



# The Parishioner

*“Encounter Jesus, Serve Others.”*

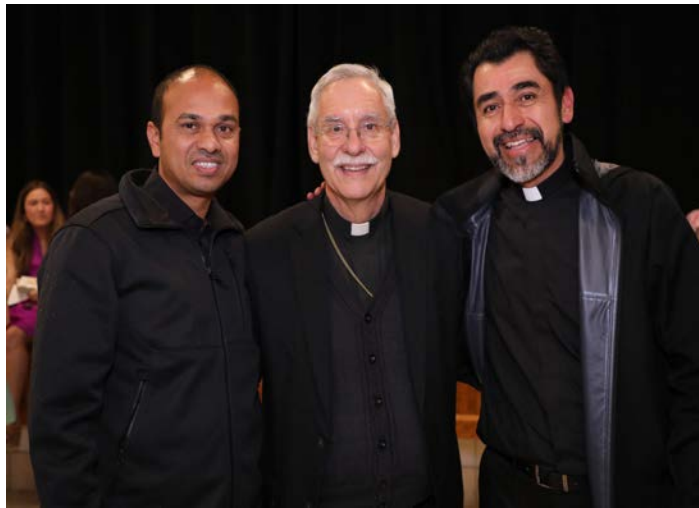
Spring 2024

## Message from Our Pastor

Dear family members of Our Lady of the Holy Souls,

As I write this brief message the first thing that comes to mind is the thankfulness I feel for your generosity and support. Our parish is beautiful but it is all of you, the faithful, who make our parish so special. By the time you read this note the expansion of the Columbarium should be close to completion and some work for the covered drop-off may already be in process. I have to share with you that I like to work ahead and I am writing this letter on February 23rd, so I hope these two projects are on schedule.

Besides these important material projects, what brings me more joy is being part of your lives. I am proud to have witnessed our parish's young men and women receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in February. It has been rewarding to walk with our brothers and sisters who will enter the Church at Easter Vigil (quick reminder: I am writing this letter in February). I look forward to celebrating the First Communion Mass for the children in



*Fr. Bhaskar, Bishop Anthony Taylor and Fr. Daniel visit after Confirmation Mass on February 3.*

May and the graduation Mass for our current eighth graders. Yes, our covered drop-off and Columbarium expansion are blessings provided by your generosity. However, being part of your family's spiritual journey has been the biggest blessing in my ministry here at Our Lady of the Holy Souls.

Thank you for allowing me to be part of your lives.

Blessings,  
Fr. Daniel

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Pete Stabnick ..... 663-8632

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**Robert Jones ..... 663-8632**

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## STEWARDSHIP DIRECTOR

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**BOLD TYPE DESIGNATES YOUR PASTORAL ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS**

# Building and Grounds

By: Susie Williams,  
*Facilities and Special Events Coordinator*

If you haven't seen the architectural drawings in the church vestibule, this will be an exciting update for you. Our Lady of the Holy Souls Church will be adding a covered driveway for the Harrison Street side of the church. After Easter this will be an addition many have been looking forward to. It will be an improved direct access driveway to get into the church for parishioners during inclement weather. This is the final item under the One Faith, One Family, Growing Together Capital Campaign. It has been a very productive campaign the last few years for the campus. The Parish has been able to update and improve many areas of the school and church. Our Lady of the Holy Souls continues to thank our many contributors in both time and talent, and look forward to finishing the last project. The driveway project will make the choir door entry to the church inaccessible for a few weeks while the work is being done. Please note and be aware of the construction if you usually park or enter the church on Harrison street. The south side Harrison door with the ramp will still be accessible during the construction (the Harrison St door closest to the Parish Hall). The covered driveway is being paid for by the remaining balance of the Capital Campaign funds as well as additional funds from the church.



The church will be expanding the columbarium as well. There will be over 400 new niches added to the beautiful columbarium courtyard. The new niches will further enhance this beautiful prayer space for the Parish. The columbarium expansion will be paid for by the church savings account. These peaceful resting spaces are in high demand, if you have interest in the columbarium please call the church office for more information. The construction work on the columbarium will coincide with the covered drive so it will be more cost effective while the contractors are already on site. East Harding Company will be handling both projects. Again please bear with the messes that will be created while we improve the campus.

## *Prayer* *for Priests*

O Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; for Your unfaithful and tepid priests; for Your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; for Your tempted priests; for Your lonely and desolate priests; for Your young priests; for Your dying priests; for the souls of Your priests in purgatory.

But above all, I recommend to You the priests dearest to me; the priest who baptized me; the priests who absolved me from my sins; the priests at whose masses I assisted and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion; the priests who taught and instructed me; all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way. O Jesus, keep them all close to Your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Amen.

