

# Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic Church

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*"Encounter Jesus, Serve Others."*



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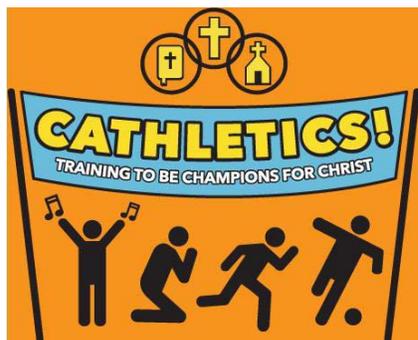
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## PENTECOST SUNDAY - MAY 20, 2018



**June 11 - 14, 2018**

This year's Vacation Bible School theme is Cathletics! Youth in the parish will be training to be champions for Christ. Vacation Bible School will take place June 11-14th from 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. for those entering K-6th grade.

Students entering 7th grade and above are needed as assistant Coaches. We are looking for parents, young adults, and students (7th-12th) to volunteer. Email Kay Kay at [kderossette@holysouls.org](mailto:kderossette@holysouls.org). for more information or register at [http://www.holysouls.org/faith\\_life/vbs](http://www.holysouls.org/faith_life/vbs)

*"A Little Change . . . .  
Can Change Lives"*



During the month of May, Holy Souls will hold a Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit the Arkansas Pregnancy Resource Center, also known as St. Joseph's Helpers, and Birthright International. As we honor all of our mothers, in addition to the Blessed Virgin Mary, we begin this program to assist those mothers who find themselves with unexpected pregnancies. Parishioners will be asked to take home an empty baby bottle, offer prayers, and fill the bottle with change, cash, or check made out to the APRC. **The bottles should be returned to the church at one of the May 26-27 masses.** What a wonderful way to help this Catholic ministry help women find alternatives to abortion!

For further information, contact Cindy in the church office: 663-8632



## *Come, Sit With Jesus on Wednesdays*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a special opportunity to sit with Jesus Christ in a more powerful way. We, as Catholics, believe in the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist and he is present in the consecrated host within the monstrance on the altar. Come, spend an hour with him and see the power of God make a difference in your life.



Holy Souls offers Adoration **on Wednesdays from 9am to 5:15pm**

## *This Week at Holy Souls . . .* **CALENDAR**

Church (CH); Parish Hall (PH); Allen Center (AC);  
Gathering Room (GR); Eucharistic Chapel (EC);  
Benedict House (BH); School (S)

Monday, May 21:

- 7am Mass, CH;
- 10am Seniors Cards, PH

Tuesday, May 22:

- 7am Mass, CH;
- 1:45pm Pass It On, CH;
- 6pm 8th Grade Graduation, CH

Wednesday, May 23:

- 9am Adoration, CH;
- 4:30pm Confessions, CH;
- 5:15pm Benediction, CH;
- 5:30pm Mass, CH

Thursday, May 24:

- 7am Mass, CH;
- 10am Drivers Safety Class, PH

Friday, May 25:

- 7am Mass, CH;
- 8:15am School Mass, CH

Saturday, May 26:

- 2:45-3:45pm Confessions, CH;
- 4pm Vigil Mass, CH

Sunday, May 27:

- 8am Mass, CH;
- 10:30am Mass, CH;
- 5:30pm Mass, CH

## *Liturgical Notes . . .*

### *Responding to the Word*

**THIS WEEK: May 20-26**

Jesus reminds us that sharing God's Spirit enables the forgiveness of the sins that break down our relationship with God and others . . .

**When have I felt the Spirit drawing me more deeply into relationships with others?**

*Jesus, be with me . . . . .*

\*To reflect on this Sunday's readings online, go to  
[www.usccb.org/bible/readings/052018.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/052018.cfm)

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## **Next Weekend's LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

### **SATURDAY, MAY 26, 4PM MASS**

*Servers:* J. Lang, S., A., & S. Mammarelli;  
*EMC:* J. Bregy; *Lectors:* D. Menz, M. Suffern;  
*Ushers:* L. & R. Magri

### **SUNDAY, MAY 27, 8AM MASS**

*Servers:* M. Henry, C. & H. Stone, N. Varela;  
*EMC:* L. Lantz; *Lectors:* K. Stone, T. Wahlgreen;  
*Ushers:* L. McFall, C. Schaffhauser

