



PARISH INFORMATION

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(Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church)

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870-932-2529

Regular Office Hours:

Monday–Friday
8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Children's & Youth Ministry:

PreK—12 Grade
www.catholicjonesborocym.com

Blessed Sacrament School:

PreK—6th Grade
1105 E. Highland Drive
870-932-3684 Phone
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www.catholicjonesboroschool.com

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry:

324 W. Huntington Avenue
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.
870-938-1502

Motherhood Ministry:

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

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For sacramental assistance when the Parish Office is closed please call:
479-763-5070 or 501-687-7299

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 19 – Mass
8:15 a.m. Dorothy Greuel +
by Mary McKinney

Tuesday, December 20 - Mass
5:30 p.m. Manuel Corenado Aguilar +
by Alejandra Coronado

Wednesday, December 21 - Mass
7:00 a.m. Jon DePriest +
by Tommy & Mary Tucker
6:30 p.m. Los Mas Necesitados

Thursday, December 22 - Mass
5:30 p.m. Faye Siebert +
by Kimberly Whitman

Friday, December 23 - Mass
7:00 a.m. The Stack Family +
by The St. Louis Stack Family
6:30 p.m. Los Mas Necesitados

Saturday, December 24 - Mass
Public & Livestreamed Mass
4:00 p.m. Faye Siebert +
by Tommy & Mary Tucker
8:00 p.m. Los Mas Necesitados

Sunday, December 25 - Mass
12:00 a.m. Susan Butler +
By Joe Butler
8:00 a.m. Henry Throesch +
by Ruth Throesch Family
10:00 a.m. Mass for Parishioners

Confessions: Saturdays 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 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.



PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

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

Monday December 19
Our Lady of Guadalupe
8:45 a.m.—7:30 p.m. Adoration
8:15 a.m. Mass
5:00 p.m. Rosary

Tuesday December 20
St. Lucy
7:30 a.m.— 5:30 p.m. Adoration
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:15 p.m. Family Adoration

Wednesday December 21
St. John of the Cross
7:30 a.m.— 6:30 p.m. Adoration
7:00 a.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

Thursday December 22
7:30 a.m.— 5:30 p.m. Adoration
9:00 a.m. No Mass
5:30 p.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Posadas

Friday December 23
7:30 a.m.— 6:30 p.m. Adoration
7:00 a.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

Saturday December 24
8:30 a.m. Confessions
4:00 p.m. Children’s Mass
8:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Sunday December 25
Christmas Day
12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass
8:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Spanish Mass
3:00 p.m. Filipino Mass

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 Amaro. 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 at (870) 932-2529.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
DECEMBER 18, 2022**

Sunday Is 35:1-6a, 10
Jas 5:7-10
Mt 11:2-11

Monday Zec 2:14-17
Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday Zep 3:1-2, 9-13
Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25
Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday Is 54:1-10
Lk 7:24-30

Friday Is 56:1-3a, 6-8
Jn 5:33-36

Saturday Gn 49:2, 8-10
Mt 1:1-17

Sunday Is 7:10-14
Rom 1:1-7
Mt 1:18-24

**Clergy Welfare Collection
December 24th & 25th**



All collections at masses on Christmas Eve & 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.



St. Vincent de Paul
324 W. Huntington
Jonesboro, AR 72401
870-938-1502

Ministry Update

For those in our community in need of assistance (rent or utility), volunteers are available each Tuesday at 9:00 am.

During the past week we were able to help the following:

- Utility assistance for 9 families
- Rental assistance for 5 families

Priority is given to members of our parish family.

We thank you for answering our prayers and ask for your continued support!

God Bless you all!!



Children's & Youth Ministry Classes

Important Dates

December 23 - Decorating in the Church
December 24 4:00 pm - Children's Mass*

*Motherhood Donations presented

2023

January 4, 2023 Edge & Sr. High classes begin
January 8, 2023 Children's classes begin



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If you would prefer, we can also set up an auto draft directly from your bank.



RCIC COAT DRIVE

WITH COLD WEATHER UPON US, IT IS SO IMPORTANT THAT ALL BE WARM IN THE COMING WEEKS. WITH THAT IN MIND, THE RCIC CLASS HERE AT BLESSED SACRAMENT IS SPONSORING A COAT DRIVE THROUGH JANUARY 1ST.

WE ARE ASKING FOR DONATIONS OF NEW OR GENTLY USED, CLEAN CHILDREN'S COATS WHICH WE WILL DELIVER TO MOTHERHOOD MINISTRY.

COAT SIZES FROM NEWBORN AND UP WILL BE ACCEPTED AND CAN BE PLACED IN THE COAT DRIVE BOX IN THE NARTHEX.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR HELP WITH THIS EFFORT



Volunteers Needed

The Helping Neighbors Food Pantry is needing volunteers on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Especially the 2nd and 4th weeks of the month from 10-12 and 12-2.

