



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays As Scheduled

Tuesday & Wednesday – 5:30 PM

Thursday, Friday & Saturday – 8:30 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES

As Announced

CONFESSIONS

One-Half Hour Before All Masses

Or By Appointment w/Father Jim at 870-741-5234

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Mary Mother of God Catholic Church is to carry on the ministry of Jesus Christ, as members of His living body, the Church, to bring the Kingdom of God into the world through evangelization, worship, Religious education, and service in our families, in our parish, and in our community.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

We welcome new members to our Church through the process and Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Please contact the church office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents and Godparents are required to participate in a preparation process before the Baptism of children. Registration is required.

Please contact the church office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Arrangements for wedding must be made at least six months in advance.

Please contact the church office.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Extraordinary Ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are not able to attend Mass. Call the church office about anyone who would like to receive the Eucharist at home.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact Father Jim.

MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor:

Rev. James M. Fanrak

Deacon:

Dc. Mark Scouten

Parish Manager:

Robin Markham

Adult Scripture Study:

Tom Hoberock

Buildings, Maintenance:

Craig Bailey

Catholic Christian Women:

Holly Coffman

Catholic Youth Ministries (CYM):

Cemetery Committee:

Marlene Rowe

Custodian:

Holly Coffman

Eucharistic Adoration:

Carmen Andrade

Finance Council:

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Flocknote:

Robin Markham

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Frank Handley

Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree:

Val Stechly

Legion of Mary:

Pat Knickerbocker

Libraries:

Jennifer Johnson

Liturgy, Sacraments, Devotions:

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Music Ministry:

Julie Jasper

Pro-Life:

Sandra Guidry

Religious Ed, Formation (PREP):

Holly Coffman

Sacristans:

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Alternate Sacristans:

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Safe Environment:

Holly Coffman

Social Justice/Charitable Outreach

Robin Markham

Trail Life USA:

Wes Bradford

Tribunal:

Dc. Mark Scouten

Wedding Coordinator:

Bonnie Tauer

Welcome New Catholics (RCIA):

Wayne & Judy Keith

NEW IN PARISH

To register in the parish, please fill out the form below.

Name: _____

Spouse's Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Parish Moved From: _____

Parish City: _____

() New In Parish () Change of Address/Phone/Email

We welcome all visitors to Mary Mother of God Catholic Church. We hope you enjoy your stay in this area and may God be with you on your trip home.

2022 WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday,	February 12
8:00 AM	Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM	MASS: +Helen Roberts, 2 nd Anniv.
4:30 PM	Rosary & Confessions
5:00 PM	MASS: +Joyce Kester
Sunday,	February 13 – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM	MASS: +Bernard Bax
Monday,	February 14 – NO MASS
Tuesday,	February 15
5:00 PM	Rosary & Confessions
5:30 PM	MASS: SI – Connie Israel
Wednesday,	February 16
5:00 PM	Rosary & Confessions
5:30 PM	MASS: +Norm Rowe
Thursday,	February 17
8:00 AM	Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM	MASS: +Tommy Hudson
Friday,	February 18
8:00 AM	Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM	MASS: +Dolores Zimmer
9-10 AM	Holy Hour: Fatima Rosary to Stop the Global Spread of Communism
Saturday,	February 19
8:00 AM	Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM	MASS: +Florescia DeGuzman
4:30 PM	Rosary & Confessions
5:00 PM	MASS: SI – All Parishioners
Sunday,	February 20 – 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM	MASS: +Mel Pollock, 2 nd Anniv. (2-24)



VIGIL CANDLES - If you wish to light a 6-day vigil candle, a suggested \$3 donation is requested.

CONFESSIONS ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE one-half hour before all Daily and Saturday/Sunday Masses or by appointment.

Personal Listening Devices are Available for Mass. Please see an usher in the vestibule to sign one out.

ONLINE BULLETINS for Mary Mother of God Church and St. Andrew's Church may be found at harrisoncatholic.org.



Parish communications, such as prayer requests, updates, Mass cancellations, etc., arrive as a Flocknote message. Individuals and/or families are subscribed so they will either receive messages as emails or texts per their preference. If you do not receive prayer request emails and would like to, sign up now! Registration is easy. There are two ways to connect (pick one): Visit our parish at: www.flocknote.com/marymotherofgodchurch or text flockmmg to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates. Need help to set up your flocknote? Contact the church office.

BISHOP TAYLOR ANNOUNCED EFFECTIVE MAY 15-16, 2021, MASK WEARING IS OPTIONAL. His letter of May 9 stated: I believe that due to the universal availability of the vaccine, we can now make mask-wearing optional, effective. In addition, Communion on the tongue during Mass is now allowed. **I do recommend, but do not require, continued mask-wearing for those who are not yet fully vaccinated or who are otherwise vulnerable.**

MMG livestreams the Saturday 5 PM & Sunday 8:30 AM Masses. Go online to the Mary Mother of God Catholic Church Facebook account or visit the church website at harrisoncatholic.org. Click Resources; then click livestream. For daily Masses, visit the MMG Facebook account.

The 2022 Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal (CASA) begins this weekend. We ask that you prayerfully welcome this opportunity to give in support of overall needs of the Church in our Diocese. Our parish goal remains the same of \$21,000.

BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES – “Matthew: The King and His Kingdom” continues on Sundays following the 8:30 AM Mass, Tuesdays at 3 PM, and Wednesdays at 5:30 PM.

SYNOD QUESTIONNAIRES – Please return your questionnaire no later than **THIS Monday, February 14**. Remember, this is an excellent time to share your thoughts and concerns with the Church. You may drop it in the collection basket, mail it to the church office, or scan and email it to mmgchurch@yahoo.com.

PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) – This Wednesday...

5:00 PM	Rosary & Confessions
5:30 PM	Mass
6:00 PM	Dinner for Students/Teachers/Family
6:30-7:30 PM	K-7 Classes Only



The Legion of Mary will now meet at 4:30 PM on Thursday in the Altar Server Sacristy (room behind the altar). It is an open meeting and everyone is welcome to attend and pray with us.



ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL is this Thursday at 6:30 PM. **HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL** will begin this Monday, Feb. 14 at 6:15 PM. Any questions, contact Julie Jasper at 688-9369 or julesjasper93@gmail.com.

Every Friday following the 8:30 AM Mass, you are invited to the holy hour to pray a Rosary with the specific intention to stop the global spread of modern-day communism under its many guises. Our Lady of Fatima warned of these “errors” spreading throughout the world and provided us with very clear instructions. Please join us at 9 AM to pray the Fatima Rosary.

Second Collection Next Sunday will be for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe. This supports the Church in more than 25 countries that still struggle to recover from former communist rule. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Thank you for your support.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Feb 13:	Jer 17:5-8 / 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 / Lk 6:17, 20-26
Feb 14:	Jas 1:1-11 / Mk 8:11-13
Feb 15:	Jas 1:12-18 / Mk 8:14-21
Feb 16:	Jas 1:19-27 / Mk 8:22-26
Feb 17:	Jas 2:1-9 / Mk 8:27-33
Feb 18:	Jas 2:14-24, 26 / Mk 8:34-9:1
Feb 19:	Jas 3:1-10 / Mk 9:2-13
Feb 20:	1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 / 1 Cor 15:45-49 / Lk 6:27-38

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS – Military & Emergency Personnel, Victims of Natural Disasters, COVID-19 & Terrorism, Vocations, Carl Bell, Cindy Benner, Donnie Billups, Carol Bomboy, Sue Brain, William Bray, Ray Brysch, Betty Burge, Caven James Clark, Loretta Clements, Brian Coffman, Larry/Rita Coffman, Jim/Karen Conner, John Copeland, Mary Decker Family, Glen Feldman, John Forrest, Matthew Gerth, Casey Gibbs, Neal Gibson, Bill/Levi/Ruth Haley, Chris Haley, Pete Hartman, Leon/Russell Heard, Lorita Henry, Molly Hetrick & Family, Dianne Hoberock, Linda Hoyet, Chris Jasper, Lavonne Keehn, Larry/Sherry Keeter, Daniel Kester, Emory Keys, LaDonna King, Dr. Charles Klepper, Mary Koenig, Pat Kohl, Dennis Kyler, Louene Lipsmeyer, Brian Long, Patti Long, Val Lopez, Bobbie Lowery Family, Michael Lowery, Hailey Luckette, Tyler Mason, Bill May, Mike Mooneyham, Cheryl Morris, Janice Munzner, Mollie Norman, Deb O'Connor, Olivia, Nikki Patten, Eliska Pollock & Family, Michael Reding, Kathy Robinson, Margaret Mary Schlacter, Dc. Mark Scouten, Seán/Christine, Ed/Yvonne Servis, Charlene Sheets, Phil Sides, Margaret Smith, Bob Stephens, Kathleen Stimson, Kim Tennyson, Pennie Sutton-Veach Family, Ting Tuazon, Sharon Wall, River Wygle. **Our Nursing Home Residents:** Dan Allen, David Allen, Mary Allen, Terry Bodson, Steve Crawford, Lylia Laffoon, Alan Lasecki, Bonnie Lundblad, Ann May, Bob/Diane Patterson, Mary Ralston, Giovanna Sandri, Billie Signer, Liz Smalley. **Please keep our list current by contacting the office to add/delete names. Thank you.**

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - As we begin this new year we thank the Lord for His many blessings, some of which have come in disguise. I am personally very grateful for your friendship and your prayers that have carried us through a challenging year. You are in my daily prayers.



We will be updating our Adoration schedule, which I have not done in a while and I appeal to your kindness and patience.

If you are already registered as an "Adorer", please write back to me at g.carmen.8786@gmail.com letting me know your day and hour, and if you intend to keep that schedule this year (of course emergencies will be respected).

If you would like to register, either for the first time or to return, please write to the same email as above letting me know what day would be best for you. Our weekly bulletin shows the hours that are currently available, although there may be some variants, for which I apologize.

Looking forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions, please call me at 305-815-1795.

With my best wishes for a happy, healthy, and peaceful 2022!

– Carmen Andrade

ADORE THE EUCHARIST – IT'S CHRIST WITH US !!

