



NEWS OF OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Parishioner

“Encounter Jesus, Serve Others.”

Fall - Winter 2023

Message from Our Pastor

Dear members of Our Lady of the Holy Souls family,

Many things have happened since the last issue of “The Parishioner.” Ordination anniversary, first day of school, big birthday, more children at Masses. While pondering what to write for this issue, the Holy Spirit reminded me that we are in the Eucharistic Revival. This year the focus is at the parish level. So, I began thinking about how our parish family at Our Lady of the Holy Souls might embrace this call to a more profound love and appreciation for the Eucharist. Each parish community is unique and what may be attractive and work for other parishes may not be the best option for our parish family. With that thought in mind, I know our parishioners strive to follow Jesus and continue growing in their relationship with Him. For some parishioners this Revival and its objectives might seem more straightforward and others may wonder where to begin or what to do.



In this year of the Eucharistic revival, I want to invite each of our parishioners to start pondering as you walk toward the altar to think about who you are preparing to receive. As you walk toward the altar, I would ask you to pay attention to your heart as you move closer to receiving the Redeemer of the world. As you stand in front of the priest, deacon, or Eucharistic minister and you respond with your Amen, may your heart

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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.

Message from Our Pastor

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and mind both be ready to accept, fully accept, that Jesus is truly present – body, blood, soul and divinity in the Eucharist you receive.

In all honesty, every day of our lives should be a Eucharistic Revival Day because if we are attentive to the deepest desire of our hearts, we know that as we consume the Body of Christ we will desire to meet Him again as soon as we leave the Church. The Mass invites us to take Jesus, the Word and the Eucharist, with us and bring Him in all our encounters.

May the Holy Spirit grant each one of us the grace to realize how much we need Jesus in the Eucharist.

Our Lady of the Holy Souls, pray for us.

Blessings,
Fr. Daniel

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

**Abigail & Tyler Arnold
and their child,
Aiden**
128 Jewell Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72207

Amber & Walker Bartels
308 North Palm Street
Little Rock, AR 72205

Makayla & Patrick Bartsch
611 Brewer St.
Ward, AR 72176

**Susan & Keith Booker
and their children,
Willow, Zy'Aire
and Sammie**
812 W. "B" Ave.
N. Little Rock, AR 72116

Yahaira Castro
6324 Sullivan Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72210

**Emily & James Cheek
and their children,
James & Julia**
4 Coffee Pot Lane
Little Rock, 72202

**Miranda & Nathan Crawford
and their child,
Evelyn**
2622 Wentwood Valley Dr.
Little Rock, AR 72212

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Holiday Mass Schedule

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 23

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 24

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:30 a.m. Mass

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24

4:00 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass
(Carols begin at 3:30 p.m.)

4:15 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass #2 in Allen Center

6:30 p.m. Christmas Children's Mass
(Carols led by Children's Choir begin at 6 p.m.)

10:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass
(Carols led by Parish Choir begin at 9:30 p.m.)

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25

10:00 a.m. Christmas Mass
(Carols begin at 9:30 a.m.)

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Saturday, December 30

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 31

8:00 a.m. Mass

10:30 a.m. Mass

5:30 p.m. Mass

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

New Year's Day, Monday January 1, 2024

10:00 a.m. Mass



Blue Christmas Mass A Liturgy of Remembrance

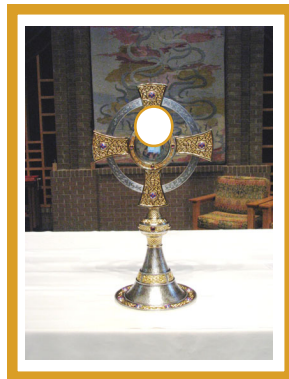
Thursday, December 21st

5:30 p.m.

Our Lady of the Holy Souls Church

You are invited to our Blue Christmas Mass if you are suffering from grief due to a loss caused by death, divorce or a forced separation. The holidays can be a very hard time for those that are grieving causing sadness instead of joy. It is a beautiful Liturgy to celebrate the life of your loved ones. Come, join us!

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 5:00pm.**

New Parishioners

**Victoria DeFrancesco &
Neftali Garcia**
and their children,
Victoria & Maximiliano
405 Midland St.
Little Rock, AR 72205

Keedy & Sean Dineen
and their child,
Camden
43 Coachlight Dr.
Little Rock, AR 72227

Gloria Guardado
17220 Elvin Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72210

Lindsay & Justin Harper
and their child,
Ruth
15 Saffron Circle
Little Rock, AR 72223

Amanda Hayes
and her child,
Brilynn
411 McAdoo St.
Little Rock, AR 72205

Cindy Henriquez
and her children,
**Judith, Benett
& Locke**
3101 Echo Valley Dr.
Little Rock, AR 72227

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New Parishioners

**Michelle & Shane
Hutchison**
and their children,
Isabella & Luke
24 Sugarloaf Loop
Maumelle, AR 72113

Mark Johnson
713 N. Pierce St.
Little Rock, AR 72205

Karsyn Kraft & Jeffrey Hill
1712 N. Polk St.
Little Rock, AR 72207

Kathleen & Garrett Lile
and their child,
Ellie
50 Rocky Valley Cove
Little Rock, AR 72212

