



## PARISH INFORMATION

### Parish Offices:

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Jonesboro, AR 72401

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

### Facebook:

Blessed Sacrament  
(Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church)

### Email:

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

### Phone:

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

### Blessed Sacrament School:

PreK—6th Grade  
1105 E. Highland Drive  
870-932-3684 Phone  
870-932-3613 Fax  
[www.catholicjonesboroschool.com](http://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.

### Knights of Columbus

Council 1702  
1103 E. Highland Drive  
Arturo Gonzalez, Grand Knight  
870-278-2955

# BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH



## 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

He spoke to them at length in parables, saying:  
"A sower went out to sow."

*Matthew 13:3*

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The Sower and the Sunset, by Vincent Van Gogh, 1888

## PARISH STAFF

**Msgr. Scott Friend, Pastor**

**Fr. Raj Nalazala, Associate Pastor**

**Fr. Alex Smith, Associate Pastor**

**Dcn. Ramon Ramirez, Pastoral Associate  
of Hispanic Ministry**

**Dcn. Martin Huss, Baptism Classes**

**Lisa Golden, Facilities Manager**

**Jennifer Long, Administrative Assistant**

**Molli Beaverstock, Bookkeeper**

**James McDonald, Director of Faith**

**Formation & Youth Ministry**

**Ann Vazquez, Assistant Director of Faith**

**Formation & Youth Ministry**

**Carol Windle, Music Director**

**Mary Kay Jones, School Principal**

**Robert Jones, R.C.I.A.**

**Jeff Puryear, R.C.I.A.**

**Joanie Kremers, Wedding Coordinator**

**Scott Roberson, Pastoral Council President**

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*For sacramental assistance when the Parish Office is closed, please call:*

**501-288-3664, 501-522-9482 or 501-687-7299**

### MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, July 17 – Mass  
8:15 a.m. Int. of the Saracini Family  
by Their Family

Tuesday, July 18 - Mass  
5:30 p.m. Louella & WM Arthur Ray  
by Inez Ray

Wednesday, July 19 - Mass  
7:00 a.m. Int. of Florence Sands  
by Nancy DePriest  
6:30 p.m. Los Mas Necesitados

Thursday, July 20 - Mass  
5:30 p.m. Bernard & Eleanor Messersmith  
by The Sustich Family

Friday, July 21 - Mass  
7:00 a.m. Jana Garcia  
by Heath & Jennifer Long  
6:30 p.m. Los Mas Necesitados

Saturday, July 22 - Mass  
8:00 a.m. Mass for Parishioners  
4:30 p.m. Raymundo Lugo  
by Mercy Thrasher

Sunday, July 23 - Mass  
8:00 a.m. Int. of Inez Ray  
by Her Friends  
10:00 a.m. Jerry Saracini  
by Bonnie Willett-Goad  
12:00 p.m. Mass for Parishioners  
6:30 p.m. Los Mas Necesitados

*Confessions: Saturdays 8:30 a.m. and  
3:00 p.m. 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 July 17  
8:45 a.m.—7:30 p.m. Adoration  
8:15 a.m. Mass  
5:15 p.m. Rosary

Tuesday July 18  
*St. Camillus de Lellis*  
7:30 a.m.— 5:30 p.m. Adoration  
5:30 p.m. Mass  
6:15 p.m. **No Family Adoration**

Wednesday July 19  
7:30 a.m.— 6:30 p.m. Adoration  
7:00 a.m. Mass  
6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

Thursday July 20  
*St. Apollinaris*  
7:30 a.m.— 5:30 p.m. Adoration  
5:30 p.m. Mass

Friday July 21  
*St. Lawrence of Brindisi*  
7:30 a.m.—6:30 p.m. Adoration  
7:00 a.m. Mass  
6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

Saturday July 22  
*St. Mary Magdalene*  
8:00 a.m. Mass  
8:30 a.m. Confessions  
3:00 p.m. Confessions  
4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday July 23  
8:00 a.m. Mass  
10:00 a.m. Mass  
12:00 p.m. Spanish Mass  
6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK JULY 16, 2023

Sunday Is 55:10-11  
Rom 8:18-23  
Mt 13:1-23

Monday Ex 1:8-14, 22  
Mt 10:34—11:1

Tuesday Ex 2:1-15a  
Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday Ex 3:1-6, 9-12  
Mt 11:25-27

