



The Parishioner

“Encounter Jesus, Serve Others.”

Fall 2019

“Alice, do you mind if I take the lads?”

A SUNDAY AFTERNOON JAUNT WITH FR. FINBARR

By Revs. John Marconi and Paul Worm

Fr. John Marconi and I, Fr. Paul Worm, recently traveled to Ireland on holiday, taking time to tour Dublin, make a brief pilgrimage to Knock, driving to Kinsale, taking an overnight trip to the Dingle Peninsula, and attending Sunday Mass at St. Mary’s in Innishannon with our traveling companions, Kelly and Patty Shay, Jeff and Kathleen Ferro, and Lori Kauffman. Following Mass we were invited to visit with Alice Taylor in her house and have tea. That was the plan for the day anyway. Until Fr. Finbarr found us.

On our short walk from the church to Alice’s place Fr. Finbarr came quickly to a stop beside us in his vehicle, rolling down his window to say hello to the visitors he had been told were coming. Those of us who had fallen a bit behind the others introduced ourselves to him and he told us he would come to Alice’s with us, just around the corner.

Having now all arrived at Alice’s and making introductions all around Fr. Finbarr was struck with an overwhelming impulse to “take the lads” – as he called us brother Fathers – to visit some beautiful place. “Do you have any plans this afternoon?” he asked. “Well...”, we stammered, “it’s our last day; we fly out tomorrow...” “But you don’t have anything this afternoon then?” Fr. Finnbar continued. “We have dinner reservations at six o’clock in Kinsale. Can you have us back by then?” “Oh! Yes, of course! I have an appointment myself at six. Alice, do you mind if I take the lads?” Alice didn’t object and our traveling companions were amused at what was unfolding. But, before we left, Alice insisted that we have tea, just the three of us since we were in a rush to leave. So the three of us, Fr. Finbarr, Fr. John, and I had a delightful repast featuring fresh salmon, sides with tea before leaving on our adventure.

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Fr. Finbarr Crowley and Fr. John

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ADULT EDUCATION & EVANGELIZATION		
	663-8632	
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BUILDING & GROUNDS		
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John & Theresa Hall	663-9828	
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	or 516-2002	
FACILITIES &		
SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR		
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Laura Humphries	663-8632	
HOLY ADORATION		
Cindy Stabnick	663-8632	
HOLY SEWS MINISTRY		
Regina Binz	663-8632	
JENNY CIA MINISTRY		
Cindy Odom.....	249-1871	
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS		
Pete Stabnick	663-2032	
LECTORS		
Laura Humphries	663-8632	
MARRIAGE PREPARATION		
Pete & Cindy Stabnick	663-2032	
MEN'S CLUB		
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MINISTRY OF PRAISE		
Becky Binz	663-8632	
MONSIGNOR ALLEN TRUST FUND		
Shelley Tienken	663-8632	
NURSERY		
Stacey Matchett.....	663-8632	
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STEWARDSHIP DIRECTOR		
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Barbara Brossett	603-0399	
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Principal - Nancy Handloser	663-4513	
SCOUTS		
Boy - John Robbins	940-3862	
Cub - Bob Barnett	580-5711	
Girl - Cari Britt	214-4832	
SENIORS' GROUP		
Anita Creviston	366-9498	
USHERS		
Pete Stabnick	663-2032	
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Laura Humphries	663-8632	
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BOLD TYPE DESIGNATES YOUR PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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So, having “had tea,” we bade our hostess and traveling companions farewell and got into Fr. Finbarr’s vehicle for the journey to “a beautiful place.” After a quick stop for petrol, we were on our way, to Gougane Barra.

It was nice being chauffeured around by Fr. Finbarr as Fr. John and I didn’t have to worry about driving on the left and following directions given by his GPS on his phone. So we were happy to sit back and enjoy the ride. And what a ride it was! Fr. Finbarr’s knowledge of the area, the roads, the houses, and the people wherever we happened to be at any given moment was something remarkable. He explained that everybody in his parish knew his vehicle and, in his home parish as well, he still knew just about everybody and everybody, just about, knew him.

But the roads...the roads we drove were much narrower than we had been traveling and he was driving so fast, honking briefly before rounding a blind curve or cresting the top of a hill...well, it was like riding a roller coaster, all the while Fr. Finbarr narrated the journey, the families who lived in the area, all the children he had baptized, the school system and the schools he visited each week – the range of topics seemed endless. Occasionally, he would see somebody he knew so he would stop, exchange a few pleasantries with them, introducing us briefly before speeding off again. The tales he told on our journey there and back...Of course, we heard about his stellar play as a goalie on his championship hurling team. The Irish love their sports. We had already learned that during our time in Dublin and Knock.

We stopped for a brief visit and to take some photos together at a grotto on the side of the road. It featured a little stream and he pointed out all the photos and notes people had left, seeking intercession for their loved ones. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

Finally, after driving for a little longer, we arrived at our destination. Fr. Finbarr explained to us how Gougane Barra hosted many, many weddings every year because of its scenic beauty and we walked us around the grounds to spend some time in the original monastery of St. Finbarr and his first monks. Wow! We were impressed. I especially loved the lake

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St. Mary's Church in Innishannon



Fr. Paul Worm and Fr. John visit a grotto.



Gougane Barra Lake

Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; for Your unfaithful and tepid priests; for Your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; for Your tempted priests; for Your lonely and desolate priests; for Your young priests; for Your dying priests; for the souls of Your priests in purgatory.

But above all, I recommend to You the priests dearest to me; the priest who baptized me; the priests who absolved me from my sins; the priests at whose masses I assisted and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion; the priests who taught and instructed me; all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way. O Jesus, keep them all close to Your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Amen.

New Parishioners

Kathy & Wade Aday
11180 Rivercrest Drive
Little Rock, AR 72212

Mary & Will Alexander
5102 Woodlawn Drive
Little Rock, AR 72205

Kris Bertelsen
and his children,
Rebekah & Anna
1726 E. 31st St.
North Little Rock, AR 72116

Barbara Borowa-Mazgaj
and her daughter,
Liliana
1818 Joyce Ct.
Little Rock, AR 72204

Teresa Bridges
and her children,
Cooper & Cody
2016 N. McKinley
Little Rock, AR 72207

Megan & Eric Butler
and their children,
Whitton & Payson
2908 Shenandoah
Valley Dr.
Little Rock, AR 72212

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and imagined fishing in it. Fr. Finbarr insisted that we walk to the hotel and gift shop. Along the way he met an old school chum and teammate and his wife so, naturally, they spent some time in conversation together catching up. We had a little refreshment in the hotel pub and then went to the gift shop where Fr. Finbarr insisted upon buying some postcards for us. He wouldn't allow us to pay for anything.

