### **Collection for the Church** in Central and Eastern Europe

Thank you for your donations to the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe! Your generosity will provide vital assistance to the essential pastoral needs of the region's church. Please visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections to learn more about what your donations have achieved.

### **Lenton Reconciliation Services:**

Thursday, March 10th—6:00 pm Immaculate Conception 7000 JFK Boulevard North Little Rock

Tuesday, March 15th—6:30 pm Christ the King 4000 N. Rodney Parham Road Little Rock

In English & Spanish: Saturday, March 5th-10:00 am -11:45 am & 1:00 pm -2:45pm Good Counsel

### **Jubilus 29 Auditions**

Adults & Teenagers, entering high school the fall of 2016, are invited to attend Jubilus 29 Auditions on Monday, March 7 at 6:30 pm in the church gym at 1321 S. Van Buren. Come be a part of Cold Case in Hot Springs! Needed: actors, singers, musicians, cooks, set builders, etc. For more information: call Elizabeth at 570-7758 ereha@dolr.org. This year's show will be held June 10 & 11 and 17 & 18! (one week later than usual) An information & sign-up meeting for children and teenagers will be held on Saturday, March 5 at 2:00 pm in the Gathering Room in the old school. Parents & children (4 years teenagers) may come learn more information about being a part of Jubilus 29. For more information: Margaret at 413-2029 / margaret@astapro.org or Patricia at 868-9892 / pat.t614@gmail.com.

# In the Diocese

### **Magnificat Meal**

Tickets now available for March 19<sup>th</sup>, Magnificat Meal, 10:00 to 1:00, St. Joseph Parish Hall, Conway. Cost is \$15.00. Sr. Macrina Wiederkehr, OSB, from St. Scholastica Monastery is the guest speaker. To register by email send name and # of tickets needed to: MagnificatCentral Arkansas@gmail.com; or follow on Facebook, Magnificat-Central Arkansas Chapter. All ladies of the diocese are invited to come and be served on Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> – physically, socially and spiritually! No cost for priests and religious but registration still required to assist with planning.

### You Did It for Me

After fleeing violence in her hometown, Maria and her family moved to a new region of Colombia. Times were tough until the family began farming coffee—and learned that they were farming liquid gold. Now, working with the Catholic Relief Services Borderlands project, Maria is able to get a technical degree in coffee. She's found a

new community—and a new passion. To learn more, please visit:

crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-1



### **Mental Health Support Group**

The St. Dymphna Society, a peer support group for people with mental health challenges, continues to meet the last Tuesday of each month. Meetings are in Fletcher Hall at St. John Center at 6:00 p.m. When a priest is available, Mass is celebrated. Otherwise, we pray the Rosary together or hold a prayer service. Please call Rebecca Cargile at 664-0340 ext. 355 if you have any questions. No reservations are necessary, and all are welcome!

### **Lenten Online Discernment Retreat | March 6-10**

Meet with us on Skype, email or phone to reflect and ask questions about discerning religious life. Walk through tools and materials with a retreat director and pray with us. We're here to meet you where you are, on your time. For single Catholic women ages 18-40. Sponsored by the Daughters of Charity. For more information contact Sister Virginia Ann Brooks, D.C., at sistervirginiaann.brooks@doc.org or 812-963-7559. Register online at http://daughters-of-charity.com on the Retreats

### Theology on Tap: Thursday, February 25th

This month marks the beginning of the Lenten season and is a great opportunity for all young adults to join us in learning how Catholic Liturgy enriches our faith. Elizabeth Reha, the Family Life Director of the Diocese of Little Rock will be joining us to do just that. We meet in the downstairs room of the Flying Saucer downtown Little Rock at 7:00pm. This is a free monthly event and donations are accepted at the door. Get ready for a night of fun, food and fellowship where all young adults are welcome. We look forward to seeing you there. Please contact Amy Wisniewski (wisni.amy@gmail.com) or David Clement (dtcleme@gmail.com) with any comments or questions. You can also find us on Facebook: Theology on Tap -Central Arkansas.

### Handyman Services for Seniors & Disabled Parishioners

An OLGC parishioner is offering volunteer handyman service for minor home repair, electrical work and plumbing repairs. Call the parish office at 666-5073 to give contact information.



# Our Lady of Good Counsel CATHOLIC CHURCH



1321 S. Van Buren / Little Rock, AR 72204 / Telephone: (501) 666-5073 Fax: (501) 664-1964 / Email: parishoffice@goodcounselLR.com / Website: goodcounselLR.com

Masses:

Saturday: 4:30 pm Vigil Sunday: 8:00 and 11:00 am

2:00 pm Spanish Mass Weekdays: 8:00 am on Tues, Thurs, & Fri;

6:00 pm on Wed

Holy Days: To be announced

**Adoration:** 24 hours, 7 days a week

**Sacraments:** 

*Confession:* 3:00 - 3:45 pm, Saturday

5:15 pm—5:45 pm, Wednesday

(or anytime by appointment)

Infant Baptism:

Call the Church office to register

Those considering marriage need to notify the parish priest of their intention to marry at least six months prior to their intended wedding date. Wedding dates will be finalized only after consultation with the priest or deacon. Attendance of an approved marriage preparation program required. Please call the parish office for further information.

