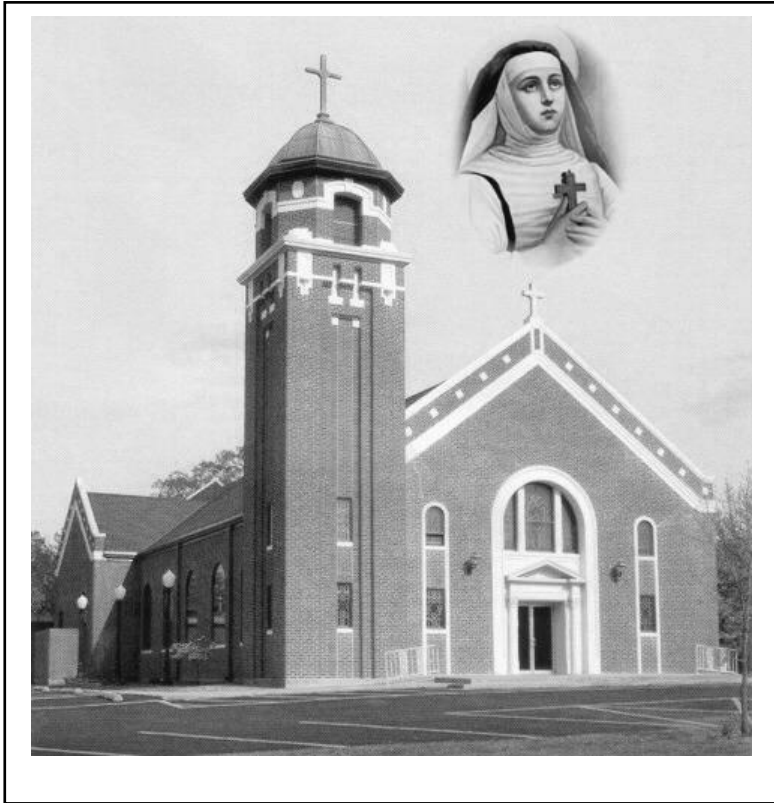


St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Archdiocese of Oklahoma City

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

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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:am–6:pm Mass 6:15 pm

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 ~ Mondays (bi-weekly), 6:00 pm

Religious Education Classes ~Wednesdays, 7:00 pm

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

RCIA Classes ~ Tuesdays, 7 pm in the Family Center

Youth Group (Grades 6-8) Sunday, after 9:00 am Mass to 11:00 am

High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12) Sundays, 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

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

Inquiry Sessions ~ The 1st Monday of each month, 7:00 pm.

SVDP Food Bank open Mondays 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

November 27, 2016 – First Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Saturday	Nov 26 4:00 pm + John & Irene Emmack (by the Emmack Children)
Sunday	Nov 27 7:30 am + David Ashpaugh (by Steve & Cindy Gorczyca) 9:00 am + Jack Martin (by Janet Martin)
Monday	Nov 28 No Mass
Wednesday	Nov 30 6:15 pm + Everett Manek (by Judy Heitzler)
Friday	Dec 02 8:00 am
Saturday	Dec 03 4:00 pm
Sunday	Dec 04 7:30 am 9:00 am + Wayne Miles (by Carolyn Miles)

Readings for : Nov 28 to Dec 4

Monday: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Rom 10-9-18; Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Mt 4:18-22
Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 & 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 24:37-44

Collection – November 20: Adult Envelopes: \$4167.88 7 Children Envelopes: \$35.50 Total: \$4203.38
Other Collections: Camp for Human Dev: 1276.27 St Vincent de Paul Soc: \$155.00
Building Fund: Total Assets: \$4945.00



The First Week of Advent. We light the first candle on our Advent Wreath. Excitement is in the air. We are about to celebrate the most indescribable event of all time – the birth of Our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

During Advent we prepare ourselves for Christmas through prayer, helping others, charitable offerings, etc. We received the greatest gift ever at Christmas – Jesus. In the institution of the Holy Eucharist, Jesus remains with us until the end of time. Let us give thanks and praise to our Gracious and loving God for so great a gift.



First Friday is December 2nd, Adoration is from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, followed by Mass at 6:00 pm. What a perfect way to begin the Advent Season than to spend time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, thanking him, adoring him, and offering him yourself and all that you do during this time of preparation, as we move ever closer to the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ..