**Elizabeth Villalon &
Adrian Lopez**
and their children,
Marian & Sophia
2097 Brentwood Dr.
Alexander, AR 72002

Grace Murphy
700 N. Harrison St.
Little Rock, AR 72205

Ashley Nguyen
713 N. Pierce St.
Little Rock, AR 72205

Grief and the Holidays

By: Laura Humphries, CT
Parish Life & Stewardship Director

With the holidays rapidly approaching many that are grieving may be feeling like this time of the year is far more than they can handle. How can they be excited about having Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner without a loved one? Being with loved ones is just part of the holidays but now they are not here. How can we possibly get through it?

Well, we may not feel as though we can manage the days ahead, but we will with help. Jesus taught in the Beatitudes, *Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.* If we turn to him, he will help us. Prayer, and remembering that God is always with us, can be very helpful.

From the sources below are some suggestions how to manage mourning during the holidays:

- Have a plan as to what you are going to do.
It is best not to let things just happen.
- Have an exit strategy from parties (if you go at all),
let the host or hostess know that if you leave without saying goodbye,
they will know why.
- Stay off social media.
- Do something different/create new traditions; take a trip somewhere.
- Donate time or money in the loved one's name to their favorite charity.
- Volunteer serving a meal to the homeless.
- Focus on what you can control.
- Set a place at the table for the deceased and
have family and friends talk about their favorite memories,
talk about them and say their name.
- Allow yourself to feel a range of emotions,
they are going to come, don't deny them
and be gentle with yourself.
- Don't decorate if you don't want to, it's okay.
- Remind family if you are having a rough time.
- Don't be afraid to ask for help when you feel like you need it
and don't be afraid to accept help either.

Excerpts taken from Internet:

*How to Deal with Grief During the Holidays, Amy Morin, 12/21/2015, Fotolia.com

*10 Ways to Cope with Grief/Loss During the Holidays, Kristin Meekhof, 12/21/2016 Huffpost

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Building and Grounds

By: Susie Williams,
Facilities and Special Events Coordinator

Lights, Camera, Action!!

The Allen Center stage recently welcomed a fresh look with a new curtain installation. The old stage curtains were the originals, and were out of fire hazard code for stage fabrics torn to shreds and long in need of replacement. Thank you Our Lady of the Holy Souls School PTO for funding the stage curtain replacement. The cost was \$7,879. The new curtains are a welcome sight for parish events and school productions.



Thank you as well to a few very talented Men's Club carpenters and laborers for coming two separate evenings to rebuild the stage backdrops for school productions. The previous backdrops, while they were grand and great, were extremely large, didn't fit in the backstage area, and were very difficult to move around. Only one section was used during last year's production of Moana. A local city production recently revealed an idea for backdrop options that could work better for school productions and I came up with a plan. Several Men's Club volunteers showed up to work on my crazy plan and willingly followed my very rough sketches and directions.



After 2 evenings of work and some bribes of food the new backdrops were completed. The Theater Arts class now has a new bi-fold backdrop that is on wheels and offers two sides and much better mobility. Thank You Men's Club especially Bruce Saad, Tom Devine, Rob Traweck, Tim Fisk, Tyler Choate, Mike Lipsmeyer, and Joe Fratesi for you time and talent!

The cafeteria lights failed over the summer and they have been replaced with new LED fixtures. The stage will also receive new LED bulbs to aid in better stage lighting. These items were covered by the school maintenance fund. Kelley Vogelgesang and Carly Golladay welcome you to this year's theater and arts department production of Frozen this December. Please join them and appreciate all the work and upgrades that have taken place in the cafetorium, and applaud the great work of Our Lady of the Holy Souls School children.



New Parishioners

Trudy & Raymond Pascale
4 Valley Creek View
Little Rock, AR 72223

Elvia Perez
817 Fox Ridge Dr.
Benton, AR 72019

**Clare Reiker
and her child,
Zoey**
600 Hardin Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72211

Sarah Jane & Gervy Relano
22 Sagamore Ct.
Maumelle, AR 72113

**Stephanie & Matthew
Roberson
and their child,
Josie**
62 Woodlore Circle
Little Rock, AR 72211

**Summer & Joshua Shaudys
and their child,
Scarlett**
4900 Sugar Maple Lane
Little Rock, AR 72212

Gilda Skrmetti
5107 Manor Ave.
Little Rock, AR 72204

New Parishioners

Lizette & Stuart Thomas
224 Pine Valley Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72207

Sarah Thomas
and her child,
Caitlynn
21 Bishop Place
Little Rock, AR 72223

Brett Wallace
3128 North Hills Blvd.,
Apt. 13204
N. Little Rock, AR 72116

Season of Gratitude

*by Amber Bagby, Principal
Our Lady of the Holy Souls School*

As November settles upon us it brings cooler days and earlier sunsets. Nature's way in a sense, of suggesting we stay in a little more, catch up on rest we have neglected, and if lucky enough let go of a little inevitable chaos. In turn this allows space to be more mindful of those blessings right in front of us. Quite timely as November encourages a season of gratitude and gifts. The halls of our school may still foster a little chaos, nevertheless it is easy to recognize the blessings among us.