"The Eucharist is our Lord, and I think that the Church can be restored once again only with the restoration of an awe-inspiring and reverent Eucharistic worship..." Bishop Athanasius Schneider, "Christus Vincit" **Contact Carmen at 305-815-1795 or the church office to sign up for a Holy Hour.**

Sunday @ 7 AM, 9 AM, Noon, 3 PM & 5 PM

Monday @ 10 AM & 1 PM

Tuesday @ 8 AM, 11 AM & 1 PM

Wednesday @ Noon, 3 PM & 6 PM

Thursday @ Noon, 2 PM, 3 PM & 4 PM

Friday @ Noon, 1 PM, 4 PM & 6 PM

Saturday @ 11 AM, Noon, 1 PM, 2 PM & 3 PM

PLEASE NOTE: If the Harrison schools are closed due to weather, adoration is closed for your safety.



2019 CASH CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT

Contribution \$ Range	Number of Contributors	Avg. Donation Per Contributor	% of Total Contributors
0-0	60	0.00	22
1-100	31	49.44	12
101-500	52	304.82	19
501-750	18	622.53	7
751-1000	26	882.02	10
1001-2500	55	1,471.92	20
2501-5000	15	3,295.33	6
5001+	11	10,982.50	4
Total	268	\$1,129.53	100
Envelope Contributions		\$302,714.33	
Loose Cash		\$19,054.75	
Visitors		\$2,266.50	
Grand Total		\$324,035.58	

2020 CASH CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT

Contribution \$ Range	Number of Contributors	Avg. Donation Per Contributor	% of Total Contributors
0-0	58	0.00	24
1-100	21	46.62	9
101-500	57	287.11	24
501-750	19	637.74	8
751-1000	7	913.93	3
1001-2500	50	1,527.47	21
2501-5000	15	3,560.00	6
5001+	13	19,353.91	5
Total	240	\$1,738.47	100
Envelope Contributions		\$417,232.65	
Loose Cash		\$7,429.26	
Visitors		\$1,445.00	
Grand Total		\$426,106.91	


2021 CASH CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT

Contribution \$ Range	Number of Contributors	Avg. Donation Per Contributor	% of Total Contributors
0-0	62	0.00	27
1-100	23	50.48	10
101-500	39	283.28	17
501-750	21	607.99	9
751-1000	8	886.17	4
1001-2500	52	1,534.73	23
2501-5000	13	3,340.77	5
5001+	13	11,972.17	5
Total	231	\$1,346.06	100
Envelope Contributions		\$310,940.37	
Loose Cash		\$9,167.00	
Visitors		\$4,895.00	
Grand Total		\$325,002.37	

COLLECTION: January 1-31, 2022

General Collection	\$47,135.00
Maintenance Fund	1,039.00
Solemnity of Mary	520.00
Black & Indian Missions	759.00
Clergy Welfare Fund	420.00

MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH
HARRISON, ARKANSAS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 30 <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary</i> 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ Second Collection: Black & Indian Missions ++ New Pentecost Prayer Group in Parish Hall Following Mass	January 31 NO MASS	February 1, 2022 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass	February 2 <i>Presentation of the Lord</i> 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass Blessing of Candles ++ 6 PM PREP Dinner 6:30-7:30 PM: K-7 Only	February 3 <i>St. Blaise</i> 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass Blessing of Throats ++ 4:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg Behind Altar ++ 6:30 PM Adult Choir	February 4 <i>First Friday</i> 8 AM Patriotic Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary	February 5 <i>First Saturday</i> 8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Adoration Hour ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Youth Mass Blessing of Throats Following Mass
February 6 <i>5th Sunday in Ordinary</i> 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass Blessing of Throats Following Mass ++ Second Collection: Maintenance Fund ++ 10 AM Bible Study Begins in Parish Hall ++ 2 PM BINGO TODAY	February 7 NO MASS ++ Knights of Columbus 6:30 Fellowship Meal 7:30 PM Meeting	February 8 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 3 PM Bible Study Begins Today	February 9 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 5:30 PM Bible Study Begins in Parish Hall ++ 6 PM PREP Dinner 6-8 PM Confirmation 6:30-7:30 PM: K-7 & HS	February 10 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 9 AM Rosary w/CCW Coffee/Sweets Follow in Parish Hall ++ 4:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg Behind Altar ++ 6:30 PM Adult Choir	February 11 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary	February 12 8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass ++ CASA Begins
February 13 <i>6th Sunday in Ordinary</i> 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ CASA Begins ++ 10 AM Bible Study	February 14  NO MASS ++ 6:15 PM Handbells →PLEASE RETURN ← YOUR SYNOD QUESTIONNAIRE NO LATER THAN TODAY - THANKS!	February 15 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 3 PM Bible Study	February 16 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 5:30 PM Bible Study ++ 6 PM PREP Dinner 6:30-7:30 PM: K-7 Only	February 17 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg Behind Altar ++ 6:30 PM Adult Choir	February 18 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary	February 19 8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass
February 20 <i>7th Sunday in Ordinary</i> 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ Second Collection: Aid to Church in Central & Eastern Europe ++ 10 AM Bible Study ++ 2 PM BINGO TODAY	February 21 NO MASS ++ 6:15 PM Handbells	February 22 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 3 PM Bible Study	February 23 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 5:30 PM Bible Study ++ 6 PM PREP Dinner 6-8 PM: Confirmation 6:30-7:30 PM: K-7 & HS	February 24 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Legion of Mary Mtg Behind Altar ++ 6:30 PM Adult Choir	February 25 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass 9 AM Fatima Rosary	February 26 8:10 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 4:30 PM Rosary 5 PM Mass
February 27 <i>8th Sunday in Ordinary</i> 8 AM Rosary 8:30 AM Mass ++ 10 AM Bible Study	February 28 NO MASS ++ 6:15 PM Handbells	March 1, 2022 5 PM Rosary 5:30 PM Mass ++ 3 PM Bible Study ===== March 2 is Ash Wed. 8:30 AM Mass w/ Imposition of Ashes 5:30 PM Mass w/ Imposition of Ashes FAST & ABSTINENCE	As the season of Lent approaches, it is helpful to recall the discipline of the Church with regard to fast, abstinence, and other forms of penance. <u>Ash Wednesday</u> and <u>Good Friday</u> are days of fast and abstinence. The law of fasting allows one full meal and two smaller ones. The law of abstinence prohibits the eating of meat. The Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence in the United States. The obligation of abstinence begins at age 14. The law of fasting obliges all between the ages of 18-59. Pastors and parents are to see to it that minors, though not bound by the law of fast and abstinence, are educated in the authentic sense of penance and encouraged to do acts of penance suitable to their age. All members of the Christian faithful are encouraged to do acts of penance and charity during the Lenten season beyond what is prescribed by Law. ++ KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - LENTEN FOOD DRIVE - 40 CANS OR 40 BUCKS Food donations may be brought to the church vestibule before Holy Thursday. Checks payable to the Knights of Columbus may be placed in the collection basket or mailed to the church office.			