### **10:30AM MASS**

*Servers:* B. Britt, S. France, D. Hendricks, J. McGill;  
*EMC:* F. Kremers; *Lectors:* A. Bagby, L. Delhey;  
*Ushers:* M. Flynn, M. O'Malley

### **5:30PM MASS**

*Servers:* R. Gatlin, A. Issac, C. Simmons, B. Yakoubian;  
*EMC:* C. Stabnick; *Lector:* A. Gatlin;  
*Ushers:* W. Morris, R. Brooks

## Grateful Stewards of God's Gifts . . .

Laura Humphries, Parish Life & Stewardship Director

...for he was a good man, filled with the Holy Spirit and faith.  
Acts 11:24

Everytime I come face-to-face with mortality—such as attending a funeral—I am forced to consider this question: How do I want to be remembered when I am no longer here? To be remembered as a good man or woman is an honorable thing, of course, but it's not enough.

If we want to respond to the call of being what God made us to be, like Barnabas, we need to be people filled with faith and the Holy Spirit. Our human lives - however good - will always fall short of God's expectations if we are not animated by Spirit-filled faith that propels us out into the world to serve others. Our goodness is not about us and what we have accomplished. Our goodness is about God working through us. Our goodness lies in God alone.

An Excerpt from *Living Faith*

How can we be good children of God? We are told we are made in the image and likeness of God so we know in the beginning we are good because God doesn't make anything bad. Sometimes people turn out bad but that is all about the free will God gives us. There are so many things that can turn us away from God in our world. We have to be careful not to follow the wrong path. We are all called to serve others, to be like Jesus, to do what we can to help those less fortunate than us, to do our fair share. We are also called to seek out the truth. It is easy to be misled especially today. The devil is all around us and he is out to hurt whatever and whoever he can. He can be quite creative too. He is here to destroy us. God calls us to be good, to be spirit filled, to be propelled into the world to serve others, not to judge, God will handle that. Don't fall into the devil's trap, don't flirt with the devil. Be sure to follow our loving Father and spend time in daily prayer with him as he guides us in our lives. If we do this we will certainly see him one day.

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### ***Do You Have Any Pictures of Fr. Patrick Watikha?***

Our former Associate Pastor, Fr. Patrick Watikha, will be celebrating his Silver Jubilee this July. He is now the pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Charleston, Arkansas. Sacred Heart Parish is planning a celebration for Fr. Patrick. They are looking for pictures of Fr. Patrick during his time here at Holy Souls. If you have any pictures which you would like to share, please send them to [sacredheartcharleston@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartcharleston@gmail.com).



...Holy Souls teachers have incorporated STEM into their curriculum?

What is STEM? STEM is the acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics, and encompasses a vast array of subjects that fall into each of those terms. STEM fields affect virtually every component of our everyday lives. The economy, our general well-being—it's all backed by science, technology, engineering, and math. Creativity in the class structure promotes innovative thinking in students. When you put a spotlight on project-based learning – which is common in STEM – you provide opportunities for authentic growth and development.

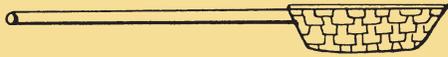
In addition to the everyday classroom studies our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher, Mrs. Johnston, offers several afterschool STEM camps for children in grades first through third. Her camps are held during the first and third quarters of the school year. She, along with many other teachers, also offer STEM related summer camps like Mad Science and Construction Zone. You can view all Holy Souls Summer Camps by visiting [http://www.holysoulschool.org/resources/summer\\_camps.cfm](http://www.holysoulschool.org/resources/summer_camps.cfm)

## ***Mary, Undoer of Knots***

The devotion to Mary, Undoer of Knots, dates back to 17th century Germany, when a couple on the verge of separation sought help from a priest who was known for his strong Marian devotion. The priest began to ask for Mary's intercession to "untie the knots" in their relationship, and peace was restored to their marriage. In 1980, Jorge Mario Bergoglio (who later became Pope Francis), discovered this devotion to Mary which he still promotes to this day.