Our Lady of the Holy Souls School was recently named "Best of the Best" by the Arkansas Democrat Gazette! We won in both categories, Best Private Elementary and Middle School. We know that with a strong spiritual foundation, teacher commitment, strategic planning, and community support, we will continue to provide the very "best of the best" educational experience for our children.



The Monsignor Allen Trust and Development Fund (MATDF) as well as our PTO continue to support our school through the generosity of donors and lively events. The 2023 Girls Night Bingo brought a record breaking crowd. You ladies are winners to us! Father Daniel and Father Bhaskar brought the fun while adding humor as callers for the night. Bingo was followed up with MATDF's annual "Mums for Monsignor" fundraiser. Over 700 mums were sold!



In October, the PTO hosted their bi-annual Soul Night event. It was a great night of friends, fellowship, and FUN-Raising! Funds from this event will continue to support the schools strategic plans around safety, innovation, education, and campus wide upgrades. We continue to be overwhelmed with gratitude for the individuals who make these events happen and for all your generosity.



While the adults were having fun, the students were busy making memories of their own. Our 8th Graders kicked off the year with an outing to Ferncliff. They spent the day participating in a high ropes course building trust among one

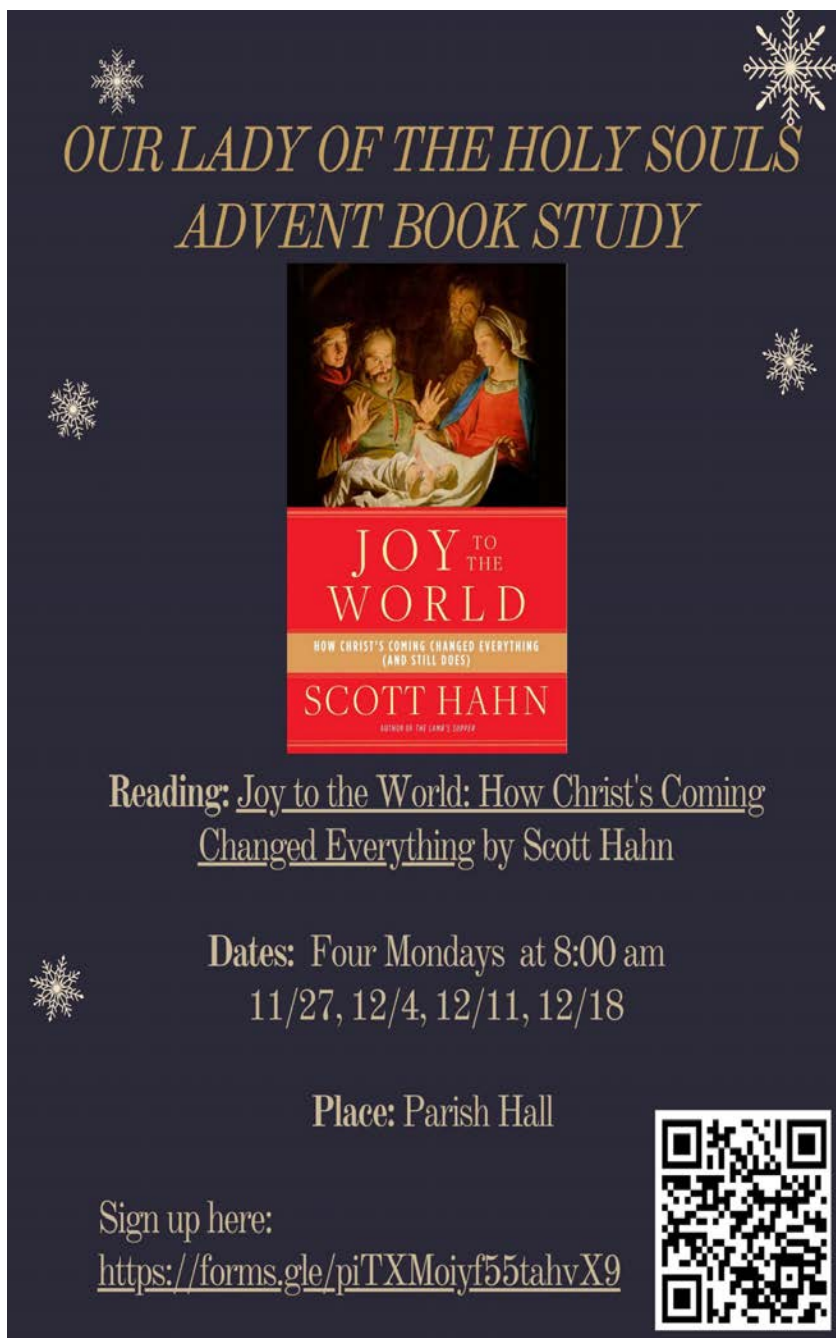
another. In October our 2nd Graders were given their Guardian Angel pins by their 7th Grade buddies during Mass. This was followed up in November with our 3rd Grade marching in for All Saints Day Mass dressed as their chosen saints.