PLEASE CHECK YOUR WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR POSSIBLE CHANGES TO THIS CALENDAR.

FEBRUARY 2022 MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR

5 PM Saturday Mass

Rosary: Volunteer Needed
Lector: Joan Lipsmeyer

E/M: Wes Bradford
Roy Arnold

Servers: Jacob Bradford
Matthew Bradford

Ushers: Everett Burr
Chuck Draper
Terry Draper

8:30 AM Sunday Mass

Rosary: Greg Jasper
Lector: Tom Hoberock

E/M: Greg Jasper
Mike Galligan
Mary Billups

Servers: Jacob Simon
Keeley Culpepper

Ushers: Alvin Hanson
Regina Hanson
Gerry Gokenbach
James Virnig

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Feb 1 Shirley Feldman	Feb 8 Rei Wibowo	Feb 21 Jonathan Porras
Feb 1 Marisa Keylon	Feb 10 Noah Applegate	Feb 21 Evan Webb
Feb 1 Alina Perez	Feb 10 Lorraine Dix	Feb 23 Carmen Andrade
Feb 3 Rachel Hodges	Feb 10 Uriel Ramirez	Feb 23 Colton Hocut
Feb 4 Mary Griggs	Feb 11 Benny Hancock	Feb 24 Mary Dryden-Koenig
Feb 4 Ben Krone	Feb 13 Chad Coffman	Feb 24 Ed Karlovic
Feb 4 Kheilab McBride	Feb 13 Mike Stephen	Feb 26 Jennifer Billups
Feb 4 Gabby Paradiso	Feb 15 Teresa Hargett	Feb 26 Janet Wilcox
Feb 5 Norma Renshaw	Feb 18 Paul DiCarlo	Feb 27 Rick Milburn
Feb 6 Roman Carrera	Feb 18 Gabriel Lavoie	Feb 28 Frank Taheny
Feb 6 Tina Pietrabella	Feb 20 Gabriel Sandoval	Feb 29 Holly Coffman
Feb 6 Rita Wells	Feb 21 Sheila O'Laughlin	Feb 29 Andy Perez
Feb 8 Lucia McArthur	Feb 21 Hugo Padilla Flores	

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Feb 9 Bob & Mary Stephens	Feb 20 Ronnie & Shirlene Lackey
Feb 10 Harvey & Emily Myers	Feb 21 Bob & Donna Terrell
Feb 11 Bill & Ann May	Feb 22 Tom & Helen Heffran
Feb 11 Joseph & Audrey McFadden	Feb 23 Bob & Patsy Astorino
Feb 13 Johann & Sally Chua	Feb 27 Jim & Karen Conner
Feb 13 Levi & Helen Haley	

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Lector: Read the Scripture readings
during Mass.

Rosary Leader: Lead before Mass.

Musician: See or call Julie Jasper.

Extraordinary Minister: Distribute the
Body of Christ during Communion.

Altar Servers: All youth who have
celebrated their First Holy Communion.

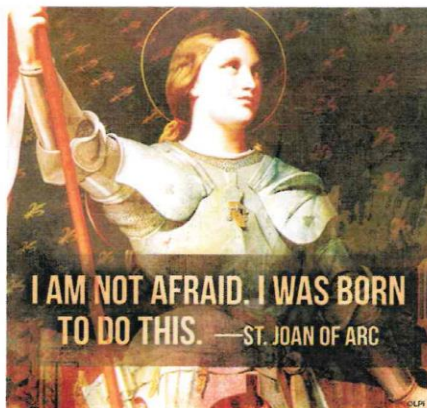
Usher: Greet people, guide them to
empty seats, hand out bulletins after
Mass, check pews after Mass for debris
or loose hymnals/missalettes.

