

Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic Church

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"Encounter Jesus, Serve Others."



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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - November 26, 2023

*Our Lady of the Holy Souls
Altar Society
November Business Meeting*

TOPIC:
Getting Back to the Sacristy (phase 2)

Monday, Nov. 27th
6:30 p.m. -- PARISH HALL

Kick off the holidays with friends, food,
door prizes, and discussion of the
upcoming Parish Christmas Party,
holiday decorating, & sacristy duties.

Please bring a holiday treat
or dessert dish
for members to sample.
Beverages provided.
All ladies welcome!

A snowman illustration.

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

A chef's hat icon.
A Santa Claus illustration.

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

Sponsored by our
Knights of Columbus Council 812



The Angel Trees are in the vestibule and will be there available for you to take ornaments until the deadline for their return.

The deadline for Helping Hand (**Christmas Trees**) is December 10th. Those gifts do not require wrapping. **NO BIKES ACCEPTED THIS YEAR!**

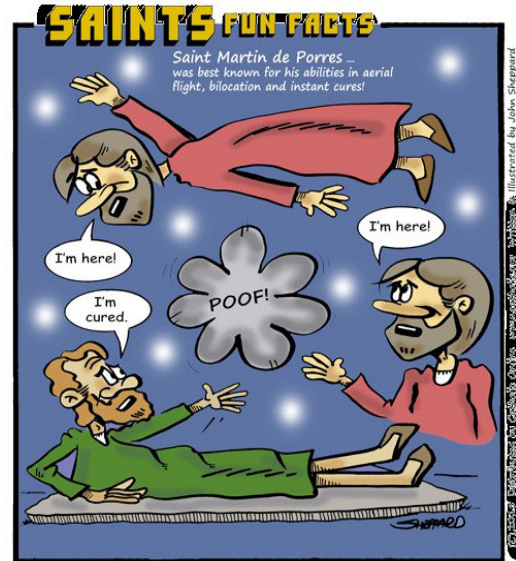
Foster Children tags look like **Gift Tags** and are due by December 6th.

The deadline for Domestic Abuse Centers (**Round Ornaments**) and Birthright (**Angels**) is December 17th. Those organizations would like their gifts wrapped with the ornament attached to them.

Also, you may pick up an ornament and drop off your present whenever the church is open, not just on Sundays. Or you may make a donation to Holy Souls Church for the Angel Tree, and we will purchase presents or donate money to the organizations so they can purchase presents. Your generosity will make Christmas morning special for many.

Saint of the Month

Saint Martin de Porres



"Saint Martin de Porres, your poverty and rejection did not deter you from pursuing the love of God. Your love of God then filled you with many virtues and a deep love for God's people. Pray for me, that I may learn humility from your life and will never waver in my commitment to prayer, so that God can do great things in me and through me for the world. Saint Martin de Porres, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You. Amen"

Learn, Pray, Be a Saint

SENIOR HIGH CYM

2023-2024 Schedule
9th - 12th Grade

Regular Meetings: 6:00 - 8:15 at the Benedict House

November 29

JUNIOR HIGH CYM

2023 - 2024 Schedule
7th - 8th grade

Regular Meetings: 3:00 - 5:00 at the Benedict House

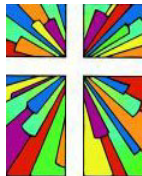
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Have Questions?
Please contact Andrew Baka at
abaka@holysouls.org

Petitions of the Ministry of Praise

December 2023

Pope Francis' Intentions:



We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Holy Souls Catholic New Year

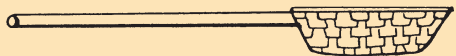
Trivia Night

FRIDAY
DEC 1

IN THE
PARISH HALL

TRIVIA STARTS AT : 6 PM

JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT OF TRIVIA
AND SNACKS!



COLLECTIONS/STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Mass attendance --	Adults	Children	Total
November 4 & 5	820	139	959
November 11 & 12	743	121	864

Weekend Collections --

November 4 & 5	\$ 27,474
November 11 & 12	\$ 27,091
Total November Collections	\$ 54,565
Total Nov. Budgeted Collections	\$ 125,000

Actual Collections (7/1/23 - 10/31/2023)	\$ 529,219
Budgeted (7/1/23 - 10/31/2023)	\$ 510,000
Amount in excess of Budget	\$ 19,219

Children's Collection \$ 424

Maintenance Fund \$ 914

The attendance and collection figures for Nov. 18 & 19 will be printed in the next bulletin.

