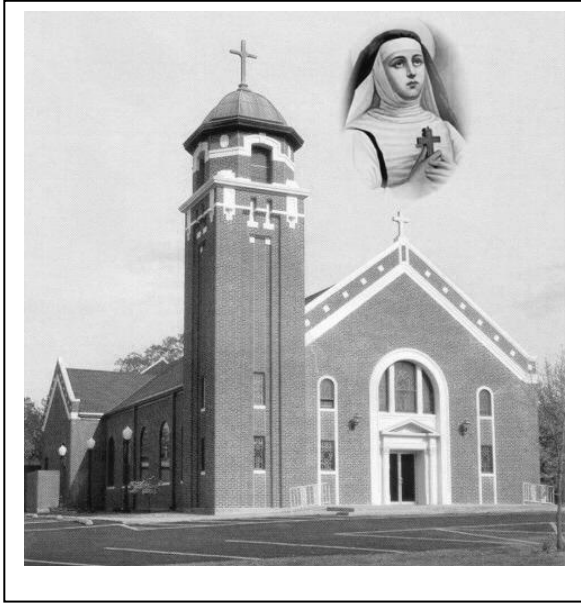


# St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Our Parish Web Site. [www.stteresaharrah.org](http://www.stteresaharrah.org)

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*Archdiocese of Oklahoma City*

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

**Father Prakash Madineni – Pastor**  
mgprakash65@gmail.com

Kathleen Bauman, Secretary

Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

## **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

**High School Group** ~ Sunday, 6: 00 to 7:30 pm in Youth Center

**Jr Catholic Daughters** ~ First Sunday of month, 7:00 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.

## August 7, 2016 – Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Aug 06 4:00 pm</b> + Lyle Hennessey (by John & Pat Bacon)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Aug 07 7:30 am</b> + James Landall (by Knights of Columbus) <b>9:00 am</b> + Mary Rowson (by Knights of Columbus)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Aug 08</b> No Mass
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Aug 10 6:10 pm</b> + Living & Deceased Catholic Daughters (by Catholic Daughters)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Aug 12 8:00 am</b> + Nancy Montalvo (by Montalvo Family)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Aug 13 4:00 pm</b> Leonard Family (by Mary Sweeney)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Aug 14 7:30 am</b> + Nancy Montalvo (by Montalvo Family) <b>9:00 am</b> + Adam Ashley, Ray Lachance, Lindsey Horn Lachance (by Claire Voyles)

### Readings for : Aug 8 to Aug 14

Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Ez 2:8, 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21--19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15

Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

**Collection—July 31:** 95 Adult Envelopes: \$4496.50 10 Children Envelopes: \$26.20 Total: \$4522.70

**Special Collections:** Mission Appeal in India: \$6370.00

**Building Fund:** Total Assets: \$4799.85



The belief of the “**Assumption of Mary**” was ancient, dating back to the apostles themselves. What was from the beginning was that there were no relics of Mary to be venerated, and that an empty tomb stood on the edge of Jerusalem near the site of her dormition (falling asleep).

All the feast days of Mary mark the great mysteries of her life and her part in the work of redemption. The central mystery of her life and person is her divine motherhood, celebrated at Christmas and on the feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. And The Immaculate Conception marks the preparation for that motherhood, so that she had the fullness of grace from the first moment of her existence, completely untouched by sin. Her whole being was readying her for the exalted role of mother of the Savior.

The Assumption completes God's work in her since it was not fitting that the flesh that had given life to God himself should ever undergo corruption. The Assumption is God's crowning of His work as Mary ends her earthly life and enters eternity.

The feast days of the Church are not just the commemoration of historical events; they do not look only to the past. They look to the present and to the future and give us an insight into our own relationship with God.

The Assumption looks to eternity and gives us hope that we, too, will follow Our Lady when our life is ended. The prayer for the feast reads: "All-powerful and ever-living God: You raised the sinless Virgin Mary, mother of your Son, body and soul, to the glory of heaven. May we see heaven as our final goal and come to share her glory."