# New Parishioners

**Jessica Aldana &  
Conor Hayes,  
and their children,  
Lucia, Addison,  
& Ella**  
1309 High Meadow Dr.  
Jacksonville, AR 72076

**Braylin & Jake Allison  
and their children,  
Stilas & Lena**  
1310 Gamble Rd.  
Little Rock, AR 72211

**Veronica Schurmann Botto**  
1200 Brookwood Dr.,  
Apt. 467  
Little Rock, AR 72202

**Stephanie & Marshall Butler  
and their child,  
David**  
11 Blanchard Dr.  
Cabot, AR 72023

**John & Caitlin Byrd  
and their child,  
Samson**  
4 Spotwood Rd.  
Little Rock, AR 72207

**Courtney & Jimmy Cox  
and their children,  
Charles & Joseph**  
3415 Buckhorn Trl.  
Little Rock, AR 72211

**Bernice & Matthew Fiala**  
3519 Kavanaugh Blvd.  
Little Rock, AR 72205

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

By: Laura Humphries, CT  
*Parish Life & Stewardship Director*

*Blessed are they who mourn for they shall be comforted. Mt 5:4*

### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP AUGUST 27TH TO OCTOBER 29TH**

What is Grief and how can we manage it? I am not sure if manage is the right word. Grief is a normal part of life. We are all born and we are all going to die. We love and when we love and lose someone, it is going to cause pain and this pain is called grief. We all grieve differently. There is no set time limit, no three days and then back to normal. It would be nice if that were the fact but it is unrealistic and actually ridiculous depending upon who we lost. In 1961, Dr. George Engel, psychiatrist and researcher, wrote an essay and published it in *Psychosomatic Medicine* in which he raised the interesting question *Is Grief a Disease?* His thesis was that loss of a loved one is not only traumatic to our psyche but is also physically traumatic. When someone we love dies we suffer both emotionally and physically. Many people are not able to sleep, eat, or think clearly for days, weeks, and yes, even months or years after the death of a spouse or child. Simply put, we grieve to the extent to which we love. It is a personal experience. It can be compared to a journey, a road that no one wants to take but one that must be taken. If we fail to face our grief, we are not doing ourselves any favors because one day the emotions will hit us when we least expect it. One of the best ways to get through this is to talk about our loved one to a friend or to a support group. We will offer a Grief Support Group starting on August 27th at 6pm where we can talk about our loved one, our pain, and our progress. Grief is painful, there's just no way around it. With God's help and the help of others, we can get through it.

Another loss that causes grief is divorce. I believe shock is a feeling that is given to us by God to help us when we initially learn bad news. It helps us get through the motions, the things that have to be done. If you have experienced the pain of divorce, please know that the Church is here for you. Despite what you may have heard or experienced, the Catholic Church is not here to condemn but to console. The Catholic Divorce Ministry of Arkansas will begin a Divorce Support Group at Our Lady of the Holy Souls on August 25 through December 15th. For more information please contact [Catholicdivorceministryar@gmail.com](mailto:Catholicdivorceministryar@gmail.com).

Our Lady of the Holy Souls will always be looking for ways to help make this life a little better. Remember that we have Adoration every Wednesday, daily Mass is also offered, confessions on Wednesdays and Saturdays as well as other ministries that can help spiritually.

Encounter Jesus, Serve Others

## Traveling Chalice for Vocations



Fr. Daniel invites all parishioners to participate in a parish-wide prayer campaign for the increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

One special way you can be involved is by volunteering to take home our new vocations chalice. Families and individuals are encouraged to sign up to take it home for almost a week (Sunday to Friday) for daily prayer.

Every weekend, the chalice will be presented during the closing Mass Announcements and can be returned on Fridays at the 7:00 a.m. Mass or to the Church Office during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

To be assigned a week or for more information, please contact the Church Office.

## Church of Our Lady of the Holy Souls

(November 2023 to March 2024)

### MEMORIALS

#### Charlie Baker

by Vince & Sherry Henderson

#### Alice Humphries

by Paramount Metal Systems  
by Larry & Angela Jegley  
by John & Janis Brizzolara  
by Diane Lewis  
by Ryan, Katie & Mathew Lewis  
by John, Shirley & Rhea Anne Moore  
by Jerry & Sandy Hanson  
by Sally Adams

#### Hank Schulte

by Ed Brewer & Donna Seymour  
by Donald & Gayla Taylor  
by Jeanette Donahue  
by Gill Ragan Owen, P.A.  
by Evelyn Felix  
by June Timmerman  
by Lou & Robert Wenger  
by Rick & Cathy Zimmerman  
by Pat & Bernard Wenger

*Remember Our Lady of the Holy Souls Church  
when you wish to make a memorial or honorarium gift.*

*Send donation to: 1003 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72205.*

*Please include name and address of whom you would like the acknowledgement sent.*

## New Parishioners

**Olivia Gibby & Kyle Henson**  
P. O. Box 7506  
Little Rock, AR 72217

**John Greene**  
1801 Georgia Ave., Apt. 8  
Little Rock, AR 72207

**Renny & Janaline Hibaler  
and their child,  
Liahm**  
15 Nottingham Rd., Apt. 6  
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Aislinn & Richard Hinson  
and their child,  
Layton**  
1 Wildwood Rd.  
Little Rock, AR 72207

**Rita Hope**  
10A Garfield Circle  
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Ligi & Joseph Milesh  
and their children,  
Irene & Elaine**  
223 N. Taylor St., Apt. #G1  
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Richelle Marcelo**  
15 Nottingham Rd.,  
Apt. 14  
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Gisheil & Jev Maribao  
and their children,  
Princess, Bianca,  
& Jev**  
15 Nottingham Rd.  
Little Rock, AR 72205

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# New Parishioners

## Confirmation 2024

February 3, 2024

**Danielle Marshall**

117 Valmar St.  
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Luanne McCarty**

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Apt. N230  
Little Rock, AR 72207