### **Organizations & Ministries:**

Altar Servers: 666-5073 Eucharistic Ministers: 666-5073 Finance Council: 490-5902 Food Box: 666-5073

Knights of Columbus: 993-8636 Our House Meals: 993-2136

Religious Education for Children: 666-5693

Pastoral Council: 529-8125

Perpetual Adoration: Margaret Switlik adoration@goodcounselLR.com

Respect Life: 920-2483

St. Joseph's Covenant Keepers: 225-5037 Minibus Drivers: 666-5073

VIRTUS Coordinator: 455-3107

### Bulletin deadline is Wednesday 12 noon. Email: carol@goodcounselLR.com

Newsletter - Published Quarterly: Submit articles to parishoffice@goodcounselLR.com Pastor: Fr. Joshua Stengel

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rhanley@afmc.org

Finance Council Chairman: Marty Kallenbach mlkbach@comcast.net

### **Church Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday, 8:30 am- 4:00 pm

Friday - 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

The office is closed for lunch from 11:30-12:30 pm

## **Parish Registration:**

Registration forms are located at all entrances to the church. Please fill one out and return it to the church office or drop it in the collection basket.

### Ministry to the Sick

If you would like to be anointed before going into the hospital or have Communion brought to someone homebound, please call the parish office. Your contacting the parish office helps us to minister to our homebound / hospitalized parishioners. When registering in the hospital, please register as Catholic and as a parishioner.

Second Sunday of Lent — February 21, 2016

### Mass Schedule & **Mass Intentions for the Week**

Saturday 4:30 pm

+Estelita Brown By Melvina Macfoy

Sunday

8:00 am Angie Maglione By Jose & Yadira Maglione

11:00 am Elizabeth Vargo By Robert & Julie Hanson

2:00 pm **Parish Intentions** 

Tuesday 8:00 am

Angie Maglione By Jose & Yadira Maglione

Wednesday 6:00 pm **Poor Souls in Purgatory** By Maria Nguyen

Thursday 8:00 am +Walter Hanak By Ray & Diane Hanley

Friday 8:00 am +Catalina Bermo By Lilian Felicitas

Saturday +Anna McCloud

**Mass Intentions** 

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is the highest form of prayer and the most efficacious prayer we can offer for our loved ones, living/deceased. Call the Parish Office to schedule a Mass for your family and friends.

By Bob & Donna Dare

### Flowers for the Altar

If you would like to reserve a weekend for altar flowers in honor/memory of a loved one or an anniversary, please contact the parish office to schedule.

### 2/27 & 2/28 Liturgical Ministers

4:30 pm—Saturday Lector: Keo Singkhek

Donna Dare Anne Mancino Michael Mancino

8:00 am - Sunday **Lectors:** Ralph Kodell Michael Switlik Glenroy Charles Augie Divino

11:00 am - Sunday

Lectors: D'Boria Cook Diane Hanley Carlita Baquial

> Margaret Zakrzewski Frank Zakrzewski Jennifer Ekeanyanwu Jo Evelyn Elston Kathy Hatcher Ellen Lamb

### **Altar Servers:**

Chike Ekeanyanwu Kelechi Ekeanyanwu Nancy Elebeke Charles Elebeke

### 2/27 & 2/28 Minibus Schedule

**4:30 pm** - The Sullivan's 11:00 am - Carl Meurer



### Readings for the Week

Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 Sunday

Philippians 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1 Luke 9:28b-36

FOCUS: Through placing our faith and trust in Jesus, our lives can be changed and transfigured.

Monday 1 Peter 5:1-4

Matthew 16:13-19

FOCUS: Saint Peter and his successors are entrusted with the responsibility of being the chief shepherds of the Church.

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20 Tuesday Matthew 23:1-12

> FOCUS: We are to follow the examples of Jesus and pour ourselves out in love and service to others.

Wednesday Jeremiah 18:18-20 Matthew 20:17-28

FOCUS: Jesus came to serve, not to be

Jeremiah 17:5-10 Thursday Luke 16:19-31

FOCUS: Prayer is powerful.

Friday Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

> FOCUS: With the help of God's grace, we can turn the other cheek and forgive those who have hurt us.

Saturday Micah 7:14-15 18-20 Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

> FOCUS: The parable of the prodigal son illustrates God's unconditional love for us.

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

# Stewardship

"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." (Genesis 15:7)

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether our home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do we show our gratitude to God for the home He has given us? Do we make a sacrifice of any kind? Do we return any of our finances to God, investing equally in our eternal home just as we invest in our earthly home?