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Question: How can a priest counsel people about marriage when he has never been married?

Answer: If a marriage counselor is in a bad marriage does that mean that he or she will be a bad counselor? If one's counseling ability depended upon first-hand experience, would that require counselors to be perfect before they can help others? Obviously not. Some of the skills necessary to help others do come out of personal life experience. But you don't need personal, first-hand experience in order to understand something. We would not think that a doctor, who is an oncologist, would not be able to treat cancer because he himself has never been sick. We also would not expect every doctor to treat cancer. It is the same with priests.

Essentially marriage is a relationship and we've all been involved in different kinds of relationships: in our family, with our friends, and with God. And so counseling people about marriage is really helping them to look at the issues that really are part of their relationship, finding ways to better understand themselves in relationship to one another and in relationship to God. In many ways a priest's training, background, and experience, as well as his personal knowledge of many different relationships in families and couples, gives him a broad background from which to draw upon. Most priests are quite capable of helping couples prepare for marriage and discussing the issues that are important as they begin their life together. And they do not do it alone. With the help of married couples and specially trained counselors, most parishes offer a very good preparation for the sacrament of marriage.

God Heal America!

In Memory of Newt & Ruth Foster

February 13, 2022

WATCH

BELOVED—SESSION 1: DOES MARRIAGE MATTER?

Happy Feast of St. Valentine! This Valentine's Day, remind yourself of the beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage with the Beloved series, presented by the Augustine Institute.



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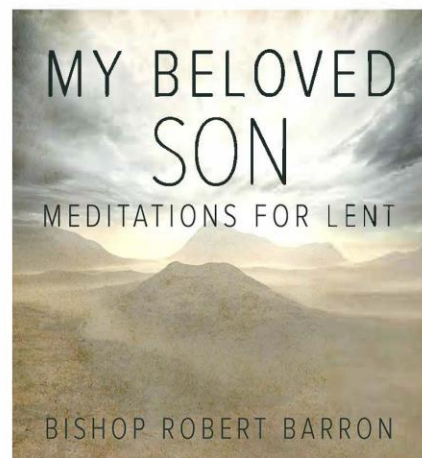
Are you looking to take your spiritual life deeper this Lent? There's no better place to start than the Lord's Word. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Giszczak as they explain how to study and devote yourself to Scripture!

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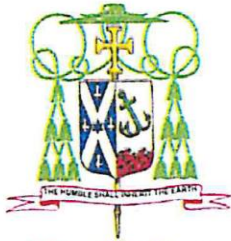
LISTEN

MY BELOVED SON: MEDITATIONS FOR LENT BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

Lent is a season of discipline where we focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. In five riveting homilies, join Bishop Barron as he describes the spiritual disciplines we undertake during Lent.



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December 21, 2021

My Dear Brothers in Christ,

I am writing you today regarding the 12th annual Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference which is just around the corner. Each year, this wonderful conference for the men of our diocese is held on Super Bowl Saturday. This year's conference will be held on Saturday, February 12, 2022 at Christ the King Parish in Little Rock.

Our theme for this year's conference is "Men of Mercy." The focus will be on understanding God's great Mercy and how we as men can show Mercy to others! The speakers for this year will be our own Msgr. Jack Harris and Matthew Leonard. Matthew is a nationally known speaker, author and filmmaker who spent 11 years working with Dr. Scott Hahn.

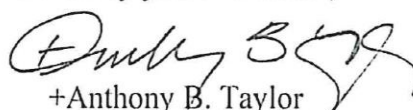
Over the last 12 years, this conference has been the premier event for the men of our diocese. And I'm confident that this year's conference will once again be a great source of encouragement and inspiration for all who attend. I'm asking you to encourage the men of your parish to register and attend this conference.

I will start the conference celebrating Holy Mass. Registration will include breakfast, lunch, all conference materials and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration. I would be most grateful if your schedule permits and you are available to attend the conference, even for a few hours, and help out administering the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Each year, the Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference has been a wonderful event for men across our Diocese to kick off the new year inspired to grow in their faith. I have enclosed a flyer with more information about the event and registration details.

Let us ask Saint Joseph, faithful husband of Mary and courageous foster father of Jesus, for his intercession for us and for this conference.

