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Regular Office Hours:

Monday–Friday
8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Children's & Youth Ministry:

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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.
870-938-1502

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



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Again, [amen,] I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father."

Matthew 18:19

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PARISH STAFF

Msgr. Scott Friend, Pastor

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

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 11 - Mass
8:15 a.m. Fr. Mark Beard †

Tuesday, September 12 - Mass
5:30 p.m. Pedro Castanon Avila by Ana Castanon †

Wednesday, September 13 - Mass
7:00 a.m. Jon DePriest (Anniv) by The Parish †

Thursday, September 14 - Mass
9:00 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory †

5:30 p.m. George & Faye Siebert by Their Daughters †

Friday, September 15 - Mass
8:15 a.m. Carl Vaupel by Joy Vaupel †

6:30 p.m. Isidro Castanon by Ana Castanon †

Saturday, September 16 - Mass
8:00 a.m. All Souls in Purgatory †

4:30 p.m. Int. of Kate Huss by Betsy Wiederkehr Huss

Sunday, September 17 - Mass
8:00 a.m. Int. of Susan Smith by Bonnie Willett-Goad

10:00 a.m. Felemena Maddawin by Mercy Thrasher †

12:00 p.m. Mass for Parishioners
6:30 p.m. Int. of Manuel Piedra Cervantes by The Barron Family

Confessions: Saturdays 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. 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 September 11
8:45 a.m.—7:30 p.m. Adoration
8:15 a.m. Mass
5:15 p.m. Rosary

Tuesday September 12
The Most Holy Name of Mary
7:30 a.m.— 5:30 p.m. Adoration
5:30 p.m. Mass

Wednesday September 13
St. John Chrysostom
7:30 a.m.— 5:00 p.m. Adoration
7:00 a.m. Mass
6:15 p.m. Parish Adoration & Benediction

Thursday September 14
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
7:30 a.m.— 5:30 p.m. Adoration
9:00 a.m. Mass
5:30 p.m. Mass

Friday September 15
Our Lady of Sorrows
7:30 a.m.—6:30 p.m. Adoration
8:15 a.m. Mass
6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

Saturday September 16
Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian
8:00 a.m. Mass
8:30 a.m. Confessions
3:00 p.m. Confessions
4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday September 17
8:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Mass
12:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
3:00 p.m. Filipino Mass
6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
SEPTEMBER 10, 2023**

Sunday Ez 33:7-9
Rom 13:8-10
Mt 18:15-20

Monday Col 1:24-2:3
Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday Col 2:6-15
Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday Col 3:1-11
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday Nm 21:4b-9
Phil 2:6-11
Jn 3:13-17

Friday 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14
Jn 19:25-27

Saturday 1 Tm 1:15-17
Lk 6:43-49

Sunday Sir 27:30-28:7
Rom 14:7-9
Mt 18:21-35

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.



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.

This week's altar flowers are provided in honor of The Manalo Family.





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 5 families
- Rental assistance for 4 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.

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 for more information.



FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD
AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH
1107 E HIGHLAND DRIVE, JONESBORO

REGISTRATION: 8:30 AM **WALK BEGINS: 9:00 AM**

FREE TO WALK, BUT DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED! ALL DONATIONS BENEFIT THE POOR OF NORTHEAST ARKANSAS!



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



Volunteers needed

Help is needed for preparation, food service, and clean-up on Wednesdays during the Parish Faith Formation 2023-2024 School Year.

A new Parish Faith Formation program has begun for the whole Parish! Changes have been made in order to improve the quality of faith formation of the children attending class as well as increase Parish involvement. We ask everyone to gather for a Parish Wide Dinner at 5:00 pm in the Parish Hall. All children & youth (Pre-K to Year 2 Confirmation) will begin their program at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall and School. All adults will proceed to the Church for a Holy Hour from 6:15-7:15 pm with Adoration and Benediction. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Jim McDonald or Ann Vazquez in the Parish Office.

