

St. Teresa of Avila Church

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Masses Saturday 5:00 PM,

Sunday 8 & 10 AM

A prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord God,

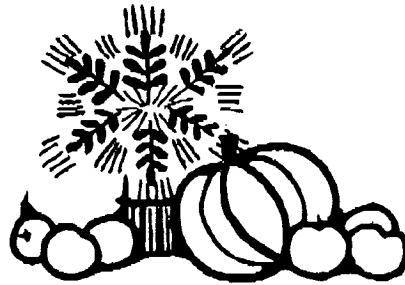
*On this day of Thanksgiving, we ask your blessings on our family, and our friends,
Our home, our health---and on the food we are about to eat.*

We thank you for this time together and the many gifts that you have given us.

*Help us to remember in this time of bounty those less fortunate. And may your love
Consume us all that we might share in your glory.*

Amen.

November 17, 18, 2007



Mass Intentions

Sat, Nov 17 5:00 PM – Martha Greenlee by K of C
 Sun, Nov 18 8:00 AM – Georgia Shaw by Steve & Cindy Gorczyca
 10:00 AM – For Our Parish Family

Note: No weekday Masses

Fr. Eugene Marshall, OSB will be the celebrant at this weekend's Masses.

Sat, Nov 24 5:00 PM – For the Faithful Departed
 Sun, Nov 18 8:00 AM – For Our Parish Family
 10:00 AM – Carl Jorski by Rosalie Cook

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 3:30 – 4:00 PM.

Collections: November 11 109 Adult envelopes \$3711.00 7 Youth envelopes \$16.35 Building Fund \$583.33 Thanksgiving Dinner \$475.00 World Missions \$20.00 All Saints \$5.00 Loose \$65.25 Total: \$4875.93 Building Fund Total (November 11 \$687,722.83).

Readings for the week: Mon. 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63, Psalm 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158, Luke 18:35-43; Tues. 2 Maccabees 6:18-31, Psalm 3:2-3,4-5,6-7, Luke 19:1-10; Wed. 2 Maccabees 7:1,20-31, Psalm 17:1,5-6,8,15, Luke 19:11-18; Thurs. 1 Maccabees 2:15-29, Psalm 50:1-2,5-6,14-15, Luke 19:41-44; Fri. 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59, 1 Chronicles 29:10,11,11-12,12, Luke 19:45-48; Saturday 1 Maccabees 6:1-13, Psalm 9:2-3,4,6, 16, 19, Luke 20:27-40; Sunday 2 Samuel 5:1-3, Psalm 122:1-2,3-4,4-5, Colossians 1:12-20, Luke 23:35-43.

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society will meet Tuesdays at 7 PM in the RE building. 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 Web Site. www.stteresaharrah.org The email address is: info@stteresaharrah.org

RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will not meet Tuesday, November 20.

Birth Choice needs Registered Nurses, Licensed Practical Nurses, and Ultrasonographers. Birth Choice needs medical volunteers to do ultrasounds on women who might be considering abortion. You can help save a live. Please call Pat for more information 330-2111. Thank you.

The Parish Council members are anxious to hear your concerns, do not hesitate to contact one of them: Joe Tytanic (454-3556), Don Zawsza (454-0630), Susan Laughlin (454-2783), Jeff Wagner (259-9966), Neil Baltazor (454-3651), Bill Lanie (277-3651), Charlotte Nowakowski (454-3002).

Building Advisory Committee: Joe Zawsza (454-2759), David McCorkle (454-2764), Stan Malaske (391-6425), John Bacon (391-4983), Joe Balkenbush (390-3324), Marvin Visnieski (454-3171), Kelly Trice (570-2003), and Michael Nowakowski (454-3002) welcome the new member to the committee: Rudi Garcia (454-6199).

The committee continues its excellent work: meeting with the architect Thomas Small this month to work on blue prints for the building/renovation project so these plans may be presented to the Archdiocesan Building Committee for their approval. Approximately 90 days are required for this phase. We are blessed to have so many talented members on the Building Advisory Committee!