Advent Penance Rite

Parishioners.....Monday, Dec 5, 6:30 pm
RE Classes.....Wednesday, Dec 7, 7:00 pm

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Vigil Mass..... at Harrah at 11:00 pm,
Christmas Day Masses..... at 8:30 am in Harrah and 10:30 am in McLoud.
Sign up sheets for Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, and Altar Servers for the Christmas Masses are at the back of the church.

Thank You!

A huge "Thank You" goes out to all who helped make the St. Teresa's Altar Society Thanksgiving Dinner and Raffle, as well as, the Catholic Daughters Bazaar a huge success again this year. It seems no one went home hungry!

Parish Council Meeting will be Thursday, December 1, at 7:00 pm.

From the Pastor's Desk

- As the first word of Advent, Christ warns us, "Stay awake! You must be prepared." The impervious, unprepared people "in the days of Noah" were distracted by their "eating and drinking," oblivious to the imminent flood. In what, then, does this Advent preparation consist? Putting on the Lord Jesus Christ through faith. "Faith is...a liberation of my I from its preoccupation with self, a liberation that sets me free to respond to the Father, to speak the Yes of love that sets me free to say Yes to being...Faith is...a breaking out of the isolation that is the malady of my I, The act of faith is...a breaking open of the door of my subjectivity" (Pope Benedict XVI). "Come, Let us climb the Lord's mountain, that he may instruct us in his ways, and we may walk in his paths. Let us walk in the light of the Lord!"
- As Advent dawns, Saint Paul calls to us to awake and prepare to greet the Lord at his coming. Let us always live our lives in such a way that we may not dread this coming but await it in joy.

Adult Education

Want to learn more about your Catholic faith? Attend **Adult Education** which meets every **Monday at 7:00 p.m.** at **St. Teresa's**. Our program, *Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained*, helps us to know our faith, live it and articulate it to others. This week's topic is "The End Times".

St. Teresa Youth Group Toy Drive

St. Teresa Youth Group is holding a toy drive for Helping Hearts which will be held in the Family Center on Saturday, December 3. Your generosity in providing a new toy/book for children who may otherwise not have a gift to open on Christmas is appreciated. We have been told that donations of wrapping paper are also needed. Please drop off your unwrapped gift in the box located in the Welcome Center. Thank you for making a needy child's Christmas more merry!

Rother Heritage Gallery Exhibit Open

The Heritage Gallery at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 7501 Northwest Expressway, is now open. The exhibit features items from Servant of God Father Stanley Rother, including his cassock, letters and photos, and items found in his room in Guatemala after his murder. The free exhibit is open weekdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Domestic Violence Awareness

To learn more about the Catholic response, visit the U.S. bishops' website for their pastoral letter: "When I Call for Help" (http://bit.ly/usccb_dv). If you or someone you know need help, contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline, (800) 799-7233 (24 hours); (800) 787-3224 (TTY); www.ndvh.org. If you are in immediate danger, call 9-1-1.

Marriage Workshop

On Saturday, Dec. 3, at the Catholic Pastoral Center, the Office of Family Life is partnering with the Oklahoma Marriage Initiative to present a Spanish language workshop, Real y Para Siempre, that is designed to help in areas such as speaker/listener technique, problem solving, ground rules for handling conflict and other pertinent issues that can aid in honing our communication skills. Begins at 9:30 a.m. with sign-in. Program is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. No cost. Don't miss this opportunity to enhance your relationship, whether married, single or as a continuation of marriage preparation. Call Lisa at (405) 709-2709.

Healing After Abortion

Have you had an abortion or been affected by another's abortion? Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ at a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat. Participation is strictly confidential. Next retreat: Dec. 2-4. Cost: \$75 for meals, private room, all retreat materials. Contact: (405) 623-3844, rachelsvineyardokc@gmail.com. Payment plans and financial assistance available.

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.

Birth Choice volunteers needed

Birth Choice is in serious need of volunteers who will administer pregnancy tests, mentor clients and help with clerical work. Contact Barbara at (405) 606-8428.

Oklahoma Catholic Broadcasting

Oklahoma Catholic radio is now broadcasting on 100.9 in Edmond! Thanks to the continued support of our listeners, we are able to provide the Gospel message to more people in Oklahoma. Consider joining our donors today by going online to www.okcatholicbroadcasting.com or calling (405) 255-7348.

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.

Charismatic Catholic prayer meetings

Charismatic Catholic prayer meetings are held at 7 p.m. every Thursday at the Catholic Pastoral Center. Bring your Bible. Contact Toni Calvey at (405) 630-0539, toni-calvey1900@gmail.com or visit www.spiritOKC.org.

