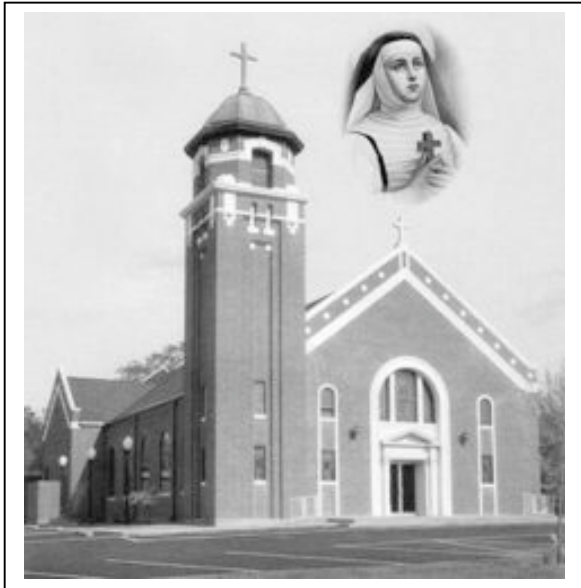


St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

PO Box 418, 1576 Tim Holt Drive
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Archdiocese of Oklahoma City

*Archbishop of Oklahoma City
Most Reverend Paul S. Coakley*

Father Prakash Madineni – Pastor
mgprakash65@gmail.com

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 (Penance Rite)	7:00 pm
Tuesday	McLoud	8:30 am
Wednesday	Harrah	<i>No Mass</i>
Thursday	McLoud	8:30 am
Friday	Harrah	8:00 am

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

THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 15, 2013

Mass Intention

Saturday	12-14	4:00 pm – Ven and Louise Stramski † (Jim and Susan Stramski)
Sunday	12-15	7:30 am – Vincent Marino Sr. † (by Rosalie Marino) 9:00 am – Deceased Members of Knights of Columbus (by Knights of Columbus) Kevin Boyle † (by Gail Boyle and Family)
Monday	12-16	7:00 pm – <i>Adult Penance Rite</i>
Wednesday	12-18	<i>No Mass</i>
Friday	12-20	8:00 am – Joe Magott † (by Magott Family)
Saturday	12-21	4:00 pm – Velma Ruth Kubiak † (by Jones Family) Frank and Mary Hopcus † (by Martha Hopcus)
Sunday	12-22	7:30 am – George Owings † (by Owings Family) Sue Nickels (Recovery) (by Nickels Family) 9:00 am – Rosanne Foster † (by Knights of Columbus) Patricia Henthorn (Recovery) (by Dutch Henthorn)

Collections December 8, 2013 – 78 Adult Envelopes \$3,828.31 Loose \$574.94, 1 Child Env. \$ 3.06

Total \$4,406.31

Retirement Fund \$1,753.00 Immaculate Conception \$928.39

Building Fund Assets as of December 8, 2013

\$125.00 Total \$9,918.02



Readings December 16, 2013 to December 22, 2013

Monday – Numbers 24: 2-7, 15-17a; □ Psalm 25: 4-5ab, 6&7bc, 8-9 □ Matthew 21: 23-27;

Tuesday – Genesis 49: 2, 8-10; □ Psalm 72: 1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 □ Matthew 1: 1-17;

Wednesday – Jeremiah 23: 5-8; □ Psalm 72: 1-2, 12-13, 18-19 □ Matthew 1: 18-25;

Thursday – Judges 13: 2-7, 24-25a; □ Psalm 71: 3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 □ Luke 1: 5-25;

Friday – Isaiah 7:10-14; □ Psalm 24: 1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 □ Luke 1: 26-38;

Saturday – Song of Songs 2: 8-14; □ Psalm 33: 2-3, 11-12, 20-21 □ Luke 1: 39-45;

Sunday – Isaiah 7: 10-14; □ Psalm 24: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 □ Romans 1: 1-7 □ Matthew 1: 18-24;

Penance Rite Schedule

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.

January 1, 2014 Mass Schedule

Harrah, Wednesday 9:00am and McLoud, Wednesday 11:00am

2014 PARISH OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for 2014 are in the entrance of the church. If there is anyone's name that does not appear on one of the box of envelopes or if you are new to the parish and have not filled out a census card, please contact the office. The envelopes and census cards provide important information for various record keeping functions of the parish, which includes important end of the year tax deduction information.

