

The Week Ahead

Sat / May 13

4pm - Vigil Mass: *Fr. John's private intentions*
Monthly Maintenance Fund Collection

Sun / May 14 - Mother's Day

9am - Mass: *Dec Parents of the Vander Zyl Family †*
Monthly Maintenance Fund Collection
Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall

Mon / May 15

Tue / May 16

9:30am - Scripture Study, meet in the Parish Hall Youth Room

Wed / May 17

12:30pm - Altar Society Card Party, in the Parish Hall
5:30pm - St. Monica Rosary, in the Chapel
6:30pm - Youth Group, meet in the Parish Hall

Thu / May 18 - St. John I, Pope

6pm - *B-I-N-G-O*

Fri / May 19

Sat / May 20 - St. Bernardine of Siena

3-3:45pm - Confessions

4pm - Vigil Mass: *Marsha Galinis † by C Galinis*
Catholic Communication Campaign Collection

Sun / May 21 - 6th Sunday of Easter

9am - Mass: *Rev. Venantius Preske † by the Schneiders*
Catholic Communication Campaign Collection
Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall

Altar Flowers *this week* are compliments of:

- Dorothy Haufe *for a Special Intention*

Tabernacle Roses *this week* are compliments of:

- Cavileers/Pellant *in honor of Our Lady*

Coffee & Donuts *next week*, May 21st, will be served by Gale Orosz & group # 3.

Birthdays Next Week:

15-Miki Jurczyk

18-Gerry Stehno

19-David Larson

20-William Matselboba

We wish you many blessings on your birthday!

The Most Important Person...

on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral - a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body. The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other human creature. God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation. What on God's earth is more glorious than this.

TO BE A MOTHER

~ Cardinal Joseph Mindszenty ~

Happy Mother's Day to all the ladies of the Parish - May God bless your day!

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection

Next weekend the *Catholic Communication Campaign* will be collected. Half of the collection stays in the Diocese of Little Rock to support the communications ministries, including the newspaper and Internet. Your donation will make it possible for more than 700 complimentary *Arkansas Catholic* subscriptions to be given to churches, schools, prisons and to those who can't afford it. Please give generously...Thank you!

CALLING ALL LADIES!

All women are invited to a luncheon sponsored by "Mary Ark of the Covenant" Arkansas Chapter of Magnificat. Our theme this time is the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The luncheon will be held in our Parish Hall on June 10th, from 11:30am to 2pm (registration at 11). Tickets are \$12 and include a catered lunch, a time of worship and the featured speaker, Mary Jane Alexander, who has served Native Americans at St. Joseph Indian School in Chamberlain South Dakota for 45 years. She is recently retired and living in Minnesota. One of her favorite scriptures is, "I will hold you always in the palm of my hand." Isaiah 41:13. Come and bring friends to hear her inspiring testimony and to pray and praise God with us. You will be blessed!! Tickets are available from any board member or the Church Office. (No tickets sold at the door.)

Welcome Ministry Needs Volunteers

Calling all friendly, welcoming parishioners! Our newly formed Welcoming Ministry needs more couples/singles to help us. If you've seen this announcement before it is because no one has yet responded. If your interest is piqued and you would like to learn more or to volunteer, contact Sharon Vander Zyl at 870-847-3095, or send an email to: sharon.vanderzyl@gmail.com. Thank you!

Greetings from Dc. Jim & Helene Thompson

Pat Kimball visited with Dc. Jim and Helene. They were overjoyed with the card she brought them which many of you signed, and they thank you for it. Since changing meds, Jim is doing much better, but still has COPD. Helene is childlike and enjoys being with her daughter. Please keep them in your prayers.

Fill the Trailer

The North Sharp County Ministerial Alliance, coordinators of the local Food Pantry at the Spring River Presbyterian Church in Hardy, will once again hold a "Fill the Trailer" Food Drive. Next Saturday, May 20th, from 8am - 5pm, trailers will be parked at Bill's Cashsaver in Hardy and Town & Country in Highland. Non-perishable food items, toiletries and monetary donations will be accepted. Thank you for helping us feed local families in need!

Alzheimer Support Group
3rd Wednesday - 1:30pm
CV United Methodist Church

Next PC Meeting, June 22, 12noon

Parish Council meetings are open to parishioners to attend. If you wish to bring up a topic, let Becky in the Office know two weeks in advance so you can be put on the agenda.

Were you married in the Catholic Church?

"If anyone is living in a marriage that has not been recognized by the Catholic Church, it would be wise to consult with your pastor to see whether that situation might be rectified. It could be as simple as repeating your marriage vows privately in front of a priest and receiving the Church's blessing. In that way one would become eligible to receive the Sacraments of the Church, especially Holy Communion." (Arkansas Catholic Nov. 14, 2015)

If you or your spouse has a prior marriage and want to get back to receiving the Sacraments, especially Holy Communion, please call the Church Office to make a confidential appointment with someone who is trained in the annulment process.

It's Baby Bottle Time Again!

The New Beginnings Pregnancy Help Center in Ash Flat is once again sponsoring a "Baby Bottle Boomerang" fundraiser from Mother's Day thru Father's Day. Our fundraising goal this year is \$24,000.

To participate: Pick up your baby bottle in the vestibule of your Church, fill it with loose change or bills (checks are ok too) and return it to your church the weekend of Father's Day, June 18th. Even if empty, please return your bottle as they cost the center \$1.30 each!

This past year we have had over 800 client visits, performed over 200 Ultrasounds, given out 600 packages of diapers and baby food. We have given out over 90 Bibles and held 30 Bible Study classes. The Center has also provided various Parenting and Breast Feeding classes to first time parents. Without your help this would not be possible!

Thank you for your part helping the many hurting women and families in our community. My prayer for you is that God will richly bless you and your congregation as only He can.

~ *Laura Lute, Executive Director*