### RE Teaching Positions

Religious Education program needs your help. Available teaching positions are as follows: Kindergarten, First, Fourth, Sixth, Eighth, and High School. If interested please contact Sandra Sumaza @ 501-605-3420. Thank you

### Fr. Prakash's 25<sup>th</sup> Ordination Anniversary

Please join us in celebrating Father Prakash's 25th ordination anniversary celebration, August 28th, 2016 starting with a Mass at 5:30 PM at St. Teresa of Avila in Harrah followed by a catered dinner.

**PLEASE complete the RSVP and place it in the basket by no later than August 14. A head count is a must since this will be a catered event. We look forward to you joining the celebration!**

### Have you completed the 33 Days to Glory and want to go deeper?

The Retreat in Daily Life is a seven-month experience of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. Call with questions or to register no later than August 31<sup>st</sup>: Nancy Vargas, 405-715-0283 or Danna Schweitzer, 405-263-4472.

### Ministers of Holy Communion

If you would like to become a Minister of Holy Communion, there is a sign up sheet at the back of the church. New Ministers will be commissioned at the Feast of Christ the King this fall.

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

- In the Bible, God often appears in the form of fire. Jesus has come to light the world with the fire of God's love. Fire is a powerful and ambivalent gift: it can give light and strength, it can purify, it can destroy. God is preparing us to live a life of eternal love. His fire burns away all that cannot live in the presence of such love.
- "I have come to set the earth on fire." Pope Benedict XVI writes that the fire is Christ's own Passion of love, "a fire that is to be handed on. Whoever comes close to him must be prepared to be burned. This is a fire that makes things bright and pure and free and grand. Being a Christian, then, is daring to entrust oneself to this burning fire." The fire is set ablaze when we speak the truth, like the prophet Jeremiah, who is punished for it. "The message of the Church is there precisely in order to conflict with our behavior, to tear man out of his life of lies and to bring clarity and truth. Truth makes demands, and it also burns." Christ comes to divide us from whatever divides us from him. We keep our eyes fixed on Jesus.

### **Unity Prayer Service And Walk**

Join the Family Policy Institute of Oklahoma and hundreds of faithful Catholics, Methodists, Anglicans, Baptists, Evangelicals and others for a special prayer event Aug. 15, in celebration of the love and mercy of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The walk begins at 6 p.m. at the Jesus Wept Statue, NW 5 and Harvey Avenue. Prayer service at 6:30 p.m., First Church, in downtown OKC, 131 NW 4 at Robinson. Go online to [www.archokc.org](http://www.archokc.org).

### **Cursillo (Short Course) in Christianity**

Applications for this fall's Cursillos are due August 15<sup>th</sup> for the men's weekend and August 29<sup>th</sup> for the women's weekend. The Cursillos will be held at St. Joseph's in Norman, on Sept. 15-18<sup>th</sup> for men and Sept. 29-Oct. 2 for women. The Cursillo provides an opportunity to focus on your relationship with Christ and learn more about our Catholic faith. Please contact Doug or Kristi Kretchmar at 391-2728 for more information.

### **Retrouvaille**

Retrouvaille helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. The next weekend program is August 26-28, 2016 at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 7501 N.W. Expressway, OKC

### **Adult Education Class**

Adult Education classes will begin again on September 19, 7:00 pm, in the Family Center.

### **RCIA Begins**

RCIA program begins September 13 and will meet every Tuesday. All meetings will be at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. For questions, call Doug Kretchmar at 391-2728.

### **33 Days to Morning Glory**

"33 Days to Morning Glory" Retreat is being offered at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Konowa. Will meet in parish hall on Wednesdays, 7:00 pm, beginning August 31<sup>st</sup>. Cost is \$30 for retreat materials. Contact Indiana Landess at 580 320-1265 if interested.