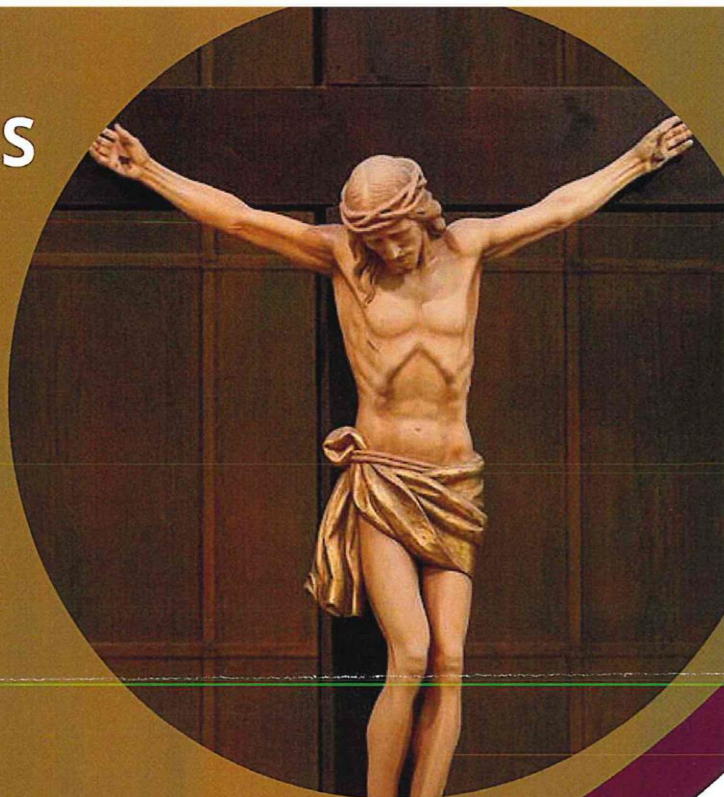
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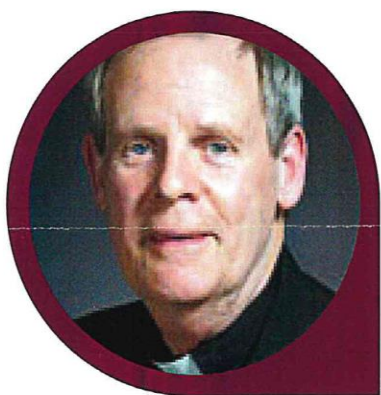


ARKANSAS CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

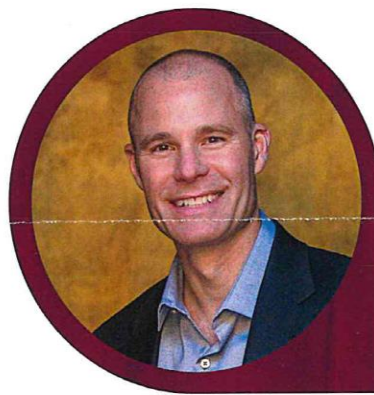
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CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



Msgr. Jack Harris
Pastor
Sacred Heart Church



Matthew Leonard
Author, Founder
Science of Sainthood

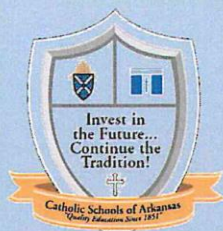
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Please complete and return to the church office or in next weekend's collection basket.
If you are new to serving in any of these ministries, someone will contact you for a brief training meeting. Thank you!



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ARKANSAS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIP APPEAL

November 13, 2021

Dear Parishioner,

Sadly, there are Catholic schools throughout the country closing due to the financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. You can help prevent this from happening in Arkansas through your gift to the Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal. Our Catholic schools are facing a combination of financial challenges: decreased subsidy from parishes, cancelled fundraising events, and a greater need for financial assistance for families negatively affected by the pandemic.

The Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship Appeal is held annually to give tuition assistance to families with a demonstrated need. Catholic schools throughout the state submit applications on behalf of these families. Last year funds from the appeal provided tuition support to 79 students attending Arkansas Catholic schools with awards ranging from \$400 to \$1,500 per student.

Families who qualify are granted assistance through Parish subsidies, school fundraising, foundations, and individual donors. However, even with this financial support, a need still exists for more tuition aid. This year our calculated need is \$526,505. Please help us 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.

Catholic schools are an integral part of the teaching mission of the Church because they assist parents in the important obligation of educating and forming their children through faith development. They provide a rigorous education, rooted in the Gospel, and rich in the cherished traditions and liturgical practices of our faith. Even in the midst of a pandemic, our schools are ensuring that students will have the foundation to live a moral and upright life to face the challenges brought by changes in the world today.

Thank you for your support of the Arkansas Catholic Schools Scholarship fund. Please keep our schools in your prayers.

Sincerely In Christ,

Most Reverend Anthony B. Taylor
Bishop of Little Rock



Arkansas Catholic Schools

Scholarship Appeal



A Catholic education is a gift that serves the child, their family, and the community throughout their lifetime and beyond. The cost of tuition is a challenge to hundreds of our families who desire a Catholic education for their child. Parish subsidies, school fundraising, and foundations provide funds for financial assistance, but not enough.

All funds raised through this appeal go directly to an Arkansas Catholic school to provide tuition assistance to a family with a demonstrated financial need. Your gift will help keep these children in our Catholic schools. Please be generous, and remember our Catholic schools in your prayers.

“Educating is an act of love; it is like giving life.”

Pope Francis

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St. Joseph

Faithful Protector of Mother and Child

The infant Christ “came into our world in a state of great vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph” (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them, and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come.

While the angel of the Lord appeared to Mary to announce that she would bring forth the Savior of the world, it was revealed to Joseph in a series of dreams how God’s plans would be brought to fulfillment. As Pope Francis highlights, “God trusted Joseph, as did Mary, who found in him someone who would not only save her life, but would always provide for her and her child” (PC 5).

