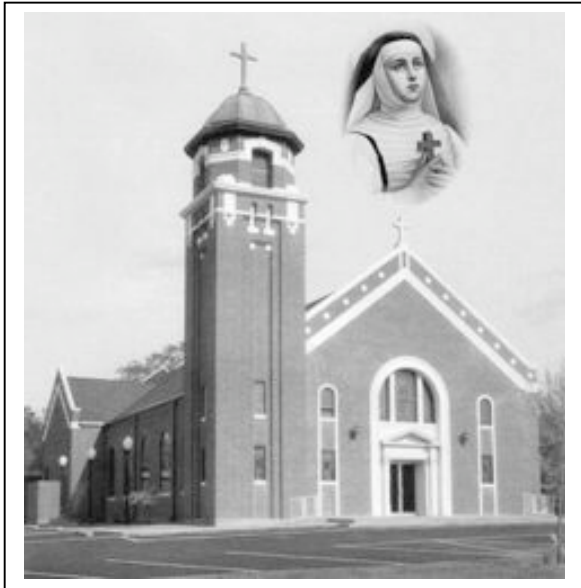


St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Archdiocese of Oklahoma City

Archbishop of Oklahoma City
Most Reverend Paul S. Coakley

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Cindy Newby, Secretary

Office Hours: Wednesday – Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL: (405) 824-2304

Mass Times

Saturday ~ 4:00 pm

Sunday ~ 7:30 am & 9:00 am

Weekdays ~

Monday	Harrah	<i>No Mass</i>
Tuesday	McLoud	8:30 am
Wednesday	Harrah	6:15 pm
Thursday	McLoud	8:30 am
Friday	McLoud	8:30 am
	Harrah	6:00 pm

Mass & Adoration ~ *First Friday of each month
6:00 – 7:00 pm

Holy Days ~ As announced in the bulletin

Confessions: Saturday – 3:00-3:45 pm
Sunday – 7:00-7:20 am

Marriages ~ See pastor six months prior to wedding and baptism.

Please contact the parish office for questions.

Parish phone listing

Office: (405) 454-2819

Office Fax: (405) 454-0981

St. Teresa Parish Hall: (405) 454-6076

St. Teresa Cemetery: (405) 620-1981

St. Vincent de Paul Society: (405) 343-2938

Religious Education Center: (405) 454-9440

Organizations & Meeting times:

Altar Society ~ the first Sunday of the month
1:00 pm (September – May)

Catholic Daughters ~ the first Sunday of the month
7:00 pm (August – May)

Knights of Columbus ~ the first Sunday of the month 7:00pm

Parish Council – Meetings as announced

St. Vincent de Paul ~ Monday (bi-weekly), 6:00 pm

Religious Education Classes ~ Wednesdays, 7:00 pm

Prayer Group ~ Tuesdays in the church at 6:00 pm

RCIA Classes ~ Mondays at 7 pm in the Family Center

Youth Group ~ Wednesday, 7:15 to 8:30 pm,

High School Group ~ Sunday, 7:00 pm in Youth Center

Evangelization Committee ~ First Friday of month at 7:15 pm

FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 1, 2013

Mass Intention

Saturday	11-30	4:00 pm – Velma Kubiak † (by Jones Family)
Sunday	12-01	7:30 am – Mary Lawson † (by Joe and Marilyn Tytanic) 9:00 am – Wayne Miles † (by Carolyn Miles) Theresa Freeman † (by Jude Delaney)
Monday	12-02	No Mass
Wednesday	12-04	6:15 pm – John Phillips † (by Knights of Columbus)
Friday (Adoration)	12-06	6:00 am – Debi Wagner (Healing) (by Knights of Columbus)
Saturday	12-07	4:00 pm – Adeline Jorski (Healing) (by Knights of Columbus)
Sunday	12-08	7:30 am – Bill Schravnel † (by Knights of Columbus) 9:00 am – Henya Lumbaluk † (by Barbara Dull)

**Collections November 24, 2013 – 121 Adult Envelopes \$4,046.00 Loose \$877.00, 1 Child Env. \$1.00
Total \$4,924.00 Human Development \$496.00**

Building Fund Assets as of November 24, 2013 Total \$8,768.02



Readings December 2, 2013 to December 8, 2013

Monday – Isaiah 4: 2-6; Psalm 122: 1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9 Matthew 8: 5-11;

Tuesday – Isaiah 11: 1-10; Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Luke 10: 21-24;

Wednesday – Isaiah 25: 6-10a; Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Matthew 15: 29-37;

Thursday – Isaiah 26: 1-6; Psalm 118: 1&8-9, 19-21, 25-27a Matthew 7: 21, 24-27;

