 a.m. Anne Marie Dunham †  
by Doris Penter  
10:00 a.m. June McKinney †  
By Tamara Jansen  
12:00 p.m. Mass for Parishioners

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

**PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK**

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

Monday December 27

*Parish Office Closed*

*St. John*  
No Adoration  
No Mass  
No Rosary

Tuesday December 28

*The Holy Innocents*  
No Adoration  
No Mass

Wednesday December 29

*St. Thomas Becket*  
No Adoration  
No Mass

Thursday December 30

No Adoration  
No Mass

Friday December 31

*Parish Office Closed*  
*St. Sylvester I*  
No Adoration  
6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Saturday January 1

*Solemnity of Mary*  
8:00 a.m. Mass  
8:30 a.m. No Confessions  
4:00 p.m. Confessions  
5:30 p.m. Mass— Livestreaming

Sunday January 2

8 a.m. Mass  
10 a.m. Mass  
12 p.m. Mass—Spanish

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK  
DECEMBER 26, 2021**

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

Monday 1 Jn 1:1-4  
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday 1 Jn 1:5-2:2  
Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday 1 Jn 2:3-11  
Lk 2:22-35

Thursday 1 Jn 2:12-17  
Lk 2:36-40

Friday 1 Jn 2:18-21  
Jn 1:1-18

Saturday Nm 6:22-27  
Gal 4:4-7  
Lk 2:16-21

Sunday Is 60:1-6  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6  
Mt 2:1-12

**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.



A private area for nursing mothers is now available in the Narthex next to the women's restroom.



**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 9 families  
Rental assistance for 5 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 and will resume on January 9th  
11:00 am - 11:55 am

*Thank You!*

**Thank you to all the families who helped make the Living Nativity such a success. We would also like to thank you for your generosity in gifts for our Motherhood Ministry.**

*Mrs. Cindy and Mrs. Ann*



**Classes resume  
January 5th**

**Youth Ministry**

Classes are each Wednesday evening and will resume on January 5th  
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

*Thank You!*

Thank you to all the Youth who helped with the Children's Mass.

Upcoming Events

- **March for Life - January 15th & 16th. Must be preregistered to attend.**
- **February Service Project - To be announced.**

The Diocese of Little Rock Respect Life invites you to join us for these Catholic Pro-Life events



**Mass for Life**

**Hearts for Life**

ADULT PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE  
FREE Event Saturday, Jan. 15, 5 - 8 p.m., St. John Center  
dinner included, Register by Jan. 7, 501-464-0340 or [ehrlife@diolrk.org](mailto:ehrlife@diolrk.org)  
\*Overnight room options \* Interstate 55/67 passes

After the Mass, join the 44th annual March for Life sponsored by Arkansas Right to Life  
Sunday, January 16, 2 - 3 p.m. \* West Capitol & Walk Streets, Little Rock

*Walk with Jesus*  
**Eucharistic Procession for Life**

Sunday Jan. 16, 10 am

Starting at the plaza in front of the Doubletree Hotel, processing through Riverfront Park to the Statehouse Convention Center

Sunday, January 16, 2022  
12:00 PM  
Statehouse Convention Center  
100 E Markham St. Little Rock  
*Bishop Anthony Taylor, Presider  
Concelebrated by priests of the  
Diocese of Little Rock*



*The* **Sunday Morning Club**  
wishes you and your loved ones

**Christmas Blessings!**

No meeting Dec. 26  
or January 2. **Saints  
& Sacraments** series  
begins January 9.



*Merry Christmas  
Feliz Navidad*

**AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!  
Y FELIZ AÑO NUEVO!**

*From Msgr. Friend,  
Fr. Ramos, Dc. Ramon  
and the Parish Staff*





**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**

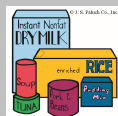
is located at 324 Huntington. Each Wednesday, volunteers assist those in need 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Expectant mothers may obtain free maternity clothes. Free clothing for children, infancy to size 14,

**WORK OF MERCY**

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry has received 117 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.



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**Parish Ministries and Volunteer Opportunities**

- Mary's Heart
- Martha's Heart
- Gospel Girls
- Mom's Group
- Hospitality Group
- Rosary Guild
- Adoration
- Children's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- Faith Formation-Bilingual
- RCIA
- Homebound
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Motherhood
- Respect Life
- Prison
- In His Footsteps
- Fall Festival
- Knights of Columbus
- Los Guadalupanos
- Fiat Group

Contact the Parish Office at 870-932-2529 for more details.

**Helping Neighbors**



Blessed Sacrament Parish along with Mary's Heart and The Fiat Group Ministries are proud to support and collect for The Helping Neighbors Food Pantry. Donations can be given to any member or dropped off in the Church Narthex.

**Thank you for giving so generously!**

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.**

**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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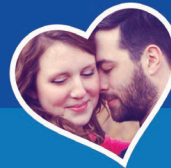
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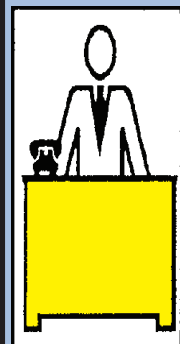
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