On our way back to Kinsale we also stopped to see the spot where Michael Collins was killed, Fr. Finbarr's other church, St. Patrick's, and, finally, we got the full tour of Fr. Finbarr's rectory in Innishannon. We took some time to read some framed news accounts of games and his fine play during their championship run. We were impressed.

Lastly, Fr. Finbarr took us into Kinsale by an alternate route that ran along a beautiful river. As we arrived at our rented house I pointed out our rented vehicle. He told me that my parking on a double yellow line was “sinful.” I don't think it's anything I need to confess though.

As promised, he had us back in time for our dinner reservations, with 15 minutes to spare! I don't believe John and I will ever forget that wild afternoon tour with our new friend, Fr. Finbarr.



Chapel of St. Finbarr's Oratory



St. Patrick's Church in Kinsale.



Old Monastery Site

Church Annual Financial Report

By Shelley Tienken, Business Manager

We wish to acknowledge all parishioners and parish organizations that support the ministries of Holy Souls Church – your continued generosity makes a significant difference in our ability to pursue the mission of our Church.

The Church operates on a fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30; consequently, the financial report includes the operating results for a twelve month period as well as the operating budget – approved by both the Parish and Finance Councils - for the 2018-19 fiscal year.

	Operating Activities		
	July 1, 2018- June 30, 2019		Variance
	Budget	Actual	Over (Under)
Operating Income			
Weekly collections	\$ 1,510,000	\$ 1,442,307	\$ (67,693)
Rental	27,500	24,180	(3,320)
Other	20,000	13,005	(6,995)
Total operating income	1,557,500	1,479,492	(78,008)
Operating Expenses			
Salaries & Benefits	633,731	618,971	(14,760)
School Support	175,000	175,000	-
Building Operation and Maintenance	160,000	147,002	(12,998)
Diocesan assessments	129,100	140,894	11,794
Parish expense and Church ministries (Note 1)	134,050	111,864	(22,186)
Contributions to Community Organizations & other prog (Note 2)	109,354	109,355	1
Utilities	75,000	64,822	(10,178)
Administrative	68,250	57,395	(10,855)
Rectory expense, including taxes and insurance	71,500	69,929	(1,571)
Total operating expenses	1,555,985	1,495,232	(60,753)
Income over (under) expense	\$ 1,515	\$ (15,740)	\$ (17,255)

Note 1: Parish Expense & Church Ministries

Parish expense and church ministry expense includes the cost of Evangelical Catholic, publishing the church newsletter, operation of the church nursery, mailing of collection envelopes, postage along with expenses for religious education programs, music, youth and CYM activities, parish life activities and other ministries.

Note 2: Contributions to Other Programs

Contributions to other programs include funds to provide financial aid to Holy Souls School families (\$60,000), church contributions to community agencies granted by the Social Concerns Commission and other charitable giving (\$31,053) and contributions to the Central Deanery High School Tuition Aid Fund (\$17,655).

We will continue to be diligent in being good stewards of the funds that are entrusted to us during the 2019-20 fiscal year. The leadership groups, such as the Parish and Finance Councils, are committed to ensure the financial viability of Holy Souls Church, and we feel blessed with the continued support and generosity of Holy Souls parishioners. Together, we can continue the mission of our Church and achieve our goals for the future.

New Parishioners

Michael Cash
35 Wingate Dr.
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Samantha & Kyle Coker
and their children,
Bode & Leona**
3412 "I" St.
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Ann & Nick Copas
and their son,
David**
1811 N. Jackson St.
Little Rock, AR 72207

Meg Cornaghie
109 North Palm St.
Little Rock, AR 72205

Lindsey Eckert
610 Wildcreek Circle
Little Rock, AR 72223

**Kristie Giompoletti-Shamoun
and her children,
Carlie & Hallie**
1421 N. University Ave.,
Apt. N206
Little Rock, AR 72207

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New Parishioners

Alice & Juno Guedry
706 N. Tyler St.
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Yenid Herring
and her daughter,
Isabelle**
15201 Chambery Dr.
Little Rock, AR 72211

**Piper Ngo & Kevin Huynh
and their daughter,
Anesty**
5609 Woodlawn Dr.
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Emily & Jay Kelly
and their children,
John & Matthew**
126 Bearskin Lake Loop
Scott, AR 72142

**Suzanne & Nolan
Kordsmeier
and their daughter,
Marianne**
3421 Ridge Pass Court
Little Rock, AR 72227

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Building and Grounds



By: Susie Williams,
Facilities and Special Events Coordinator

Under Construction is really the best way to put it for the campus the last few months. All summer and into the beginning of school we have had a lot of dirt and noise on campus. The projects were supposed to be completed over summer, but as constructions often does, it was not completed before school began. However we soon will have new driveway and drop off lane, sidewalks, new elevator in the school building. We did also get new floors in the Parish Hall and Gathering room in Church, new security cameras all around campus, and a few new water fountains as well. Most of the items are work from the capital campaign and a few from the PTO for the school, but to say it has been a campus under construction is an understatement.

Thank you all for your continued patience of our noise and messes while the work has been done. We hope to always have the opportunity to keep the campus beautiful and safe for all of our parishioners, and you take note and enjoy the updates around the campus. None of these projects would be possible without generous and caring people helping support Holy Souls Parish



Doors into Cafeteria



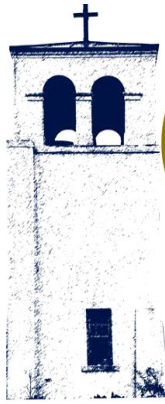
**↑
Driveway
for Allen
Center**



**School ↑
Elevator**



**←
Parish
Hall
Floors**



ONE Faith, Family, GROWING TOGETHER

HOLY SOULS PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The Campaign Committee would like to thank
all the families who have contributed
to this campaign and have made it a great success.

May God Bless your Stewardship!

Total Goal:	\$ 3,000,000
Total Pledges to Date:	\$ 2,805,504
Payments Received to Date:	\$ 1,469,094
Total Number of Donors:	544

Thank you again for your ongoing support!