**Brianna McDonough**

3016 N. Hills Blvd.,  
Apt. 8210  
N. Little Rock, AR 72116

**Jacqueline & Darran McEuen**

and their children,  
**Gabriel & Alexis**  
2 Lombardy Lane  
Little Rock, AR 72207

**Mary & John McMinn**

and their child,  
**Anthony**  
1614 Alberta Dr.  
Little Rock, AR 72227

**Jessica & Garrett Pender**

and their child,  
**Eliana**  
8 Lorna Dr.  
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Hayley Schaff**

13111 W. Markham St.  
#180  
Little Rock, AR 72211

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Tyler Aaron ~ *St. Francis of Assisi*

Andrew Aday ~ *St. Andrew*

Katarina Angtuaco ~ *St. Kateri Tekakwitha*

Marley Bagby ~ *St. Anne*

Troy (Wynne) Barnett ~ *St. Michael the Archangel*

Erin Behring ~ *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

Wyatt Boccarossa ~ *St. Matthew*

Charlotte Boch ~ *St. Catherine of Bologna*

Ollie Brewer ~ *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

Ava Brown ~ *St. Teresa of Calcutta*

Alex Cherepski ~ *St. Alexander of Jerusalem*

James Clark ~ *St. James*

Elijah Cogbill ~ *St. Patrick*

Dawson Ferstl ~ *St. Joseph*

Ellison (Ellie) Giddings ~ *St. Anne*

Anna Givens ~ *St. Veronica*

Jude Glenn ~ *St. Sebastian*

Conner Gordon ~ *St. Francis of Assisi*

Jeffrey (Sully) Hanson ~ *St. Sebastian*

Allie Hornsby ~ *St. Joan of Arc*

Madison Jansen ~ *St. Catherine of Bologna*

Ian Johnston ~ *St. Cosmas*

Aubrey Jones ~ *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton*

Mabyn Karber ~ *St. Cecilia*

Lynn Kiehn ~ *St. Teresa of Calcutta*

Emma Laughlin ~ *St. Cecilia*



Jonah Mahan ~ *St. Francis of Assisi*  
 Mary Malzewski ~ *St. Bernadette*  
 Adele Marchand ~ *St. Claire of Assisi*  
 Huntley McGeorge ~ *St. Hubert*  
 Patricio Narvaez ~ *St. Patrick*  
 Cash New ~ *St. Christopher*  
 Katelin Nguyen ~ *St. Thérèse of Lisieux*  
 Samantha Oberste ~ *St. Rose of Lima*  
 Madeleine Putt ~ *St. Mary Magdalene*  
 Michael Robbins ~ *St. Anthony*  
 Rowan Selva ~ *St. Sebastian*  
 Ellen Skinner ~ *St. Beatrice of Silva*  
 Charles Wilkerson ~ *St. Luke*  
 Paul Wurtz ~ *St. Paul*



# New Parishioners

**Marie & Christian Scott**  
 1701 Westpark Dr.,  
 Apt. 54  
 Little Rock, AR 72204

**Maeve & Michael Shaddock and their child, Conor**  
 227 Valley Club Cir.  
 Little Rock, AR 72212

**Aimee & Michael Shelby, and their children, Michael, John, & Matthew**  
 4944 E, Crestwood Dr.  
 Little Rock, AR 72207

**Kathryn Sonne and her child, Emily**  
 45 Forrest Circle  
 Little Rock, AR 72211

**Jessica & Nathan Tucker, and their children, Hudson, Grayson, & Lillian**  
 211 Corondelet Ln.  
 Maumelle, AR 72113

**Angelica Villamizar and Sergio Ramirez and their child, Virginia**  
 34 Piper Ln..  
 Little Rock, AR 72223

**Cait & William Wellborn and their children, Jack & Tess**  
 709 N. Monroe St..  
 Little Rock, AR 72205



**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 State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964, and the Vicar General for the Diocese of Little Rock at (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gosponer at (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocesan Offices: 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

# Perfectly Placed

By Amber Bagby, Principal and  
Amy Bratcher, Director of Marketing and Development  
Our Lady of the Holy Souls School

The theme for the 2023-2024 school year has been “Perfectly Placed.” We believe that each of our students, teachers, staff, and priests have been Perfectly Placed here at Our Lady of the Holy Souls. As Amber Bagby, principal, stated, “This theme is a gentle reminder that with prayer we can use our human hearts to plan while having faith that the Lord will establish the steps along the way, placing each of us perfectly along the way.” Our school has celebrated and participated in many traditions these past few months.

Catholic Schools Week (CSW) is an annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States that perfectly reminds us of the unique beauty of our schools. Now entering its 50th anniversary year, CSW was held at OLHSS the last week of January. Mrs. Johnston held the book fair in the library all week. We celebrated our parish, our community, our teachers and staff, our students, and our priests, sisters, and deacons. The week concluded with Friends and Family Day where over 800 guests were “placed” on our campus to enjoy a spaghetti lunch. Ice-cream was provided by The Msgr. Allen Trust and Development Fund to carry on the tradition of Msgr. Allen.