Regular Contributions	\$5	,026
Ash Wednesday	\$	879
Children's Contributions	\$	41
Formation House Milk Fund	\$	87

Projected weekly expenses: \$8,169



# The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February

- Universal: That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity.
- Evangelization: That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community.

# Question of the Week

By making Isaiah's compassionate deeds my Jubilee Year of Mercy Lenton project, in who life or what situation can I help Jesus' mercy "transfigure"? How?



### Adult Education-Sundays at 9:30 am

Join us as we begin Bishop Robert Barron's series Conversion: Following the Call of Christ. Using six stories from the Bible, Fr. Barron demonstrates how ordinary, sinful people like us are met by Jesus and called to a better life through him. Class meets Sundays at 9:30 AM. To find out more information, please contact Nick Ables at goodcounselcvm@gmail.com.

# Lenten Schedule

### Lenten Fasting and Abstinence

The law of abstinence prohibits the eating of meat. Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence. The obligation of abstinence begins at age 14. The law of fasting allows one full meal and two smaller ones. The law of fasting obliges all between the ages of 18-59. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence.

**Stations of the Cross** will be Friday, February 26 at 6:00 pm. There will be a Soup Supper each Friday during Lent following Stations:

### **Soup Supper Schedule:**

Feb. 26 Hispanic Community Vietnamese Community Mar. 4 & West Indies Community

Mar. 11 Nigerian Community & OLGC Youth Grou

Mar. 18 Filipino Community

### **Hungering for the Journey**

Join our parish community—and more than 13,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing



Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's rice bowl from the vestibule of the church following Mass. Remember, your Lenten sacrifices change lives.



### **Easter Flowers**

Complete the form located at the Church entrances to donate an Easter flower in honor or remembrance of a family member or friend. Please return in the collection basket or to the Parish Office by March 21st to have names included in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

### **Prayer List for the Sick**

Mary Richards Cora Morrison Paula Lorenz Marcy Davis Jimmy Reppo Blanche Ryle Stanley Banak Michael Banak Barbara Daniels Josie Bradshaw Marion Holt Michael Nunes Amy Bradshaw Marie Morris Loretta Longinotti

### Please keep them in your thoughts & prayers.

Names will remain on the prayer list for a period of 4 weeks with each request. Please call the Parish Office to add a name.



### Calendar XXXXX 2/21 Mass 8:00 am Adult Education Classes 9:30 am P.R.E. 9:30 am Mass 11:00 am Clases de Catecismo 12:30 pm Misa en Español 2:00 pm **Life Teen** 5:00 pm—7:00 pm

Mon	2/22	Light to the Nations Prayer 4:00 pm/
		Church Conference Room
		Financial Peace University 7:00 pm Room A

Tues 2/23 Mass 8:00 am	
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Wed 2/24 Confessions 5:15 pm—5:45 pm Mass 6:00 pm Capital Campaign Committee Meeting—6:30 pm

Thur 2/25 Mass 8:00 am RCIA 6:30 pm

Fri 2/26 Mass-8:00 am Senior Moment! - 9:00 am in Room A Patriotic Rosarv—3:00 pm

> Stations of the Cross —6 pm Soup Suppers begin after Stations of the Cross

1st Reconciliation 9:30 am Confessions  $3:00 \ pm - 3:45 \ pm$ **Eucharistic Benediction** 4:00 pm Vigil Mass 4:30 pm

Sun 2/28

Mass 8:00 am Adult Education Classes 9:30 am **P.R.E.** 9:30 am Mass 11:00 am Clases de Catecismo 12:30 pm Misa en Español 2:00 pm / 1er escrutinio

**Life Teen** 5:00 pm—7:00 pm

# Coming Up:

2/27

Devotion of the Two Hearts: First Fri. -6:00 pm 3/5 **Devotion of the Two Hearts : First Sat.**—7:30 am Year of Mercy First Saturday—9:00 am Jubilus Auditions –children only - 2:00 pm—3:30 pm P.R.E. Confessions 3rd & 4th grades 3/7 Jubilus Auditions - 6:30 pm—9:30 pm 3/9 Jubilus Auditions - 6:30 pm—9:30 pm **Lenten Reconciliation Service** - 6:00 pm at 3/10 Immaculate Conception-NLR P.R.E. Confessions 5th & 6th grades Our Lady Queen of Peace Rosary—12:00 pm Spanish Parish Mission/Dc. Luna 6:30 pm 3/13-19 Jubilus Rehearsal - 6:30 pm—9:30 pm 3/14 3/15 Lenten Reconciliation Service - 6:30 pm at Christ the King—Little Rock 3/20 Palm Sunday Seder Meal 4:00 pm in Gym Lenten Reconciliation Service—Spanish - 6:00 pm 3/23 at St. Theresa—Little Rock

3/24 Holy Thursday 7:00 pm 3/25 Good Friday Stations of the Cross 3:00 pm

Good Friday Service 7:00 pm