Holy Souls Parish's CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PRAYER

*Heavenly Father,
we thank you for all the blessings
you have bestowed on our parish family.
May our lives reflect your faithfulness and witness to your unfailing love.
Guide us in our work together, that all we do may be for your glory.*

*Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and open our hearts to generously respond to your call.
Keep us ever mindful of the mission and purpose of our parish.
We ask this through the intercession of our beloved patron,
Our Lady of the Holy Souls.
Amen.*

New Parishioners

**Michelle Krause
and her son,
Ben**
4509 W. 21st St.
Little Rock, AR 72204

Lois Madonia
2000 Magnolia Ave.,
Apt. 215
Little Rock, AR 72202

**Erin & Drew Mannen
and their children,
Jay & Lucy**
6619 Greenwood Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72207

Thienkim Nguyen
15 Pin Oak Loop
Maumelle, AR 72113

**Mary & Jonathan Niotis
and their children,
Riley, Madison,
KenleyAnn, & Skylar**
711 Foxwood Dr.
Jacksonville, AR 72076

**Tanja Panas
and her children,
Tianna, Nariah,
and Edward**
1714 W. 19th
No. Little Rock, AR 72114

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New Parishioners

Sara Schaffhauser
35 Wingate Drive
Little Rock, AR 72205

**Tonya & Mark Thomas
and their child,
Isabella,**
P. O. Box 6588
Sherwood, AR 72124

**Susej Thompson
and her children,
Jared, Ana, Stephen,
Titus & Jacob**
1 Cobble Hill Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72211

**Leslie & Rob Traweck
and their children,
Shepard & Ella Cate**
7 Evergreen Ct.
Little Rock, AR 72227

Lourdes & Hector Tupas
1100 Fair Park Blvd.
Apt. 37
Little Rock, AR 72204

**Kaitlin & Joel Ubeda
and their son,
Henry**
10015 Ronald Dr.
Little Rock, AR 72205

Robert Flynn Memorial Golf Tournament

Sponsored by the Holy Souls Men's Club

MAY 18, 2019



*The Robert Flynn Memorial Golf Tournament
funds 12 semester scholarships at Holy Souls School per year.*



THE HOLY SOULS MEN'S CLUB

meets the second Monday of every month, at **6:30 p.m.** (note new meeting time) in the Allen Center. The evening begins with a Special Intention Rosary followed by the meeting and supper.

All men of the parish (Protestant spouses too!) are invited to join. The Men's Club promotes fellowship and provides gifts and services to the parish.

For more information, contact the Men's Club President, Brent Wetzler, at 909-9568,

Church of Our Lady of the Holy Souls

(June & July, 2019)

MEMORIALS

Grace Nowak
by Joyce Westlake
by George & Carol Stallings
by The Urbanek Family

Trella Rogers
by Charles & Barbara Robinson
John & Annette Kagy
by The Kagy Family

HONORARIUMS

Laura Humphries
by The Kagy Family

Remember Our Lady of the Holy Souls Church when you wish to make a memorial or honorarium gift. Send donation to: 1003 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72205. Please include name and address of whom you would like the acknowledgement sent.

DEATHS



Jim Handloser

father of
Tom Handloser
and Kathy Aday,
grandfather of
David Aday, Steve Aday,
Katherine, Jacob &
Joseph Handloser,
Adam Ritchie, and
Jimmy Ritchie,
and great-grandfather of
Andrew & Nathan
Aday, Brooklyn & Joseph
Aday, and Ross Ritchie

Patricia Weeks

mother of
Doug Weeks and
grandmother of
Steven Weeks

Johnny Maddox

Kim Konecny Mullen

wife of
Kevin Mullen

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Grateful Stewards of God's Gifts . . .

by Laura G. Humphries, CT
Parish Life & Stewardship Director

The Lord watches over the lives of the wholehearted.

Psalm 37:18

I may not have been the best baseball player on my team as a teenager, but I believe I played with everything I had. Why settle for a single when, with a little more effort and hustle, I could stretch it into a double, right? The risk of getting caught and called out was not as great as the risk of not playing with my whole heart. This is the kind of life to which God calls us. Where our lives of faith are concerned, Jesus never suggest we play it safe. He never says, *"Blessed are those who do the bare minimum, for surely that's enough."* Living wholeheartedly in our faith in Jesus means taking chances to stretch ourselves into lives dedicated to prayer, the sacraments, our parishes and service to the world around us. It means taking chances to really spread the good news of Jesus by how we live our lives.

An excerpt from *Living Faith*

I played softball for years, started when I was in grade school and finished playing competitively after college. I think I gave it all I had. I know I loved playing. I was a pitcher, slow pitch softball, I was a solid base hitter but no home runs. Things have changed now, I can hardly swing a bat with my arthritic hands but I can play catch for a little while with my grandson which I enjoy. For this I am thankful, I hope it makes good memories for him.

Playing sports and practicing our faith are good analogies. If we practice our faith as hard as some of us practice baseball, volleyball, soccer, tennis, football there would be no stopping us. We would be able to build anything we needed, have free tuition, perhaps even have world peace. Who knows, the sky's the limit when we walk with God and truly live our faith. There is nothing wrong with being good at sports, some people make lots of money in professional sports but there is also nothing wrong with applying the same amount of love and energy into our faith life. God is worthy of the same amount of time. Someday we will be glad we did.

Encounter Jesus, Serve Others

Confessions at Holy Souls Church

Confessions are scheduled on:
Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.

and

Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Or you can call the Church Office for an appointment for Confession.

Holy Souls School Welcomes 4 New Faces

As the 2019-2020 school year starts here at Holy Souls, three new teachers and one new staff member have joined our family: Megan Wilson, Hannah Korte, Hope Castle, and Sarah Richards.

Megan Wilson is our new 2nd-grade teacher. She came to us from the Maumelle Charter School. Mrs. Wilson is from North Little Rock, went to St. Patrick's for grade school and graduated from Mount St. Mary's. She has been married to her husband, Dade, for eight years. They have two children, Joby and Maggie. Joby is 7 and in second grade at Holy Souls. Maggie is 4 and just started PK. In her downtime, Mrs. Wilson loves to read and spend time with her family. She says she has heard so many great things about Holy Souls over the years and is so excited to be part of our family.