*Fr. Daniel and Fr. Bhaskar  
at Catholic School’s Mass*



*Deacon John, Fr. Daniel, Fr. Bhaskar, and Sr. Deborah  
at Vocations Day*

To perfectly enter the Lenten season, OLHSS marched on with the annual Mardi Gras Parade. Fr. Daniel and Fr. Bhaskar dressed in purple, gold, and green and threw beads and candy to the school children. The Catholic High Jazz Band, directed by Mr. Matt Golloday, played for us as the parade processed around campus.



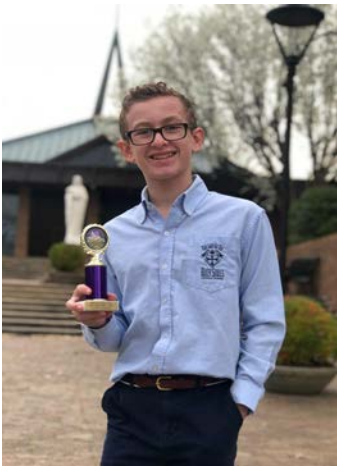
*Fr. Bhaskar, Amber Bagby,  
and Fr. Daniel*



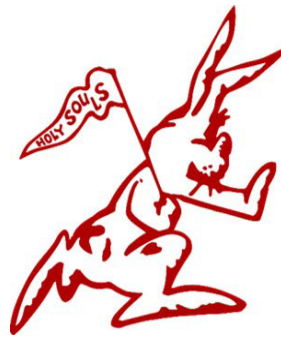
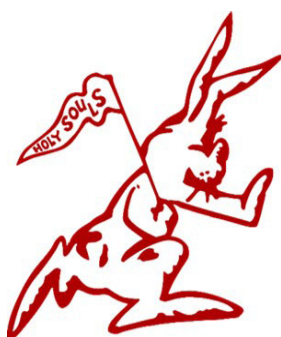
*Queen and King  
of Mardi Gras*



In August three new teachers were Perfectly Placed on our campus, one of which is Jennifer Baker, hired to be the Jr. High Algebra teacher. Through her distinct leadership and rigorous teaching, our 7th and 8th grade students competed in the Mu Alpha Theta math competition at Mount Saint Mary Academy. Our teams placed 1st in six different categories. We also had individual students win awards.



As we enter into our last nine weeks of our school year, we are so blessed that each and every student, teacher, staff member, and priest have been Perfectly Placed here at Our Lady of the Holy Souls School. Thank you for supporting our school and the mission of Msgr. Francis A. Allen.



## **HAVE AN EVERLASTING INFLUENCE ON OUR PARISH!**

You can have an everlasting influence on the lives of families in our parish. Please contact your attorney and instruct him or her to include a bequest for Holy Souls in your will.

# DEATHS




**Matthew Grisham**

**Margaret Gremillion**  
mother of  
Helen Plummer

**Gary Korte**  
husband of  
Paula Korte,  
father of  
Natalie Ruh,  
grandfather of  
Griffin & Greer Ruh,  
brother of  
Danny Korte,  
son-in-law of  
Deacon Larry &  
Pauline Jegley,  
brother-in-law of  
Larry Jegley, Jr.,  
uncle of  
Melissa Mansfield  
and Amanda Jegley,  
great-uncle of  
Maddison, Mallory,  
Mason, & Mollie  
Mansfield  
and Abigail & Silas  
Wood

**Charlotte Halter**  
mother of  
Paula Dempsey

**Annette Wahlgreen**  
aunt of  
Theo Wahlgreen

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Our new officers were installed in December, and they conducted the January meeting. It was agreed that we would update our name “Seniors” and create a logo and banner. Fr. Daniel volunteered to aid and guide us through this process at the February meeting.



**2023-2024 Silver Souls Officers**

*Left to right: Lori Schienders, Secretary; Lisa Kuykendall, Vice President; John Robben, President; and Linda Hunthrop, Treasurer.*



In February Fr. Daniel wonderfully guided us through listing 36 possible new names and then distilled this to 6 and then the chosen one: Silver Souls. Thank you Fr. Daniel for your wisdom.

Our Guest Speakers were Mandy Davis from St. Vincent in February and Susan McDougal, U.A.M.S. Director of Pastoral Care in March.

Our group took two outings. A visit to Isaac Howard House built in 1905, and now the home of Ludwig Law Firm. We had lunch at Cothams! Our second outing took us to the Jacksonville Museum of Military History. Lunch followed at Barnhills Family Restaurant.



# Parish Christmas Party

Saturday, December 9, 2023

We had a surprise guest at our Christmas Party this year:  
**SANTA CLAUS!**



## DEATHS



### Charlie Baker

husband of  
Nancy Baker,  
father of  
John Baker,  
and grandfather of  
Keeling, Andrew,  
Jackson & Caroline  
Baker

### Bea Williams

sister of  
Tricia Finch,  
and aunt of  
Jonathon Finch

### Diane Carroll

### Pat McGuire

father of  
Shannon Webre,  
and grandfather of  
George Webre

### Hank Schulte

husband of  
Carole Schulte,  
father of  
Somers Piazza;  
and grandfather of  
Sam Piazza

### Chris Wiedower

nephew of  
Doloris Wiedower

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# DEATHS



**Eileen Connell**  
mother of  
John Connell

**Laraine Borden**  
sister of  
Bart Taylor

**Alice Humphries**  
mother of  
Mark Humphries,  
and grandmother of  
Austin McKeown,  
Katelyn Mabry,  
& Kaylee Sinnett

