



[Jesus said,]
“For where
two or three
are gathered
together in my
name, there
am I in the
midst of them.”

MATTHEW 18:20

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Could I improve how I handle conflict with others?

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Church Office Hours

Monday – Friday- 8am -11:30 am; 12:30 pm- 4:30 pm

Closed on Holy Days of Obligation

If an emergency occurs requiring the sacramental ministry of a priest, please contact the parish office Monday – Friday. After hours or on weekends, please contact Christine Baltz 724-549-6324.

Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered Saturday 11 am-12 noon, Tuesday & Thursday 5-5:45 PM or most any reasonable time by request, (your identity need not be known). Come receive our Risen Lord's forgiveness & healing.

Sacrament of Baptism presupposes sufficient instruction & a desire on the part of the candidate/ parent to practice the faith. *Expectant parents please ask for the Church's blessing for a safe and healthy delivery.* Call the Church Office to schedule instructions & the service.

Sacrament of Marriage is a wonderful commitment of life & love, & involves much serious deliberation, prayer & planning. Engaged couples should contact the pastor at least SIX Months before setting a date.

Sacrament of the Sick is always encouraged for those who are seriously ill, elderly, or facing surgery. The Sacrament of Healing is available upon request. Family & friends are invited to attend & thus show their support, love, friendship, & Christian concern

Bulletin announcement deadline is Wednesday, at noon



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, Deacon Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottspomer at (501) 664-0340, ext. 425. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

Mass Schedule

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept 5, 2026

4:00pm St Joseph Mass

Int: Parishioners

6:00 pm St Paul Mass

Int: Patricia Bell, d

Sunday Sept 6, 2026

8:00 am St John Mass

Int: Dickie Flanigan, d; Madeleine Throesch, d; Jerry & Betty Lindsey (65th Anniversary)

10:30 am St Paul Mass

Int: Parishioners

Monday Sept 7, 2026

No Mass

Office closed

Tuesday Sept 8, 2026

6:00 pm St Paul Mass

Int: Jimmy & Jeff Baltz, d

Wednesday Sept 9, 2026

9:00 am St Paul Mass

Int: Justin Baltz, d

Thursday Sept 10, 2026

12:00 pm St John Mass

Int: Paul & Jeff Leister, d; JC & Janet Peters, d; Paul Ruth & Tom Weisenbach, d

6:00 pm St Paul Mass

Int: Henry Dust, d

Friday Sept 11, 2026

9:00 am St Paul Mass

Int: Justin Baltz, d

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Saturday Sept 12, 2026

4:00 pm St Joseph Mass

Int: Parishioners

6:00 pm St Paul Mass

Int: Joseph & Joanna Thibeault, d

Sunday Sept 13, 2026

8:00 am St John Mass

Int: Marie Peters, d; Dick & Sarah Thielemier, d; L/D mem of Frank & Josephine Thielemier family

10:30 am St Paul Mass

Int: Parishioners

Sacristan Schedule

September 12- Alex Baltz September 13- Josh & Jill Neely
September 19- Chris Baltz September 20- Matt & Jennifer Hibbard
September 26- Susan Meier September 27- Scott & Abby Tyler

Financial Report	
September 3, 2026	\$6,220.26
2026 year to date	\$279,759.60
Children's Collection	N/A
St Joseph July 2026	\$2,289.00
DOLR August 2026	\$696.00
Food Bank, August 2026	951.07



On-line giving available through Zeffy. Scan the QR code to begin.

Church Cleaning Schedule September 12 Susie Roberts, Bridget Tedder, Jeanette Thielemier, Lisa Erwin. **To volunteer to join a group & help maintain our church call the office or ask someone to join a group.**

MARY'S FIAT – her total surrender to God's plan when asked to be the Mother of God. Do you want to become the woman God is calling you to be? Come to the "Becoming More" Retreat. Fr. John Marconi and Debbie Eckert will lead us to this through talks on listening, trusting, surrendering and everyday faithfulness. Sign up now for the October 9th and 10th retreat. Questions call Allison Swann 870-219-9824 or the church office.