Thursday Ex 3:13-20  
Mt 11:28-30

Friday Ex 11:10—12:14  
Mt 12:1-8

Saturday 2 Cor 5:14-17  
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Sunday Wis 12:13, 16-19  
Rom 8:26-27  
Mt 13:24-43

### Parish Financial Report

#### GENERAL COLLECTIONS

	Goal	Actual
July	\$78,400.00	\$82,591.65
August	\$98,000.00	\$79,512.47
September	\$78,400.00	\$73,745.51
October	\$98,000.00	\$76,365.13
November	\$78,400.00	\$74,464.60
December	\$78,400.00	\$136,267.94
January	\$98,000.00	\$112,321.57
February	\$78,400.00	\$86,872.60
March	\$78,400.00	\$75,515.50
April	\$78,400.00	\$88,787.16
May	\$98,000.00	\$84,955.86
June	\$78,400.00	\$70,974.23

YTD (Jul-Present) **\$1,019,200.00** **\$1,042,374.22**

YTD Budget Surplus / Shortage **\$23,174.22**

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

### BAPTISM PREPARATION

Prior to the Baptism of a child, parents are to meet with Msgr. Friend, Fr. Raj, or Fr. Alex. 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.





**St. Vincent de Paul**  
324 W. Huntington  
Jonesboro, AR 72401

## 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 8 families  
Rental assistance for 9 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

**Catholic Youth Ministry will offer religious education for the 2023-2024 school year for grades Pre-K to Senior High School. All classes will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 pm beginning September 6th, 2023.**

For children in 2nd grade, the classes will include sacramental preparation for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. For the children enrolled in Senior High School, classes will include sacramental preparation for Confirmation. Please contact the Parish Office to register.



## Children's & Youth Ministry

### TEACHERS NEEDED

Classes for the 2023-2024 religious school year will begin in September. We have a need for teachers in the various grade levels. Teachers will be equipped with a teacher's guide and other aids to help our children learn how to grow in friendship with God and leading a moral life with piety.

**Please call Jim McDonald or Ann Vazquez at the Parish Office or stop by to get more information to help our children get on the path to heaven.**

## 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.

For more information please  
contact Carolyn Schilly  
870-930-8375



## Rite for Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

### What is the Rite?

The process by which adults come into the Catholic Church has come to be known as "RCIA," or "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults." RCIA is a faith journey for those desiring to enter the Catholic Church or for those who wish to complete their initiation into the Church.

### The RCIA Formation Process is for:

#### Those Who Are Unbaptized

Adults who need a process to help them grow in awareness to God's call to conversion as well as ways to respond to that call, the R.C.I.A. gradually uncovers the story of God's salvation for all; the mystery of Jesus's life, death and resurrection; and the workings of the Holy Spirit as revealed in the beliefs, sacramental life, and spiritual practices of the Catholic Church. Those who enter the Rite are called catechumens. The process of Christian initiation or RCIA prepares you to enter into the Catholic Church by celebrating what are called the sacraments of Christian initiation: Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist (or Holy Communion).

#### Christians Baptized in Another Christian Church

Those catechized and un-catechized persons who are seeking full communion with the Catholic Church. Those Christians who desire to be in full communion with the Catholic Church are called candidates. If you were already baptized in another Christian tradition, the initiation process prepares you to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church by celebrating the sacraments of Confirmation and the Eucharist (or Holy Communion).

#### Baptized but Un-Catechized Catholic Adults

Persons who were baptized as infants and not given any religious upbringing within the Catholic Tradition. These adults will be prepared to celebrate the sacraments of Penance, Confirmation and Eucharist. They are also considered candidates.

For more information, please contact Jim at the Blessed Sacrament Parish office at (870)932-2529

## Pregnant and in need of help?

**Call (870) 926-8377**  
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## MINISTRY SCHEDULE - July 22/23

	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Karen Umeora John Stiles Aidan Jackson	Nate Barajas Drew Gabe Isabel Weisenfels	Natalia Cruz Lesia Knuckles Emma Knuckles
<b>Lectors:</b>	Amy Clancy	Judy Pfriemer	Jim Burton
<b>EMHC:</b>	Molli Beaverstock Dorothy Carr (C) Mary Tucker (C) Betsy Huss (NC)	Tamara Roberson Jonette Dafron (C) Kelly Gabe (C)	Joanie Kremers (F) Jeannean Rollins (FC) Jon Rollins (FC) Susan Smith (NC)
<b>Ushers:</b>	Ralph Massanelli Donald Schmidt Joe Butler Frank Springle	Mark McCord Scott Roberson	Eric Bacsa Ed Kremers Daniel Cruz Jose Cruz

