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JANUARY 11 - THE BAPTISM 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 4, 2026

RECORD OF OUR FAITHFULNESS

Offertory—\$3,869.00
 Poor Box—\$50.00
 Building Fund—\$225.00

May we fulfill our own
 Baptismal call by giving
 ourselves entirely to God
 and answer His
 call to holiness.

5:00PM—50
 11:00AM—93
Total—143

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, Lisa Boccarossa, Tim Boutwell, Michael Calvert, Mike & Evelyn Cash (Rison), Bob Castleberry, Janie Culpepper, Ronnie Ford, Greg Gustek, Julie Dial Habelmann, Anna Marie Jacks, Mary Ann Kizer, Scott McGeorge, Bill Miskell, Mary Ellen Miskell, Betty Petrus, Dewayne Petrus, Margie Ross, Heather Smith, Don Walters, Mary Winkley, Elaine Woodyard, 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!

MASS FOR LIFE: On January 18, 2026, Bishop Anthony B. Taylor will preside at the annual diocesan Mass for Life at 12:05 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Andrew, 617 Louisiana St., Little Rock. Before Mass, beginning at 11:20 a.m., there will be a Rosary for Life and a time of Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Everyone is invited. Please join in our prayers for the legal protection of unborn children and for an end to abortion. After Mass, the Tacos Godoy Food Truck will be waiting with a free grab-and-go lunch to make it easier for everyone to attend Arkansas Right to Life's annual March for Life which begins at 2:00 p.m. Please email respectlife@dolr.org if you have any questions.

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. Cuts to their USDA programs have left their shelves empty. They depend now more than ever on donations from churches and the community to help fill more than 900 bags each month.

A new Time Capsule, to be opened in 2075, will be interred at St. Peter's Cemetery, New Gascony sometime in January, weather permitting. If you, or a parish organization, have something you would like to place in the capsule, please contact Kathryn Brickey (501) 580-4529 or Jimmy Rinchuso (870) 550-5896 for details on size and packaging.

WOMEN OF HOPE, A DAY OF RETREAT, will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2026, at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock. This diocesan event is an invitation for women to set aside the outside world for a day and enter into a deeply personal experience with Christ. The retreat begins with an Evening of Preparation on Friday, January 30, 2026, offering all participants a sacred space to prepare their hearts for the Day of Retreat. *Retreat highlights include: Holy Mass and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Inspiring talks by nationally renowned speaker Mary Bielski, Praise and worship led by acclaimed recording artist Sarah Kroger, Community and reflection with women of faith, Lunch provided on Saturday.* For more information about Women of Hope, A Day of Retreat please visit the website at WomenofHopeAR.org

THE ARKANSAS CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE will be held at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock on Super Bowl Saturday, February 7th, 2026. This event is free and open to all men in the diocese. This year's theme is "Living the Gospel in Our Daily Lives". The speakers include Mary Bielski, first ever female speaker for the Men's conference, and Karlo Brossard, PH.D., a native of Louisiana and currently a member of the chancery evangelization team at the Diocese of Tulsa. This year's conference is sure to continue the great tradition as a premier event for Catholic men in our Diocese. For more information about the Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference, visit the website at arcatholicmen.com

Our 2026 calendars, complements of Ralph Robinson & Son, Fuller-Hale South, and Robinson & Fuller, have been placed on tables and stands around the church and on the table by the parish offices.

Take home your copy today.

Please, only one calendar per family.

This week in our parish

Sun Jan 11 *The Baptism of the Lord*

9-10AM Breakfast Sponsored by KCs (G Hall)

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

11:00AM *#Bob Miskell* (Church)

Mon Jan 12

8:00AM *Int Tiffany Letson* (Church)

Tue Jan 13 St Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:00AM *No Daily Mass*

9:30AM Scripture Study (Ed Bldg)

10:30AM Domino Group (Ed Bldg)

Wed Jan 14

5:30PM *#Jeffrey Kizer* (Church)

6:15PM Pastoral Council Meeting (Office Kitchen)

Thu Jan 15

8:00AM *Int Father Norman McFall* (Church)

Fri Jan 16

8:00AM *#Floyd Lewis* (Church)

Sat Jan 17 ST ANTHONY, ABBOT

10:00-11:30AM O.C.I.A. (Ed Bldg)

4-4:45PM Confessions Heard (Church)

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

Sun Jan 18 *Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9:30 No P.R.E. (MLK Holiday Break)

11:00AM *#Billie Gene Miller* (Church)

12:05PM Mass for Life (St Andrew Cathedral)

2:00PM March for Life (Little Rock)

“John tried to prevent him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, yet you are coming to me?”” ~*Matthew 3:14*

The Catholic Catechism states that “Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will.” In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

Catholic Daughters will make tamales Saturday, January 24 at 9:00AM in Gallagher Hall. We need all members to help, even for a few hours. Bring your spouse or a friend. Lunch provided. Questions contact Kathryn Brickey 501-580-4529.

In accord with the Diocese of Little Rock Norms and Implementation Guide on Pastoral Councils, the nominating committee of St. Joseph Pastoral Council has posted forms around church to solicit names of nominees for election to the council. On February 7 and 8, nine (9) parishioners, *18 years of age or older, practicing Catholics, and registered in this parish*, will be elected to the council. Parishioners 18 years of age or older are eligible to vote. **POSITIONS EXPIRING:** Lisa Boccarossa, Kathryn Brickey, Joe Gieringer, Susan Lambert, Timothy Lim, Adam Smith, Sandra Taylor, Mike Turchi, and Leonard Zell.

NOTE: Due to term limits, Lisa, Kathryn, Sandra, Mike, and Leonard are **NOT** eligible to run again, while Joe, Susan, Timothy, and Adam **ARE** eligible to run again.

If you wish to nominate a parishioner, please write his/her name on a form. He/she will be contacted regarding accepting nomination to run for a position.

Catholic Daughters will meet Sunday, January 25 immediately following the 11AM Mass in Gallagher Hall. All members and any Catholic woman over 18 is encouraged and invited to attend.