

St. Leo dye-namic hair contest becomes fundraiser

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Mary Corkins, parish manager at St. Leo the Great University Parish, donated her hair to a nonprofit that creates wigs for children, raising over \$2,000 for St. Leo's through a distinctive fundraiser.

Little free pantries and food drives fight hunger

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Several parishes in Arkansas are collaborating to combat food insecurity, which affects 587,000 residents in the state. Through initiatives such as food pantries, donations, and blessing boxes, these communities aim to provide essential support to those in need.

Arkansas parishes and schools tackle food insecurity

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In response to federal funding cuts and delays in SNAP benefits, parishes, schools and Catholic organizations throughout Arkansas have mobilized to address the growing demand for food assistance. They are offering food pantries, soup kitchens, and various resources to support those in need.

Faithful gather at Christ the King for St.

Thérèse relics

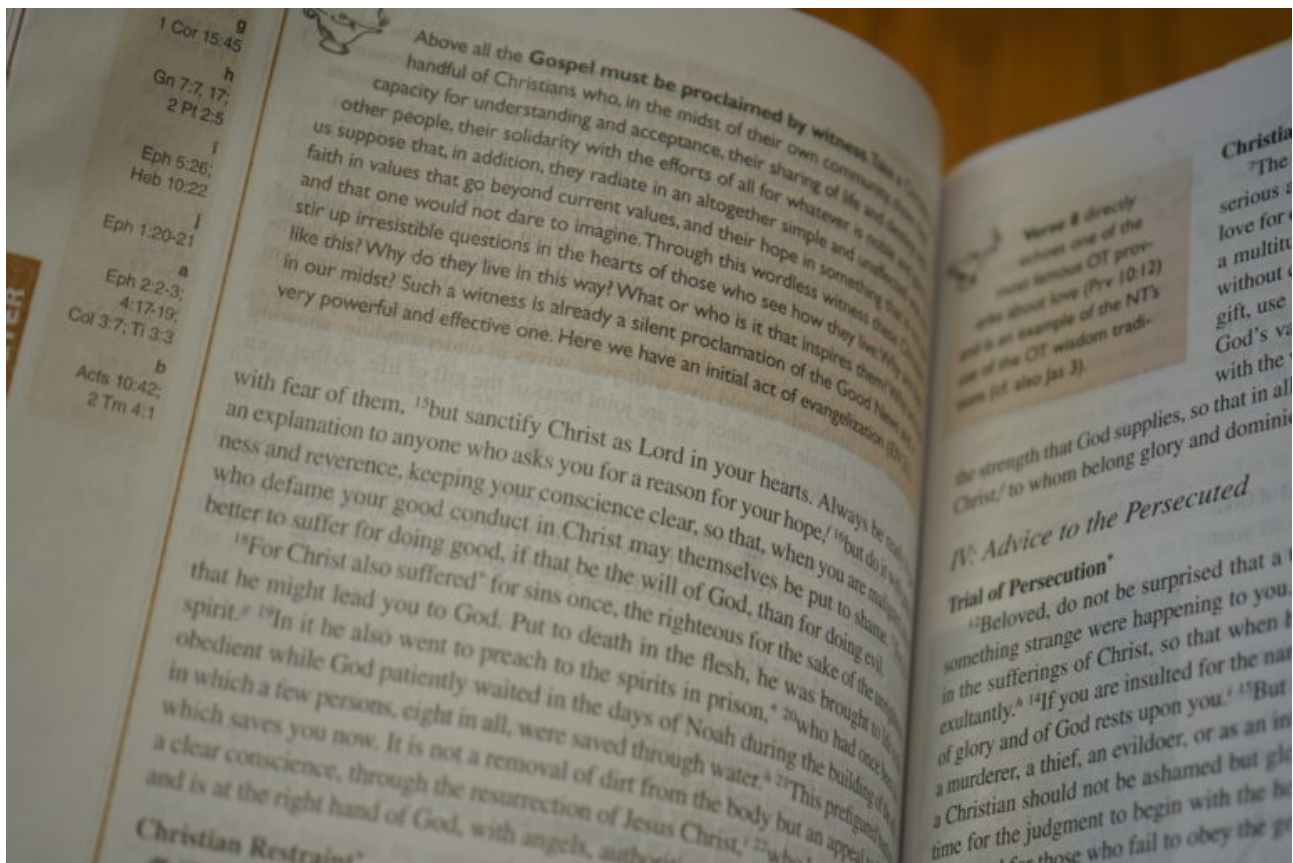
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Before the 10 a.m. Mass at Christ the King Church in Little Rock on Nov. 8, a large crowd had already gathered to venerate the relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux. The French Discalced Carmelite, who lived from 1873 to 1897, was honored as part of the 2025 Jubilee Year celebration.

