

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH
ST. BARTHOLOMEW CATHOLIC CHURCH
Our mission statement: We as members of St. Bartholomew Catholic Church are called to worship together, proclaim the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to love one another as Jesus has commended. Thanks for coming!

September 6, 2026
Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

ABOUT US
In February 1907, Bishop John B. Morris arranged for a ministry which included a church and school for the city’s Negro people. On January 10, 1909, a chapel at 8th and Gaines was blessed by Father Fentan Kraemer and dedicated by Bishop Morris. On September 17, 1911, through the work of Father John Hoenderopo, SVD, Pastor from 1914-1917, and financial help from Rev. Mother Katherine Drexel, foundress of the Blessed Sacrament Sisters, a new building was dedicated at 16th and Marshall St.

STEWARDSHIP
When you miss Mass, it is important you make up your offertory collection. May God continue to bless you for your faithful stewardship.
Parents encourage your children to support their parish. Children will bring their gifts up during offertory.

August 30, 2026

Offertory Collection	\$1156.00
Children Collection	\$31.00
Loose Cash	\$62.00
Website	\$65.00
Black and Indian Grant	\$5000.00

Attendance: 08-30: 61 09-03: 17

If you are not attending Mass, **Tithes** or other collections/donations can be dropped off in **the mail slot at the Rectory** or **mailed** to St: Bartholomew Church, 1622 Marshall Street, Little Rock AR 72202 or **online tithing** is available at: our website: [**www.stbartholomewchurch-lr.org**](http://www.stbartholomewchurch-lr.org)

We give to support the church, not because the Church needs, but because sharing is a sign of our gratitude to God. Please be generous as our Father in Heaven is generous to us.

THIS WEEK BIBLE READINGS:

SUNDAY:
Ezekiel 33:7-9
Romans 13:8-10
Matthew 18:15-20

MONDAY:
1 Corinthians 5:1-8
Luke 6:6-11

TUESDAY:
Micah 5:1-4a or Romans 8:28-30
Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

WEDNESDAY:
1 Corinthians 7:25-31
Luke 6:20-26

THURSDAY:
1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13
Luke 6:27-38

FRIDAY:
1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27
Luke 6:39-42

SATURDAY:
1 Corinthians 10:14-22
Luke 6:43-49

.Daily Readings can be found online at: <http://usccb.org/bible/readings>

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers for Sunday, 8:30 a.m. Mass:

	Lectors:
September 06 --	Men’s Group
September 13 --	Ladies’ Auxiliary
September 20 --	Pastoral Council
September 27 --	Church Parishioners

	Eucharistic Ministers:
	September 6th
Alma Stewart	Lee Lindsey
	September 13th
Janett Jones	Sonja Hart
	September 20th
Albert Henderson	Rodney Bernard
	September 27th
Josephine Wakwe	Margaret Douglas

The Knights of **Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary** and the **Jr. Daughters & Jr. Knights** are turning out **Sunday, September 6th** at St. Bartholomew Church (8:30 am Mass) and St. Augustine Church (10:30 am Mass) in honor of **St. Peter Claver Memorial Day** on September 9, 2026.

The **St. Bartholomew Ladies Auxiliary** will be holding their **monthly meeting** today **after Mass** in the **Parish Life Center**. All are invited to attend and fellowship.

The **Men's club** invites everyone to a **Parish breakfast** on Sunday **September 13th** after Mass in the Parish Life Center.

There will be a **meeting** after Mass today of the **Men’s Club** to finalize plans for the breakfast next Sunday.

Please welcome and pray for our two **OCIA candidates** for this year: **Page Brooks and Aido Akama-Makia**.

If you are interested in joining the **Catholic Church** or want to **learn more** about the Catholic faith, please contact the Parish Office or the OCIA Team (Alma Stewart, Margaret Douglas, Lee Lindsey and Deacon Jerome Ngundue). Those who attend the **OCIA classes** beginning this year will be welcome to the Catholic church or will receive their **Sacraments of initiation** next year (2027).

Father Leon Ngandu, SVD – the Coordinator of the SVD USS Biblical Apostolate is coordinating a **Zoom Bible Study** for all SVD parishes on the Sunday Scripture Readings. Time: on Mondays, at 6:00 pm. - Zoom ID: 836 4516 5259.- Passcode: Bible

Fr. Emanuel is leaving on a **Pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey** from **September 15–25th**.

Religious Education Classes (CCD Classes) for **2026/2027** will be every **2nd & 4th Sunday of each month**. CCD Classes are **for all children**, especially those who are preparing themselves for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. We need more CCD teachers for this year. There is a **sign-up sheet to register your children for CCD program** at the back of the church. For more information, please contact **Dr. Lupe Pena** as our CCD Coordinator. **Classes will start on September 13th after Mass in the Parish Life Center.**

Our Parish:
The **Sunday Masses** are live streamed on the **St. Bartholomew’s Facebook** page.
[**StBartholomew Church | Facebook**](#)

Thursday Mass at 5:30 p.m.