Eucharistic Ministers/Altar Servers Schedule

6:00 pm Saturday September 12, 2026

Host Ministers: Susan Meier, Paige Radcliff

Cups: Paul & Christie Yemma

Cups: Shea Niswonger, Pauletta Walker

Altar servers: Abel Johnson, Peyton & Reese Radcliff

10:30 am Sunday September 13, 2026

Host Ministers: Cyndy Busick, Shelly James

Cups: Claire Garoutte, Monica Loyd

Cups: Debbie Hibbard, Jennifer Hibbard

Altar servers: Zoey Hibbard, Dru & Evelyn Steimel

6:00 pm Saturday September 19, 2026

Host Ministers: Dc Tate, Maggie Baltz

Cups: Trish Thielemier, Kelly Throesch

Cups: Rose Hutsell, Pauletta Walker

Altar Servers: Jake Baltz, Aubrey & Cannon Hogan

10:30 am Sunday September 20, 2026

Host Ministers: Dc Tate, Brin Presley

Cups: Michelle Olvey, Jennifer Nichols

Cups: Terri Jansen, Jill Neely

Altar Servers: Austin James, Cash Cox, John Henry Garoutte

6:00 pm Saturday, September 26, 2026

Host Ministers: Tom & Chris Baltz

Cups: Alex & Tiffany Baltz

Cups: Paul & Christie Yemma

Altar Servers: Jake Baltz, Blakely Jansen, Avery Seagraves

10:30 am Sunday, Sunday September 27, 2026

Host Ministers: Cyndy Busick, Shelly James

Cups: Angie DeClerk, Claire Garoutte

Cups: Monica Loyd, Michelle Olvey

Altar Servers: Mary Morgan, Kipton, Sawyer Jansen

Nursing Home & Homebound September: Debbie Hibbard, Judith Meier, Veronica Rose

OCIA- Class begins Sept 13, 2026 @ 9:00 am in the Parish Life center.

Lectors for September

Saturday: Tiffany Baltz - **Sunday:** Jill Neely

Ushers for September:

Saturday: Joey Radcliff, Joe Bergman

Sunday: Travis DeClerk, Chris Hoggard, Marty Moore, James Presley

Circle of Grace Safe environment program will be taught Wednesday September 16th at PRE and CYM. If you wish to opt out and teach this at home please let Monica or Dylan know they will get the materials you need.

Online giving through Zeffy at St Paul.

Title: Stewardship Made Simple. If you haven't tried it yet, we invite you to use our online giving option through Zeffy. In just a few minutes, you can make a one-time or recurring gift to support our parish. Learn more at: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/organizations/st-paul-the-apostle-catholic-church-pocahontas-ar> or scan the QR code below.

*** Important information:** remember when checking out at the end of the registration process, you'll see an option to add a contribution to help cover Zeffy's platform fees, you can choose to give or not to give that's your option. Please use the dropdown menu.



Plans are underway to begin choir practice for Midnight Mass in late September. All voices and all ages are welcome! Weekly practice will be on Monday evenings. No experience is necessary. Please contact Catherine Jarrett, choir coordinator, at cathyj9623@hotmail.com.

CYM BAKE SALE: Annual CYM Bake Sale will be held on Sunday October 2nd following the 10:30 am Mass. Parishioners who would like to support this wonderful cause are asked to bring their donations to the Church office before the 10:30am Mass. Thank you for your generosity & continued support of our CYM.

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Opportunity to Serve:

Each year, we honor & thank our Golden Age Parishioners with a special celebration recognizing their many years of faith, service & dedication to our parish. Many of our Golden Agers continue to serve faithfully & now we have the opportunity for the next generation to step forward. We are looking for **YOUNGER** parishioners both women & men to help us honor & thank those who have given so much to our parish throughout the years. Your help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for answering the call to serve!

Please pray for: Bishop Anthony Taylor, Kogan Vaughn, Samuel Thompson, Roy Billeau, Richard Lindsey, David Bassford.

Good News!

September 6, 2026

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Ezekiel 33:7–9 / Romans 13:8–10 / Matthew 18:15–20

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Parish Office Hours: Thursday 8:00AM-12:00 Noon, or by appointment

<u>Mass Schedule</u>	
Saturday	<i>11:00AM Confessions, St. Paul (Pocahontas)</i> <i>3:30PM Confessions, St. Joseph (Corning)</i> <i>4:00PM Mass, St. Joseph (Corning)</i> <i>6:00PM Mass, St. Paul (Pocahontas)</i>
Sunday	<i>7:30AM Confessions, St. John (Engelberg)</i> <i>8:00AM Mass, St. John (Engelberg)</i> <i>10:30AM Mass, St. Paul (Pocahontas)</i>
Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	<i>5:00PM Confessions, St. Paul (Pocahontas)</i> <i>6:00PM Mass, St. Paul (Pocahontas)</i>
Wednesday	<i>9:00AM Mass, St. Paul (Pocahontas) (School Year)</i> <i>12:00 Noon Mass, St. Paul (Pocahontas) (Summer)</i>
Thursday	<i>8:00AM-12:00 Noon Adoration, St. John (Engelberg)</i> <i>12:00 Noon Mass, St. John (Engelberg)</i> <i>5:00PM Confessions, St. Paul (Pocahontas)</i> <i>6:00PM Mass, St. Paul (Pocahontas)</i>
Friday	<i>9:00AM Mass, St. Paul (Pocahontas) (School Year)</i> <i>12:00 Noon Mass, St. Paul (Pocahontas) (Summer)</i>