The aforementioned traditions have been woven into an ordinary school year reinforcing the values, the beliefs, and the WABBIT WAY. The celebrations, from Bingo to Guardian Angels, have been scripted for many decades and generations before us. They deepen our connections with one another. Pope Francis said, “The existence of each individual is deeply tied to that of others: life is not simply time that passes; life is a time for interactions.”

So as we lean into this season of gratitude our school will always recognize our traditions and community as two of our greatest gifts.

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.



The poster features a dark blue background with white snowflake icons in the corners. At the top, the text reads "OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS ADVENT BOOK STUDY" in a gold, serif font. Below this is a central image of the book cover for "Joy to the World: How Christ's Coming Changed Everything (and Still Does)" by Scott Hahn. The book cover has a red top section with the title in white, a gold middle section with the subtitle, and a red bottom section with the author's name. Below the book cover, the text "Reading: Joy to the World: How Christ's Coming Changed Everything by Scott Hahn" is displayed in a gold, serif font. Further down, the text "Dates: Four Mondays at 8:00 am 11/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18" is shown in the same font. Below that, "Place: Parish Hall" is written. At the bottom left, it says "Sign up here:" followed by the URL "https://forms.gle/piTXMoiyf55tahvX9". A QR code is located at the bottom right of the poster.

DEATHS



Edianne Flynn Cheek
daughter of
Hannah & David Cheek,
and sister of
Thomas

Fr. Maraiiah Pasala

Doug Pilcher

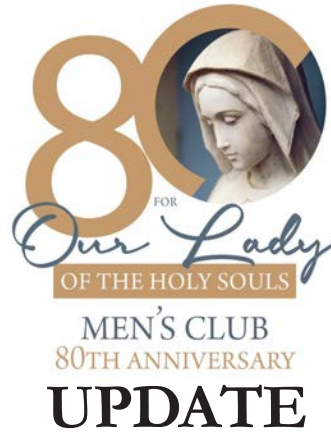
Laura Peach

Craig Louviere
father of
Seth Louviere,
and grandfather of
James Louviere

Bob Mazzanti
father of
Bart Mazzanti
and grandfather of
Landi Mazzanti

Jim Mahan
father of
Leslie O'Malley
and Kara Aaron,
and grandfather of
Helen O'Malley,
Wilson O'Malley, and
Will & Tyler Aaron

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by *Shawn Johnson, President*

February 2024 marks the 80th anniversary of the Our Lady of the Holy Souls Men's Club. Dubbed "80 for Our Lady," the year is dedicated to all of the Men's Club's signature events and a few more.

On Saturday, January 13, 2024, we will host the 38th Annual Shrimp and Oyster Dinner. Sponsorships and corporate tables are available for purchase. Does your business or family wish to sponsor the event? Please write to MensClub@HolySouls.org for information about sponsorship. Last year's sponsors were listed on a banner and in all email literature from the club (see attached photo). This is a great way to show your support for the church and school.

We are grateful to the younger members of the



Mens Club—Adam “Poolboy” Dunaway, Steve Aday, Greg McCarroll, Jamie Metrailler, and others—who helped organize “Fairways to Heaven” on August 12, 2023. Together, we hosted more than 100 miniature golfers in raising funds for our church and school. We look forward to this event being a repeat success next year.

Our New Member Party was held on August 14, 2023 at Hill Station in Hillcrest. We have recruited 50 new members over the past two years. We are grateful for your support of our mission to help the teachers and to support the general Parish concerns and activities.



Fish fry dates are: February 16, 2024, March 1, 2024, and March 15, 2024.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

38th Annual
SHRIMP AND OYSTER
- DINNER -

AN EVENING IN MONACO AFTERPARTY

Presented by whLaw
Sponsored by the Holy Souls Men's Club

Saturday, January 13, 2023 5:00-8:00 pm - Holy Souls Allen Center
Dinner Tickets - \$35 Corporate/Group Tables - \$600 (10 people)

Call Al Matzewski @ 501.747.4454 or Pete Stabnick @ 501.400.4460
ORDER ONLINE at holysouls.org

All Reservations Must Be Made Before January 3, 2024

**Purchase your tickets online (www.holysouls.org)
or in the Church Office!**

DEATHS



Bob Brasher

brother-in-law of
Jim Sick,
uncle of
Jeffrey Sick and
Mary Helen Brigger,
and great-uncle of
Julia & Forest Sick,
and Jack, Noah,
Elizabeth & Hannah
Briggler

Melissa John

wife of
David John,
and mother of
Jett John

Mary Goshen

mother of
Theresa Hall,
grandmother of
Jessica Hall,
and
great-grandmother of
Thomas, Andrew,
Elizabeth & Lyla
Hall