Pray the Rosary every 4th Sunday at 8:00a.m.

Did You Know? You can donate property, inheritance, annuity payments, etc., *to Saint Bartholomew Church*. Consult your financial advisor or the parish office for more details. The Church will be grateful to you.

Church Capital Campaign – If you would like to donate toward the paying of our Parish Life Center, please make your check out to **St. Bartholomew Church** and indicate on the memo line “Capital Campaign”.

Our Homebound
Barbara Williams and **Debra Bunting**. Please keep them in your prayers.

Saint Bartholomew Prayer List
Louis Johnson, Frances Landers, Dorothy Gillam, Larry Hill, Alberta Maxwell, Nawana Rogers, Robert Rogers, and Edwin K. Warren. Please keep them in your prayers.

Altar Server

September 6	Isaac Weekly
September 13	Joshua Issioffia
September 20	Lawson Maclin
September 27	Hannah Weekly



OUTSIDE OUR PARISH

September: the Month of the Bible:

Did you know that the Roman Catholic Church chose **September as the month of the Bible**? Why? Simple... because we celebrate the feast of St. Jerome on September 30th. The Bible was written originally in Aramaic, Hebrew, and Greek, and St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin, the famous Vulgate, which means “popular.”

We believe that **the Bible is the Word of God**, and, for that reason, we venerate the Holy Scriptures. God is talking to us through the Holy Bible. All its stories, poems, and prayers are wonderful lessons that God gives us for our lives. The word Bible comes from the Greek word βιβλος (**Biblós**), which means collection of books or a small library. That means that the Bible is not only divided into two parts, the Old and New Testament, but it is also divided into books. How many books does the Bible have? The Catholic Bible has 73 books, 46 in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament.

You can celebrate **the Month of the Bible** by; create a "**Family Bible Corner**" at home, Choose one of the Bible (Example: Genesis, Mathew or Romas and read it entirely during this month, or attend a Bible Study.

Anyone suffering from the trauma of a past **abortion** is invited to join a virtual small prayer group and discussion meeting on Monday, September 14, 2026, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The topic for this meeting is “Reconciliation and New Life in Christ”. You may join **anonymously** from the comfort of your own space. This gathering is hosted by **Project Rachel**, a ministry of the Diocese of Little Rock. This non-judgmental group desires to assist anyone who is searching for healing, peace, and forgiveness. Please call or text our CONFIDENTIAL helpline at 501-663-0996 or email projectrachel@dolr.org for more information and to receive a link to join the group meeting. We are here for you and genuinely want to help.

Project Rachel will offer a DOPH, “Day of Prayer and Healing” , which is a one-day retreat for anyone who seek healing from a past abortion. The retreat will be held on **Saturday, September 19, 2026, in Spanish**, in the **Fayetteville/Springdale area from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.** Hope and support are offered from a trained team, including others who have experienced this journey to healing. Call or text our confidential helpline at 501-663-0996 or email projectrachel@dolr.org to register. All inquiries are strictly confidential, and the exact location of the retreat will be revealed to registered participants only. This is a non-judgmental group, and we love you and are praying for you. Project Rachel in Arkansas is a ministry of the Respect Life Office, Diocese of Little Rock.

Catholic Charities Golf Tournament, Friday, October 9th at Rebsamen Golf Course in Little Rock Support Catholic Charities of Arkansas by being a sponsor or playing in this year’s golf tournament. Proceeds will go towards the purchase of a pick-up truck to handle donation items and food deliveries. A hole sponsor is \$500. A priest sponsor is \$150. A four-person team is \$600. Players will enjoy a fun round of golf with on course contests, complimentary refreshments, and food served before and after play. Tee time is 1 p.m. for a shotgun start and a scramble format. Online registration and sponsorship options are available at birdease.com/ccagolf. For more information about supporting Catholic Charities of Arkansas through its annual golf tournament, contact **Megan Moore** at mmoore@dolr.org or by calling (501) 664-0340, ext. 379. We look forward to hearing from you.

The Mount Pickleball Classic--Mount St. Mary Academy is hosting the inaugural **Mount Pickleball Classic** on **Friday, October 2, at Pickleball Kingdom in Little Rock**. The event, benefiting MSM Athletics, is open to the public and players of all skill levels. Grab your paddle and a partner, and register your doubles team by Friday, September 18. Event sponsorships are also available. Visit www.mtstmary.edu/pickleball for more details and the link to register.

Marriage: At least SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE. Contact the Parish Office to plan and complete required forms and register for Pre-Marriage Workshop.

Baptism Class: Contact parish office for dates and time.

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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



PASTOR: REV. EMANUEL TANU, SVD

SECRETARY: Mr. Rodney Bernard

Mass:

Sunday: 8:30 AM Thursday: 5:30 PM

Sunday Mass can be seen via Facebook [StBartholomew Church | Facebook](#)

Church Office Hours: Tuesday From 10:00 AM – 2:00 P.M

Confession: 30 minutes before each Mass and by appointment