Friday – Isaiah 29: 17-24; Psalm 27: 1, 4, 13-14 Matthew 9: 27-31;

Saturday – Isaiah 30: 19-21, 23-26; Psalm 147: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Matthew 9: 34—10: 1, 5a, 6-8;

Sunday – Isaiah 11: 1-10; Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Romans 15: 4-9 Matthew 3: 1-12;

First Friday Adoration

First Friday Adoration will be Friday, December 6th after the 6:00pm Mass

Penance Rite Schedule

CCD Advent Penance Rite: Wednesday, December 11, 2013 at 7:00pm

Adult Advent Penance Rite: Monday, December 16, 2013 at 7:00pm

Christmas Mass Schedule

Harrah ~ Christmas Eve 11:00 p.m. and Christmas Day 9:00 a.m.

McLoud ~ Christmas Eve 8:00 pm and Christmas Day 11:00 a.m.

2nd COLLECTION

December 8, is for the Retirement Fund for the Religious. This Fund provides assistance for the care of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. The religious institutions in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City receiving grants that are made possible by this appeal are the Benedictine Fathers in Shawnee, and the Carmelite Sisters of St. Therese of the Infant Jesus in Oklahoma City.

EVANGELIZATION TEAM MEETING

There will be a meeting December 6, 2013 after Adoration in the Family Center.

THE ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND CATHOLIC DAUGHTER'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

Will be Sunday, December 8th at 6pm in the Family Center. Bring your favorite dish (veggie, salad, dessert, etc) to share for pot luck dinner, meat will be provided. For those wanting to play the "Dirty Santa" game please bring a \$20 wrapped gift—either for a man or woman. We will also be collecting unwrapped toys for Helping Hearts Toy Store.

Spouses are encouraged to attend even if they are not a KOC or CDA member and childcare will be provided.

If you have any questions call Maria Baltazor 208-1991 or Don Carpenter 454-6790.

SAVE THE DATES

Plans are under way for the new parish directory. January 14-25 will be the professional photography days provided by Life Touch. Every family photographed will receive a printed directory and you will have a chance to purchase beautiful once in a lifetime family portraits. Very soon you will be receiving a personal Kick Off announcement introducing the program and providing information on scheduling an appointment. If you have any questions please call Maria Baltazor 208-1991 or Maggie Zawisza 454-0630

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



- † *First Sunday of Advent:* The Son of Man will come at an hour you do not expect. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are, and they strive to live in readiness for His coming.
- † *Word of Life:* The Latin word *adventus* refers to the coming of Christ and brings to the fore God's movement toward humanity, to which each is called to respond with openness, expectation, seeking, and attachment.

Through the year with Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Considering the weather, the Thanksgiving Dinner was a huge success.

We fed close to 790 people.

We can't say "Thank You" enough to everyone who stepped up to help make the dinner successful.

A Special "Thank you" goes out to the ones who came back or stuck around to help clean up!

It was appreciated!

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETING

The December meeting of the Altar Society will be held on December 8th at 1:00 pm.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANGEL TREE

These "Angels" are in need of a little help at Christmas. Please be their Santa and sponsor an Angel today. The tree and sign-up sheet are in the family center. Detailed instructions are with each Angel.

All gifts need to be brought in by Sunday December 15th. Thank you.

REPORTING ABUSE/PASTORAL RESPONSE HOTLINE

The Archdiocese of Oklahoma City through its programs, organizations and events, has numerous daily contacts with many children and young people. It is, therefore important that all Archdiocesan Personnel, clergy, seminarians, religious, employees and volunteers, protect the rights of children and be alert to the possibility for child abuse. Under Oklahoma State law, all individuals MUST report an incident or suspicion of sexual abuse of a minor (person under 18 years of age) to the civil authorities. The Oklahoma Department of Human Services has established a statewide abuse reporting hotline for reporting: **1-800-522-3511**. This number is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. **If you feel a child is in immediate danger of harm call 911.** For the safety of children and the healing of victims, the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City provides an Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline for reporting the abuse of a minor (in the past or presently) by a member of the clergy or other church personnel: **1-405-720-9878**. The Archdiocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, a licensed professional counselor, will respond to calls to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Response Hotline. A report to the Archdiocese does not relieve the individual of the duty to report child abuse to civil authorities as required by Oklahoma State Law. In Oklahoma, failure to report child abuse is a misdemeanor punishable in law.

CATHOLICISM ADULT FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

COMING SOON!! The *Catholicism Adult Faith Formation Program* DVD documentary series. Develop a deeper understanding of your faith and learn what we as Catholics believe and why we believe it through this engaging and interesting program that illuminates the timeless teachings of the Church. **Thursdays, beginning December 5, 2013, 7:00 p.m. in the St. Teresa Family Center.** Registration sheets are in the church entry.