Hannah Korte is joining our faculty as the third-grade aide. She was born and raised here in Little Rock. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with family and friends. Hannah has deep roots at Holy Souls. She graduated from HS in 2007. Her mom, Debbie Korte is the sweet smiling face you meet as you enter the front office of the school. Hannah's sister, Melissa Mansfield, is currently the pre-k aide, her nana was the first layperson to become Principal of Holy Souls and her papa was a Deacon for our church. Ms. Hannah Korte says she is thrilled to be working somewhere that has played such a huge role in her life and making her the person that she is today!

Hope Castle is the new 3rd-grade classroom teacher. Mrs. Castle and her two brothers and sister were born and raised in Conway, AR. In her spare time, she enjoys drawing, playing soccer and dancing. Mrs. Castle recently graduated from UCA and is looking forward to "pouring herself into teaching" our students here at Holy Souls.



Sarah Richards is the new 6th-grade teacher. She is originally from Shreveport, Louisiana. She has been married to Raymond for 9 years who is an Engineer for Lennox. Raymond's job is what brought them to Arkansas. They have a 5-year-old daughter, Lillian, who is in kindergarten. Besides teaching, Mrs. Richards loves to read and try new foods. She comes to us from St. Edwards. This is her 9th year to teach in Catholic Schools and we are excited to welcome this new family member.

Each one of these ladies brings her own individual knowledgeable learning experience and we are excited to welcome them to our community.

DEATHS



Grace Nowak

Conrad Anderson
nephew of
Dorothy Ehlebracht

Edward France
father of
Michael France
and Caroline France,
grandfather of
Haley, Andrew and
Brett France,
brother of
Gene France
and Jim France,
and uncle of
Vincent France,
Ben France,
and Gina Wood

Paul Walker

Catherine Jones

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DEATHS



Brent Herring
 husband of
 Yenid Herring
 and father of
 Isabelle Herring

Annette Kagy
 sister of
 Jim Metrailler,
 aunt of
 Jamie Metrailler
 and Aaron Metrailler,
 and great-aunt of
 Lucille & James
 Metrailler, and
 McKinnon & Virginia
 Metrailler

Wayne Thomisee
 husband of
 Anne Thomisee,
 father of Cindy Brown,
 and grandfather of
 Sarah, Liam, &
 Evan Brown

Ed Seaton

Stan Stull
 father of
 Susie Williams,
 and grandfather of
 Cayman Carlisle and
 Addison Williams



Youth Group

“Do not be conquered by evil, but conquer evil with good” (Romans 12:21)

By Denise Dumars, Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Summer is my favorite time of the Youth Ministry year! I enjoy the special trips that have become Holy Souls CYM traditions for the past decade or longer.

The Buffalo Float trip in mid-June allowed the teens to experience God’s natural beauty, fellowship with friends, live in communion and cooperation, and celebrate the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Fr. Neil Pezzulo, a Glemnary Missionary priest from Cincinnati, Ohio, again joined us and led in daily Mass and spiritual reflections. We hiked Sweden Creek Falls (a new hike for us), floated the Buffalo River, explored the now closed Diamond Cave, cooked together, enjoyed camp fires, played outdoor games and nightly Sardines in the dark, as well as an afternoon in the town of Jasper.

A day and a half after returning, we were back at the Benedict House for a blessing from Father John as we set out on our annual Southeast Arkansas McGehee Mission trip. There are several reasons why we go to McGehee, Arkansas:

1. Mission opportunities abound all around us and do not have to be across state lines or in a third world country
2. St. Mary’s in McGehee was once the site of a Franciscan order and has the former friary for our housing right on Church property in the center of town. This keeps our costs minimal (no cost for the teens)
3. The culture and climate of rural Southeast Arkansas life is a sharp contrast to the fast-paced and diversity of life our teens have in Little Rock. It provides a great opportunity for learning and experience for our youth
4. The young Church makes a real and positive impact on those unfamiliar or with preconceived and sometimes negative opinions of Catholicism

During the week we cleaned the Church,



Sweden Creek Falls Hike



CYM going cave exploring in Jasper, Ark.



Float Trip to the Buffalo River



Swimming in the Buffalo River



Fr. John blesses youth before the Mission Trip.



Fr. Harvey takes group to an historic site at Plum Bayou



Painting porch of local resident.

America Conference in Springfield, Missouri. Fr. John also attended. The weekend was wonderful and filled with great music, new friends, 5000+ teens from all over, Adoration like many teens have never experienced before, fun, fellowship, and great talks. Parents: this is a weekend you will highly want to encourage you teens to attend next summer! Fr. John and the almost 60 priests hear Confessions all weekend long (probably over 3000!). Many teens really encounter the Holy Spirit and experience a major faith milestone at these events! So, when it comes time in early part of 2020 to commit a weekend, commit your teens to this one weekend of a great opportunity.

And for the finale: I just returned from a week of Life Teen Camp in Tiger, Georgia, located in northeastern most part of the state. Michael Yang (adult volunteer/parent) and I took six teens for the BIGGEST WEEK of YOUTH MINISTRY I have EVER EXPERIENCED. Pictures and video of this wonderful week are on our Parish website. I am in awe of the powerful impact of this ministry, the young missionaries who volunteer their summer to make this possible, and the beautiful surroundings. The activities including white water rafting, zip lining and ropes. The speakers, the music, the religious in attendance, the Adoration, and prayerful reflections, the absolutely powerful love of Jesus Christ was LIFE CHANGING for these kids. I will definitely be promoting this experience for next summer. And we will have to have some serious fundraising to allow as many teens to go as possible. Please look into Life Teen's Camp Covecrest in Tiger, Georgia for glimpse of this. Not only do your kids have a great camp experience, this place has a major impact on their love of their Catholic faith.

Pray that the Holy Spirit sends more Core Team members to our group as well as blesses our Youth Advisory Team Retreat at the end of August and the new year of ministry. It's going to be a wonderful 2019-2020 year!

trimmed and landscaped around St. Mary's, painted the porch of a local resident, worked at Paws and Claws Animal Shelter & Rescue, picked up the storm debris in a resident's yard, and cleaned and organized a large storage building at the local Boys' and Girls' Club.

