

**NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST 6/24/2018 St. Joseph Parish, Paris, AR 72855**  
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 Confessions: Saturday 4:30pm & Sunday 8:30am [formed.org](http://formed.org) parish code 28WKVW  
 Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:00pm & Sunday 9:00am  
 Weekday Mass: 8:00 Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

7:30pm Tuesday -- Mother of Perpetual Novena followed by Mass

\*\*Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament -- Tuesday - 6:30-7:30pm

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		Mass Intentions	
6/25	Monday	NO MASS	
6/26	7:30pm Tuesday	+Elizabeth Strobel	John Paul & Judy Koch
6/27	8:00am Wednesday	+Gene Sharum	Christina Schluterman
6/28	8:00am Thursday	+Herman Frederick	Linda Frederick
6/29	8:00am Friday	+Herman & Theresa Schwartz	Betty & Walt Kreutzer
6/30	5:00pm Saturday	+Adolph Forst	M/M WJ Willmann
7/01	9:00am Sunday	Living & Deceased Parishioners	Father Eugene

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FIRST WEEKEND: JUNE 30 & JULY 1:

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Saturday 5:00pm Carl & Jana Stengel, Joyce Koch  
 Sunday 9:00am Gary Simmons, Mary Ann Beshoner, Leigh Ann Askins

LECTORS:

Saturday 5:00pm James Nehus  
 Sunday 9:00am Alice Nahas

ORGANIST & CANTOR:

Saturday 5:00pm Beth Ullrich  
 Sunday 9:00am Emily Lukas

SERVERS:

Saturday 5:00pm Cooper Swedeen, Madeline & Timothy Stengel  
 Sunday 9:00am Eli Huck, Garrett & Kirsten Schneider

USHERS:

Saturday 5:00pm Rita Robberson, Don Ullrich, Steve Elsken, Janet Schluterman  
 Sunday 9:00am John & Helen Thias, Harold & Alice Schluterman

GIFT BEARERS:

Saturday 5:00pm Kurtis & Sarah Simmons family  
 Sunday 9:00am Heather & Daney Stringer family

ROSARY:

Saturday 5:00pm Carl & Jana Stengel  
 Sunday 9:00am Karen Binz

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COFFEE AND DONUTS next weekend: July 1: Gary Simmons (Gary picks up donuts)

**Feast Days this week:** 6/27 – St. Cyril of Alexandria; 6/28 – St. Irenaeus; 6/29 – Sts. Peter and Paul; 6/30 – The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

June 24:	Men's Club meeting
<b>June 25-29:</b>	<b>Church office will be closed</b>
June 30/July 1:	Monthly collection for our school
July 1:	Parish Council meeting after Mass
July 8:	Mother's Society meeting after Mass
July 13-15:	River Valley Catholic Youth Camp
July 15:	POOL PARTY sponsored by the Mother's Society

This week's **FORMED Pick of the Week** is the perfect entertainment for your summer road trip. In the newest audio drama from Augustine Institute Radio Theatre, meet the fiercely courageous Saint Cecilia, a martyr from the early Church who became a holy muse for artists across the centuries.

This week go to [www.stjosephparis.formed.org](http://www.stjosephparis.formed.org) and listen to *Ode to Saint Cecilia*.

**The annual pool party in appreciation for all parishioners and their families who serve in the various church ministries** will be Sunday, July 15, from 6-9pm at the Paris City Pool. This pool party, plus food and refreshments are provided for our enjoyment by the St. Joseph Mother's Society.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY this week to Tom Pohlmeier, Jerry Swedeen, Dennis Willmann, Sandi Hignight, Barbara Zeiler, Jessica Philmon, Gerald Lunsford, John Paul Koch, Jared Schluterman, and Max Philmon. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Gerhard & Erika Nehus.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Vera Zeiler whose funeral was here at St. Joseph's on Monday. She was a long-time parishioner here but had attended St. Benedict for the last several years. Vera's daughter Phyllis Ewing and her son, George, are so grateful to St. Joseph's parishioners for providing such a beautiful service and wonderful meal after her funeral.

We welcome all visitors and invite newcomers to register at the church office where we would enjoy meeting you. If you regularly attend Mass at St. Joseph's and are not yet a registered parishioner but would like to be, please contact the church office at 963-2131

**St. Joseph School News**

St. Joseph School is seeking a 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher for the 2018/2019 school year. Ideal candidates will have an AR teaching license, some experience, and be a practicing Catholic. Please contact Mrs. Koprovic at [ckoprovic@saintjosephschool.org](mailto:ckoprovic@saintjosephschool.org) for more information, or if you know someone who might be interested. Salary depends on degree and experience and is very competitive.

The school office will be open most days through the summer, but it might be a good idea to call before you come to make sure someone is here.

Please remember to clip Box Tops for Education, Best Choice UPCs, and save used ink cartridges for us throughout the summer!!

We welcome a new bulletin advertiser this week: Larry Perreault/Mr. Sandless. We appreciate those who support our church by advertising in our weekly bulletin. Let's support their businesses!

Congratulations to Whitney Schneider and Joshua Parson who were married last Saturday at St. Benedict's. St. Joseph prayers and support go with you!

Intentions submitted to the **Prayer Chain**: Fr. Erik Pohlmeier/ACL&MCL knee surgery; Linda Westmoreland/stage 4 lung cancer; Colton. Nick, Kim Neumeier/safe travel to CA for checkup. (Financial donations for Colton's treatment & travel is still greatly appreciated.)