Thank you for supporting our church.



RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

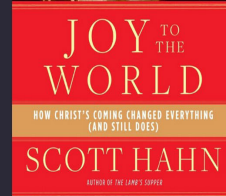
2nd Collection - Next Weekend, Dec. 2 & 3

You can help. "Religious are blessed to serve," says Dominican Father Bertrand Ebben, age 90. Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next week. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.



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 Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, Dcn. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gosponer, (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler St., Little Rock, AR 72207.

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS ADVENT BOOK STUDY



Reading: Joy to the World: How Christ's Coming Changed Everything by Scott Hahn

Dates: Four Mondays at 8:00 am
11/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18

Place: Parish Hall

Sign up here:

<https://forms.gle/piTXMojyf55tahvX9>



Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal

Thanks to your donations, the 2022 Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal provided \$71,727 in scholarships for 78 students in Catholic schools throughout the state. This year the LEARNS Act is a new development in our state. It provides funding for tuition and some fees through an Education Freedom Account for students who meet the criteria to qualify. However, most students in need of financial assistance to attend Catholic schools do not qualify for an EFA. The need for financial assistance remains an obstacle for many families. This year the calculated need is \$173,113. Please help by donating to the Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal. Every dollar received from donations will be used to aid those in need of financial assistance. Donations can be made through the Office of Catholic Schools, by using the QR code in the bulletin, or on-line at bit.ly/catholic-scholarships. Thank you.



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



To read the daily reading online, go to www.usccb.org/nab/today.shtml

Monday, November 27

7:00 a.m. Mass

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:56; Lk 21:1-4

Frank Kremers by Gary & Robbye Flynn

Tuesday, November 28

7:00 a.m. Mass

Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59, 60, 61; Lk 21:5-11

Most Forgotten Souls by Anonymous

Wednesday, November 29

5:30 p.m. Mass

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

Fr. Maraiah Pasala by Our Lady's Way Rosary Group

Thursday, November 30

7:00 a.m. Mass

ST> ANDREW - Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Special Intention for Anne Wren by Bev Hoofman

Friday, December 1

7:00 a.m. Mass

Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81 Lk 21:29-33

Carolyn Siebenmorgen by Carol Lantz

8:15 a.m. School Mass

Special Intention for Our Lady of the Holy Souls School by Holy Souls Parish

Saturday, December 2

8:00 a.m. 1st Sat. Mass

Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36

The Guzik & Pawlowski Families by Elzbeita Pawlowski

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Special Intention of Joann Minton

Sunday, December 3

8:00 a.m. Mass

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Tom Binz by Becky Binz

10:30 a.m. Mass

Intention of Parishioners

5:30 p.m. Mass

Michael Pollock III by Tish & Robert Anderson

Mass Intentions may be offered for the *Rest of the Soul of a deceased loved one or for healing, a special occasion, or a special intention for yourself, a family member, or friend. Please contact Stacey in the Church Office for more information.*



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.

OUR PARISHIONERS -- Benjamin Stuart; Glennabell McCumpsey; Kelly Ochoa; Alice Stuff; Tom Johnson; Noel Oman; Lillian Henriquez; Judy Sims; Doug Schneider; Nick Kirchner; Curt Lassiter; Chris Price; Karen Blanzenski; Morgan Payne; Tracey Gibby; Cathy Donovan; Aloise Medlock; Gary Korte; Sam Williamson; Alice Price; Frances DeLeuil; Hank & Carole Schulte; Russell Dority; Roberta Cagle; Sally Crisp; Annette Wahlgreen; James Louviere; Margaret Olberts; and George & Sylvia Hart.

OUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS -- Lucille Marconi; Frances Heffington; Craig Cagle; Eleanor Suttle; Ellen Perkins; Jack Finley; John Oaks; Suzanne Hanratty; Bill Margrave; Millie Cross; Sarah Graham Goin; Corbin Binz; Mason Harder; Robert Hall; Eileen Connell; Dorothy Ehlebracht; David Menz; Pete Pilkington; D. J. Pilkington; Tyler Grubb & family; Gary Davis; Loris Fullerton; Aid Maria Vega Morales; Tom Bartsch; Amanda Cogburn; John Cullen; Orville Bolin; Evan Hargett; Glenn Bratcher; and Maude McGuire.