TURKEY DINNER AT ST. TERESA CHURCH

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner and Bazaar will take place on November 18th from, 10:30 to 2 PM. Bazaar: Friday Nov. 16, 4 PM to 7 PM; Saturday, Nov. 17, 10 AM to 2 PM & 4:30 PM to 7 PM. Contact persons: Bernadette Klimkowski, 454-2871 or 590-6315. Bazaar contact: Sara Amico, 391-6070 or Maggie Zawisza, 454-0630.

Proceeds from the Turkey Dinner will go toward the Building Fund

Work Schedule for Thanksgiving Dinner

Nov 17 8 AM until?? – Preparations for Sunday

Nov 18 6 AM – early preparations

11 AM to 2 PM – Dinner

Please come and help out whenever you can. Thank you!

A Butcher Block donated by Jerry Morris, estimated value \$275 will be raffled off at the bazaar. You need not be present to win. Tickets will be available at the bazaar, \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

Youth Group will sell Butter Braids on the weekend of November 10 and 11 and all Masses. A limited number of bite-sized samples will be available for those who have never tried these delicious fruit or cream cheese filled pastries. Delivery will be mid-December just in time for Christmas. You will not want to miss out on this great new fund raiser!

Christmas Cards Youth Group will again sell Christmas Cards from the Printery House. Instead of placing orders, we will have a selection of past favorites and several new designs from which to choose. They will be on sale in the Bazaar during the Thanksgiving Dinner.

Knights of Columbus Raffle for a beef half will be won December 23. Tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10. Ask any Knight for tickets.

A great big Thank You to everyone who worked on the Children's Hospital Project. It was a Huge Success. A total of 253 items were donated to the Children's Hospital "Cuddler's" project. This project was a success with the financial help of the Parish members, as well as the Catholic Daughters and the Knights of Columbus Clubs. It could not have been done without the help of Father Loth and his Prayerful Blessings. Volunteer workers were Kathy Colton, Jody Cook, Marietta Corona, Sharon Farnsworth, Pat Jorski, Elenora Lipinski, Katherine Liebl, Elena Liebl, Gloria Owings, Josephine Scurra Louise Stranski, Jackie Wilkins, Cuddlers: Pat Bacon and Sherry Hennessey. Thank you to all, Marilyn Tytanic, Chairman.

Book signing and lecture. In December 2007, an important history focusing on the Catholic Church in Oklahoma will be released. **The Road to Renewal, Victor Joseph Reed and Oklahoma Catholicism, 1905-1971** by Jeremy Bonner examines the implementation of Vatican II at the diocesan level under Bishop Victor Reed, Bishop of Oklahoma City and Tulsa from 1958-1971. Mr. Bonner will autograph copies of this new biography and lecture on this important period in the Catholic Church on **Wednesday evening, December 5 from 6:30 PM to 8 PM at the Catholic Pastoral Conference Center, 7501 N.W. Expressway, OKC.** A limited number of copies will be available for purchase prior to the book signing. Additional copies may be obtained through the Catholic University of American Press at 1-800-537-5487 or [hyyp://cuapress.cua.edu](http://cuapress.cua.edu)

Anyone using the hall is requested to empty all the trash cans before they leave. Thanks.

Enough is Enough

We pray to the great Spiritual Power in which we live and move and have our being. We pray that we may at all times keep our minds open to new ideas; that we may grow in our understanding of the nature of all living beings and our connectedness with the natural world; that we may become ever more filled with generosity of spirit and true compassion and love for all life; that we may strive to heal the hurts that we have inflicted on nature and control our greed for material things, knowing that our actions are harming our natural world and the future of our children; that we may value each and every human being for who he is, for who she is, reaching to the spirit that is within, knowing the power of each individual to change the world.

From Dr. Jane Goodall's prayer for world peace.