Opportunities include:
Picking up food donations,
Making service food bags,
Checking in Clients for assistance, & order runners to cars.

Anyone interested can stop by
501 Highland Dr.
(corner of Highland & S. Culberhouse)



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

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

CHRISTMAS DAY • 12:00 AM Midnight Mass
DECEMBER 25 • 8:00 AM
• 10:00 AM (Spanish)
• 3:00 PM (Filipino)

Prayer List

Please pray for the special intentions of parishioners, especially those homebound or hospitalized.

Louis Intres, Angelia Blevins, Helen Wilson, Jaime Gomez, Debbie Davidson, Mary Ritter, Sandra Adame, Dave & Debbie Marthey, Sharon Pruet, Cathy Aitken, Kathy Hudson, Harold, Susan & Taylor Perrin, Julieta Bernarte, Joan Culanag, Danny Parker, Andy Sanders, Glenna Throesch, Doug Stapleton, Anna Maiorana, Todd Hamilton, Carolyn Boling, Ann Schaaf, Frank Kremers, Maggie Kickneite, Zita Winemiller, Mike & Becky Davis, Matthew Boswell, Jody Amick, Brandon & Micah Schmersal, Jim & Paulette Horman, Dorothy Smith, Tara Banks, Shelby Ward, Peggy George, Genie Davis, Peter Stevenson, Rita Puryear, Kathy Plessinger, Bill & Millie Kueter, Daniel & Charlie Cline, James Adams, Mike Massanelli, Nancy Stillman, Hank Pfriemer, Leticia Fernandez, David Intres, Terry Brimhall, Don Nguyen, Margaret Teelint, Mike Simmons, Steve Reeves and all COVID sufferers.



Youth Ministry Living Nativity

Sunday, December 18th
5:00 p.m.
1101 E Highland Drive

Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, December 18, 2022
Parish Hall

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

Living Nativity at 5:00 pm
Dinner to be served after.

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*

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry

has received

35 lbs

of food from our parish this week.

Thank you!

Motherhood Ministry

324 W Huntington

Each Wednesday
9:30 am - 1:00 pm
volunteers assist those in need.

Expectant mothers may obtain free maternity clothes as well as free clothing for children.

During the past week we were able to help 64 people.

Volunteers are needed! For more information please contact Carolyn Schilly 870-930-8375

The Rosary Guild

would like to invite everyone who is interested in learning how to make rosaries to join us for a free class.

Classes meet on the first Monday of each month at 3:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

If interested please contact
Louis Intres
(870) 273-9446

Parish Financial Report

GENERAL COLLECTIONS

	Goal	Actual
July	\$78,400.00	\$82,407.60
August	\$98,000.00	\$79,512.47
September	\$78,400.00	\$73,745.51
October	\$98,000.00	\$76,692.17
November	\$78,400.00	\$74,464.60
December		
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		
YTD (Jul-Present)	\$431,200.00	\$386,822.35
YTD Budget Surplus / Shortage		\$44,377.65

Thank you for your parish support!!



Formation Days The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church

To address the many challenges facing the Church today, the US Conference of Catholic Bishops has called us to reflect deeply upon the Eucharist. Parish leaders and catechists are invited to attend a Formation Day to study the recent USCCB document, *The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church*. Through presentations by priests and catechists, and discussion with peers from Arkansas parishes, attendees will gain a deeper understanding of the meaning of Christ's gift of himself in the Eucharist, and our response to his gift.

Formation Day training will be held 5 separate times throughout the state in English & Spanish. The cost is \$10.00 per person to cover lunch; payable by cash/check to the **Diocese of Little Rock**. The day will begin with check-in at 8:30 am and finish with Mass at 4:00 pm (Mass times will vary by location). Register for the location that is most convenient for you.

Locations

- January 28, 2023: St. Benedict Church, 81 W. Parish Drive, Subiaco 72865
- March 28, 2023: Blessed Sacrament Church, 1101 E. Highland Dr., Jonesboro 72401
- April 29, 2023: St. Louis Church, 202 N. Adams Ave., Camden 71701
- May 13, 2023: St. Vincent de Paul Church, 1416 W. Poplar St., Rogers 72758

To register online, visit:

<https://forms.office.com/r/pDQ3UJRED8> or email your registration form to jmoore@dolr.org

Proposed Columbarium



Blessed Sacrament Parish has developed a design for a future **Columbarium Garden** to be located on the east side of our church. The Columbarium is a consecrated place for the committal of cremated remains of deceased church members and other eligible persons. It is an arrangement of niches into which an urn is placed for permanent memorial. A rendering of the planned Columbarium Garden can be seen in the Church Narthex. For further information, please contact Lisa Golden facilities@catholicjonesboro.com



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.



The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting Children, Youth, & Adults at risk.

If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by clerics, Church volunteers or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964 and the Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, 501-664-0340, ext 361.

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



Adorers Needed

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



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