Mary, Undoer of Knots, straightens out the ribbon of our lives and directs us on a straight path to Jesus, her son. The Blessed Virgin helps us loosen the knots that suffocate relationships between married couples, parents, their children, our neighbors, and most importantly, with Jesus Christ. We at Holy Souls have a Mary, Undoer of Knots, display in the southeast corner of the sanctuary. We invite you to take a look at the knots that weigh on your heart. Write your prayers or "knots" onto the strips of paper you will find by the display and tie them onto the frames and entrust them to Mary's intercession. When your prayer is answered, you may tie a special blue ribbon on the panel.



## COLLECTIONS/STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Mass attendance, May 5 & 6 1,249  
 Mass attendance, May 12 & 13 1,130

### Weekend Collections –

May 5 & 6 \$ 19,392  
 May 12 & 13 \$ 27,744  
**Total May Collections** \$ 47,392  
**Total May Budgeted Collections** \$ 105,000

Actual Collections (7/1/16 - 4/30/18) \$ 1,321,103  
 Budgeted (7/1/16 - 4/30/18) \$ 1,245,000  
 Amount in excess of Budget \$ 76,103

Children's Collection - May \$ 207

Maintenance Fund \$ 1,203

*Thank you for supporting our church!*



### Living with Mental Illness

Mental illness is cyclical, where a person experiences periods of stability interrupted by times of instability. With effective treatment and support, many people with mental illness are able to lead relatively normal lives, and their illness may not be evident to others. For people in our communities who live with severe and persistent mental illness, it can be significantly debilitating. Mental illness impacts self-esteem, relationships, and the ways in which an individual participates in school, work and the community. How can we be of support to people in our parish community living with this challenging illness?

### PLEASE BE NICE TO OUR NEIGHBORS

When you come to Mass or parish events at Holy Souls, please be respectful and kind to our neighbors. Do not block their driveways!



The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by clerics, Church volunteers or Church workers, please contact the Vicar General for the Diocese of Little Rock at (501) 664-0340 ext. 361, and the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinators for the Diocese of Little Rock. Drs. George & Sherry Simon at (501) 766-6001. Diocesan Offices: 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

## Holy Souls This & That . . .



All Young Adults in the parish are invited to attend Scrips and Sips Sunday, May 20th in the Parish Hall following 5:30 pm mass. The young adult group will provide pizza and drinks before Deacon John Hall's talk about Social Justice. Email [youngadults@holysouls.org](mailto:youngadults@holysouls.org) for more information.



Congratulations to our eighth graders who will graduate on Tuesday, May 22nd, at 6pm in the Church.

We wish them much success in high school and throughout their future!

### Holy Souls Summer Care Registration

is now  
**OPEN!**



Please visit [holysoulsschool.org](http://holysoulsschool.org) to register.



We are in need of parishioners to volunteer to help with Youth Faith Formation Classes for our pre-K to 6th graders. We are also in need of small group leaders for 7th graders. Anyone interested in co-leading a group should email Kay Kay at [kderossette@holysouls.org](mailto:kderossette@holysouls.org) or call her at 501-663-8632.

## ENCOURAGE CHAPTER ESTABLISHED

An apostolate of Courage and flowing from its central purpose, EnCourage provides pastoral care for families and friends of people who experience same-sex attractions and/or gender dysphoria. In many cases, their loved ones have adopted the LGBTQ label, and may have moved away from actively practicing their faith.

Standing by the true teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, EnCourage members receive help and encouragement to understand the experience of their loved ones more deeply, to foster healthy relationships within their families, and to deepen their own relationship with Christ through discussion, prayer and fellowship. The group will be meeting monthly at St. John Center.

See [www.couragerc.org](http://www.couragerc.org) for more information, and email [encouragelittlerock@gmail.com](mailto:encouragelittlerock@gmail.com) to inquire about upcoming confidential meeting dates/times.



### Pray for . . .

**OUR PARISHIONERS** -- Sherry Wortsmith; Greg Kitterman; Corky Zaloudek; Becky Price; Robert Carter; Rita Barthol; Joe Kirchner; Issac Issac; Lillian Henriquez; Mary Adney; Rob Mondy; Bob Skarda; Rosie Searle; Jessica Remsing; Kate Evans; Brian Gordon; Wayne Thomisee; Benjamin Stuart; Charlie Baker; Louis Calderera; Eddie Angtuaco; Ron Hoofman; Greg Sheard; Kurt Cosse; David Brossett; Kay Lassiter; Patsy Menz; Ashen Glenn; Erika Robertson; Maureen Johnson; Micki Fitzpatrick; Jay Rogers; Judy Sims; Judy Calderera; Glennabell McCumpey; Rita Williams; Kay Loss; and Sara Lynch.

**OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS** -- Carl Calhoun; the Jonathan Forte Family; the Petty Family; Dorothy Ehlebracht; Fr. Richard Oswald; Rachel Oberste; Izzy Mauldin; Dorothy Russell; Nailor Lawrence Harrison; Gary McArthur; Fred Goodfellow; Paul Gearhart; Bethany Pilcher; Betty Franzetti; Scott Helmbeck; Janna Laughlin; Susie Fox; Dorothy Pumphrey; Cortni Breen Sanderson; Ralph Thomann; Sarah Hartz; Alexandria Ganzermler; and John Bartsch.

**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED** -- Evelyn Long, cousin of Fr. John Marconi.

**OUR SEMINARIANS** -- especially John Marconi (*Fr. John's nephew*), Tito Zarate, and Martin Amaro.

*In order to keep our bulletin prayer list up-to-date for the sick, names will remain on the list for four weeks. Then their name will be written in the Book of Intercession where they will be remembered during every Mass. To continue for another four weeks, please call the church office.*

## SEARCH #144 RETREAT

Registrations are now being accepted for Search #144, a retreat to help juniors and seniors in high school get to know themselves better, deepen their friendship with Christ, and find support in living out their faith. Search #144 will be held at St. John Center, Little Rock, June 22 – 24, 2018. The fee is \$135.00. For more information and registration forms visit our website at: <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-144.pdf>

**Scholarships are available by using the following form:** <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/diocesanscholarshipapplication.pdf>

If you have questions you may contact Trish Gentry [tgentry@dolr.org](mailto:tgentry@dolr.org) at the Diocese of Little Rock Youth Ministry office: 501-664-0340, ext 418.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES SUMMER INSTITUTE (C<sup>2</sup>SI)

Registrations are now being accepted for our Catholic Charities Summer Institute, **July 8-13, 2018**. This is a 5 day program open to high school age youth (grades 9 – 12) designed to learn about catholic social teachings and how to put them into action. This year we will be cooking out for the homeless and working at several worksites in the Little Rock area. The week also includes an optional overnight experience at the Heifer Global Gateway Village. The fees are listed in the registration brochure.

<https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/c2si-leaders-for-life-registration-2018.pdf>

If you have questions you may contact Trish Gentry [tgentry@dolr.org](mailto:tgentry@dolr.org) at the Diocese of Little Rock Youth Ministry office: 501-664-0340, ext. 418.

**\*\*Scholarships are available for those wishing to attend that are in need of financial assistance. Scholarship applications may be found at the following link:** <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/diocesanscholarshipapplication.pdf>

### Petitions of the Ministry of Praise

May 2018

Pope Francis'  
Intention for Evangelization



That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific missions, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.



Give thanks to the Lord for He is good;  
His love endures forever"  
(Psalms 107:1)

## SENIOR HIGH CYM (grades 9-12)



Apply now for the 2018-'19 YAT – the CYM leadership group. Applications available at CYM. **Deadline: May 30.**

**This week – Prepare for your upcoming exams! Coffee and Cramming: May 21, 22, & 23 from 3–6 pm.\*** The Benedict House will be open for studying for your final exams. Wi-Fi is available. Denise will have snacks, and quiet will be insisted for a comfortable environment to prepare. (\*On Wednesday, we will attend Mass from 5:30-6 pm.)



## SUMMER EVENTS FOR CURRENT 8-12 GRADERS



**Trip to Jasper, Arkansas Tuesday, June 12-Friday, June 15.** We'll be staying at a great lodge, canoeing the Buffalo River, going on hiking trips, swimming, great food, Mass celebrated outdoors, games. Cost: \$125. *You have until late May to pay & sign up!*

### Mission Trip to McGehee, Arkansas, Tuesday, June 26-Saturday, June 30.

Enjoy a wonderful week with friends helping out the small community of McGehee. There's an old Franciscan Friary on the St. Mary's Church property where we stay. We have had several projects such as working on the Church grounds, painting homes, cleaning yards, cleaning with the City, helping at the animal shelter, working at the Salvation Army thrift store – just to name some. There's spiritual and social time as well. And it's FREE! *Taking sign-ups until June 20.*



### CURRENT 6-12 GRADERS:

Watch the bulletin for upcoming summertime events and service options. We are talking about an overnight retreat in early June. Parents, contact if you are willing to help.