Bill Younts,

father of
David Younts,
and
great-grandfather of
Sage Younts

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DEATHS



Lisa Goodhart Steadman,
sister of
Karen Flake and
Deacon Jim Goodhart,
aunt of
Rebecca Aldea,
Laura Goodhart &
Philip Goodhart,
and great-aunt of
Gabriel Aldea,
Madeline, Rose, &
Alice Mitchell,
and
Amelia Goodhart

Our Lady of the Holy Souls Altar Society News

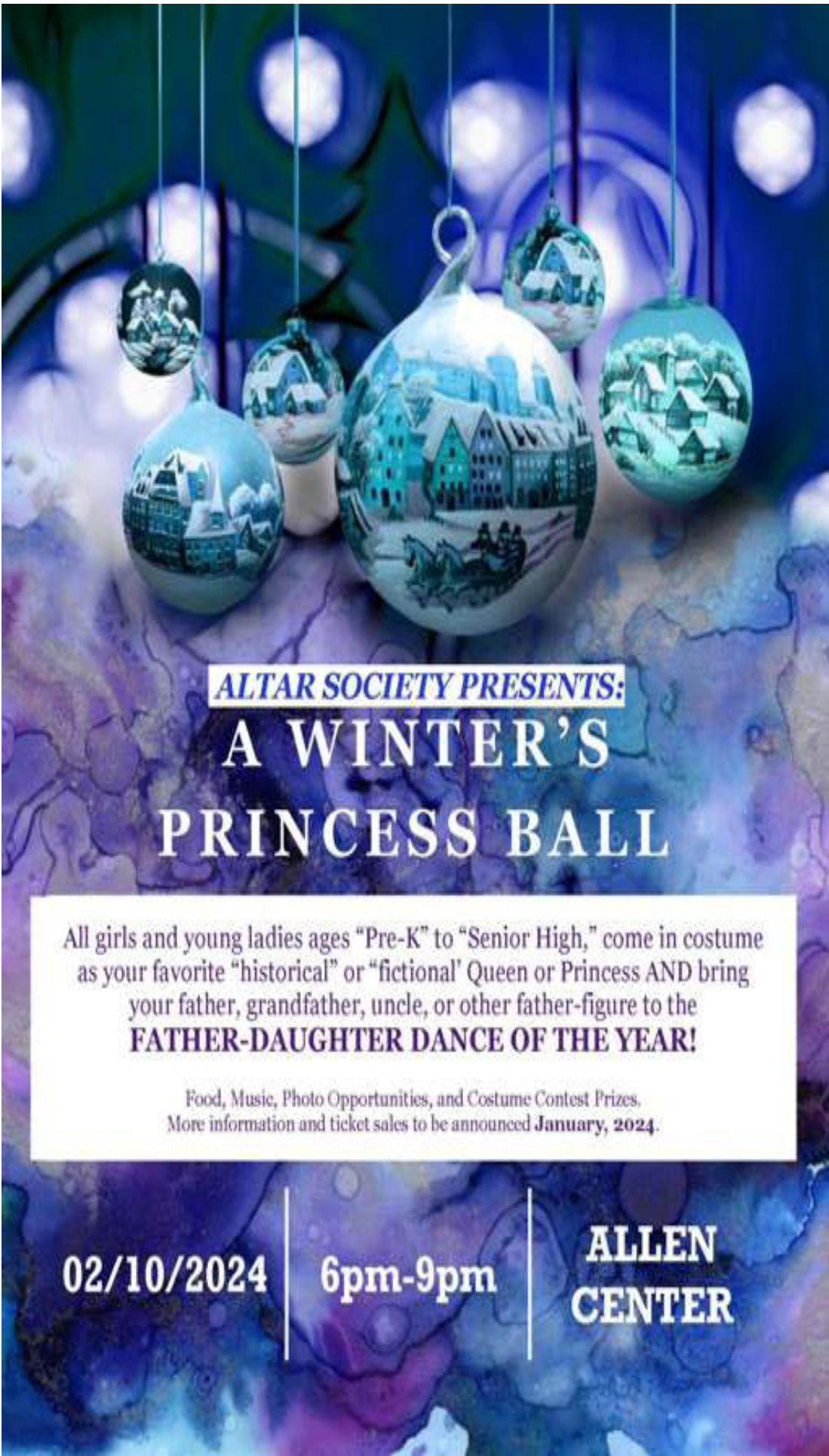
by Claire Putt, Altar Society Vice President



Catholicism has a beautiful relationship with tradition. Our Lady of the Holy Souls has many wonderful traditions to offer for everyone to try. The Altar Society has slowly been building back to full force since the Pandemic. We had a wonderful year last year, of meetings, socializing, and fundraising through Mardi Gras and the Father-Daughter Dance. We will continue many of these traditions and will be pulling in new ones as we continue through the year.

The tradition of Mardi Gras is to alternate with Our Lady of the Holy Souls School's fundraiser Soul Night. This will be an "off" year for Mardi Gras, but the Altar Society will be hosting the Father-Daughter Dance again in February. For this coming year, one of our other big goals is to bring back the tradition of caring for the sacristy. The Altar Society is also responsible for providing and caring for the liturgical flowers and plants throughout the year. We will also facilitate Christmas and Easter decorating.