**Jim Clark**  
father of  
Jay Clark  
and grandfather of  
Mary Porter & James Clark

**Lenore Schickel**  
mother of  
Kim Gillum

**Don Fitz**  
father of  
Chad Fitz,  
and grandfather of  
Sullivan & Josie Fitz

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## 80 FOR Our Lady OF THE HOLY SOULS MEN'S CLUB 80TH ANNIVERSARY UPDATE

Men's Club capped off its 80th year with the most successful Shrimp and Oyster Dinner we've ever had. We express our gratitude to the members and friends of the Parish who supported through sponsorships, prizes, and good cheer. We also express our appreciation to Men's Club Vice President Tyler Husser for organizing the outstanding food and to event coordinator and past president Al Malzewski for organizing the event. In our 80th year, we express appreciation to all of the families of the Parish for your constant and unwavering support of our mission to serve the needs of the Parish and School.

We also held our annual Lenten fish fries this year on February 16, March 1, and March 15. They were simply outstanding. The food and fellowship helped brighten the Lenten season as we prepared for Easter.

Several officers are concluding their two-year terms. We express appreciation for President Shawn Johnson, Treasurer Tim Fisk, Secretary Robbie Hemmer, and immediate past president Brent Wetzler. New officers will be announced soon.

### PHOTOS FROM THE SHRIMP & OYSTER DINNER.



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Sterling Seacrest Pritchard

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Thanks for attending the  
**SHRIMP & OYSTER DINNER**



**PHOTOS FROM LENTEN FISH FRYs**



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+

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mother of  
Aimee Long

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and grandmother of  
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brother of  
Paul Pilkington

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mother of  
Doug Menz

**Judy Sims**



## Our Lady of Confidence Shrine

Our Lady of Confidence is the protector of those in harm's way. If you have a family member who has been called to active military duty, we invite you to place his or her picture in a frame at the Our Lady of Confidence Shrine in our church for the duration of their deployment.

*When they return safely home, please remove their photo.*

## *"Season of Moving Forward" From The Altar Society*

*By Selina M. Ripa, Altar Society President*

The Altar Society of Our Lady of the Holy Souls continues to be a staple on the campus and strives toward completing all of our fiscal year goals.

In January 2024, we were blessed with a presentation by CYM diocesan leader, Liz Tingquist, who promoted this summer's Catholic Charities Summer Institute at St. John Catholic Center. Please be on the lookout for more information regarding registration for a blessed week of social justice education and service in the local community for both youth and adults.

In January, we reinstated our traditional duty of maintaining the church cleaning with monthly volunteers.

In February we pulled off yet another successful Father Daughter Dance: "A Winter's Princess Ball." It was an unforgettable evening where every girl was a princess. Thank you again to all the ladies and gentlemen, who prepared, coordinated, and worked the event.

On February 16<sup>th</sup>, the Altar Society, once again led the Stations of the Cross with our "new" tradition of leading with the "Mary's Way of the Cross" to include fresh roses.

Our last goal of the year remains in progress. We are searching for a new executive committee to serve as President, Vice President, and Treasurer/Secretary for a 2-year term, along with two additional ladies who feel led to lead a subcommittee for a 6 to 12-month period, such as a large fundraiser or monitoring the sacristy cleaning. If you feel called to serve in capacity for one of these volunteer positions, please contact the church office or email your inquiry to the Altar Society Executive Officers at: [altarsociety@holysouls.org](mailto:altarsociety@holysouls.org).

*Altar Society's Father - Daughter Dance  
"A Winter's Princess Ball"*



**Claudia Raffo  
and  
Zachary Patterson**  
January 12, 2024



*And the Most Original Costume Award Goes to Ms. Holy Souls!!!!*



*"Bell of the Ball" Winner brought her father and grandfather*



*Princesses checking out the Prize Baskets*



*Faithful Father-Daughter Dance volunteers!!!!*



*Our Faithful Priests and dance attendees.*



Have you  
visited  
Holy Souls  
Church's

**FACEBOOK  
PAGE?**

**[www.facebook.com/OLHSAR](http://www.facebook.com/OLHSAR)**

## *Testimonial*

**FROM SELINA M. RIPA**

In 2021, my stepson, Pierce, transferred to Holy Souls School. This transition left me looking for a new volunteer gig as I had just completed my third year as a committee co-chair within the PTO at his previous school. Looking for something different, I started searching for my next volunteer gig. I jumped into the church office, knowing some of the staff well, after having been a member of the parish for 16 years. I asked the staff, "What is there to do around here that needs to be done?" The response was, "we want you to consider leading a rebuild of the Altar Society and recruit a new executive committee." (The Covid Pandemic had somewhat crippled the organization which resulted in no meetings or events held for 18 months).

At the time, I was in a significant grieving period over the loss of my father; therefore, I shied away from the task. I did not feel I was ready and perceived my grief might be a distraction in "getting" the work done. Four months later I walked into the church office again asking, "What can I do and where do I fit in." Again, I was told, "Altar Society needs you." I went home that day and heard in my heart; "You keep asking what it is you can do for my Church, and I am trying to giving it to you!"

I said "YES" to the offer a few days later. Two years later I am happy to have said YES! The two-year period, as Altar Society President, brought me a significant amount of wisdom and some new skills. For over 20 years my life has never been without a volunteer-philanthropic position, primarily working directly with youth or for the benefit of youth, but I was never in a volunteer position to include expressing my Catholic faith.