We had two of our teens participate in the Diocese program C2Si – the Catholic Social Justice Institute week long program in July. I attended one of the days. The teens stay the week at St. John's and have a variety of community speakers come in to inform the kids on area social services provided. Then the teens go into the community to actually work and serve the needy. I went with the group to Jericho Way where the Knights of Columbus were on site grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. The over 90 teens helped serve. More importantly, they really interacted with those being served, and it was beautiful to see the human interaction and real conversations of the young Church with their homeless brothers and sisters. I pray we have more teens participate next summer.

CYM had a movie night and viewed "The Green Book," the 2019 Academy Award winner. It's based on a true story of overcoming prejudices. I highly recommend it. The teens had great discussion and powerful insights after the movie.

July 19-21 three of the youth, Mike Putt (adult volunteer/parent) and I joined the IC (NLR) bus and headed to the Steubenville Mid-



Working at Paws & Claws.



Denise and Fr. John at Steubenville Mid-America Conference



Our youth at Steubenville.

Holy Souls Seniors Enjoy the Summer!



SPEND A SPECIAL HOUR EACH WEEK WITH JESUS

Every Wednesday from 9am to 5:15pm the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration in the Church. Would you like to spend an hour on Wednesdays with the Lord? If your answer is YES, you may either sign up for a specific hour each Wednesday (we need to be sure someone is in the church every hour during Adoration) or just drop by for a visit. Please call the church office to sign up for a specific hour.



On July 25, the Seniors Group took a field trip to McArthur Park and Military Museum.



Alice Humphries and O. C. Flynn enjoy playing cards at the monthly meetings.



Penny Ford's 90th Birthday Celebration.

Seniors request the pleasure of your company on their annual Fall full day trip!

Date: October 28th

Destination: Hot Springs and Bath House Row

Contact: Ann Hoffman for details, cost, and a reserved seat on the bus at 666-8223.

May Blood Drive Saves 72 Lives!

On Sunday, May 19th, 24 parishioners and friends donated blood at our Arkansas Blood Institute Blood Drive. Each donation can save up to 3 lives! Please consider donating blood at our next blood drive!



Arkansas Blood Institute



BLOOD

DRIVES
at Holy Souls

SUNDAYS,
September 16, 2019
November 11, 2019
January 5, 2020
8:00 a.m. till 12:30 p.m.
Parish Hall

You Are Invited
to Attend
ALPHA

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Catholic faith, lasting twelve weeks. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation.

Alpha is changing lives and transforming parishes around the globe, and everyone is welcome. For information about Alpha, visit www.alpha.usa.org.

Meetings are in the Parish Hall from 6-8pm and there is no cost to attend.

Fall 2019 Dates:

- 9/9 - Is There More to Life Than This?
- 9/16 Who is Jesus?
- 9/23 Why Did Jesus Die?
- 9/30 How Can I Have Faith?
- 10/7 Why and How Do I Pray?
- 10/14 Why and How Do I Read the Bible?
- 10/21 How Does God Guide Us?
- 10/26 Alpha Day Retreat
- 10/28 How Can I Resist Evil?
- 11/4 Why and How Should I Tell Others?
- 11/11 Does God Heal Today?
- 11/18 What About the Church?

For more information and to sign up, contact Samantha Minster at samantha.minster@gmail.com or call the church office at 663-8632.

THE 2019-2010 HOLY SOULS MUSIC MINISTRY

"Open Up the Gates"

by Susej Thompson, Pastoral Music Director

Dear Friends,

I am so excited about our upcoming 2019-2020 year of music ministry. This year's program theme is "Open up the Gates," taken from the Psalm 24:9 scripture:

"Open up, ancient gates!

Open up, ancient doors!

And let the King of Glory enter.

It is my prayer for this year that our parish unites in our liturgy and worship and that our collective voices and prayers are heard in the heavens. I pray that God opens the heavens over our parish in a new way and pours our His Spirit on us all. I am so grateful for this parish, for each one of you, and for what God has done, is now doing, and will do for us as we follow Him.

Our program has grown by leaps and bounds over this last year and I am so pleased to share our growth and plans for this new year with you.

THE 10:30 MASS CHOIR

The 10:30 a.m Mass Choir will start singing at Masses again on Sunday, September 8th. This group sings both traditional and contemporary music and sings for our feast day Masses and holy days. Our weekly practices are held on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and will start back on September 3rd. We are currently looking for all voice parts.

THE 5:30 PRAISE CHORUS

For the past two summers, we have had what we called the "Summer Praise Chorus," consisting of people of all ages who sings at the Sunday evening 5:30 p.m. Praise and Worship Mass. After many requests, we have decided to continue that choir year-round. This is a more relaxed choir experience with no weekly practice. To sing with us, you simply need to submit your email and practice the sheet music and practice links that are sent out each week. We gather at 4:00 p.m. each Sunday to rehearse up until Mass starts. Children, whole families, and people of all ages and vocal ranges are welcome to join!

THE HOLY SOULS BELL CHOIR

The Holy Souls Bell Choir is recruiting new and experienced ringers for this year's season. Adult and teen ringers are welcome, but youth must be accompanied by an adult. The weekly practice time has yet to be determined. The Bell Choir plays at occasional Masses and holidays.

RECRUITING INSTRUMENTALISTS AND SOUND VOLUNTEERS

If you play any instrument and would like to play at our Masses whether regularly or occasionally, we would love to have you in our ministry. We often work on instrumentalists at our regular weekend Masses and love to have special instrumentation for Christmas and Easter celebrations.

Another current need is for more people to be willing to volunteer to help run sound at our Masses and special events. Training is provided.

2019 MUSIC MINISTRY RETREAT

I'm also pleased to announce that we are having a music ministry retreat for this first time this fall on October 12th in the Parish Hall. I would like this to be an opportunity for the music ministers in our parish to gather together in prayer, build strong relationships in our ministry, and learn more about the Mass and special role in evangelizing our parish. This retreat is open to any member of the parish who feels God has given them the gift of music and there and you don't have to be a member of the program to attend. Children are welcome and must have their parents in attendance. There is no cost to attend and meals will be provided.

2019 Holy Souls Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School at Holy Souls was June 17 to 20. Its theme was ROAR! This epic African adventure engaged the whole herd of kindergarten through 5th graders. At ROAR, the sixty-five kids explored God's goodness and celebrated a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life.



**Breanna Durbin
and
Will Cooner**
June 8, 2019

**Katherine Gentry
and
Nick Andrew**
August 24, 2019

Holy Sews Work Days

Please join us for an incredible experience. You don't have to sew or knit. We have lots of ways you can contribute to making our beautiful layettes.

