

Oh Holy Night!

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David!

~ Luke 2:11



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Farrak, Father Jim	Gokenbach, Lorraine
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Hoyet, Dick	Clouse, Ken & Pam
Hoyet, Linda	Clouse, Ken & Pam
Jamison, Tom	Jamison, Donna

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Mole, Roger	Mole, Patricia
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Rowe, Mark	Rowe, Marlene
Rowe, Norm	Rowe, Marlene
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Rowe, Jerry	Rowe, Marlene
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Terrell, Bob & Donna	Whiteside Family
Unborn Children	Gokenbach, Gerry
Wolfe, Loretta	Pinson Family



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

8:00am Rosary • 8:30am ... Mass
3:30pm ... Christmas Concert
4:00pm ... Christmas Vigil Mass
11:30pm ... Christmas Concert
12:00am ... Christmas Mass

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

8:00am Rosary • 8:30am ... Mass

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION - 24TH & 25TH

Diocesan Clergy & Welfare Fund

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WHAT'S HAPPENING in 2024

January, 13 @ 10 AM: - Basic Food Preservation Class
Contact Wendy Fry to RSVP: 870-926-7603

6 PM - TRAIL LIFE Court of Honor Awards Ceremony

February 3 from 9 AM - NOON: Parish Work Day

February 18 - March 24: Scripture Study - Sign Up in the Vestibule

NEW OFFICE HOURS: 9AM-2PM



ARKANSAS
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FEBRUARY 10, 2024

Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference (ACMC) Annual men's conference held in the Diocese of Little Rock. It was founded in 2010 and has featured speakers who impact men's lives with their passion for Christ and His Church.

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PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

Arkansas Catholic is hosting the pilgrimage September 11- 20, 2024, with vicar general Father John Connell. Visits to Dublin, Galway, and Knock, one of the world's most well known Marian apparition sites. The land portion costs \$3,788 per person, including 8 nights' accommodation, breakfast & dinner daily, deluxe motor-coach transportation, professional tour escort and entrance fees to scheduled sites. \$500 dep. due at registration.

For more information, contact Kathy Primm of Sue Smith Vacations at (501) 771-0987 or kathy@suesmithvacations.com

2023 WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE 4th SUNDAY of ADVENT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

4:30 PM Confessions
5:00 PM MASS: +Carl Heuschmidt

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM MASS: SI - Diane Dally

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

3:30 PM Christmas Music
4:00 PM Youth MASS: +Bill Burge
11:30 PM Christmas Music
12:00 AM Midnight MASS: +Fr. Jim Fanrak

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY

8:00 AM Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM MASS: SI - All Parishioners

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26 THRU FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29 - NO DAILY MASS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

Visiting Priest - Fr. Vujs
Father Ben will be traveling. Please keep him in your prayers
4:30 PM Confessions
5:00 PM MASS: SI - Wes & Carol Bradford Anniv.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

8:00 AM Rosary & Confessions
8:30 AM MASS: +Bill Ogier



2024 MASS FOR LIFE

On Sunday, Jan. 21, 2024, Bishop Anthony Taylor will preside at our annual diocesan Mass for Life. The Mass will be celebrated at St. Andrew Cathedral, 617 Louisiana St., Little Rock at noon. Please join us for this Mass as we pray especially for an end to abortion and for the legal protection of unborn children. Please contact the Respect Life Office 501-664-0340 ext. 326 or email cphilips@dolr.org for more information

MARCH FOR LIFE

On behalf of Arkansas Right to Life, the Respect Life Office invites everyone to participate in the 46th annual March for Life, beginning at 2:00 p.m., after the Mass for Life. Join hundreds of Catholics and people of goodwill as we give public witness to our firm belief in the sacredness of life from the very first moment of conception. This year the March's route is along Capitol Ave, beginning at State Street. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Arkansas Right to Life 501-663-4237 or email artl@artl.org.



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Therefore the child to be born will be called holy,
the Son of God." - Lk 1:35

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DECEMBER 24, 2023

~ 4th Sunday of Advent ~

Life is troubling. Who among us has not struggled with anxiety and difficulties, sometimes massive ones? I certainly have, as have many of my loved ones. If we do, does this mean that we don't trust the Lord or just need to toughen up? I don't think so. How encouraging for us anxious and troubled souls to hear Luke describe the Blessed Mother Mary in these words, **"But she was greatly troubled at what was said."** An archangel has visited her. An inconceivable promise has been made to her. Her life has become wildly unpredictable, perhaps more so than any person before or since. The first point for us: the Lord is with her precisely when she is troubled. Her anxiousness and God's presence are not mutually exclusive. Christianity is not about a trance-like robotic indifference. It's about the presence of divine love. Even in — especially in — troubled circumstances. Our troubled soul can become our greatest treasure. What

seems so troubling at first to Mary becomes the best possible thing, Jesus, the Savior and Lord, is now her son. All the difficulties and troubles remain, and yet her movement into the fullness of God is accelerated. What is troubling you right now? This scripture invites us now, this week, to hear the Lord's messenger say to us what he said to Mary, "Do not be afraid! You have found favor with God."

~ Father John Muir @ LPI



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