Mass Intentions

September 5, 2026 – September 13, 2026

St. John

Sun Sept 6: Dickie Flanigan (d) & Doris Flanigan (h); Madeleine Throesch (d); Jerry & Betty Lindsey (65th anniversary)

Thur Sept 10: Paul & Jeff Leister (d); JC & Janet Peters; Paul, Ruth & Tom Weisenbach (d)

Sun Sept 13: Marie Peters (d); Dick & Sarah Thielemier (d); Living & deceased Members of the Frank & Josephine Thielemier family

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Sat Sept 5: Patricia Bell (d)

Thur Sept 10: Henry Dust (d)

Sun Sept 6: Parishioners

Fri Sept 11: Justin Baltz (d)

Tues Sept 8: Jimmy & Jeff Baltz (d)

Sat Sept12: Joseph & JoAnna Thibeault (d)

Wed Sept 9: Justin Baltz (d)

Sun Sept 13: Parishioners

Ministry Schedule

	September 6	September 13	September 20	September 27
Eucharistic Ministers	Dwayne Capps Angie Capps Lori Steimel Joe Steimel	Becky Brown Vernon Hausman Candace Steimel Pam Durbin	Becky Brown Vernon Hausman Candace Steimel Pam Durbin	Jim Bergman Lori Bergman Jenniet Galvan Deb Martin
Servers	Haley Stout Madeleine Throesch Isaac Throesch	Caroline Stout Parker Liebhaber Jaxon Steimel	Casyn Steimel Catarina Throesch Madison Throesch	Wade Zitzelberger Holden Zitzelberger Jaxson Kasinger
Lectors	September: Lori Steimel & Rebecca Steimel October: Maria Taylor & Amy McKenzie			
Ushers	September: Mike Taylor & Sonny Throesch October: Mike Taylor & Sonny Throesch			
Money Counters	September: Elaine Wallis, Richard & Ellen Thielemier October: Lori Bergman, Nick Wren, Conner & Sara Mulock			

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of September is dedicated to our Lady of Sorrows. Whose Feast we celebrate on the 15th.

We also celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross on the 14th of September. Mary united her sufferings with that of Christ her son. May she pray for all those who suffer in body and spirit.

Thank you for your sacrifices to bring the love of Christ alive in our Faith Community. Let us come together to pray and work preparing ourselves for our 100th anniversary of Church building. May Jesus abundantly bless you.

Father Sammy

Weekly Financial Report

August 30, 2026 Loose Cash \$312.00

Checks & Envelopes: \$2400.00

100th Anniversary Collection: \$793.00

CLEAN UP DAYS: To prepare the grounds and hall for our 100th Anniversary, we will be having work days on September 12 and 26th. We will start at 9:00AM or feel free to come earlier. We plan on doing a deep cleaning in the hall and work will be done on all flower beds. Bring any tools that you think can be used.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: As we prepare to celebrate the 100th anniversary of our beautiful church, we want this special milestone to be a celebration worthy of the generations who have worshiped, served, and sacrificed here over the past century. A second collection will be taken up **September 6** to help with expenses associated with our 100th Anniversary Celebration, including church beautification and décor, celebration and meal expenses, and other preparations for this special occasion. Your generosity will help us honor the past, celebrate the present, and prepare our church to welcome parishioners, former parishioners, family, friends and special guests as we commemorate 100 years of faith and community. Thank you for helping make this once-in-a-century celebration a beautiful and memorable one for our parish! If neither of these dates work for you, please just drop an envelope marked Anniversary, or turn into office.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF CURRENT CHURCH: On October 11th we will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the dedication of our current Church. Mass that Sunday will be at 10:30AM with a reception following in the Parish Hall. Bishop Taylor will be here to celebrate, as well as other Priest that have served our Parish. We have been making plans for that very special day, but if anyone would like to offer any ideas, please contact a Parish Council member or Jane. **If anyone has any old pictures of Parish picnics or turkey shoots or any other Parish events, we would like to include in the 100th Anniversary Book. Please contact Johnathan, Becky or Jane.**

INVITATION: Please join Jerry and Betty Lindsey and family in celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary on September 6th. A reception with a light brunch and cake will be held in the parish hall immediately following the 8:00 Mass. All are invited to drop in.