We meet
from 1:30 to 4:30
at the Holy Souls
Parish Hall
on the following dates:
Sunday, September 8
Sunday, October 13
Sunday, November 10

Even if you can't stay
the entire time,
we welcome
your participation.



By: *Regina Binz & Mary Sue Whitelaw*

The International Wave of Light Ceremony, which will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, on the steps of the Arkansas State Capitol at 6:30 p.m., was created to ensure that a light or a candle would remain lit for a full 24 hours around the world in remembrance of babies born too soon.

In October of 1988, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed the entire month of October as National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month. On September 28, 2006, House Resolution #222 was passed in the House of Representatives supporting the goals and ideas behind Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day.

A searchlight, which is sponsored every year by Roller Funeral Homes, will illuminate the sky over Little Rock in remembrance of all babies who have died due to miscarriage, stillbirths, neonatal death and other causes.

Jennifer Kuncl, our Dallas/Ft. Worth Chapter coordinator, is planning similar events in her area.

Representatives from local hospitals and bereavement organizations will be present to provide encouragement and support. There is no charge to attend the event, and all families who have experienced the loss of a baby are invited to remember and honor them.



The services that Holy Sews provides will always be needed. Current statistics show that there are thousands of stillborn births in the United States each year. There are over 2,000 labor and delivery hospitals in the United States, and our layettes are currently in 456 of those hospitals. It is vital that we continue to receive donor support and that volunteers continue to provide their time and talent in creating our beautiful layettes to give to families who are experiencing a tragic, unexpected loss. We are also looking for additional corporate sponsors and we ask the Holy Souls community of faith to think of someone you know who might like to partner with us. Our email is info@holysews.org or you may call Mary Sue Whitelaw at 501-231-3634.

During the first six months of 2019, Holy Sews donated over 1,571 layettes as a result of requests from hospitals and funeral homes across the United States. In addition to our local Little Rock chapter, we have chapters in Hot Springs Village, Arkansas, Dallas/Ft. Worth, Texas, Oneonta, New York, Saskatchewan, Canada and our newest chapter in Argyle, New York.

Karen Wallace, one of two Holy Sews Development Directors, recently met with the staff at the Moody Foundation in Galveston, Texas. The Moody Foundation has provided Holy Sews with two grants in the past five years. Karen said that she had an excellent visit and that the staff and board have a special place in their hearts for this ministry.

Sarah Alexander, our Co-Development Director, secured a donation of \$2,500 from Acxiom in Conway.

If you're interested in sewing at home, we have sewing kits with everything needed to create a tunic and a wrap. Please contact us at info@holysews.org if you would like to participate in some way. If you would like to join a group of volunteers on the second Sunday of the month, you may come to the Parish Hall from 1:30 to 4:30 where you can cut fabric, tie ribbons on teddy bears, sew on buttons, match up layettes, package layettes or cut ribbon. Remember that giving is the greatest act of grace.



**Put away your Mardi Gras beads as
Altar Society introduces Dia de los Muertos!**

In lieu of the February 2020 Mardi Gras, Altar Society will celebrate Dia de los Muertos on Saturday night, November 2, 2019 after Mass. Tickets will be available for purchase in October at the church office or www.holysouls.org. Individual tickets are \$30 and Altar Tables are \$600 which includes 8 tickets, sponsor recognition and premium margaritas.

The celebration includes an altar honoring departed loved ones, Mexican feast, margaritas, music, silent auction baskets (just in time for holiday shopping) and the famous live auction. Live Auction items include front row parking, New Orleans Style Dinner Party, Bob Ross Adult Painting Party, a Weekend Getaway to Texas and much more. Check Facebook and the bulletin for more details on auction items in October.

Annual fundraising is an important part of Altar Society because the organization funds decorations and improvements to the church and Parish Hall such as the recent flooring updates in the church gathering room. This year, 20% of the profits will assist in the Capital Campaign Drive.



Save the date for the Father Daughter Dance on Friday, February 21, 2020!

*Regular
Monthly
Meetings*

Tuesday, September 3
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
6:30 p.m.,
Benedict House

Monday, September 9
SENIORS GROUP
10:00 a.m., Parish Hall
MEN'S CLUB
7:00 p.m., Allen Center

Tuesday, September 17
ALTAR SOCIETY
6:30 p.m. Parish Hall

Tuesday, October 1
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
6:30 p.m.,
Benedict House

Monday, October 14
SENIORS GROUP
10:00 a.m., Parish Hall
MEN'S CLUB
6:30 p.m., Allen Center

Tuesday, October 15
ALTAR SOCIETY
6:30 p.m. Parish Hall

Tuesday, November 5
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
6:30 p.m.,
Benedict House

Monday, November 11
SENIORS GROUP
10:00 a.m., Parish Hall
MEN'S CLUB
6:30 p.m., Allen Center

Tuesday, November 19
ALTAR SOCIETY
6:30 p.m. Parish Hall

In
Your
Will . . .

There is no greater satisfaction than knowing that your personal property and accumulated wealth will be shared exactly as you personally desire. Whether your estate is large or small . . . you should make certain it will be properly distributed to those to whom you wish it to go.

If you wish to remember Our Lady of the Holy Souls Parish, this can be done through careful preparation of your will.

Four members of Troop 27 were awarded Eagle Scout at a ceremony this past Spring



L-R: John Robbins Jr., Scoutmaster; Albert Isaac; Ben Floriani; U.S. Rep. French Hill, R-Ark.; Matthew Cash; and Benjamin Wilson.

The Eagle Scout Rank is the highest rank attainable in the Scouts BSA program of the Boy Scouts of America. Since its introduction in 1911, the Eagle Scout Rank has been earned by more than 2 million young men, according to the organization.

The title of “Eagle Scout” is held for life, thus giving rise to the phrase “Once an Eagle, always an Eagle”.

Requirements include earning 21 merit badges and demonstrating Scout spirit, service, and leadership. This includes an extensive service project that the Scout plans, organizes, leads, and manages. Eagle Scouts are presented with a medal and a badge that visibly recognizes the accomplishments of the Scout.

The troop’s newest Eagle Scouts are:

— **Benjamin Wilson**, 18, son of Leland Wilson and Laura Anne Warren. Benjamin, who graduated from Central High School, is a freshman at the University of Arkansas this fall studying chemical engineering.