Catholic young adults of OKC

Open to all young adults (ages 18-39, married or single) in the archdiocese. Visit our Facebook page (Catholic Young Adults of OKC) for events and information or e-mail info@catholicyoungadultsokc.com.

Ministry Schedule for November

Ministry Schedule for December

Ministers of Holy Communion: 4:00 Denise Knapp, Linda Parker, Susan Stramski 7:30 Brigitte Heath, Kevin Terrell, Kelly Trice 9:00 Anita Craiger, Tracy Hartley, Nancy Limon, Phillip Stramski, Vickie Waldrip	Ministers of Holy Communion: 4:00 Robbie Garland, Mark Garland, Mary Sweeney 7:30 Stan DeLong, Rachel Espolt, Steve Gorczyca 9:00 Barbara Davenport, George Davenport, Doug Kretchmar, Kristi Kretchmar, Mark Seikel
Lectors: 4:00 Scott Dull 7:30 Patty Lay 9:00 Phillip Stramski, Amelia Stramski	Lectors: 4:00 Tracy Hartley 7:30 Kelly Trice 9:00 Dave McCorkle, Mark Seikel
Ushers: 4:00 Russell Dull, Doug Kretchmar, Terrence Visnieski, Charlie Werchan 7:30 Greg Thompson, Steve Espolt, Daniel Lay 9:00 Dan Block, Ken Brunsman, John Marshall	Ushers 4:00 Sam Wayskup, John Bacon, Joe Chicoine, Mark Hargrove 7:30 Bernadette Klimkowski, Stan DeLong, 9:00 George Visnieski, Joe Wierzbic, Steve Stramski, Stan Malaske
Altar Servers: 4:00 Casey Jones, Jason Kaminski 7:30 Connor Lay, Alex Harke, Izzy Harke 9:00 Daniel Boyle, Michael Boyle, James Boyle	Altar Servers 4:00 Kambel Medich, Mia Pendleton, Charlie Pendleton 7:30 Ali Brzozowski 9:00 Alex Boyd, Tony Opichka, Devin Birdsong Williams

Pray for our Men and Woman 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 650-4662. The prayer list is updated every three month. Please contact us if a name should be relisted.

Please pray for the Intentions Of....

Bay Lea Atkins, Sally & Joe Balkenbush, Jan Barnes, Tom Barnes, Michael Beam, James Beam, Linda Beam, Vickey Boorshes, Larry Boyle, Anita Brimm, Jenny Bruns, Sally Bugg, Joshua & Brett Cleveland, Jan Coleman, David Davenport, Al Dilis, Loretta Dixon, John & Virginia Drew, Mary Flisnik, Simone Galvin, Kevin Gravitt, Marilyn Gravitt, Kaelyn Hairell, Janet Holder, Larry & Ann Henthorne, Jessica Henry, Norma Holloway, Martha Hopcus, Martin House, Alana Jansen, Ronny Jaro, Gloria Jennings, Ann Jones, Eddie Jones, Betsy & Jerry Jorski, Tom Jorski, Don Lachance,, Dial Libel, Rev. Eugene Marshall O.S.B., Rosalie Marino, Becky Maynor, Linda Morrel, David & Ann Meed, Ioma Meyers, Bruce Moates, Greg Montalvo, Madonna Montalvo, Bev Nead, Charlotte Nickel, Sue Nickel, Charlotte Nowakowski, Darrell O'Neal, Romeo Opichka, Trisha Parker, Adilyn Quintero, Linda Raly, Odest Raly, Fred Rodriguez Mary Rodriguez, Don Ross, Carol Rudek, Carolyn Rudek, Frank Saxton, Mike Scalzo, Betty Sharp, Jennifer Shipp, Alom Self, Juanita Shaffer, Jo Sims, Tom & Aline Smith, Brenda Smith, Kaelyn Spradlin, Logan Stephens, Doyle Thompson, Olivia Voyles, Henry Villarma, Blaize Volpe, Olivia Voyles, Jean Walker, Irene Watkins, Charlene Wells, Carolyn Werchan, Chelsey Werchan, Marjorie Wheat, Olivia Whitfield, Vickie Wilson, Bob Wood, Kim Wright, Barbara Wyskup, Dorothy Wyskup, Louise Wyskup, Filex & Ann Zachare