*RCIA, RCIC, and Sacrament Formation for older children and youth who have not made their First Communion will be held on Tuesday evenings.

Pregnant and in need of help?

Call (870) 926-8377
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A support ministry for Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church parishioners



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



September 17, 2023
Menu to be announced at Mass.



Save the Date
Fall Festival
Saturday
October 7, 2023

Prayer List

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

Al & Barbara Langlois, Linda Pelkey, Carol Ward, Chris Davis, Martha Stafford, Albert Frankenberger, John Preston Marthey, Tony Hess, Tom Gschwend, Ken Leick, Mary Rojaro, Jim Griffin & Family, Betty Baltz, Mary Ferguson, Julie Taylor, Barbara Gschwend, John Williams, Mike Ville, Angelia Blevins, Dave & Debbie Marthey, Rick & Kathy Hudson, Harold, Susan & Taylor Perrin, Joan Culanag, Danny Parker, Andy Sanders, Ann Schaaf, Carolyn Boling, Glenna Throesch, Tara Banks, Doug Stapleton, Todd Hamilton, 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, and all COVID sufferers



Tea Room

Love Baking, canning, or crafting? The Fall Festival's Tea Room welcomes your contribution! Please consider donating a delicious treat, homemade canned item, lovely craft, or your time to keep one of the sweetest parts of our Parish's annual tradition thriving.

For more information, please contact Maria DiGaetano (870) 919-4603 or Victoria Wolken (870) 219-2650.

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Helping Neighbors Food Pantry has received



of food from our parish this week.

Thank you!

Fall Festival Silent Auction

If you would like to donate new items for Silent Auction or make a cash donation, please contact

Tamara Roberson (870) 761-2666
Mary Tucker (870) 919-1350
Tamara Jansen (870) 219-8236
Donna Fincher (870) 930-6457 or
Sara Beth Cook (870) 897-3279
to make arrangements.

Cash donations may also be dropped off at the Parish Office in the drop box. *(Please mark envelope as Fall Festival Silent Auction)*



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.



SINGERS! MUSICIANS!

English choir practice will begin on Sunday, September 17th at 4:00 pm in the choir loft practice room.

4th grade and up are invited. All Youth under 16 must be signed in and out of the choir loft.

For more information please contact Carol Windle (870) 819-7092



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

HELP OUR MARRIAGE.ORG

Are you facing difficult challenges in your marriage relationship? Retrouvaille is a program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Primarily, it is a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It is a Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend.

Next weekend will be at St. John's Center in Little Rock September 22-24, 2023



To register: www.helpourmarriage.org
For more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or contact the Family Life Office at 501-664-0340.

project rachel
Practical Steps to Hope
Day of Prayer & Healing Retreat

You are not alone. There is hope. Healing is possible.

Project Rachel is hosting a one-day, retreat for women who have been wounded by abortion on Saturday, September 23rd in the Texarkana area from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (The exact location is only disclosed to participants.) This retreat offers a safe, confidential, non-judgmental space for women to begin or continue their journey to hope and healing.

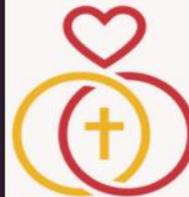
Call or text our confidential phone line 501-663-0996 for more information or to register.

Please contact Project Rachel. We Care. We understand.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is accepting nominations for the 2023 Longest Married Couple (couple does not need to be Catholic).

Submit the couple's name, location, and wedding date, along with the nominator's name, phone number and email address. Winners will be recognized in each state, as well as an overall national winner.

To nominate, email paul.robin.ring@wwme.org or call 321-544-3440



worldwide **marriage encounter**



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.



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 Gottsoner, 501-664-0340, ext. 425.

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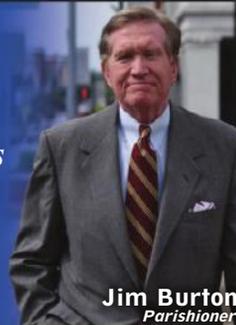
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