I really want parishioners to know how much the parish office staff provides support to all the OLHS campus organizations. Every one of the staff will give their time to educate, advise, assist, and support your mission, vision, projects, events, and fundraisers. With that being said, I want to especially thank Laura Humphries, Cindy Stabnick, Susie Williams, Stacey Matchett, Shelley Tienken, Samantha Minster, Susej Thompson, Fr. Daniel Velasco and Fr. Bhaskararao Malapolu, and not to mention Fr. John Marconi for all of their guidance and support over the last two years.

Additionally, the experience allowed me to get to know parishioners, I had once not previously been familiar, such as my fellow executive committee members, Claire Putt, Elizabeth Johnson, Angela Frazer, and many other such as PTO Presidents (past and present) Jenny Ross and Becca Effrien, and Men's Club President Shawn Johnson. They arrived with hearts full of fresh ideas.

I know within my heart this experience has taken me to a more fruitful place, not only for myself, but for my husband, Dave, and my wonderful stepson Pierce. And for that, I am truly grateful.



23rd Annual

# Robert Flynn Memorial Golf Tournament

sponsored by the  
**Holy Souls Men's Club**



- WHY:** Robert Flynn Memorial Scholarship Fund  
(Funds 12 semester scholarships at Holy Souls School per year.)
- WHEN:** Saturday, May 18, 2024
- WHERE:** Country Club of Arkansas in Maumelle
- TIME:** Shotgun Start @ 8:30 A.M.
- COST:** \$90 per person
- WHO:** Individuals and/or teams - Scramble (4 Person)
- CONTACT:** Jim Lareau (501) 258-2422, JLAREAU@travelers.com  
or Kelley Renard (501) 231-3582, krenard@dolr.org
- FOOD:** There will be drinks on the course & a post-golf lunch for all players



**HOLE SPONSORSHIP:** \$100  
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**CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO:** Holy Souls Men's Club

**MAIL TO:** Our Lady of Holy Souls, 1003 No. Tyler St., Little Rock, AR 72205  
ATTN: Robert Flynn Memorial Golf Tournament

**VENMO:** @Holysoulsmensclub

**TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

ALL TEAMS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE - NO COLLECTIONS THE DAY OF TOURNAMENT



## Our Lady's Way

Praying Together  
"To Jesus  
Through Mary"

Join our intercessory rosary prayer group and cover our parish, our diocese, our country, our world in prayer by saying the Rosary, the Hail Holy Queen, the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Prayer of St. Michael, and the Sub Tuum Praesidium with us.

**On Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.**  
in the Gathering Room in the Church or pray with our group in spirit at a time and place of your choosing.



## Children's Liturgy of the Word

The Children's Liturgy is in need of volunteers at the 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday Masses.

If you would like to help with the joyful ministry of bringing the Liturgy of the Word to our children at an age-appropriate level, please call the Church Office.

# Welcome to our New Catholics!

Easter Vigil Mass, March 30, 2024



### ***Reception of the Sacraments of Initiation:***

*Louise Minor ~ Saint Kateri Tekakwitha*

*Anthony Shoptaw ~ Saint Joseph*

### ***Profession of Faith:***

*Amber Bartels ~ Saint Thérèse of Lisieux*

*Robert Edison, Jr. ~ Saint Padre Pio*

*Ryan Hill ~ Saint Luke*

*Nolan Kordsmeier ~ Saint Michael the Archangel*

*Nathan Tucker ~ Saint Joseph*

*Brett Wallace ~ Saint Francis of Assisi*

*Tyler Williams ~ Saint Luke*

*Josie Roberson ~ Saint Joan of Arc*

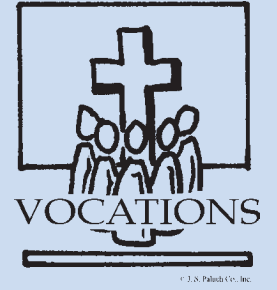
### ***First Communion & Confirmation:***

*Patrick Paullus ~ Saint Thomas Aquinas*

### ***Confirmation:***

*Elizabeth Darnold ~ Saint Lucy*

*Marian Ramirez ~ Saint Teresa of Calcutta*



## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*Father, we pray that more young people will be generous in responding to your invitation to be priests, brothers and sisters. Teach them to follow in Jesus' footprints by bringing the light of the Holy Spirit to all people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



*Photos  
by  
Bob Barnett*

# FUNERAL LUNCHEON MINISTRY

Our Funeral Luncheon Groups prepare a meal for the family following the funeral of their loved one.

We have four groups, so when you sign up to help you will only be called to help occasionally.

You can prepare the food and drop it by the church office on your way to work or bring it when you come to the funeral and drop it off at the Parish Hall. If you don't like to cook, you can buy a dessert, salad, etc. You can serve at the luncheon and help clean up! You can even donate dollars to the Funeral Luncheon Fund.

The families of the deceased are always very grateful for this service and always comment on the warmth and care exhibited by the volunteers. It is a wonderful service to bereaved families.

There are many ways you can help; please call the church office to join a group.

## Cub Scout Pack 27 News

Cub Scout Pack 27 at Our Lady of the Holy Souls offers boys in kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade opportunities to get outside, develop new skills, have fun, and give back to the community.