— **Albert Isaac**, 16, the son of Ayman and Bushra Issac. Albert is a junior at Mountain Ridge High School in Glendale, Arizona, this fall.

— **Matthew Cash**, 18, the son of Steven and Barbara Cash. Matthew, a graduate of Catholic High School for Boys, is attending the University of Central Arkansas this fall.

— **Ben Floriani**, 16, the son of Vince and Wendy Floriani. Ben is a junior at Catholic High this fall.

All four young men had to plan, develop and provide leadership in a service project that is helpful to a religious institution, a school or the community. The project must benefit an organization other than Boy Scouts of America.

Benjamin built a mobile chicken coop for Dunbar Community Garden to allow chickens to eat insects that would otherwise eat food crops. He also painted benches and farmer's market stands.

Albert built benches for Our Lady of the Holy Souls Catholic Church.

Matthew built bat boxes for the farm at Heifer International.

Ben built three benches adjacent to the walking trail at Meriwether Park.

John Robbins, the scoutmaster for Troop 27, said their journey as an Eagle Scout has just begun.

"I know you are proud of your accomplishment, and you should be," he said in remarks at the ceremony. "As I've said to you, the Eagle Rank is the award that is presented to you for reaching a certain point in your journey.

"And it's in that journey where your real accomplishments exist. As an intentional byproduct of this journey to Eagle, you have been instilled with all the necessary ingredients to be successful."

All four young men developed leadership skills that will pay off later in life, Mr. Robbins said.

"It might seem that being patrol leaders and senior patrol leaders in scouts wouldn't translate into success in business, but I can tell you that it is actually a very big deal," he said. "Most people never get the opportunity to lead others and you have already done it."

Among the distinguished guests attending the ceremony was Father Patrick Friend and U.S. Representative French Hill, R-Ark.

Representative Hill was awarded his Eagle Scout as a member of Troop 27.

Earlier this year, Representative Hill received the Distinguished Eagle Scout award, which is given to given to Eagle Scouts who have received extraordinary national-level achievement and have strong record of voluntary service.

Mr. Robbins said the recognition underscores the lifelong commitment demanded of Eagle Scouts.

"This is a national award that is only presented to a few dozen people each year," Mr. Robbins said. "He is just the 12th one from Arkansas to receive it. We are proud of his accomplishments and we are proud that he got his Eagle Scout from right here at Holy Souls. Congressman Hill, thank you for being a great example to our boys!"

Troop 27 is one of the oldest troops in Central Arkansas, dating back almost 70 years. The troop is open to all boys from ages 11 to 18, prior Scouting experience not required.

The troop meets every Monday, which Mr. Robbins said is optional because the troop recognizes that boys tend to have other extracurricular activities that might conflict with the troop's meeting time.

The troop goes on camping trips once a month somewhere in the state. Troop members also go to high-adventure camps, too. One troop member went to Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, New Mexico. Mr. Robbins and a son, Luke Robbins, went to the Northern Tier canoe base on the Canadian border of Minnesota.

Anyone interested in joining the troop can contact Mr. Robbins at john-robbins@sbcglobal.net.



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 Vicar General for the Diocese of Little Rock at (501) 664-0340 ext. 361, and the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinators for the Diocese of Little Rock. Drs. George & Sherry Simon at (501) 766-6001. Diocesan Offices: 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

*Fr. Phillip Reaves Help Holy Souls
Reach 110% of Our Goal for Our July Blood Drive!*

On Sunday, July 21, twenty-four Holy Souls parishioners and friends including Father Phillip Reaves donated blood at our Arkansas Blood Institute Blood Drive. Fr. Phillip was at Holy Souls that weekend to preside at all our weekend Masses. He took a break between the 8am and 10:30 a.m. Masses to save lives by donating his blood!



Thank you to all of our wonderful blood donors!

2019
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GATHERING

Bear

much

Fruit

John 15:8

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Monsignor Allen Trust and Development Fund

What is the Monsignor Allen Trust Fund?

In 1990, the Monsignor Allen Trust and Development Fund, MATDF, was established to assure a continuing high level of holistic education—of the mind, body and the soul—for the children of Holy Souls School. The first trust fund goal was \$1,000,000 and it took 20 years to reach it. Almost 10 years later, a second goal of \$2,000,000 was reached along with a celebratory reunion. These goals were reached with private donations, fundraisers such as selling Rosaries, Girls Night Out Bingo, Dollar-a-Day, Mums for Msgr. and also memorials, honorariums, real estate, insurance policies and estate planning.

The MATDF for Holy Souls School is a vital resource for allowing Holy Souls to compete in the recruitment and retention of educators of the absolute highest quality. Tuition only covers a portion of the cost to educate our children. While the Church subsidizes the school, the Fund is essential in maintaining the degree of excellence in the education we provide our students. Since 2004, the disbursements to the school have totaled more than \$600,000. Both faculty and staff retention incentives and computer technology receive the greatest portions of disbursements.

The plain fact is this: the more the Fund grows, the more we can invest in the school— and better equip our children to meet the future.

How can you help MATDF?

- PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENTS
- VOLUNTEER FOR THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
- BECOME A MONTHLY DONOR: www.holysouls.org
WE LOVE COMPANY MATCHES!
- USE YOUR MATDF YELLOW CHURCH ENVELOPE
- MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS www.holysouls.org
- INCLUDE US IN YOUR ESTATE PLANNING



Save the Date GNO Bingo is Thursday September 26!!

Msgr. Allen Trust & Development Fund

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**FACEBOOK
PAGE?**

www.facebook.com/OLHSAR

Congratulations to Settled Souls for being nominated for the Lumen Christi Award!

*All adults
of the parish*
are invited
to attend
the annual
Holy Souls Parish



*Christmas
Party*

**Saturday,
December 14**
5:30-8:30 p.m.
Allen Center



*Lindsey Taggart & Stephanie Byers (above)
founded Settled Souls.*

Catholic Extension's Lumen Christi Award honors an individual or group working in one of America's mission dioceses who demonstrates how the power of faith can transform lives and communities. Lumen Christi recipients are the hidden heroes in our midst. They bring light and hope to the forgotten corners of our country and inspire those around them to be the "Light of Christ" as well. We congratulate Settled Souls on the honor of being nominated for this award.

Settled Souls incorporated in Oct. 2016 in Little Rock, Arkansas with the mission: To aid homeless men and women transitioning to permanent housing, by providing many of the staple home furnishings, and helping their new apartment or house feel more like a secure and welcoming home.