Apologetics: How to defend and explain Catholic faith

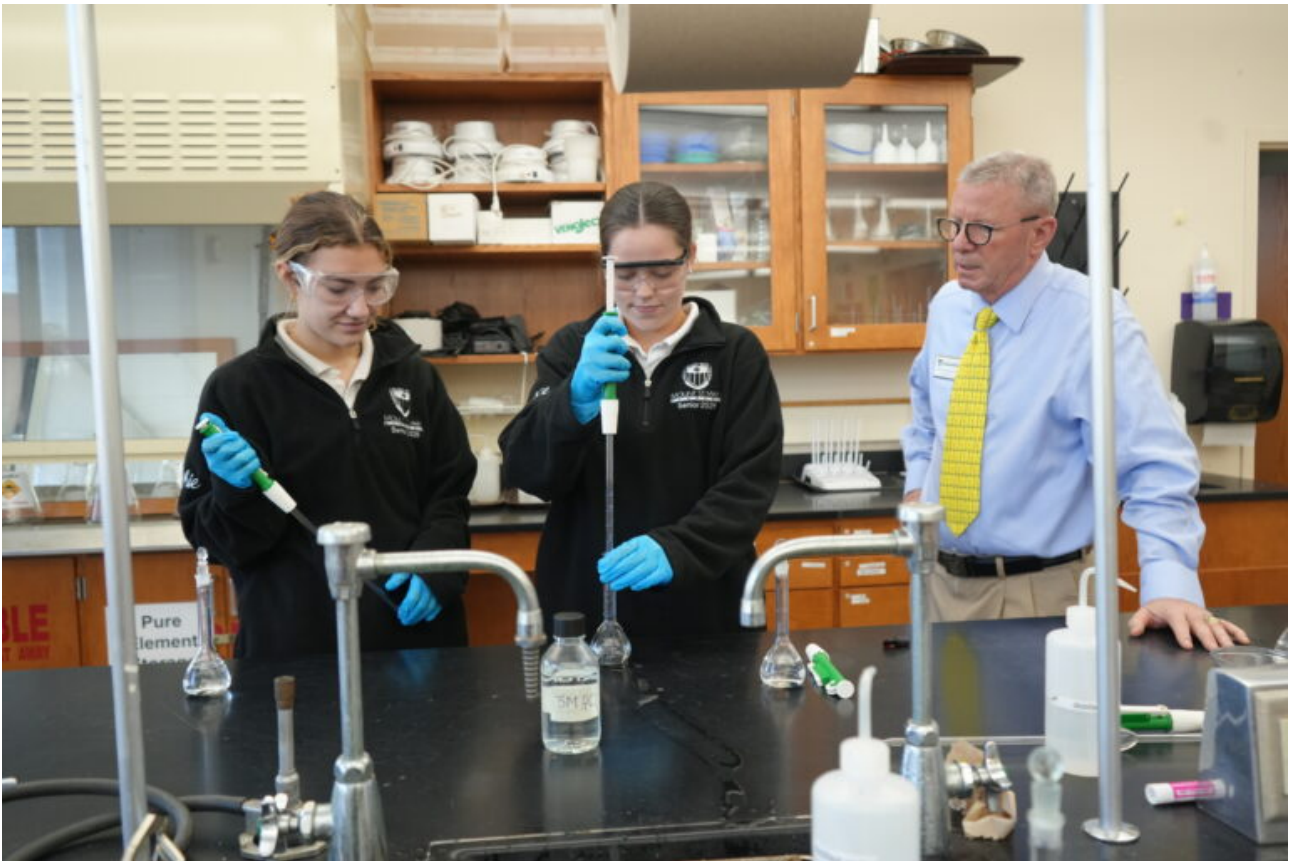
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Catholic clergy and lay leaders emphasize that apologetics involves bearing witness to the faith through knowledge and confidence, seeking guidance through prayer, sharing personal testimonies, maintaining peace and civility, engaging by asking questions, demonstrating reasonableness, acknowledging when uncertain, and fostering discussion rather than debate.

Catholic school enrollment sees upward trend

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For the fifth consecutive year, student enrollment in Arkansas parochial schools has risen, marking a 4.31 percent increase this year. This growth is attributed to the LEARNS Act, which offers financial support to families for parochial education.

Catholic schools focus on safety in annual appeal

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The Arkansas Catholic Schools Appeal, established in 2013, aims to fund scholarships and safety enhancements for Catholic schools across the state. This year, the appeal will focus on security upgrades, with funds distributed through grants according to the most pressing needs identified by the schools.