## Around the Diocese . . .

**CATHOLIC BIBLE INSTITUTE** June 15-17, 2018 at St. John Center in Little Rock. Bro. John Barker, OFM, will address "Treasuring the Old Testament Witness to God" throughout the weekend that also includes prayer, discussion, fellowship and good food. Paid registration of \$125 is due by Friday, June 1. Contact LRSS for more information (501-664-6102 or [lrrs@dolr.org](mailto:lrrs@dolr.org)). Brochures are available at church doors.

**St. Leo the Great/Catholic Newman Center Alumni Weekend Event:** St. Leo the Great at Arkansas Tech University (Catholic Newman Center) is having the Second Annual alumni weekend on **June 9th and 10th, 2018.** If you attended ATU and the Catholic Campus Ministry, please plan to join us. There is a lunch cookout and dinner planned for Saturday and brunch and Open House at St. Leo's on Sunday. You are welcome to participate in any or all festivities. If you have not received an invitation, please send your contact information to [stleoatu@gmail.com](mailto:stleoatu@gmail.com) or call 479-968-8249 for more details. Cost for the dinner on June 9th is \$10 per person or \$20 total. We need a head count for each event, and the RSVP's are due by **May 25, 2018.**

### REGISTRATION FOR NEW MEMBERS

Registration for new members is completed in the church office or online by visiting our web page, [www.holysouls.org](http://www.holysouls.org). Please contact the church office or go online at [www.holysouls.org](http://www.holysouls.org) if you have moved, changed your telephone number, moved from your parent's home or graduated from college.

### RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please call Samantha Deneffe at 501-663-8632 or email [sdeneffe@holysouls.org](mailto:sdeneffe@holysouls.org).

### RETURNING CATHOLICS

If you are interested in returning to the Catholic Church, contact Samantha Deneffe at 501-663-8632 or [sdeneffe@holysouls.org](mailto:sdeneffe@holysouls.org).

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 2:45 to 3:45pm and Wednesdays before First Friday from 4:30 to 5:00pm or call the church office for an appointment.

### CHURCH VISITS

The Church is open from 7am-4pm (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday). Please enter through the chapel door after 9am. On Wednesday, the Church is open from 9am till after the 5:30pm Mass. Adoration is on Wednesday from 9am till 5pm.

### BAPTISM

Baptisms are scheduled on an individual basis. Please call the church office for more information.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the church office a minimum of six months in advance.

### HOSPITAL STAYS

Please call the church office if you or someone you know is in the hospital. We want to visit you and pray for you while you are in the hospital.

### NURSERY

The Nursery is available in the Parish Hall for your young children (age 5 and younger) for all regular weekend Masses.



To read the daily reading online,  
go to [www.usccb.org/nab/today.shtml](http://www.usccb.org/nab/today.shtml)

## *Liturgy Schedule and Mass Intentions*

### **Monday, May 21**

7:00 a.m. Mass

ST. CHRISTOPHER MAGALLANES & COMPANIONS - Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29  
Holy Souls in Purgatory by Holy Souls Parish

### **Tuesday, May 22**

7:00 a.m. Mass

ST. RITA OF CASCIA - Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37  
Linda Vinson by Roberta Cagle

### **Wednesday, May 23**

5:30 p.m. Mass

Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40  
Joe & Margaret Beck by Louis Beck

### **Thursday, May 24**

7:00 a.m. Mass

Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50  
Jimmy Odle by Holy Souls Parish

### **Friday, May 25**

7:00 a.m. Mass

ST. BEDE THE VENERABLE, ST. GREGORY VII, ST. MARY MAGDALENE DE PAZZI -  
Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12

8:15 a.m. School Mass

Khiem Nguyen by Hang Nguyen  
Holy Souls in Purgatory by Holy Souls Parish

### **Saturday, May 26**

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

ST. PHILIP NERI - Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16  
Tom Binz by Becky Binz

### **Sunday, May 27**

8:00 a.m. Mass

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20  
Joe Pollock by Rebecca & Gary Smith

10:30 a.m. Mass

Intention of Parishioners

5:30 p.m. Mass

Scott Hayes by Roberta Cagle