A new tradition we are starting is to include all members to take turns and participate in the set-up and preparations of general meetings if they wish. This not only facilitates a sense of ownership for all members, it also adds variety to our meetings. We welcome new ideas and creativity! We will also be on the lookout for new members of the executive committee in May of 2024. If you are interested in more information, please email questions and requests to altarsociety@holysouls.org. As we enter the season of traditions, consider adding Altar Society meetings and volunteer opportunities to your traditions. We look forward to seeing you!



ALTAR SOCIETY PRESENTS:

A WINTER'S PRINCESS BALL

All girls and young ladies ages "Pre-K" to "Senior High," come in costume as your favorite "historical" or "fictional" Queen or Princess AND bring your father, grandfather, uncle, or other father-figure to the **FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE OF THE YEAR!**

Food, Music, Photo Opportunities, and Costume Contest Prizes.
More information and ticket sales to be announced **January, 2024.**

02/10/2024

6pm-9pm

**ALLEN
CENTER**

ALTAR SOCIETY 2023-2024 Schedule of Meetings, Events & Duties

Mon., Nov. 27th
6:30pm - Parish Hall
**Getting Back to the
Sacristy (Phase 2) and
Holiday Treats-
Member's Meeting**

Fri., Dec. 8th
& Sat., Dec. 9th
ALLEN CENTER
Altar Society assists
with set-up
& decoration for:
**PARISH CHRISTMAS
PARTY**

Sun., Dec. 17th
11:30am - Church
Altar Society leads
**Decoration of
Church for Christmas
Season & Masses**

Mon., Jan. 22nd
6:30pm - Parish Hall
**Member's Chili Contest
& Meeting**

Sat., Feb 10th
6 - 9pm - Allen Center
Father-Daughter Dance
Theme: *A Winter's
"Princess" Ball*

Mon., April 22nd
6:30pm - Location TBD
**Dinner - Members'
Meeting;**
Topic: Social Justice

Mon., May 20th
6:30pm - Parish Hall
**Dinner-Members'
Meeting**

HOLY SOULS SENIOR'S GROUP

Monthly Meetings,
Monthly Supper Club,
and Monthly Field Trips . . .
join any or all events!

We would love to have you join our fun if you are 55 or older.
Contact President Liz Hunsicker at 501-951-4146 for details.

FUN WITH THE SENIORS GROUP!

Supper Club at Fantastic China

celebrating Fr. Daniel's birthday



October Fest Meeting



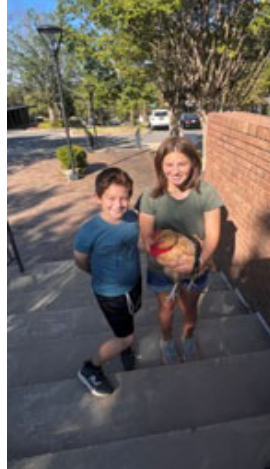
Immaculate Heart of Mary Polish Karnawal



Frances DeLeuil in Beauty Contest at Presbyterian Village

Annual Pet Blessing

In honor of the Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi, on Saturday morning, Saturday, September 30th, many parishioners and friends brought their pets to be blessed by Fr. Daniel and Fr. Bhaskar. St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day was October 3th.



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.

Online Prayer Wall

POST A PRAYER



SAY A PRAYER

<https://web4ucorp.com/prayerwall/holysouls>



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Holy Souls
Church's

**FACEBOOK
PAGE?**

www.facebook.com/OLHSAR

News from our Boy Scouts



My name is Rett Gunther and I am a Tenderfoot with Scout Troop 27 here at Our Lady of Holy Souls. As a scout troop, we have lots of fun participating in monthly campouts, working as a group on service projects as well as learning a lot at our weekly meetings. Our Troop has really grown over the past year and we are always excited to



welcome new scouts. Our monthly campouts include activities such as cliff jumping at Greers Ferry, horse back riding at Lake DeGray, hiking at Mt Nebo, whitewater rafting in Oklahoma and my favorite is our week-long Summer Camp at Camp Rockefeller in Damascus, AR. Our older scouts also participate in High Adventure camps such as Philmont in New Mexico, Northern Tier in Minnesota and the National Scout Jamboree in Virginia.



In addition to camping, our service projects include things like assisting the Our Lady of the Holy Souls Men's Club with their spring Fish Fry's, helping with the Little Rock tornado victims recovery and various other community service projects that we participate in.

I would like to say Thank You to Our Lady of Holy Souls for the support you provide to our Troop!



Currently, we are kicking off our annual Pork Butt Fundraiser and will be selling from now thru November 26th. As the proceeds from this sale help with costs associated with our activities, camping equipment etc, we would appreciate your support.

To learn more about joining Troop 27, please contact Scoutmaster John Robbins at 501-940-3862.

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT GROUP

SIPS FOOD, DRINK,
~AND~ FELLOWSHIP,
SCRIPTS AND THE WORD!

1ST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH
PARISH HALL FOLLOWING 5:30PM MASS

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS



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.

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!



