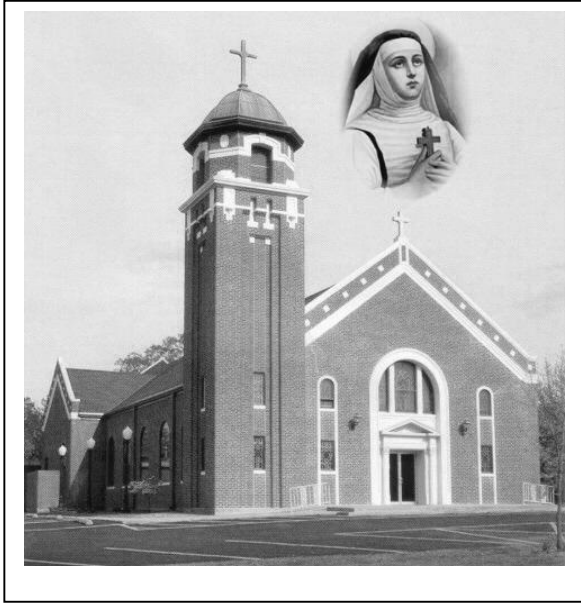


# St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm  
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL: (405) 824-2304

## Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00 pm  
**Sunday:** 7:30 am  
9:00 am

## Weekdays:

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

**Adoration: First Fridays** 8:00am – 6:00pm

**Holy Days:** As announced in the bulletin

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

**Baptism:** Contact Parish Office for Appointment.

**Marriage:** See pastor six months prior to wedding.

(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 (Sep-May)  
**Catholic Daughters** ~ the first Sunday of the month 7:00pm  
**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 (Sept 14)  
**Religious Education Classes** ~Wednesdays, 7:00 pm  
**Prayer Group** ~ Tuesdays in the church at 6:00 pm  
**RCIA Classes** ~ Mondays, 7 pm in the Family Center  
**Youth Group** Grades 6-12 Wednesday, 7:00- 8:30 pm Jun 6- Jul 29  
**High School Group** ~ Sunday, 6: 00 to 7:30 pm in Youth Center  
**Jr Catholic Daughters** ~ First Wed of month, 6:00 pm, RE Bldg  
**Inquiry Sessions** ~ The 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month, 7:00 pm.  
**SVDP Food Bank** open Mondays 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

# May 15, 2016 - Pentecost Sunday

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 14 4:00 pm + Adeline Jorski</b> (Backhus Family)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 15 7:30 am + Auda Marie Thomas</b> (by Gary & Linda Ferrell) <b>9:00 am + Josephine Reason</b> (by Carolyn Miles)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 16 No Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 18 6:15 pm + John Thompson</b> (by St Teresa Choir)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 20 8:00 am + Fritz Lang</b> (by Steve & Cindy Gorczyca)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 21 4:00 pm + Nancy Montalvo</b> (by Montalvo Family)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 22 7:30 am Living &amp; Deceased Altar Society Members</b> (by Altar Society) <b>9:00 am Brunsman Family</b> (by Ken Brunsman)

### Readings for : May 16 to May 22

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15; Mk 9:14-29  
Tuesday: Jas 4:1-10; Ps 55:7-8, 9-10a, 10b-11a, 23; Mk 9:30-37  
Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11; Mk 9:38-40  
Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-115ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20; Mk 9:41-50  
Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12  
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-2, 3 & 8; Mk 10:13-16  
Sunday: Prov 8:22-31; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

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**Collection—May 8** 117 Adult Envelopes: \$5244.00 7 Children Envelopes: \$13.16 Total: \$5257.16

**Special Collections:** Birth Choice: 2023.00

**Building Fund:** Total Assets: \$4369.00

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### Prayer for the Gifts of the Holy Spirit (by St Alphonsus Ligouri)



Holy Spirit, divine Consoler, I adore You as my true God, with God the Father and God the Son. I adore You and unite myself to the adoration You receive from the angels and saints. I give You my heart and I offer my ardent thanksgiving for all the grace which You never cease to bestow on me. O Giver of all supernatural gifts, who filled the soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with such immense favors, I beg You to visit me with Your grace and Your love and to grant me the gift of holy fear, so that it may act on me as a check to prevent me from falling back into my past sins, for which I beg pardon. Grant me [the gift of piety](#), so that I may serve You for the future with increased fervor, follow with more promptness Your holy inspirations, and observe your divine precepts with greater fidelity. Grant me [the gift of knowledge](#), so that I may know the things of God and, enlightened by Your holy teaching, may walk, without deviation, in the path of eternal salvation. Grant me [the gift of fortitude](#), so that I may overcome courageously all the assaults of the devil, and all the dangers of this world which threaten the salvation of my soul. Grant me [the gift of counsel](#), so that I may choose what is more conducive to my spiritual advancement and may discover the wiles and snares of the tempter. Grant me the gift of understanding, so that

I may apprehend the divine mysteries and by contemplation of heavenly things detach my thoughts and affections from the vain things of this miserable world. Grant me [the gift of wisdom](#), so that I may rightly direct all my actions, referring them to God as my last end; so that, having loved Him and served Him in this life, I may have the happiness of possessing Him eternally in the next. Amen.