Nonprofit in Little Rock to provide clinic for homeless

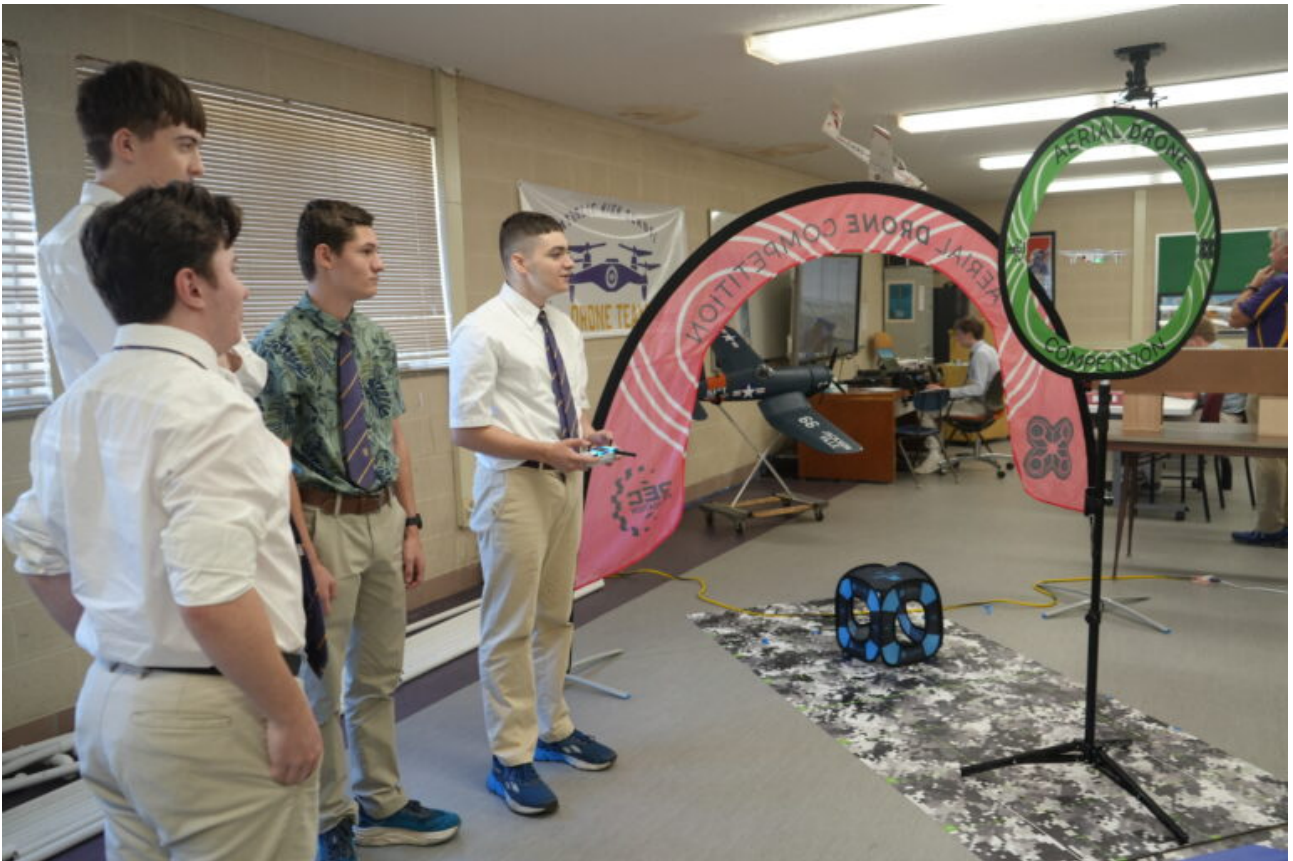
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On Oct. 20, Providence Park, a nonprofit located 20 minutes south of downtown Little Rock in Mabelvale, held a foundation blessing ceremony for its upcoming medical clinic. The clinic, inspired by the Community First! Village in Austin, Texas, aims to provide medical, dental, and mental health care to the homeless community.

Catholic High's aerospace program inspires aviators

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Catholic High School in Little Rock, in collaboration with the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, offers an aerospace program that allows students to gain practical skills in drone piloting, flight simulation, and aerospace engineering.

Attorney Paul James honored at annual Red Mass

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More than 150 legal professionals gathered at the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Little Rock on Oct. 17 for the 31st annual Red Mass, where attorney Paul James was honored for his commitment to justice and his contributions to the St. Thomas More Society of Arkansas.