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FEBRUARY 2, 2025 - THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Hello and Welcome to St. Joseph Parish!

Thank you for joining us today. Blessings! May you have a beautiful day. The St. Joseph Parish family extends a warm welcome to our visitors and new families. We are delighted to have you! If you are a new parishioner, ask one of the ushers for a parish census/registration form. Please complete and drop in the collections basket or bring by the church office during business hours. If we can be of any assistance to you, please let us know. We hope you will find a true home at St. Joseph Church!

RECORD OF OUR STEWARDSHIP

January 26, 2025

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$3,105.50
 Poor Box—\$27.00
 Black & Indian Missions
 Collection—\$317.50

**May we understand that
 Jesus understands our
 pain and only He can fill
 the hole in our heart.**

5:00PM—54
 11:00AM—99
Total—153

Blessed Thanks!



Please pray for our sick, shut-ins, those listed in our book of intentions, parishioners residing in nursing homes, and others who have asked for prayers: *Eileen Badovick, Shannon Fikes Bass, Anna Batzos, Breckin Birge, Sgt Aaron John Blanchard, Tim Boutwell, Michael Calvert, Mike Cash (Rison), Bob Castleberry, Janie Culpepper, Sheri Flannery, Ronny Ford, Karen Gossett, Julie Dial Habelmann, Carol Hastings, Anna Marie Jacks, Ron Kelley, Mary Ann Kizer, Mary Ann Kulbeth, Pat Lucas, Scott McGeorge, Bill Miskell, Mary Ellen Miskell, Melissa Ann O'Neill, Betty Petrus, Dewayne Petrus, Robert & Therese Riddle, Eddie Rinchuso, Margie Ross, Heather Smith, Don Walters, Mary Winkley, and Joseph Wynn.* Please keep them in your prayers in their time of need... And all others in need of our healing prayers. Also, remember the caregivers of the ill.

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In your prayers, also remember the deceased. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord...

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION –Please contact Angelique Ford (870-489-0563) if you would like to spend a quiet hour with our Lord on a Tuesday or Wednesday.

Please notify the parish office when you or relatives are admitted to Jefferson Regional Medical Center. WE CARE!

MINISTRY FOR WOMEN - Magnificat, a Ministry for Catholic Women, will have its spring brunch from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, March 1, at St. Joseph Church Spiritan Center in Conway. The guest speaker will be Father Emanuel Tanu, SVD, who is originally from Indonesia, from the island of Timor. Since July 1, 2023, he has been assigned to serve as pastor of St. Bartholomew Church in Little Rock and St. Augustine Church in North Little Rock. Tickets are \$20 for adults or \$15 for those under 21. Register by Feb. 21 at <https://tinyurl.com/4awdmjth>. For more information, call Jalisa Allison at (501) 514-0965.

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR is asking St. Joseph parishioners to contribute non-perishable foods for their pantry. Monetary donations are also accepted. Make checks payable to Neighbor to Neighbor. Please give what you are able as the need is great.

VIRTUAL HEALING RESOURCE (VHR) GATHERING FOR FEBRUARY 2025

Anyone suffering from the trauma of a past abortion is invited to join a virtual small prayer group and discussion meeting on Monday, February 3, 2025, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. You may join anonymously from the comfort of your own space. This gathering is hosted by Project Rachel, a ministry of the Diocese of Little Rock. We welcome anyone from any area of our state who has been affected in any way by an abortion. This non-judgmental group desires to assist anyone who is searching for healing, peace, and forgiveness. Please call or text our CONFIDENTIAL helpline at 501-663-0996 for the confidential meeting link or email projectrachel@dolr.org. We love you, and it our great desire to help you!

The Serra Club of Greater Little Rock will meet on Friday, February 7, 2025, for Mass at 7:00 a.m. at Morris Hall at St. John's Center, 2500 North Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207, followed by our monthly meeting and program. This month's speaker is Bishop Anthony Taylor. Everyone is welcome to attend. The mission of the Serra Club is to foster and promote vocations and have all people recognize and respond to God's call to holiness. For more information contact Mary Jo Lewno, lewno.maryjo@gmail.com.

JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE - *Arkansas Catholic* is traveling to Italy October 28-November 8 for the Holy Year and we want you to join us. Father Brian Cundall, pastor of Christ the King Church in Fort Smith, will be the spiritual director for this tour. You can experience Florence and Siena on All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day, plus stops in Milan, Turin, Orvieto and Montecassino. Pilgrims will have four days in Rome and walk through the Holy Doors. An informational meeting will be held Sunday, February 16 at 3 p.m. at Christ the King Church Parish Hall in Fort Smith.

RSVP at <https://bit.ly/ACpilgrimage2025>. If you have any questions, contact Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations at kathy@suesmithvacations.com or 501-771-0987.

PHOTO CONTEST - Any Arkansas photographer, 18 or older, can enter their photo of a local Catholic church or institution for a chance to be featured on the cover of the 2026 Diocese of Little Rock directory. *Arkansas Catholic* sponsors the annual cover photo contest. The contest entry deadline is March 17. Complete rules and how to enter are available at <https://arkansas-catholic.org/photo-contest>. For more information, contact Debbie Kelly at dkelly@dolr.org or (501) 664-0125.

This week in our parish

Sun Feb 2 *THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD*

9:30-10:40AM P.R.E. (K thru 12th Grades)

11:00AM *#St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)

Mon Feb 3 St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr

St Ansgar, Bishop

8:00AM *#Janice Turchi* (Church)

6:00PM Knights of Columbus Meeting (KC Hall)

Tue Feb 4

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

10:30AM Domino Group (Ed Bldg)

Wed Feb 5 ST AGATHA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

5:30PM *#Lee Ora Sawyer* (Church)

Thu Feb 6 ST PAUL MIKI AND

COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

8:00AM *#Sue Gieringer* (Church)

5:30PM Altar Society Meeting (G Hall)

Fri Feb 7

8:00AM *#Mary Henning* (Church)

Sat Feb 8 St Jerome Emiliani

St Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

8:00AM Men's Holy Hour (Chapel)

10:30AM O.C.I.A. Class (Ed Bldg)

4-4:45PM Confessions Heard (Church)

5:00PM *#St Joseph Parishioners* (Church)

6:00PM CDA Souper Bowl Fundraiser (G Hall)

Sun Feb 9 *FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

9:30-10:40AM P.R.E. (K thru 12th Grades)

11:00AM *Int Kathryn Maus* (Church)

12:00PM CDA Souper Bowl Fundraiser (G Hall)

"Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested."

~Hebrews 2:18

When we join a support group, there is comfort in sharing our pain with people who have experienced the same thing; they understand what we are going through. The next time you experience suffering, talk to Jesus. He has experienced more suffering than most of us, He understands. Plus, Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves. Only He can fill the hole you feel in your heart.

The Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, February 3 at 6:00PM at KC Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

St. Joseph Altar Society will meet Thursday, February 6 at 5:30PM in Gallagher Hall. This is the men's night to cook. All members and any interested parishioners are invited and welcomed to attend.

Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference (ACMC), the annual men's conference held in the Diocese of Little Rock, will be held Saturday, Feb. 8, 2025, at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock. It was founded in 2010 and has featured speakers who impact men's lives with their passion for Christ and His Church. To register for free, visit arcatholicmen.com

Men, don't forget the Holy Hour for Men, Saturday, February 8 at 8:00AM in Annunciation Chapel. Come, bring a friend, and spend an hour with our Lord.