**JULY BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE**

Martha Ullrich, Beth Ullrich, Lisa Vines, Candy Watts, Jo Watts, Mary Lou Willmann, Tammy Willmann, Margaret Willems, Bertha Wineberg, Diane Wolf, Deanna Wright, Vicky Zeiler, Barbara Zeiler  
*There is always a need for workers for funeral dinners. If you are on the committee list and help provide food but are unable to stay to help with the dinner due to health, work, etc., please consider finding someone who can help in your place.*

**INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR JULY**

That priests who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

June 10 collection: Adult env (59) \$3655. Children: \$7. Loose: \$366. Total: \$4028.  
Miscellaneous Income: Bulletin ads: \$300. VBS \$250. Hall rental: \$100. Votive candles: \$31.  
June 17 collection: Adult env (45) \$1524. Children: \$23. Loose: \$208. Total: \$1755.  
Miscellaneous Income: Donation: \$100. VBS: \$95. Mass stipends: \$10. Votive candles: \$14.

Suggestions concerning the carpet in church may be made to any of the parish council members whose names, phone numbers & email addresses are listed on the bulletin board in the vestibule.

Representatives from St. Boniface Church in Fort Smith will be here after Masses on July 7 & 8 with their annual football raffle information.

**Leaders for Life Youth Conference**

The first ever diocesan Leaders for Life Youth Conference will be held July 13-14 at St. John Center in LR. Through presentations/activities/workshops, participants will engage in the pro-life work of the Church and discover how to boldly proclaim respect for the dignity of all human life. Registration is due by July 1. **ONLY \$25** - includes meals/lodging. Call Respect Life Office 501-664-0340 or email [cphillips@dolr.org](mailto:cphillips@dolr.org).

**Benefit for Ray and Deanna Wright. Saturday, August 11, at 2pm at the Roundhouse, Subiaco.**

Since Ray has been diagnosed with cancer they could use help in several areas: with transportation to Fort Smith 3 days a week for treatment, in home health care, and making their home handicap accessible. Information about the event is on the bulletin boards here in church

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*A cord of three strands is not easily broken. (Eccl. 4:12) Invite God into your marriage daily. Prayer can open up a new perspective when you don't know what to do.*

**What have you done for your marriage today? [www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org)**

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*"Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet." (Act 13:25)*

Stewardship is not a program or a process. It is a lifestyle. It's how we are called to live our lives 24hours a day, seven days a week. It challenges us to live "God-centered" lives, no "self-centered" lives. As we reflect on our daily activities do we do them for the glory of God or for the glory of our own names?

Thank you to the Steward who brightened up our coffee and donuts room with new tablecloths. This happens out of the goodness of someone's heart – someone who cares about "cheering up" the environment for those who attend our Sunday gathering after Mass. Your attention to detail is appreciated!!

**On June 19 Bishop Taylor issued the following statement:**

"This latest action of our government in separating children from their parents shows us clearly the depths of the depravity that sets in when year after year we deny people their basic human rights--in this case, the right to immigrate when desperate circumstances so require. People fleeing intolerable situations should be welcomed with open arms and a generous heart. Instead the heart of many Americans has hardened so thoroughly that we would even separate innocent children from parents who have made great sacrifices in an attempt to secure for them a better life--people in many ways no different from our own immigrant ancestors! *"Lord, give us a new heart and place a new spirit within us. Remove our heart of stone and give us a heart of flesh."* (See Ezekiel 36:26).

Parishioners are encouraged to call or email senators and representatives about this issue.

**UPCOMING RETREATS/CONFERENCES**

**Arkansas Catholic Charismatic Conference** will be held in Conway at the St. Joseph Church Spiritan Center, July 27-29. Fr. Mathias Thelen and Patrick Reis are this year's keynote speakers. Youth Life in the Spirit - Children's Ministry / Praise & Worship. Registration and information available at [www.ARKCC.ORG](http://www.ARKCC.ORG) or call Jerri 501-835-6044.

*From Subiaco Abbey –*

**"Eyes and Ears of the Heart: The Rule and Film"**, July 20-22 at Subiaco Abbey in Subiaco. A lifelong film enthusiast, Br. Roch McClellan, OSB, will offer close readings from the Rule of St. Benedict and reflections on the illustration of its lessons and principles as found in classic films (including discussions of some films that you know and love, and some films that you've probably never heard of). This retreat will be a time of personal contemplation, community conversations and spiritual growth in Christ. It will deepen our spiritual understanding and offer practical applications for anyone seeking God and striving to live the Rule in the 21st Century. Cost is \$130 per person in a shared room and \$200 for a private room. This cost includes two nights' accommodations, six meals and all conferences. To sign up for the retreat, please call 479-934-4411 or e-mail [couryhouse@subi.org](mailto:couryhouse@subi.org).

Aug. 3-5, Fr. Jerome Kodell, OSB, will lead a **"Biblical Journey Through the Wilderness"** at Coury House. Fr. Jerome is a recognized biblical scholar and author. He is the former abbot of Subiaco Abbey and a popular retreat director. Cost of the retreat is \$165 per person in a shared room and \$215 for a private room. This cost includes two nights' accommodations, six meals and all conferences as well as Mass and the opportunity for confession. To sign up for the retreat, please call 479-934-4411 or e-mail [couryhouse@subi.org](mailto:couryhouse@subi.org). The retreat is sponsored by Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in North Little Rock.

**"Our Journey to Emmaus: Rekindling Our Hearts for Christ"** Women's Retreat at Coury House Aug. 17-19. Br. Cassian Elkins, OSB, who will become Fr. Cassian on July 14, will lead the retreat. Br. Cassian studied at St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana. Cost is \$130 per person in a shared room and \$200 for a private room. This cost includes two nights' accommodations, six meals and all conferences as well as Mass and the opportunity for confession. To sign up for the retreat, please call 479-934-4411 or e-mail [couryhouse@subi.org](mailto:couryhouse@subi.org).