



## PARISH INFORMATION

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### Children's & Youth Ministry:

PreK—12 Grade  
[www.catholicjonesborocym.com](http://www.catholicjonesborocym.com)

### Blessed Sacrament School:

PreK—6th Grade  
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870-932-3684 Phone  
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[www.catholicjonesboroschool.com](http://www.catholicjonesboroschool.com)

### St. Vincent de Paul Ministry:

324 W. Huntington Avenue  
Tuesday 9:00 a.m.  
870-316-0229

### Motherhood Ministry:

324 W. Huntington Avenue  
Wednesday 9:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

### Knights of Columbus Council 1702

1103 E. Highland Drive  
Robert Monteforte, Grand Knight  
870-761-6183

# BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

As high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so high are my ways above your ways  
and my thoughts above your thoughts.

Isaiah 55:9

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2020**

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**FOR SACRAMENTAL ASSISTANCE CALL:**

**870-520-8331**

**MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, September 21 - Public Mass  
7:00 a.m. Roberta Williams †  
by Jon & Nancy DePriest

Tuesday, September 22 - Public Mass  
5:30 p.m. Jesús Tenorio †  
by Antonia Tenorio

Wednesday, September 23 - Public Mass  
7:00 a.m. Julio Diaz Jr †  
by Mary Diaz and Family

Thursday, September 24 - Public Mass  
5:30 p.m. Andy Bednar †  
by Sissy Moore

Friday, September 25 - Public Mass  
7:00 a.m. José Natividad Tenorio †  
by Antonia Tenorio

Saturday, September 26 - Public Mass  
Public & Livestreamed Mass  
5:30 p.m. Int. of the Priest & Parish Staff  
by Jon & Nancy DePriest

Sunday, September 27- Public Mass  
8:00 a.m. Arthur & Jasmine Waidyaratne †  
by The Nonis Family

10:00 a.m Anna Bell Potter †  
by Clara Blalock

Public & Livestreamed Mass  
12:00 p.m. Mass for Parishioners

Confessions: Saturdays 4:00 p.m. Church  
or by appointment, 870-932-2529.

**PARISH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK**  
Office Hours 8 a.m.—4 p.m.

Monday September 21  
*St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist*  
7:00 a.m. Public Mass  
7:30 a.m.—7:30 p.m. Adoration

Tuesday September 22  
5:30 p.m. Public Mass

Wednesday September 23  
*St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest*  
7:00 a.m. Public Mass  
7:30 a.m.—7:30 p.m. Adoration

Thursday September 24  
5:30 p.m. Public Mass

Friday September 25  
7:00 a.m. Public Mass

Saturday September 26  
*Ss. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs*  
*Blessed Virgin Mary*  
5:30 p.m. Mass—Public & Live Streaming

Sunday September 27  
8 a.m. Mass—Public Mass  
10 a.m. Mass—Public Mass  
12 p.m. Mass in Spanish—Public & Live Streaming

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**  
SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

Sunday Is 55:6-9  
Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18  
Phil 1:20c-24, 27a  
Mt 20:1-16a

Monday Eph 4:1-7, 11-13  
Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday Prv 21:1-6, 10-13  
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday Prv 30:5-9  
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday Eccl 1:2-11  
Lk 9:7-9

Friday Eccl 3:1-11  
Lk 9:18-22

Saturday Eccl 11:9—12:8  
Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday Ez 18:25-28  
Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5  
Mt 21:28-32

**Parish Financial Report**

**GENERAL COLLECTIONS**

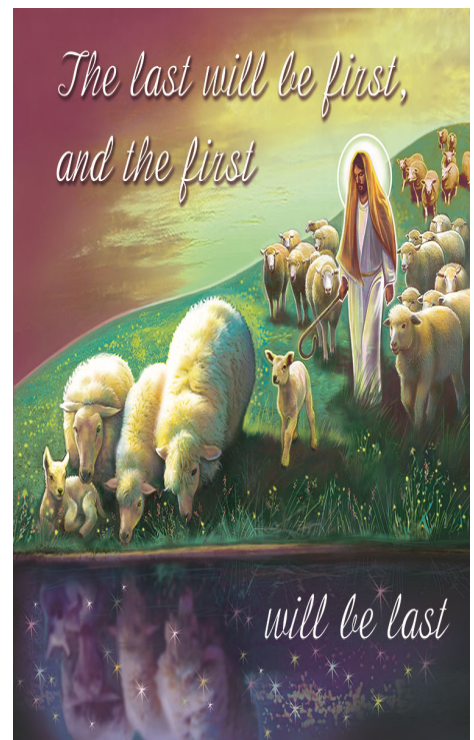
	Goal	Actual
July	\$61,600.00	\$57,544.02
August	\$77,000.00	\$63,068.85
September		
October		
November		
December		
January		
February		
March		
April		
May		
June		
<b>YTD (Jul-Present)</b>	<b>\$138,600.00</b>	<b>\$120,612.87</b>

YTD Budget Surplus / Shortage (\$17,987.13)

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARISH SUPPORT!!**

Jesus wants you to come be with Him at mass on Thursday night, then stay and pray the rosary for peace in our country and the World.