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

OUR SEMINARIANS – Quinton Thomas, Joseph Minh Phong Nguyen, and especially Our Lady of the Holy Souls' seminarian Phillip Zawislak.



Our Lady of the Holy Souls

Invites you to have the...

BEST **Advent** EVER

Join us in making the most of the upcoming Advent season and preparing for Christmas!

Participants will sign up to receive *The Best Advent Ever* daily reflections on the Dynamic Catholic Website.

Weekly small group meetings will be in the parish hall on Tuesday nights at 6:00 p.m. on 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, & 12/19.

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/advent.html>



2024

Lector Workbooks

Lectors, please pick up your issue of the 2023-2024 Lector Workbook in the Altar Servers Room. The book begins December 3.

Grateful Stewards of God's Gifts . . .

Laura Humphries,
Parish Life & Stewardship Director

"Behold I come... To do your will, O my God, is my delight..."

Ps 40:8-9

Thanksgiving is behind us now. We've probably eaten a lot of turkey and most of the leftovers from the day. I hope everyone's Thanksgiving was close to what was expected and that there were a lot of good memories made. Now we begin the season of Advent, preparing for the coming of the Christ Child. The parish offers opportunities for spiritual education in an Advent Book Study, Best Advent Ever from Dynamic Catholic, and of course daily Mass.

God has given us all that we need in the way of our time, talent and treasure. He has given us these gifts to help us be the people that he made us to be. Each of us have talents that are unique to us. We have to take the time to figure out what these gifts are through prayer. We have to spend time with God, build a relationship with him to develop these gifts so that we can answer God when he calls. We must be prepared, because we never know when or how God will call us.

This is a wonderful time of year to share what we have with others. We can open our hearts and use our blessings to bless others. We can serve the Lord by serving others. The Angel Trees in the Vestibule have ornaments on them that represent children and families from Foster Care, Birthright, Domestic Abuse Centers, and Helping Hand. Our Lady of the Holy Souls is always generous. Thank you and God Bless.

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SEARCH #153 RETREAT

Registrations are being accepted for Search #153, 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. The December Search is open to high school juniors and seniors. Search #153 will be held at St. John Center, Little Rock, on December 1-3. The fee is \$150. For more information and registration forms visit our website at: <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/search-153.pdf>. Partial scholarships available: <https://www.dolr.org/sites/default/files/documents/diocesanscholarshipapplication.pdf>

Responding to the Word This Week

Jesus tells us that he will be present in others so that when we do good to them, we do it to him.

What acts of kindness and service to others can I do today?

Jesus, I will . . .

*To reflect on this Sunday's readings online, go to www.usccb.org/bible/readings/112623.cfm



A Children's Book Drive is being held during the month of November for the children served by Helping Hand. Books will be distributed in mid-December. Please donate new or gently used books for children of all ages. Collection bins are available in the Church Vestibule. Our goal is 400 books. If you would like to make a monetary donation or order books and have them shipped, please contact Pete Stabnick through the Church Office (501-663-8632 or office@holysouls.org.) Sponsored by our Knights of Columbus, Council 812.



84 LIVES SAVED ON NOV. 6TH

On Sunday, November 5, 23 of our wonderful parishioners and friends donated blood. Up to three lives can be saved by each regular blood donations, and up to eight lives can be saved by Each Double Reds donation!

Thank you to Margaret McGinness, Sherry Henderson, Nancy Bynum Mack and Joann Minton for helping Pete & Cindy Stabnick with this blood drive.

Your next opportunity to **save a life** at our Arkansas Blood Institute Blood Drives will be Sunday, Jan. 21, 2024!

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 address. When parishioners reach 18 years of age, they should register separately from their family.

RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Susej Thompson at 501-663-8632 or office@holysouls.org.

RETURNING CATHOLICS

If you are interested in returning to the Catholic Church, please contact Susej Thompson at 663-8632 or office@holysouls.org.

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.

CHURCH VISITS

The Church is open for private prayer time on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday from 7:30am-3pm and on Wednesday from 7:30am -5:15pm. Please enter through the door on Harrison St. side by piano or the handicapped door in the front of church.

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.