### **Friends of the Mission of St. Gregory's University**

Friends of the Mission of St Gregory's University invite everyone to their First Annual Banquet on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 pm at the Benedict Street Marketplace in Shawnee. This will be an unparalleled opportunity to hear about what SGU is doing and the great plans in store for OK's only Catholic University! Come enjoy great food and friendship! Tickets are available at Benedict Street Marketplace or email at [mail@fm-sgu.org](mailto:mail@fm-sgu.org).

### **Catholic Charities weekly Mass**

Catholic Charities at 1232 N. Classen Blvd., OKC, will celebrate Mass at 11 a.m. every Friday in their new chapel. Mass is open to the public.

### **Join daily Rosary for Life**

In anticipation of the new abortion clinic opening in southwest Oklahoma City, a few blocks from St. James and other churches, Fr. Pruett, Sr. Maria, parishioners at St. James and community members are gathering every morning at 11:30 to pray the Rosary at 1240 S.W. 44 at the corner of S.W. 44 and Blackwelder. Anyone can participate.

### **Charismatic Catholic prayer meetings**

Charismatic Catholic prayer meetings are held at 7 p.m. every Thursday in the Catholic Pastoral Center chapel and Rm. C-1. Bring your Bible. Contact Toni Calvey at (405) 630-0539, toni-calvey1900@gmail.com or visit [www.spiritOKC.org](http://www.spiritOKC.org).

### **Retreat in Daily Life preview**

A preview of the Retreat in Daily Life will be from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays, Aug. 10, 17 and 24, at St. Eugene's. The purpose is to help people discerning their participation in the retreat beginning in October. People interested in this three-week retreat preview can call (405) 341-2515.

### **Retreat in Daily Life**

The Retreat in Daily Life is a seven-month experience of the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius. The retreat will be late September through April. It involves daily prayer, weekly group meetings and individual spiritual direction. Register by Aug. 31. Call Nancy Vargas, (405) 715-0283, or Danna Schweitzer, (405) 263-4472. RIDL is a ministry of the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life.

### **Pre-Cana classes**

Pre-Cana is a day for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. A specially prepared team of married couples and a priest share their experience and information with the intention of enabling engaged couples to be more aware of the privileges and responsibilities of marriage. Class is held at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 7501 Northwest Expressway. Spanish classes are Aug. 20, Oct. 1 or Nov. 12. English classes are Aug. 20 or Oct. 15. Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. and the program starts at 8:45 a.m., ending at 4 pm. Call (405) 721-8944. Download registration form online at [www.archokc.org](http://www.archokc.org).

### **Ministry Schedule for August**

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<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>	<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>
4:00 Susan Stramski, Mary Sweeney, Carol Rudek	4:00
7:30 Kelly Trice, Stan Delong, Rachel Espolt	7:30
9:00 Barbara Davenport, George Davenport, Doug Kretchmar, Kristii Kretchmar, Nancy Limon	9:00
<b>Lectors:</b>	<b>Lectors:</b>
4:00 Steve Nettlingham	4:00 Joe Zawisza
7:30 Kevin Terrell	7:30 Bernadette Klimkowski
9:00 Doug Kretchman, Krist Kretchmar	9:00 open
<b>Ushers:</b>	<b>Ushers</b>
4:00 Tom Jorski, James Breske, Mike Brown, (open)	4:00 Scott Dull, Sammy Martin, Dewain Manek, Martin House
7:30 Mark Klimkowski, Marvin Visnieski, Kent Spaeth, Larry Visnieski	7:30 Gerald Visnieski, Mike Sweeney, Steve Gorczyca, Tony Nickel
9:00 Philip Stramski, Abel Aldaz, Will Archer, Jeff Wagner	9:00 Frank Saxton, Glen Nead, T J Nead, (open)
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
4:00 Casey Jones, Kelsi Jones	4:00 Kambe Medich, Jason Kaminski
7:30 Connor Lay, Alex Harke, Izzy Harke	7:30 Volunteers
9:00 T J Nead, Jesse Baltazor, Nicole Herzog	9:00 Alex Boyd, Brittany Baltazor, Devin Birdsong Williams

## **Pray for our Men and Women serving in the Armed Forces**

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