POKER RUN: Our annual Fall Poker Run will take place Oct 4th. We will meet at 2:30 and leave at 3:00. \$30 a hand, also gets you pizza supper. Proceeds go to playground.

CHILDREN'S MASS: Our next children's Mass will be October 4th.

SPIRITUAL RETREAT AT HOLY ANGELS: The retreat is open to Oblates and guests and will feature Mass, Adoration, talks and Liturgy of the hour by Father Cody Eveld. This will take place on Saturday Sept. 26 from 8:30AM to 3:30PM. For more information or to register contact Sister Mary John Seyler OSB at 870-243-2440.

PRE CLASSES: PRE will begin September 9th at 6:00PM. You can call Monica at St. Paul's office to register.

OCIA: Classes begin September 13, 2026 at 9:00AM in the Parish Life Center.

PRAY FOR: All the sick that request our prayers, especially, Bishop Anthony Taylor, Suzanne (Wren) Broadway, Richard Lindsey, Kogan Vaughn, Doris Flanigan, Samuel Thompson, Lisa (Baltz) Riggs, River Wood, Caren Kiefer, Bonny chmidt, Pam Murphy, Paula Johnson, David Cissel, Owen Rowe, Sharon Thielemier (Patrick), Karen O’Gara, and all those listed in our petition book. May God grant them healing.

Pastor Speaks

Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ,

Wish you all Peace, health and happiness as we begin the month of September. Our children are back to school and we are settling down after our vacations. As parents and Godparents, let us remember our duty to educate our children in the catholic faith and morals. encourage them to go to Church, religious education and youth ministry. Saint Paul's Church offers opportunities for every age group to learn about religion, mature in our faith and be firm in living our Catholic values.

The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of sorrows. We celebrate the Feast of our Lady of sorrows on 15th of this month. At this time the Church gives us an opportunity to reflect on the seven sorrows of Mother Mary, join our suffering to her and pray for God's comfort. *"If all the sorrows of the world were united, they would not equal that of the glorious Virgin Mary."* Says St. Bernardine of Sienna.

The Feast of Our Lady of Mercy also known as Our Lady of Ransom is celebrated on September 24.

Mother Mary foreshadowed the sufferings of her Son Jesus who would save the entire humanity through his own suffering. That is one of the reasons that Holy Mother Church places the Feast of the exaltation of Cross on 14th of September.

As the believers in the Lord, we have our own sufferings and sorrows. In the time of Her suffering, Mother Mary looked up to her son Jesus, so also, we are called to turn to the Lord when we are overwhelmed with our sorrows of life. Let us also know that every suffering and every sorrow can lead us closer to Christ and give Him glory. Let us also remember that human suffering is a school where Christian faith is tested and strengthened.

Let us remember that Mother Mary who endured seven sorrows accompanies us as we sail through the challenges of life.

Our Lady of sorrows, Pray for us.

Fr Samy

September

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	7 <i>Labor Day</i> Office Closed	8	9 PRE 6:00-7:00 Cym 6:00-7:30 K C meeting 7:00 PM	10	11	12
6 No women's Bible Study today.						
13 OCIA begins 9:00 AM in the PLC Women's Bible Study 6:00 P.M. in the PLC	14	5	16 PRE 6:00-7:00 CYM 6:00-7:30 Circle of Grace for PRE/CYM	17	18	19
20 OCIA 9:00 AM Confirmation class at noon Kids Club St. Johns 4:30 Pm	21	22	23 PRE /CYM Mass 6:15 P.M.	24	25	26
27 OCIA 9:00 am Woman's Bible Study 6:00 pm	28	29	30 PRE 6:00-7:00 CYM 6:00-7:30			

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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

The Church is at the same time an earthly community and the mystical body of Christ, a visible assembly and a spiritual mystery, a reality present in history and a people journeying toward heaven (Lumen Gentium, 8; Catechism of the Catholic Church, 771). The human and divine



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dimensions integrate harmoniously, without one overshadowing the other.... [The Church] is a reality that is both human and divine.

**GENERAL AUDIENCE,
ROME, MARCH 4, 2026**

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Monday

September 7

Weekday

1 Cor 5:1-8

Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday

September 8

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mi 5:1-4a or
Rom 8:28-30

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23
or 1:18-23

Wednesday

September 9

St. Peter Claver, Priest

1 Cor 7:25-31

Lk 6:20-26

Thursday

September 10

Weekday

1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13

Lk 6:27-38

Friday

September 11

Weekday

1 Cor 9:16-19,
22b-27

Lk 6:39-42

Saturday

September 12

Weekday

1 Cor 10:14-22

Lk 6:43-49

Sunday

September 13

*Twenty-fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Sir 27:30-28:7

Rom 14:7-9

Mt 18:21-35