Highlights this year include the Fellers Bake-off in December, in which boys and their dads, uncles, and grandfathers bake creative and delicious treats; the Pinewood Derby, in which scouts race wooden cars they have designed and built; and the Blue and Gold Banquet, in which we celebrate the achievements of all our boys.

Our dens have toured the USS Razorback submarine, gone fishing, hiked to the top of Pinnacle Mountain, and learned how to safely build a campfire.

*(continued on next page)*



*Fellers Bake-Off*



*Pinewood Derby*



*Blue & Gold Banquet*



*Tour of USS Razorback submarine*



*Gone Fishing*



*Hiking at Pinnacle Mountain*

## Our Lady of the Holy Souls YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Currently there are 43 children enrolled in our Youth Faith Formation program. It is for all children Kindergarten through 8th grade who are parishioners at Holy Souls. They meet every Sunday morning during the School Year. The teachers are Danielle Mahan, Jesael Gonzalez, Jason Mann, Katie Mann, Karen Flake, Rebecca Aldea, Vera Zawislak, Allison Hill, and Jessica Remsing. Volunteers are Zofia Jablonska and Thomas Lipham. Jason & Kate Mann make breakfast each week for the YFF children.



## Cub Scout Pack 27 News

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Cub Scouts learn the importance of service to others. In November, we visited the MacArthur Museum of Military History before picking up trash in MacArthur Park, and our older boys helped the Boy Scouts clean up at the Men's Club Fish Fry.

We are grateful for all the support from Our Lady of the Holy Souls.

All boys are welcome to join our Pack! Please contact [hsscubpack27@gmail.com](mailto:hsscubpack27@gmail.com) for more information.



*Learning how to safely build a campfire.*



*Helping clean up after Fish Fry*

***In  
Memory  
of  
Your  
Deceased  
Loved Ones***

You are invited to have pictures of your deceased loved ones placed in the Adoration Chapel. Please bring 4"x 6" or 5"x 7" unframed pictures to the Church Office.

## HOLY SEWS MINISTRY

We make beautiful layettes for stillborn babies who are too tiny and fragile for regular baby clothes. Even if you don't sew, there are many other things you can do to help this ministry fulfill its commitment to its mission. You can even do your part at home.

Join us for our monthly workdays usually the second Sunday.

Watch the bulletin for the next workday!

# Blessed with Gratitude, Grace and Growth

## Holy Sews, Inc.

### GRATITUDE:

We are thankful to our church family for your continued support. The Men's Club, the Social Concerns Ministry, and Holy Souls School helped make 2023 yet another record year of providing dignity, honor, and compassion to thousands of families who suffer the loss of their tiny baby during the second trimester.

In 2023, Holy Sews chapters fulfilled orders for over 7,600 layette sets. That means volunteers from multiple states sewed through over 2,550 yards of fabric to fulfill requests from hospitals, birth centers, and funeral homes nationwide!

In the fall of 2023, Holy Sews added a new corporate partner. Staley Electric is a full-service electrical company offering residential and commercial services in Central Arkansas. They have partnered with organizations around Arkansas that align with their commitment to help support children and families, touched by our mission, Staley Electric has graciously invited Holy Sews to be a part of its SOAR program. Joining other notable organizations such as CARTI, Arkansas Children's Hospital, Catholic High School for Boys and others who share Staley's mission. When you mention Holy Sews when placing a residential or commercial service call, five percent of your total bill will be given back directly to Holy Sews.

If your business would be interested in partnering with Holy Sews, please contact us at [regina@holysews.org](mailto:regina@holysews.org).

### GRACE:

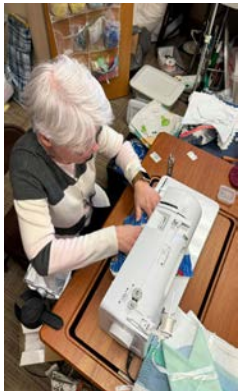
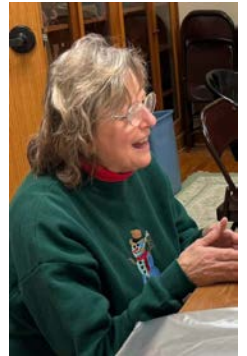
We are pleased to announce that we have launched a new website! Vines/Brookshire Advertising Agency blessed our ministry by donating their time and talent to create a beautiful new space on the internet to help Holy Sews spread the word about the meaningful service we provide.

### GROWTH:

As Holy Sews continues to grow, we need our church family more than ever. There are so many important jobs that do not require sewing—from cutting fabric to packaging layettes for shipping.

You can play a direct part in the layette construction process by ordering an item off our Holy Sews Little Rock Chapter Amazon Wishlist, or you can drop off gift cards to help. We accept gift cards to Amazon, JoAnn Fabrics, Walmart, Target, and any other establishment that sells fabrics or sewing notions like buttons, ribbon, sewing supplies and more.

On May 15, Regina Binz will join Holy Sews Oneonta, NY chapter coordinator, Sally Ann Lamanna, at the International Perinatal Bereavement Conference in Chicago, Illinois. There are over two hundred registered attendees. This conference allows Holy Sews to meet one-on-one with labor and delivery and bereavement professionals worldwide to introduce them to our ministry and how to access our services. We will also provide them with layettes to take back to their respective hospitals.