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### Presentation On The Sacrament of Confession

Father will be giving a presentation on the Sacrament of Confession, followed by a question and answer session, on May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Family Center. Come and learn more about your Catholic faith, and the sacred gifts God has given to us.

### Vacation Bible School

Looking for a fun filled week of bible stories and adventures for you kids to do June 6-10. Sign them up for Vacation Bible School and travel around the world in 5 days and learn about Faith, Hope, and Love. Registration forms available in the foyer. Questions? Please contact Sandra SUMAZA @501-605-3420.

### Volunteers Needed for VBS:

High school youth and adults needed to help with VBS program. Volunteer meeting will be Wednesday May 25th @ 7:00 pm in the RE Bldg. This is an excellent way for the youth of our parish to earn service hours. Contact Sandra SUMAZA @ 501-605-3420

### Graduation Breakfast

Catholic Daughters will be hosting a Graduation Breakfast after the 9:00 am Mass next Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, in the Family Center.

### **From the Pastor's Desk**

By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, Christ's Paschal Mystery was brought to its completion. The Holy Spirit prepares us with his grace in order to draw us to Christ. He manifests the risen Lord to us, opening our minds. He makes present the mystery of Christ. And he reconciles us, bringing us into communion with God. Saint Thomas Aquinas says that the Holy Spirit interiorly perfects our spirit, communicating to it a new dynamism so that it refrains from evil for love. With the Holy Spirit within us, "it is quite natural for people who had been absorbed by the things of this world to become entirely otherworldly in outlook, and for cowards to become people of great courage." (Saint Cyril of Alexandria).

### **Congratulation Graduates 2015-2016!**

#### **High School:**

Grace Brzozowski (Harrah)	Mathilda Chance (Choctaw)	Debbie Coleman (Mount St. Mary's)
Jessica Fletcher (Harrah)	Nicole Fox (Harrah)	Aubrie Giguere (Harrah)
Adrianna Limon (Mount St Mary's)	Brittney Mackey (Choctaw)	Alyxandria Moon (McLoud)
Dylan Saxton (Harrah)	Braden Visnieski (Harrah)	Shanna Visnieski (Harrah)
Cole Whelton (Midwest City)		

#### **College:**

Lisa Koeller (Missouri University of Science and Technology)  
Aaron Limon (Benedictine College – Atchison, Kansas)  
Ryan Santa-Pinter (Oklahoma State University) Note: He will be commissioned as an officer in the Air Force.

### **Religious Education Attendance Awards**

#### **Perfect Attendance**

Kaydenn Tanner	Miles Johnson	Shyann Baltazor	Rebecca Johnson	Chelsey Baltazor
Kelsi Jones	Mackenzie McClure	Catherine Wyskup	Skylar Williams	Matthew Sloas
Ike Wyskup	Jackson Blessington	Lily Catalane	Jeffrey Herzog	William Nation
Cole Cataline	Olivia Nation	Allison Brzozowski	Devin Birdsong	Casey Jones
Madison McClure	Grace Brzozowski	Blake Cataline	Landon Santa-Pinter	Brittney Mackey
Braden Visnieski	Shawna Visnieski			

#### **Outstanding Attendance**

Alyssa Shipp	Lilly Lynch	Connor Lay	Isabella Harke	Julissa Caro
Brandon Spradley	Anthony Opichka	Michelle Sumaza	Alex Boyd	Jesse Baltazor
Brock Drew	Hunter Dabney	Wendoline Carrean	Aldo Carrean	Jason Kaminski

### **2016 National Education Contest Winners**

#### **Division 1:**

Poetry: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Macie Middendorf  
Art: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Olivia Nation    2<sup>nd</sup> place – Nicole Gerzog    3<sup>rd</sup> place – Kiera Boyle

#### **Division 2:**

Poetry: 1<sup>st</sup> place Valerie Volpe  
Art: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Jason Kaminski    2<sup>nd</sup> place – Michael Boyle    3<sup>rd</sup> place – Carson Garrison  
Photography: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Nicole Herzog    2<sup>nd</sup> place – Lisa Clark

#### **Division 3:**

Art: 1<sup>st</sup> place Katelyn Garrison  
Photography: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Daniel Boyle    2<sup>nd</sup> place – Catherine Wyskup

### **Parish Council Openings**

There are two 3-year term openings for St. Teresa's Parish Council. Nominations may be made by the candidates themselves or by another parishioner who has obtained the written consent of the prospective candidate. Prospective Council members must be 18 years of age or older, who are in communion of faith and life with the Roman Catholic Church, and a parishioner of St. Teresa's for three years. Nomination forms are at the back of the church and can be turned in to the Pastor or put in the collection basket. Deadline for nominations is May 31, 2016. List of persons running will be in the bulletin or announced at Mass one week prior to the election June 4 & 5 & 11 & 12. Election will be June 18 & 19, if a runoff is needed it will be June 25 & 26. All newly elected members of the council shall take office as of the next council meeting in July.