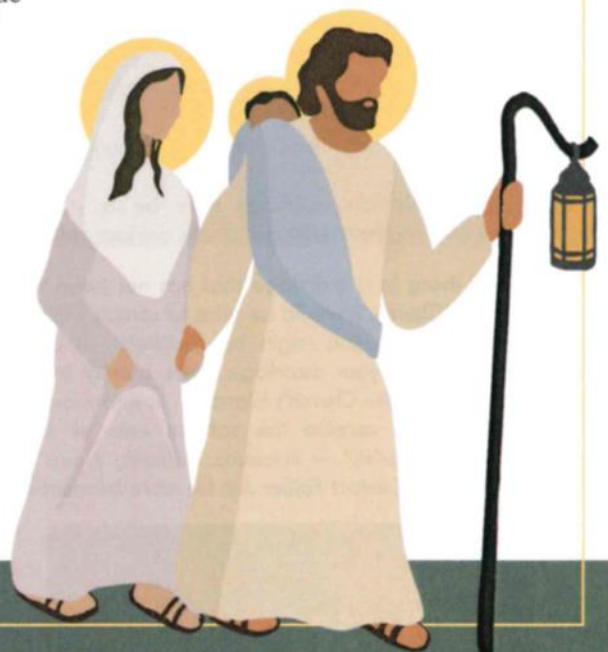
Dear St. Joseph,
help us to
imitate your
faithful trust and
courage.

Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, “in every situation, Joseph declared his own ‘fiat’” (PC 3). His “yes” to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph’s devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us.

During this Year of St. Joseph, each of us can find in him “an intercessor, a support and a guide in times of trouble” (PC, Intro). Joseph shows us how to say “yes” to life, despite our own fears, frailties, and weaknesses. For it is Joseph who was “chosen by God to guide the beginnings of the history of redemption. He was the true ‘miracle’ by which God saves the child and his mother” (PC 5).

May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were “able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence” (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage.

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July 26, 2021


To the people of the Diocese of Little Rock,

I have recently been asked whether the Diocese of Little Rock should re-impose restrictions such as mandatory mask-wearing, physical distancing and disinfection of surfaces in response to the recent surge in COVID-19 cases in Arkansas, 85% of which involve the highly infectious Delta variant. It has been suggested that since only 40% of Arkansans have been vaccinated, we need to do something to protect the other 60%, many of whom could be vaccinated but refuse.

It is important to note that with the universal availability of effective vaccines, the present threat is much different from that which occasioned the restrictions when COVID-19 first became a threat. Now, other than people with a medical condition that disqualifies them, anyone above age 12 can readily be vaccinated at no cost to themselves. As for those below age 12, for whatever reason, there have been very few serious cases involving younger children who may have some degree of natural immunity. The vaccine is effective in preventing most infections, even of the Delta variant, and vaccinated people who do become ill generally experience a much milder case than otherwise. Moreover, the vaccines are the best way to minimize the degree to which the virus can keep mutating. The vaccine's connection with abortion-derived fetal cell lines is very remote and our cooperation with such acts via receiving the vaccine is passive (no active cooperation) and so the Vatican has declared their use "morally acceptable" given the grave danger of the pandemic. Therefore, everyone who can be vaccinated has been repeatedly and strongly encouraged to do so—not only by me, but also even by Pope Francis—and so in the end, those who fail to do so have to be willing to accept the consequences of their decision. Diocesan policy will not be dictated by those who despite strong and clear encouragement, refuse to take the necessary steps to protect themselves and others. So for now, the only restriction that remains in place diocesan-wide is that the Precious Blood will continue not to be distributed to the faithful at Mass.

Having said that, given the principle of subsidiarity, individual parishes are free to take steps to address the threat locally. This could include making mask-wearing mandatory at one of their Masses, or setting aside one section of the nave for physical distancing and the exclusive use of mask-wearing participants.

Sincerely in Christ,


+Anthony B. Taylor
Bishop of Little Rock



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Informed Choices ministry exists to evangelize, encourage and empower men/women in making life affirming choices.

Informed Choices provides:

- Pregnancy Testing
- Pregnancy options education
- Healthy pregnancy education
- Limited ultrasounds
- Post abortion recovery
- Referrals for
 - Pre-natal care
 - Social services
 - Adoption
- Parenting Skills
 - Support mothers & fathers beyond pregnancy
 - "Earn While You Learn" program where clients earn items and resources to provide a healthy environment for their child

WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT THIS MINISTRY

- PRAYER PARTNER
- FINANCIAL SUPPORTER
 - One Time Gifts
 - Monthly Gift
- DONATE ITEMS
- VOLUNTEER
 - Men/Women Volunteers
 - Youth Group Service Projects: yard work, sort baby items
- PROMOTE & PARTICIPATE
 - Baby Bottle Campaign
 - Annual Banquet(s)
 - 100-Hole Golf Marathon
 - Community Events

CURRENT NEEDS

- Diapers sizes 1&2
- New baby items
- New (unused) car seats



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Do you love to sing?
Do you love to make music for the Lord?
IS GOD CALLING YOU TO MUSIC MINISTRY?