# Cackie Upchurch Visits Holy Souls

On February 25, Cackie Upchurch was a speaker for Our Lady of the Holy Souls' Lenten Speaker Series. Cackie is a former member of Our Lady of the Holy Souls Church. Her topic was "Eucharist: The Bread of Life." We are a eucharistic people. Like Christ, our lives can become bread for the world -- blessed, broken, and shared for the sake of a world in need of a life-giving vision. She spoke about how might the Eucharist transform the way we live.



## Visit Our Lady of the Holy Souls Website

- Read this weekend's bulletin early
- Find out what is happening at Holy Souls by checking the Bulletin Board
- Register in the parish or update your contact information
- Read "The Parishioner" our quarterly newsletter
- Volunteer to be part of many organizations in our parish and in our community

[www.holysouls.org](http://www.holysouls.org)

## Online Prayer Wall

POST A PRAYER



SAY A PRAYER

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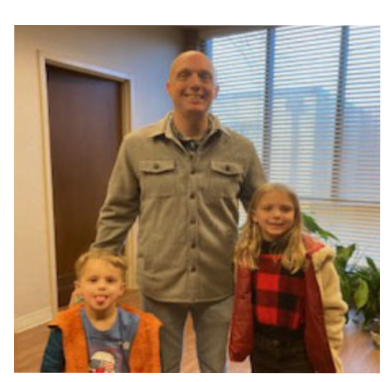
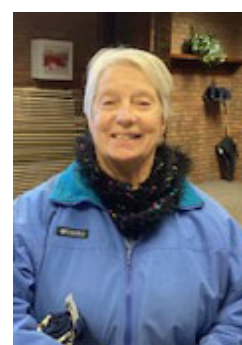
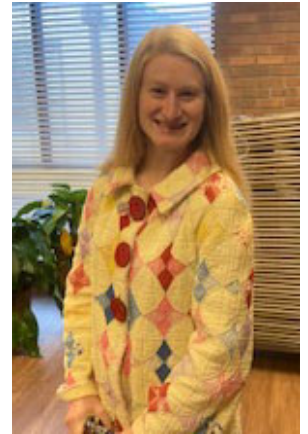
SUNDAYS:

May 19th

July 21st

# 227 Lives Saved by Holy Souls' January and March Blood Drives

Thanks to our wonderful Our Lady of the Holy Souls' Parishioners and friends up to 227 lives could be saved by our last two blood drives! On January 21, 36 people donated and on March 17 (St. Patrick's Day), 23 people donated. For each whole blood donation, 3 people can be saved; for double red blood donations, 8 people can be saved!







Join the Holy Souls Young Catholic Adults Group



### *Why do people donate?*

Everyone has their own reasons for donating blood, but a few common ones include:

- Donating is a generous thing to do. It helps people in need, and it helps people in your community. When you give, others live.
- Donors, especially those who donate regularly, keep our nation's blood supply stable. Although many people donate blood after disasters, blood is needed every day of the year.
- There is no substitute for blood. Donors provide the only supply of life-saving blood for those in need.
- Donating is simple, fast, and convenient. The donation process can take as little as 45 minutes of your time, but can make a lifelong difference for someone else.

# Msgr. Allen Trust & Development Fund

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## 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 or email. When parishioners reach 18 years of age or unless 21 in college, they should register separately from their family.

## RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please call the Church Office.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

## BAPTISM

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

## CHURCH VISITS

On Monday, Tuesday, and Thursdays the church is open for visits from 7:30 till 3pm. On Friday the church is open for visits from 9:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please use Handicapped Door in front of church or the Harrison St. door by the piano after 10 a.m. On Wednesday, the church is open from 8am till after the 5:30pm Mass.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the church office a minimum of six

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## Mass Schedule

### SUNDAY

8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,  
& 5:30 p.m. - Masses

### MONDAY

7:00 a.m. - Mass

### TUESDAY

7:00 a.m. - Mass

### WEDNESDAY

5:30 p.m. - Mass

### THURSDAY

7:00 a.m. - Mass

### FRIDAY

7:00 a.m. Mass  
8:15 a.m. School Mass

### SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. - Mass  
(only on 1st Saturday  
of month)  
4:00 p.m. - (Anticipated  
Mass)

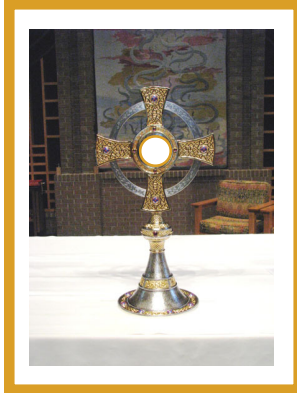
## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesdays  
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.;  
Saturday Afternoon  
2:30 to 3:30 p.m. or  
by appointment by  
calling the Church Office

## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
8:00 - 11:30 a.m.  
and  
12:30 - 3:30 p.m.

# *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 5:15 pm.**

## ***Invitation to the Men of the Parish***

### **If you are interested in:**

- Helping those in need
- Serving our parishes
- Growing in your Catholic faith
- Making new friends
- Having exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family
- (yeah...and a little fun along the way)
- Then the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you!
- Please consider joining us!
- For more information, please contact Pete Stabnick at 501-663-8632, [office@holysouls.org](mailto:office@holysouls.org), or visit [KofC.org](http://KofC.org).



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