Have you prayed the Rosary today?



# Mass Schedule for Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

Mondays, Wednesdays	7:00am 7:30am-7:30pm	Public Mass Church is open for Adoration
Tuesdays & Thursdays	5:30pm	Public Mass
Friday	7:00 am	Public Mass
Saturdays	4:00pm-5:00pm 5:30pm	Confessions in the Church (In the Chapel and Priest Vesting Room) Public Mass of the Sunday (English) livestreamed
Sundays	8:00am 10:00am 12:00pm	Public Mass (English) Public Mass (English) Public Mass (Spanish) livestreamed

## Guidelines:

Those who visit the Church **must** follow the directives and restrictions imposed by the Governor and Bishop and respect Blessed Sacrament Church guidelines:

Sundays and the Holy Days of obligation are still under suspension.

Must always wear masks (age 10 and over) or other protective covering of mouth and nose except when receiving Holy Communion during Mass. **(Please bring your own mask when possible)**

All must use a hand sanitizer upon arrival at the Church.

Maintain social distance of 6'

Holy Communion reception on the hand during the Mass (without gloves)

If you would like to receive Holy Communion on the tongue please request the Priest after Mass.

Only the Church main doors (that is southside entrance) will be open for entry and exit.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MINISTRY UPDATE

For those in our community in need of assistance (rent or utility), volunteers are answering requests by phone.

During the past two weeks:

Utility assistance for 4 families

Rental assistance for 4 families were provided.

*Priority is given to members of our parish family.*

If you or someone you know, is a resident of Craighead County, and struggling to make ends meet, please call:

870-316-0229.

We thank you for answering our prayers and ask for your continued support! God bless you all.

## Building Fund Financial Report

If you have any questions, please call Molli Beaverstock  
870-932-2529 x127 or stop by the Parish Office.

## COLLECTIONS

**Beginning 01/01/2020**

**GOAL \$500,000.00**

Pledges Paid (To Date)

\$35,715.16

Donations Received (To Date)

\$197,382.01

**Remaining Balance**

**\$266,902.83**

*Thank you for your support!!*

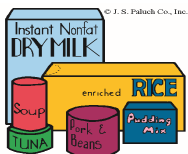
**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** The special intentions of parishioners, especially those homebound/hospitalized, Michelle Veteto, Shelby Ward, Lloyd McCuiston, Koen Smith, Yelba & Raymond Stevenson, Kathy & Donald Plessinger, Jody Amick, Millie & Bill Kueter, Nikki Amick, Mary Ann Eaton, Rita Vaught, Metta Nesmith, Nancy McFarland, Freda & Jim Cole, Carolyn Boling, Jeannette Haddad, Pat Dacus, Rita Puryear, Charles Kline Family, Eddie Reinhart, David Wolters, Odette Dawood, Mary Lane, Betty Cornell, Misael Reyes, Kat Wright, Sid McCaffey, Gary Wells, Robert Surdyk, Cecilia Tacon, Larry McKinney, Marisol Guerra, Javier Garduno, Nathan Barajas, Andy Sanders, Bill Ritter, Earl Wallace, Bob Massanelli, Candelaria Flores, Mashudi Gunawan, Malcolm McGregor, Debbie Marthey, Jeff Hagan, Sydney Brown, COVID-19 sufferers

**WORK OF MERCY**

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry has received 15 lbs food donation from our parish last week. Thank you!

**F.Y.I.**

Helping Neighbors Food Pantry Drive Thru hours are: Mondays, Tuesday & Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. (weather permitting) HNFP is located on the corner of Huntington and Vine. For more information please contact HNFP at 935-7298



# Matching Donations

During the month of September and October, any donation made to the Building Fund will be matched by an anonymous donor (up to \$100,000).

*What a blessing!!*

If you would like to donate, please make checks payable to:  
**Blessed Sacrament Building Fund**  
 P.O. Box 1735  
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Mail it in or drop it in the collection basket or you can also donate online at:

<https://catholicjonesboro.weshareonline.org/>

## RCIA 2020-2021

All who are interested in joining the Catholic Church are invited to sign up for the Right of Christian Initiation of Adults by contacting the church office, 870-932-2529 or [office@catholicjonesboro.com](mailto:office@catholicjonesboro.com). RCIA will meet on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., at St. John Newman Parish on the campus of Arkansas State. The program will run September through Easter 2021. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Puryear, [jpuryear@wpmfirm.com](mailto:jpuryear@wpmfirm.com), or Robert Jones, [rsjones7@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rsjones7@sbcglobal.net).