F=Front, FC=Front Cup, NChr=Narthex/Choir, NC=Narthex Cup)



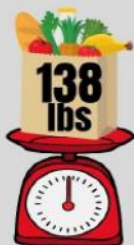
## Prayer List

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

Tony Hess, Albert Frankenberger, John Preston Marthy, Tom Gschwend, Ken Leick, Mary Rojaro, Jim Griffin & Family, Betty Baltz, Mary Ferguson, Barbara Gschwend, Julie Taylor, Louis Diaz, Ed Kremers, John Williams, Janine Sipa, Mike Ville, Angela Blevins, Debbie Davidson, Dave & Debbie Marthey, Rick & Kathy Hudson, Harold, Susan & Taylor Perrin, Julieta Bernarte, Joan Culanag, Danny Parker, Andy Sanders, Ann Schaaf, Carolyn Boling, Glenna Throesch, Tara Banks, Doug Stapleton, Anna Maiorana, Todd Hamilton, Frank Kremers, Jody Amick, Maggie Kickneite, Zita Winemiller, Mike & Becky Davis, Matthew Boswell, Dorothy Smith, Jim & Paulette Horman, Genie Davis, Peggy George, Peter Stevenson, Rita Puryear, Bill & Millie Kueter, James Adams, Daniel & Charlie Cline, Nancy Stillman, Don Nguyen, Mike Massanelli, Hank Pfriemer, Leticia Fernandez, Terry Brimhall, Margaret Teelint, and all COVID sufferers.



## Helping Neighbors Food Pantry has received



of food from our parish this week.

**Thank you!**



**NEW BABY**

*Have you recently had a baby, or do you know of a parishioner who has?*

**Please call the Parish Office 870-932-2529 so we can provide the family with a New Baby Dinner.**



## Thank You



### PETER'S PENCE

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy see. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give.

Visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).

This week's altar flowers are provided in memory of Julieta Bernarte.



Mass Intentions may be offered for the Repose of the Soul of a deceased loved one, for healing, a special occasion or a special intention for yourself, a family member or friend. Please contact the office for available date.

A \$10 Stipend is customary for each Mass.



**Mass Intentions**



## Monthly Family Lunch

Your Knights of Columbus Council 1702 will be hosting a monthly family lunch on the 3rd Sunday of each month.

**\$5 per plate or \$30 per family (Pay at the door)**

11:15 am - 12:30 pm

Knights of Columbus Hall



**July 16, 2023**

**Hamburgers, Hotdogs and Fries**

## MOTHERHOOD MINISTRY'S BACK-TO-SCHOOL SHOE DRIVE

With the new school year quickly approaching, our ministry is in desperate need of boy's gently used tennis shoes in children's sizes 12-13. We are also accepting men's sizes 8-10.



Shoes can be left in the Motherhood cradle located in the Narthex or brought to Motherhood Ministry on Wednesdays between 9:00am-1:00pm at 324 W. Huntington.

We greatly appreciate all the donations received from the parish in the past and hope you can help us again with this shoe drive.



# Taste of Faith

Benefitting Seminarian Education

All are invited to attend this in-person dinner on Saturday, Aug. 5th at 6:30 pm at the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock

## Reservations Required

Call Dianne Brady at (501) 664-0340 ext. 391 to reserve seats or a table.

For more information or to donate, visit [tasteoffaith.org](http://tasteoffaith.org)



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## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

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**Come join us!** First degree members are welcome to get their Third Degree memberships. All new members will be automatically eligible for our insurance & other benefits.

**Saturday, July 29 (Exemplification) after 4:30pm Mass**

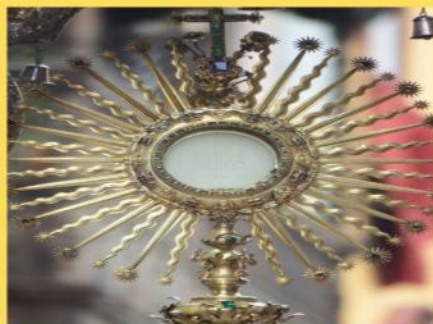
For more information, contact:  
Larry Kimbrough 870-897-2964 OR Arturo Gonzalez 870-278-2955



## 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.



## 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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July 28-30, 2023

Location:  
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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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