Adult Choir—The Adult Choir meets every Thursday at 6:30pm and sings at the Sunday 8:30am Mass and other Holy Days of Obligation.

Youth Choir—The Youth Choir consists of students in grades K-12. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm immediately following PREP class. They sing at the scheduled Youth Masses throughout the academic year. Hand chimes and other instruments are used, as well.

Hand Bell Choir—The Hand Bell Choir meets on Tuesday evenings at 6PM and plays at approximately 7 Masses throughout the year.

Silver Bells—Silver Bells is a group, specifically for the senior members of our parish. Opportunities for food, fellowship, and fun are guaranteed!

What does Music Ministry mean to me?

"Singing in church has been an important part of my life for as long as I can remember. It was such a natural routine for me that I would feel as if I had not participated in Mass if no singing was involved. Music ministry continues to be a meaningful part of my life even as a senior member of the parish. It is only through God's blessings that I continue in this ministry and gain a greater connection to my fellow choir members and our church congregation. I would strongly encourage others who appreciate music during church services to seriously consider giving music ministry a try."—Kevin Cheri (Adult Choir member)

"I like singing in the church choir because it lets me glorify God in a way that I enjoy. I also like the choir because it makes me feel peaceful especially when I am singing about God."—Eliana & Charlize Adamos (Youth Choir members)

"I have been a part of this amazing handbell group since it started three years ago. Even though I do have a music background, I find playing handbells challenging. Instead of playing all the notes in a song, each bell is a part of the whole that makes the music. I am thankful that I have been able to use my talents to bring more to our Mass celebration. Being a part of our music ministry has been a blessing to me."—Bonnie Tauer (Hand Bell Choir member)

"These bells make our old souls sing!"—Silver Bells members

If you are interested in sharing your musical talents, contact
Julie Jasper, Director of Music Ministry at (870)688-9369 or julesjasper93@gmail.com



Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal

What your Donation Can Do!

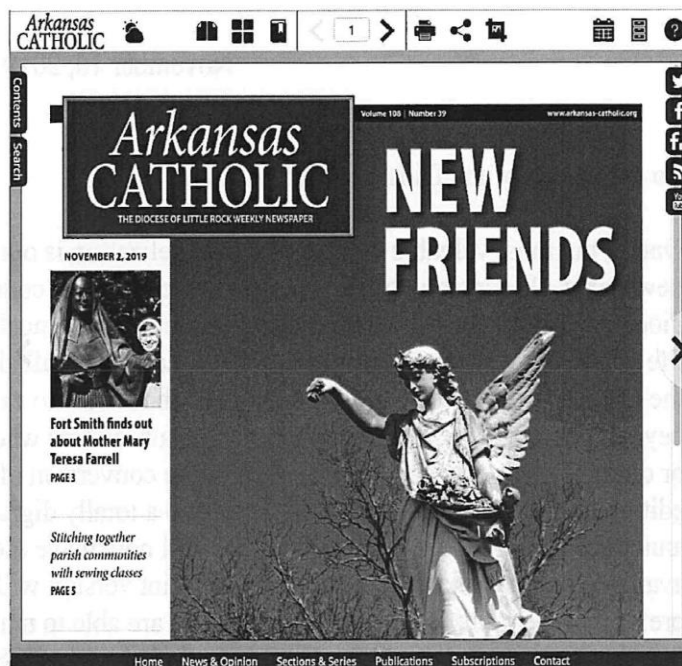
\$25	Provides religious education book for two people.
\$50	Provides a partial scholarship for a student to attend a Campus Ministry retreat.
\$135	Provides a scholarship for one youth to attend a Search weekend.
\$150	Provides utility bill assistance for a family through our Family Assistance Program.
\$250	Provides dental care for a patient of the Westside Free Medical Clinic.
\$500	Covers the cost of an application for a work permit for an eligible immigrant.
\$700	Provides assistance in updating equipment for religious education.
\$1,000	Provides a Project Rachel experience for a woman experiencing the pain of a past abortion.
\$1,500	Provides Bibles and rosaries for people incarcerated in the criminal justice system for six months.
\$2,000	Covers the legal fees for the adoption of a baby through Catholic Adoption Services.
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MAJOR CHANGES TO SAFE ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM!!!



**In the Diocese of Little Rock,
Beginning July 1, 2017:**

WHO must do safe environment training and background checks:

1) Employees

2) Volunteers with Routine Contact w/ Minors

- a. This includes only volunteers who have routine contact with minors as an essential part of their volunteer duties.
- b. Volunteers who do not have routine contact with minors as an essential part of their duties do not have to do safe environment training or background checks.

WHAT training programs:

“CMG Connect” → online training for **adults**
(<http://www.dolr.org/safe-environment>)
(or directly at: <https://littlerock.CMGconnect.org>)

“Circle of Grace” → in-classroom training for **children/youth**

We will no longer use VIRTUS’s “Protecting God’s Children” or “Touching Safety.”
Instead, we will use products supported by **Catholic Mutual Group (CMG)**.

All data from VIRTUS will be moved over to CMG Connect. No one who has already done safe environment training and a background check will have to re-do anything at this time. Users who are due for a 5-year recertification will be notified how to do that by their parish/school safe environment coordinator, who will also have info on both new programs.