Contact Stan DeLong, 454-3347 or visit www.CatholicismSeries.org for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CHRISTMAS PARTY AND CHRISTMAS BREAK SCHEDULE

Christmas Party, Wednesday, December 18, 2012 @ 7:00 pm

Christmas Break ~ December 18, 2013, RE Class Resume ~ January 8, 2014

SEMINARIAN EDUCATION APPEAL

Catholic households in the Archdiocese will be receiving a direct mailing from the Vocation Office regarding our Seminarian Education Appeal (SEA). This is a direct request for a pledge toward the costs of educating our seminarians, along with a miniature version of our seminarian poster and a vocation prayer card. Please participate with a financial gift toward the cost of educating our future priests. Please also pray for our seminarians and for more young men to join them at the seminary. We appreciate your generosity. For more information please contact the Vocation Office @ (405) 721-9351.

"HELP SAVE LIVES"



WELCOME TO 40 DAYS FOR LIFE



Rachel's Vineyard

RACHEL'S VINEYARD

Are you suffering from an abortion? Or know someone who is? You are not alone. Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ at a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat December 6-8, 2013. The retreat offers a profound opportunity, with a team of trained companions, therapists and clergy, to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Participation is strictly confidential. The retreat is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life. For more information call 405-623-3844 or email: rachelsvineyardokc@gmail.com The cost is \$75 for meals, a private room, and all retreat materials. Payment plans and financial assistance are available. For a description of the retreat and a complete list of other retreat dates and locations, call 1 877 HOPE 4 ME or visit the international website at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Respect Life Meeting

40 Days is over. We have plenty for which to be thankful. In order to continue the good work. The Respect life committee will meet Saturday, December 14, 2013 at noon at Our Lady's Cathedral, 3214 N. Lake Ave (N. W. 32 and Western) in the Mercy Center. We will plan a calendar and share information about the coming year. Please come and help with prayer and ideas because it takes all of us sharing our passion for LIFE to succeed. Everyone is invited and you can bring a friend.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASS

Learn the Sympto-thermal method of Natural Family Planning with Scott and Gail Hunt, certified instructors, on December 20 at St. John the Baptist Church, 9th and Boulevard, Edmond, OK, in the basement council room. You must register for the class online at www.ccli.org and your materials will be sent to you. Free childcare is available upon request by contacting Dr. Harry Kocurek at 340-0691. ext 109.

St. Teresa's Prayer Chain - Our Parish has a prayer chain for our parish family concerns! You may call for prayer requests to either Kristi Kretchmar at 391-2728 or Marilyn Tytanic at 454-3556.

Please pray for the intentions of the following:

Tommy Bross, Ruth Mazzare, Frank and Alexander Hanna, Jennifer Engel, DeeJay Norfolk, Bill Laney, Amanda Ashley, David and Ann Mead, Fr. Chuck Murphy, Elsie Daniels, Sue Nickel, Fr. George Pupius, Ryder Davenport, Linda Parker, Sam Patton, John Keirman, Tricia Bubenik, Barbara Wyskup, Jean Maddox, George & Margaret Olivier, Dee Gregory, Tom Barnes, Holley Vaughn, Jaime Kreikemier, Andy and Haley Browne, Juanita Shaffer, Henry Villarma, Joe Balkenbush, Nancy Montalvo, Brianna, Bryan, and Kaidence Anderson, Lila Dilis, Georgia Barajas, Ed Malaske, Katie Magott, Christopher Woods, Mary Beebe, Adeline Jorski, Trish Parker, Tonya Rego, Genele Nowakowski, Tammy Herzog (M), Jason Werchan (M), Fred Rodriguez, Cindy Brzozowski, Leo Nowakowski, Catherine Hornbeck, Leo and Doris Storemski.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

*December 2nd, - December 8th
Madison Ruiz, Karen Manwell,
R. Greg Thompson, Katrina Medich,
Aline Smith, Julie Guild, Rebecca Johnson,
Kimberlee Spradley, Jaden Rausch,
Jeff Wagner*

Meetings

St. Vincent de Paul Society ~ Meeting Monday, December 2, 2013, 6:00p.m. @ St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church, in Harrah, for info call 343-2938

Knights of Columbus: Monthly meetings are held on the first Sunday of the month at 7 p.m. The 4th degree Knights meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.

Catholic Daughters: Monthly meeting are the first Sunday of the month at 7 pm.

Jr. Catholic Daughters: Monthly meetings are the first Sunday of the month at 4:30 pm

Altar Society ~ The first Sunday of the month at 2:00 pm (September – May)

Evangelization Committee ~ The 1st Friday of the month at 7:15 pm .