**Has abortion left you with a broken heart?**

Come to a DAY OF PRAYER & HEALING RETREAT. You are not alone. There is hope.

The Respect Life Office, through the Ministry of Project Rachel, is offering one-day, post-abortion healing retreats for women or men. Saturday September 26 near Bentonville Saturday October 10 in West Memphis. With Covid-19 Precautions. Confidential. Non-judgmental. Healing is possible. These retreats are Catholic in nature, but anyone who desires to begin or continue their journey to hope and healing is welcome to attend. The exact location of the retreat is only disclosed to participants.

To speak with someone about a retreat or other Project Rachel Ministry healing opportunities and support groups, please call or text our confidential phone line 501-663-0996. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Please call. We care. We understand.

## Friends of the Poor Walk

It is time for our annual Friends of the Poor Walk once again! St. Vincent de Paul members invite you to join us on September 26th at 9:00 a.m. in the BSCC parking lot...walkers, strollers, pets on leashes, ALL are welcome!  
A donation of \$25 insures you get an event t-shirt.

**Please call Ron Blackburn 870-761-5572 or  
Marita Monteforte 402-677-8582 to  
register**



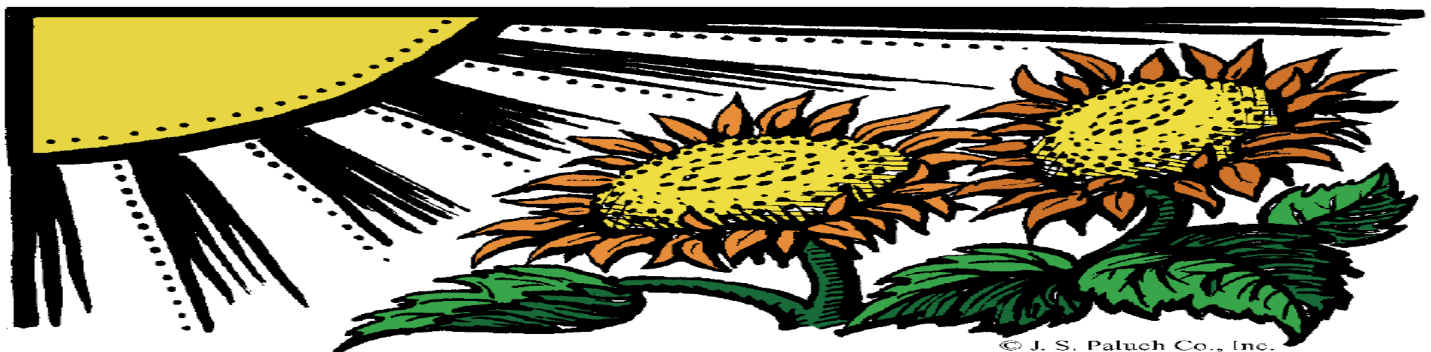
**Motherhood Ministry**  
is located at 324  
Huntington. Each  
Wednesday, volunteers  
assist those in need 9:30  
a.m.—1:00 p.m. Expectant  
mothers may obtain free  
maternity clothes. Free  
clothing for children, infancy  
to Size 14, is available.

### Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Management Unfair

Notice any difference between the attitude of Paul in the second reading and that of the workers in the Matthew's Gospel? The workers grumble because the latecomers got the same pay as those who worked all day. Paul has worked for the Lord for years, yet he thinks it is better to keep working than to claim his reward of eternal life.

The workers grumbled because the landowner gave the same wages to the ones who only worked for an hour. (You can imagine the picket signs: Vinedressers Local on Strike: Management Unfair!) Sometimes we see this parable as an explanation for why sinners who repent on their deathbed can get to heaven. But Matthew was more likely referring to the Jews who had served God for centuries and now see newcomer Gentiles claiming equality in the church. They were complaining about God's generosity in reaching out to all peoples, not just the chosen few. God's generosity is the real point. Those who realize how blessed they are in being called to do God's work have no problem sharing that blessing with others. When we see how much God loves us, we naturally want to respond with love and service of our own. That is what the grumblers, both in the parable and in Matthew's church, were missing.

Contrast that with Paul, who loves the Philippians so much that he is willing to put off his heavenly reward if he can help any more people come to Christ. Paul is more interested in their welfare than in his own reward. That is the attitude that Jesus hopes for in all his disciples. We can love him so much that we can't help but share that love with those around us. We can be so grateful for what he has done for us that we will suffer anything with joy. We can care more about bringing Jesus to others than we do about our own comfort or even our lives. We can do this because we know the Lord's ways are not fair—they are more generous than we can imagine!





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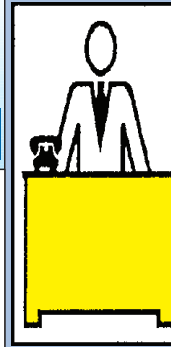
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