Tenth Annual Arkansas Wave of Light Ceremony Hosted by Holy Sews

A Sanctuary of Collective Remembrance and Support

By: Mary Sue Whitelaw & Samantha Jones

Since 2013, Holy Sews, Inc. has hosted the Arkansas Wave of Light Ceremony on the steps of the State Capitol every October 15. This year, several families from across Arkansas attended to honor their babies lost too soon to miscarriage, stillbirth, and infant death. The ceremony is a supportive event for parents and loved ones grieving their beloved babies. Seeing and speaking with other families coping with the same loss helps the families know they are not alone in their journey through grief. As they sat on the Capitol steps, they watched a tribute wall slideshow with names of precious babies lost too soon, and at 7 p.m., a searchlight, provided by Roller Funeral Homes, illuminated the night sky in remembrance.

Originating from President Ronald Reagan's 1988 proclamation of October as "Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month," this ceremony provides a safe haven for families to speak aloud the names of their children, to reflect on the lives they were not able to live, and to pause and allow the world to grieve with them.

The wave begins at 7:00 pm in the earliest time zone in countries like Samoa, and then passes to island nations like Fiji and the Aleutian Islands. It continues around the globe for 24 hours. As people in each time zone light and set out their candles, a symbolic wave of light goes up across the globe, honoring and remembering countless lives lost.

We are grateful to Roller Funeral Homes for providing a searchlight to illuminate the night sky over the State Capitol each year.

If you would like more information about this event or would like to know more about the mission of Holy Sews, please go to our website at www.holysews.org or visit our Facebook page. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry, please send an email to info@holysews.org.



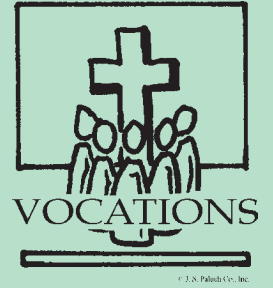
Invitation to the Men of the Parish

If you are interested in:

- Helping those in need
- Serving our parish
- Growing in your Catholic faith
- 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 or office@holysouls.org.



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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.*

Church of Our Lady of the Holy Souls

(July-October, 2023)

MEMORIALS

Frank Kremers

by Lee Willard
by Luke Webre

O. C. Flynn

by Ann & Greg Russell
by Slovak Knights of Columbus
Council #3998
by Books & Broads Book Club
by Larry & Pauline Jegley
by Sally Place

Gene France

Dan & Catherine Young

Diane Graham

by Melanie Strigel

Jan Smith Gresham

by Tricia Brown

Gerald Nesbitt

by Tricia Brown

Laura Watkins Peach

by Tricia Brown

Ernest Whitelaw

by Mary Sue Whitelaw

HONORARIUMS

Deacon Ted Saer

by Andrew & Jessica Nadzam

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.

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SUNDAYS

IN 2024:

January 21st

March 17th

May 19th

July 21st

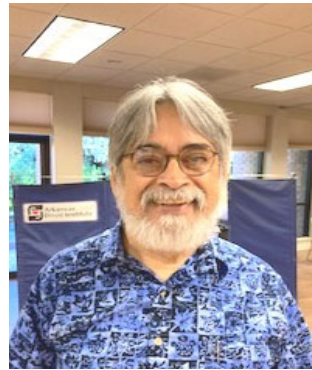
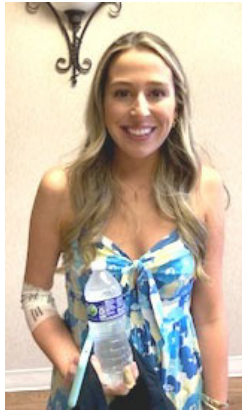
186 Lives Saved by Holy Souls' September & November Blood Drives

Did you know that every two seconds someone needs blood? There is no substitute for human blood, it must be donated. Someone you love might be the someone who next needs blood! Will there be enough blood available? Please consider becoming a blood donor.

Thanks to our wonderful parishioners and friends up to 186 lives of patients in our area hospitals can be saved by our September and November Blood Drives. At our September 10th Blood Drive 24 people donated blood, and at our November 5th Blood Drives 23 people donated blood. Up to three lives can be saved by each regular blood donation and up to eight lives can be saved by each Double Reds donation!

Please mark your calendar to save lives by donating blood.





***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.

*God Bless
Our Wonderful Blood Donors!*

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.

Annual Columbarium Blessing

November 4, 2023 following the 4:00 p.m. Mass



All Souls Cultural Fair

November 4, 2023 following the Columbarium Blessing



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



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.

Children's Saints Procession

On November 5, children were invited to dress up as their favorite saint and be a part of the Opening Processional at the beginning of the 10:30 a.m. Mass.



Mark your calendar for the 94th Annual Italian Sausage Supper

Honoring Louis Mancini

Saturday, December 2

Starts at 5:00 p.m. with Happy Hour
Allen Center

\$15 per person - \$5 children under 12
Purchase your tickets at the door.