Most Reverend Anthony Taylor, Bishop of the Diocese of Little Rock, nominated Settled Souls for this year's Lumen Christi Award.

Parishioners of Our Lady of Holy Souls Church started Settled Souls after learning about Jericho Way Day Resource Center, a program that identifies and helps homeless clients who qualify for housing.

Those whom Jericho Way serves typically move into their apartment with a sleeping bag and backpack and not much else. Coming off the streets or from shelters, these men and women have nothing of their own, nor do they have the means to acquire the staple home goods that make a house more livable and comfortable—in short, to make a house a home.

Settled Souls comes into their apartment to help make it a comfortable and stable home. They provide a starter food pantry, kitchen utensils and cookware, comfortable living and resting spaces, necessities for the bathroom and overall cleaning supplies.

Their process of evaluating each space, staging what will work in their space, packing, unpacking and full setup along with a good dose of love and smiles is their way of saying "you matter, we love you, and we hope you rest well—settle in and welcome home." It all brings them relief, joy, and comfort.

REGISTRATION FOR NEW MEMBERS

Registration for new members is completed in the church office or online by visiting our web page, www.holysouls.org. Please contact the church office or go online at www.holysouls.org if you have moved, changed your telephone number or email, moved from your parent's home or graduated from college.

RCIA

If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please call Samantha Deneffe in the church office.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:30pm and Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:00pm or call the church office for an appointment.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are scheduled on an individual basis. Please call the church office for more information.

CHURCH VISITS

On Monday the church is open for visits from 8am till 4pm. On Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday the church is open for visits from 8a.m. to 4 p.m. Please use Shrine doors after 9 a.m. On Wednesday, the church is open from 8am till after the 5:30pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the church office a minimum of six months in advance.

HOSPITAL STAYS

Please call the church office if you or someone you know is in the hospital. We want to visit you and pray for you while you are in the hospital.

NURSERY

The Nursery is available in the Parish Hall for your young children (age 5 and younger) for all regular weekend Masses.

If you need to nurse your child during Mass, you may use the Gathering Room in Church. Please ask an usher to unlock the door for you.

Congratulations to Settled Souls for being nominated for the Lumen Christi Award!

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“Pope Francis has consistently and urgently called for the Church in these times to reach out to the marginalized,” Bishop Taylor wrote in his nomination letter, “In our local church, the volunteers from Settle Souls are butting those words into action.”

From April of 2016 to December 31, 2018, Settled Souls helped 117 individuals of that number, 19 were children. A total of 84 apartments or rent homes were fully furnished. In 2018 there were 47 moves to help 64 individuals, including 11 children. As of March 2019, 15 individuals have been settled. Of the 117 total moves, 103 are still housed.

Settled Souls started at Our Lady of Holy Souls Church, and most of the volunteers and supporters are from there, but volunteers also come from parishes across the Central Arkansas area.

Each time a recipient is helped, they experience God's selfless love. The Lord continues to provide what is needed and continues to build their trust in Him. The recipients learn to trust that what they are doing is something He wants them to be doing. When God's love is experienced in a real and meaningful way, it motivates them to keep doing it, to keep helping others in need, to keep settling souls. The two aspects of faith that most impact their work are “love of neighbor” and “Whatsoever you do for the least of my people, you do for me.”

Mass Schedule

SUNDAY

8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,
& 5:30 p.m. - Mass

MONDAY

No Mass

TUESDAY

7:00 a.m. - Mass

WEDNESDAY

5:30 p.m. - Mass

THURSDAY

7:00 a.m. - Mass

FRIDAY

7:00 a.m. Mass

and

8:15 a.m. School Mass
(when School is open)

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. - Mass
(only on 1st Saturday
of month)

4:00 p.m. - (Anticipated
Mass)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesdays
prior to First Fridays -
4:30 - 5:00 p.m.;
Saturday Afternoon
2:30 to 3:30 p.m. or
by appointment by
calling the Church Office

Holy Adoration

Every Wednesday,
9 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Parish Office Hours

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

~ Upcoming Events At Holy Souls ~

Sunday, September 8
HOLY SEWS WORKDAY
1:30 p.m., Parish Hall

Sunday, September 15
**HOLY SOULS
BLOOD DRIVE**
8 a.m., Parish Hall
**Faith Formation
SUNDAY SERIES**
9:15 a.m., Allen Center

Sunday, September 22
**Faith Formation
SUNDAY SERIES**
9:15 a.m., Parish Hall

Thursday, September 26
GIRLS NIGHT OUT BINGO
7 p.m., Allen Center

Friday, September 28
**TEACHERS
PROFESSIONAL DAY**
School Closed

Sunday, September 29
**Faith Formation
SUNDAY SERIES**
9:15 a.m., Parish Hall

Saturday, October 5
2019 WOMEN'S GATHERING
"Bear Much Fruit"
9 a.m., Allen Center

Sunday, October 6
PET BLESSING
1 p.m., in front of Church

Sunday, October 13
HOLY SEWS WORKDAY
1:30 p.m., Parish Hall

Friday, October 18
CYM DANCE
7 p.m. Allen Center

Sunday, October 20
COFFEE & DONUT SUNDAY
Following 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Masses, Parish Hall

Saturday, November 2
**DIA DE LOS MUERTOS
CELEBRATION**
5 p.m., Allen Center

Sunday, November 10
**HOLY SOULS
BLOOD DRIVE**
8:00 a.m., Allen Center
HOLY SEWS WORKDAY
1:30 p.m., Parish Hall

Monday, November 25 -
Friday, November 29
*School & Church Office
Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday*

Thursday, November 28
**THANKSGIVING DAY
MASS**
8 a.m., Church

Saturday, December 7
**Knights of Columbus
SAUSAGE SUPPER**
5:30 p.m., Allen Center

*The list of Upcoming Events is presented as accurately as possible.
Please consult the weekly church bulletins for exact dates, times and places.*



Annual

Knights of Columbus

Sausage Supper

AND SILENT AUCTION & RAFFLE

Saturday, Dec. 7th

Happy Hour: 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

Allen Center

Ticket: \$15 each

Available at the door or from any Knights of Columbus Council 812 member.

Please bring a new, unwrapped toy for Helping Hand.

For more information, contact Pete Stabnick at 400-4460.