## St. Vincent de Paul Society

May 29<sup>th</sup> is the fifth Sunday of the month. There will be a second collection for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

### Knights of Columbus Birthchoice Ultrasound Support/Baby Item Collection

*The Knights of Columbus will be accepting monetary donations during the month of May in support of the ultrasound program for Birth Choice. These funds are a separate need for Birth Choice that are not connected with the funds being collected at Mass as the general second collection on May 8. The Knights are also collecting Layette items needed all year long. Items would include: **Newborn Onesies, Small Toys, Pacifiers, Receiving Blankets, Stuffed Animals, Baby Wash, Heavy Blankets, Bibs, Baby Wipes, Rattles, Bottles, and Newborn Diapers.** These items can be dropped off in the foyer of the family center at St Teresa's and a location will be designated at Saint Vincent De Paul in McCloud. Thank You for your Support.*

### “Come & See” Inquiry Sessions

Do you know any non-Catholic who has questions about the Catholic Church or anyone who may be a “fallen away” Catholic that wants to come home? We are having “come and see” inquiry sessions on Monday nights. It is very informal, no registration or commitments – just questions answered about Catholicism and free coffee. Each session is different and it is not a program or class. Participants can come to any session and there is no commitment to return. This is simply to give people an opportunity to look into the Church and have questions answered. We have sessions the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

### Charismatic Catholic Prayer Meeting

A Charismatic Catholic prayer meeting will be at 7 p.m. May 19, at the Catholic Pastoral Center, C-1 and C-2, 7501 Northwest Expressway. Contact Toni Calvey at (405) 630-0539, tonicalvey1900@gmail.com or visit [www.SpiritOKC.org](http://www.SpiritOKC.org). A children's ministry is available for families with small children.

#### Ministry Schedule for May

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<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b> 4:00 Suzanne Stramski, Mary Sweeney, Carol Rudek 7:30 Kent Spaeth, Kevin Terrell, Kelly Trice 9:00 Nancy Limon, David McCorkel, Troy Rausch, Evelyn Saxton, Dean Schirf	<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b> 4:00 Pat Bacon, Robbie Garland, Mark Garland 7:30 Stan DeLong, Rachel Espolt, Steve Garsicka 9:00 Mark Seikel, Philip Stramski, Jackie Stafford, Neil Baltazor Vicki Waldrip
<b>Lectors:</b> 4:00 Joe Zawisza 7:30 Patty Lay 9:00 Phillip Stramski, Amelia Stramski	<b>Lectors:</b> 4:00 Scott Dull 7:30 Kelly Trice 9:00 Dave McCorkle, Mark Seikel
<b>Ushers:</b> 4:00 Russell Dull, Tom Jorski, Terrence Visnieski, Charlie Werchan 7:30 Steve Espolt, Daniel Lay, Devin Terrell, Kent Spaeth 9:00 Dan Block, Ken Brunsman, John Marshjall, Doug Kretchmar	<b>Ushers</b> 4:00 Sam Wyskup, John Bacon, Joe Chicoine, Mark Hargrove 7:30 Stan Delong, Kevin Terrell, Kent Spaeth 9:00 George Visnieski, Joe Wierzbic, Steve Stramski, Stan Malaske
<b>Altar Servers:</b> 4:00 Wylie & Kambel Medich 7:30 Grace & Ali Brzozowski 9:00 Matthew Sloas, Brittany Baltazor, Jesse Baltazor	<b>Altar Servers</b> 4:00 Casey & Kelsie Jones 7:30 Connor Lay, Alex Harke 9:00 Adrianna Limon, Nicole Herzog, Devin Birdsong-Williams

### 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 Debra Birdsong at 454-2167. The prayer list is updated every three month. Please contact us if a name should be relisted.

#### **Please pray for the Intentions Of....**

Eric Atkison, Sally & Joe Balkenbush, Michael Beam, James Beam, Vickey Boorshes, Anita Brimm, Sally Bugg, Brett Cleveland, David Davenport, Al Dilis, John & Virginia Drew, Simone Galvin, Bill Grannan, Dan Gravitt, Marilyn Gravitt, Kimmie Holbrook, Janet Holder, Larry & Ann Henthorne, Martha Hopcus, Alana Jansen, Gloria Jennings, Ann Jones, Blythe Jones, Betsy & Jerry Jorski, Adrianna Limon, Susan Laughlin, Rev. Eugene Marshall O.S.B., Rosalie Marino, David & Ann Meed, Sue Nickel, Charlotte Nowakowski, Geneale Nowakowski, Linda Parker, Trisha Parker, Adilyn Quintero, Linda Raly, Odest Raly, Troy & Lovette Rausch, Fred Rodriguez, Mary Rodriguez, Don Ross, Carol Rudek, Carolyn Rudek, Evelyn Saxton, Alom Self, Juanita Shaffer, Jo Sims, Tom & Aline Smith, Logan Stephens, Shirley Thompson, Henry Villarma, Blaize Volpe, Jean Walker, Irene Watkins, Charlene Wells, Charlie Werchan, Chelsey Werchan, Vickie Wilson, Bob Wood, Kim Wright, Barbara Wyskup, Dorothy Wyskup, Martin Wyskup, Louise Wyskup, Filex & Ann Zachare