Silent Auction

Door Prizes ~ Raffles

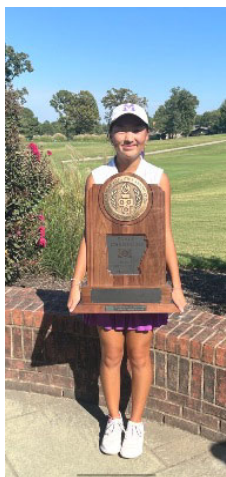
Visit from Santa Claus

For more information, contact
Pete Stabnick through the church office.

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*Congratulation to Chloe Freville
and the Mt. St. Mary's Golf Team
for Winning the 2023 6A State Golf Championship!*





At the 6A Girls State Golf Tournament in October at the Springdale Golf Court, Mt. St. Mary's Golf Team won the Class 6A Team Title! Our Lady of the Holy Souls' parishioner Chloe Freville's final shots captured the championship for her team.


Chloe is the daughter of Mike & Laura Freville. She is an Our Lady of the Holy Souls School graduate and is now a sophomore at The Mount. Chloe serves our parish as an Altar Server.

Chloe practices 5 days a week to improve her game. Her coach is Cody Griffin, and team members who played in the tournament were Lillie York, Ana Bella Gutierrez, and Maria Ezzi. Savannah Straessle and Bella Craiglow are also on the team.

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Msgr. Allen Trust & Development Fund

CONTRIBUTIONS - July - October, 2023

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small.



*Keeping
the Dream
Alive!!!*

For more information,
contact
Amy Bratcher
at Our Lady of the
Holy Souls Church
(501) 663-4513.

Memorials

Mike Limbird

by Jim & Mandy Limbird

Margaret McNeil

by Karen and Paul Griffith

Joe, Janet, and John A. Beck

by Mary and Harrison Clerget

Michael Alexander Pollock

by Marty and Tim Heiple

Anne Porter Prick Clark

by Marty and Tim Heiple

Therese Edmansten Beuford, Class of '73

by John and Janet Breen

Alex Berg

by Marty and Tim Heiple

Karyl and Sarah Bearden

by Richard Bearden

Honorariums

Tommy Ferstl

by Wendy and Ted Saer

Amy Bratcher

by Mary Kelley

by Cathy and Ernest Cunningham

by Sr. Deborah Troillet

Katie O'Malley

by Leslie and Michael O'Malley

Kevin Scanlon

by Wendy and Ted Saer

The Monsignor Allen Trust & Development Fund

was established in 1981 by Msgr. Francis A. Allen.

It not only helps ensure the long-term financial security

of Our Lady of the Holy Souls School,

it also distributes back funds

for current school needs annually.

REGISTRATION FOR NEW MEMBERS

Registration for new members is completed in the church office or online by visiting our web page, www.holysouls.org. Please contact the church office or go online at www.holysouls.org if you have moved, changed your telephone number or email. When parishioners reach 18 years of age, they should register separately from their family.

RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please call Susej Thompson in 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 months in advance.

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.

*All adults of the parish
are invited to attend
the annual*

Our Lady of the Holy Souls Parish's



Saturday, December 9th

5:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Allen Center

Parishioners are invited to bring:

Dip & chip/vegetables/fruit if your last name begins with **A - I**

Hors d'oeuvres if your last name begins with **J - Q**

Dessert if your last name begins with **R - Z**

Meats, bread, and drinks furnished by Altar Society, Men's Club & Parish



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR 2023-2024 SEMINARIANS



Rev. Mr. Cody Eveld
IV Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Joel Brackett
III Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Duwan Booker
Pastoral Year
St. Meinrad Seminary



Tuan Do
II Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Christopher Elser
II Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Quinton Thomas
II Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Joseph Minh Phong Nguyen
II Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Joshua Osborne
I Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Phillip Necessary
II Pre-Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Andrew Schaefer
IV Philosophy
House of Formation



Samuel Stengel
IV Philosophy
House of Formation



Pedro Alvarez
III Philosophy
House of Formation



Elijah Bailey
III Philosophy
House of Formation



Jackson Nichols
III Philosophy
Theological College



Samuel Ray
III Philosophy
Theological College



Steven Wilson
I Pre-Theology
St. Meinrad Seminary



Ryan Carlson
Graduate Propaedeutic Year
St. Meinrad Seminary



Chase Feltner
Graduate Propaedeutic Year
St. Meinrad Seminary



Benjamin Keating
Graduate Propaedeutic Year
St. Meinrad Seminary



Ethan Harris
Graduate Propaedeutic Year
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Nghiep Hoang
Undergraduate Propaedeutic Year
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Jack Smith
Undergraduate Propaedeutic Year
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Jesús Tovar
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Phillip Zawislak
Undergraduate Propaedeutic Year
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Dr. Chuck Ashburn
Director of Development



Fr. Daniel Velasco
Director of Spiritual Formation



Fr. Jack Vu
Assistant Vocations Director



Fr. Jeff Hebert
Vocations Director
Pastor of House of Formation

Jesus said to Peter and Andrew, "Come after me,
and I will make you fishers of men."
-Matthew 4:19-20

For more information, please contact Fr. Je Hebert
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