Please pick up your envelopes and please contact the office if you have any questions.

Note: The envelope numbers have changed this year.

POLISH MASS

There will be a Polish Mass Celebrated by Father Peter Jandaczek pastor of Duncan,
con-celebrated by Father Jaroslaw Topolewski pastor of Okeene and Father Prakash Madineni pastor of Harrah.

On Saturday, December 21st at 4:00pm.

The Mass will be at Saint Teresa of Avila Catholic Church, all are welcome to Attend.

LECTORS, COMMUNION MINISTERS, ALTAR SERVERS

For those who would like to take part in the Christmas Midnight Mass and Christmas Day Mass.

For Midnight Mass we will need two Lectors, seven Communion Ministers and four Altar Servers.

Christmas Day Mass we will need two Lectors, seven Communion Ministers and three Altar Servers.

There are sign-up sheets in the back of the church, for any ministers who wish to serve

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



† *Third Sunday of Advent:* Each of us has his or her own role to play in the coming of the kingdom of God. John the Baptist was called to be the herald of the Messiah, preparing the way of the Lord. To what is the Lord calling me?

† *Word of Life:* Mary went without delay to communicate her joy to her cousin Elizabeth.... This is the real commitment of Advent: to bring joy to others. Joy is the true gift of Christmas, not expensive presents that demand time and money.

Through the year with Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

SAVE THE DATES

Plans are under way for the new parish directory. January 14-22 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

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, December 19, 2013, 7:00 p.m. in the St. Teresa Family Center.

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

HOLIDAY SPECIAL AT SAINT ANN'S

We have a few openings in Independent Living Community! (A one bedroom and one bedroom deluxe apartment are available.) If you move in during the month of December, 2013 you can save \$1,000. The community has a beautiful chapel with daily Mass and a Grand Theater for many special events. Join us now before the bad weather comes to our area.

Call Richard Amend today for a tour at 721-0747.

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.

CATHOLIC EXCHANGE STUDENT

Open your heart and Home to a Catholic exchange student from Germany for the coming 2014-2015 school year. Volunteer host families (with or without children) as well as single parents are needed to provide food, a bed and a loving home for the coming school year. EMF students have medical insurance, spending money for their personal expenses and expect to share their host family's daily life including household responsibilities. They speak English, are well-screened and eager to experience life in America. Their stay here is sponsored and supervised by EMF (Educational Merit Foundation), a nonprofit, educational exchange program. It is not too late to apply. For more information on EMF students, please call Marie-Claude Dijoud now at 1-800- 67-8363 or visit our web site at www.emfusa.org.

PRE-CANA

A day for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. A specially prepared volunteer team of married couples and a priest share their experiences and information with the intention of enabling engaged couples to be more aware of the privileges and responsibilities of marriage. **2014 Dates: Jan. 18, March 8, June 14, Aug. 9, Oct. 11**

SOURCE AND SUMMIT

Catholic High School Youth Conference January 10-12, 2014 St. Gregory's University

Registration Deadline is Dec. 16th.

"HELP SAVE LIVES"



WELCOME TO 40 DAYS FOR LIFE



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.

Rachel's Vineyard

Helen Mayers , Rm #372
Fountain Brook Assisted Living
11510 S.E. 15th Street,
MWC, OK 73130

Mary Catherine Hornbeck
Arbor House of MWC, Rm # 122
9240 East Reno Avenue
Midwest City, OK 73130

Katie Magott Rm # 10
Harrah Nursing Home
2400 Whites Meadow Dr.
Harrah, OK 73045

Edward . Malaske
Harrah Nursing Home, # 71
2400 Whites Meadow Dr.
Harrah, OK 73045

Leo Fortelney
Harrah Nursing Home
2400 Whites Meadow Dr.
Harrah, OK 73045

Christmas Card Addresses For Parishioners in Nursing Home

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:

Marilyn Tytanic, Austin Brown, 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 Keirnan, 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 16th, - December 22nd
Chase Natale, Linda Drew, Gail Boyle,
Gregory Nowakowski, John Bacon,
Lucy Rausch, Shanna Visnieski, Thomas Nead,
Isabelle Harke, Susanne Visnieski,
Jessica Aranda,

Meetings

St. Vincent de Paul Society ~ Meeting Monday, December 16, 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 1nd Friday of the month at 7:15 pm .