

St. Teresa of Avila Church

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Masses Saturday 5:00 PM, Sunday 8 &
10AM



August 25, 26, 2007
Parish Picnic!!
And RE Enrollment! 6 PM!

Mass Intentions

Sat, Aug 25 5:00 PM - Charlie & Virginia Benedix by Bud & Dora Kusek
Sun, Aug 26 8:00 AM - Larry Brimm by Bobbye Janowiak
10:00 AM - Don Martin by JoAnn Martin
Tues, Aug 28 8:00 AM - Don Martin by John & Pat Bacon
Wed, Aug 29 8:00 AM - Larry Brimm by K of C
Thurs, Aug 30 8:00 AM - Jeanette Pullano by D. Fabrizio & S. Reservitz
Fri, Aug 31 8:00 AM - Larry Brimm by Glen & Kathy Kiermeier
Sat, Sept 1 5:00 PM - Ven Stramski by Jim & Susan Stramski
Sun, Sept 2 8:00 AM - Larry Brimm by Vernie Visnieski
10:00 AM - For Our Parish Family

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 PM.

Collections: August 19 103 Adult envelopes \$4286.00 12 Youth envelopes \$16.00 Building Fund \$3168.00 Catholic University \$458.63 Assumption \$467.00 Loose \$136.00 Total: \$8531.63 Building Fund Total (August 19 \$664,746.11).

Readings for this week Mon. 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5, 8b-10, Psalm 149:1-6,9, Matthew 23:13-22; Tues. 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, Psalm 139:1-3,4-6, Matthew 23:23-26; Wed. 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13, Psalm 139:7-8,9-10,11-12, Mark 6:17-29; Thurs. 1 Thessalonians 3:7-13, Psalm 90:3-5,12-13,14,17, Matthew 24:42-51; Fri. 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8, Psalm 97:1-2,5-6,10,11-12, Matthew 25:1-13; Sat. 1 Thessalonians 4:9-11, Psalm 98:1,7-8,9, Matthew 25:14-30; Sunday Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29, Psalm 68:4-5,6-7,10-11, Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a, Luke 14:1, 7-14.

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society meets Tuesdays at 7 PM in the Parish Hall. Anyone who needs assistance should call our number 343-2938.

Prayer Chain! Our Parish has a prayer chain for our Parish Family concerns!! You can call for prayer requests to either Kristi Kretchmar at 391-2728 or Marilyn Tytanic at 454-3556.

Parish Picnic August 26 at 6 PM! Like last year, Hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks will be provided. Bring a salad or dessert. Because of the heat, the meal may take place in the Hall. Enrollment for R.E. will be held at the same time.

Parish Web Site. www.stteresaharrah.org The email address is: info@stteresaharrah.org

St. Joseph Old Cathedral Parish is hosting its first CARNIVAL on Sunday, Sept 2 from 9 AM to 7 PM. There will be dances, games, delicious food, fresh fruit drinks; also a children's area with face painting, moon walk, clown, hot dogs, popcorn, etc. For more information, please call 235-4565.

Ushers for September

5:00 John Drew, Sammy Martin, John House, Martin House
8:00 Gerald Visnieski, Mike Sweeney, Steve Gorczyca, Tony Nickel
10:00 Peter Adams, Ray Delaney, John Adams, Don Corona

Servers for September

5:00 Sara and Mark Wagoner
8:00 James and Julia Spaeth
10:00 Marietta and Colette Corona, Jeremy Lay

Lectors for September

5:00 Joe Zawisza
8:00 Krista Harke
10:00 Patty Lay

Eucharistic Ministers for September

5:00 Debbie Birdsong, Karen Manwell, Elenora Lipinski
8:00 Loyd and Katie Hargrove, Paul Cunningham
10:00 Nancy Limon, Suzanne Visnieski, Evelyn Saxton

Building Fund Information: Because of an upcoming wedding reception in December, the Parish Council voted to put off any work on the Parish Hall pending approval by the Archdiocese until after the New Year.

Children's Hospital "Cuddlers". Our Parish has been invited to participate in a special project for the Children's Hospital in OKC, involving DHS at risk newborn babies and their "Cuddlers." They are in need of receiving blankets, or baby flannel material 36" by 36" and also one piece used or new newborn sleepers. We are also asking for anyone who sews to hem this baby flannel into baby receiving blankets that will go out with the babies when they are adopted. If you could please call me with your name if you can sew, I will get you the flannel fabric. Your donations can be placed in the box at the back of the entrance of the church. Checks can be made out to St. Teresa Catholic church, Memo-DHS Baby Project. For more info, call Marilyn Iytanic 454-3556. Thank you.

Birth Choice Information Session Birth Choice needs volunteers for 2 to 4 hours a week. They are currently in need of people to work the phones, serve as receptionists, those who have clerical skills, clothing room works and RN's. The next information session will be Thursday, September 6th, 6 PM to 8 PM at 4701 S. Western, OKC. To register and obtain more information, please call Marilyn at 799-7195.

Going to be on the road this summer? If you're looking for a local church, check out www.masstimes.org for location (with a map) and times.

The Finance Committee has recommended a tuition charge for the Religious Education program beginning this fall. The parish spends \$22,000 on the RE Program and we currently receive \$1000 in donations. Tuition will be \$20 per student with a maximum of \$50 per family. If this presents a hardship, financial aid is available. RE classes will begin the Wednesday after Labor Day.

Current Parish Council members are: Joe Tytanic, Susan Laughlin, Bill Lanie, Don Zawisza, Neil Baltazor, Jeff Wagner, and Charlotte Nowakowski. Current Building Advisory Members are Joe Zawisza, David McCorkle, Stan Malaske, John Bacon, Joe Balkenbush, Marvin Visnieski, Kelly Trice, and Michael Nowakowski. If you have questions about the building program, please contact them.

Building project update: The preliminary plans for the building project were presented to Archbishop Beltran this past week and were approved. Our next step will be to contact the architect to draw up the blueprints which will be then presented to the Archdiocesan Building Committee for their approval.

Holy Week in the Holy Land Father Price Oswalt, Associate Pastor from Church of the Epiphany in OKC has announced that he will lead a Pilgrimage to Israel for "Holy Week" from March 14-25, 2008. The itinerary includes 2 nights in Tiberius and 8 nights in Jerusalem. Cost is \$2999 per person and includes Round-trip air from OKC, Tulsa, Dallas-Fort Worth, Airport Taxes, Superior tourist class hotels, all fees and gratuities, Escorted guides, AirCond motor coaches, daily breakfast and dinners. Deposit is \$450 each with final payment by December 14, 2007. Only 36 seats are available and an early booking discount is provided. For additional information and brochures, contact John Tagnesi, 1-888-544-4461.

Are You or Someone You Know Interested in the Catholic Faith?

RCIA (The Ritual of Catholic Initiation for Adults) will begin

September 11 at 7:00 PM in the RE Building

Call 454-2819 to register.

Attention Parents: The Office of Family Life of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City will be offering a workshop "Sacramental Parenting: Raising a Faith-Filled Family" on October 6 from 9:00 to 3:00 at the Pastoral Center. Parents can learn practical skills for raising their teenagers using the Sacramental Life of the Church as a model. The cost is only \$10. Call the Office of Family Life at 721-8944 for more information or to register for this opportunity to nurture your family's faith.