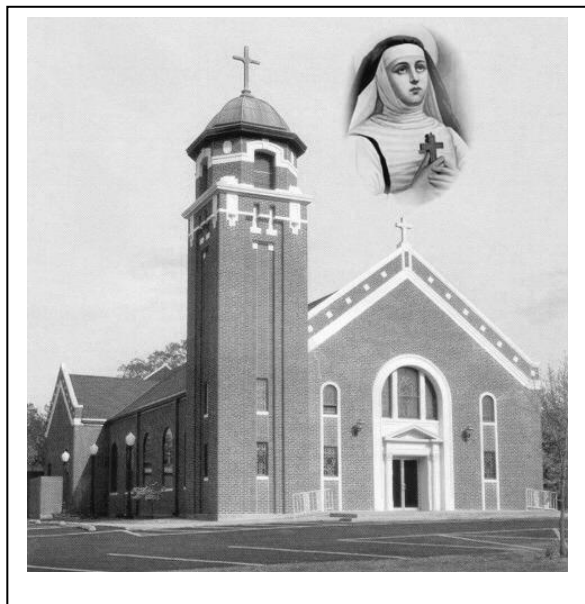


St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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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.

December 11 2016 – Third Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Saturday	Dec 10 4:00 pm	+ Eric Atkinson (by Gladys Atkinson)
Sunday	Dec 11 7:30 am	
	9:00 am	+ Kevin Boyle & Reynold Schmitz (by Gail Boyle)
Monday	Dec 12	No Mass
Wednesday	Dec 14 6:15 pm	No Mass
Friday	Dec 16 8:00 am	+ Vincent Marino, Sr (by Rosalie Marino)
Saturday	Dec 17 4:00 pm	+ Joe & Genevieve Zawiza (by Edward & Erma Harrison)
Sunday	Dec 18 7:30 am	+ George Allen Owings (by Owings Family)
	9:00 am	+ Wayne Miles (by Carolyn Miles)

Readings for : Dec 12 to Dec 18

Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45: 6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Jn 5:33-36

Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Collection – December 4: 122 Adult Envelopes: \$6440.00 9 Children Envelopes: \$15.40 Total: \$6640.40

Other Collections: Camp for Human Dev: \$25.00 Immaculate Conception: \$125.00

Building Fund: Total Assets: \$4945.00

Our Lady of Guadalupe

The Feast Day is Monday, December 12. Our Lady appeared to Juan Diego, a poor Aztec Indian (57 years old) on Tepayac Hill in Mexico. When the Bishop asked for a sign, our Lady had Juan Diego pick Castilian roses in full bloom while it was freezing at that time. He placed them in his tilma made of cactus fibers. Mary rearranged the roses in his tilma herself and he took them to the Bishop. When he opened his tilma and the flowers fell out the Bishop and his advisors dropped to their knees at the sight of the image of our Blessed Virgin Mary on the tilma. Within six years of this apparition six million Aztecs were converted to Catholicism. In 1977, the tilma was examined using infrared photography and digital enhancement techniques. Unlike any painting, the tilma shows no sketching or any sign of outline drawn to permit an artist to produce a painting. Further, the very method used to create the image is still unknown. The image is inexplicable in its longevity and method of production. It can be seen today in a large cathedral built to house up to ten thousand worshippers. It is, by far, the most popular religious pilgrimage site in the Western Hemisphere.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Vigil Mass.....6:00 pm at McLoud and 11:00 pm at Harrah.

Christmas Day Masses.....8:30 am at Harrah and 10:30 am at McLoud.

Sign up sheets for Ministers, Lectors, Ushers, and Altar Servers for the Christmas Masses are at the back of the church.

Christmas Parties:

RE Christmas Party will be Wednesday, December 21st @ 7:00 pm.

The Youth Group Christmas party, for both high school and middle school, will be held on Wednesday, December 14, at 8:00 pm after RE classes.

From the Pastor's Desk

"Merry Christmas!"

This term came from the English-speaking countries. There are two words: Christ and Mass. The central event of Christmas is the Holy Eucharist. Christmas is "Christ's Mass". Without the Mass on Christmas, there is no Christmas at all.

Knights of Columbus Ultrasound Initiative and Birth Choice Program:

On January 8, 2017 Council #4598 will be collecting monetary donations at its monthly breakfast in support of the the Knights of Columbus State Council Ultrasound Program. Since 2010 nearly 20 new ultrasound machines have been purchased and provided to Pro-life clinics throughout the state of Oklahoma through this program. These clinics are screened and approved by the Archdiocese of OKC and Diocese of Tulsa prior to be selected to be a recipient of a machine. Statistics have shown that there is a 95% success rate of savings a baby's life once an expected mother has seen an ultrasound of her baby. The Knights of Columbus graciously asks for you support in this program and the fight against abortion. Also, throughout the month of January the Knights will be collecting baby items to be donated to Birth Choice of Oklahoma. More details to come later in the month.

Adult Education

The first half of Symbolon is completed; however, we will watch DVD's by Bishop Robert Barren concerning "God" this Monday and next Monday. Symbolon Part II will begin January 9 with " ". Please join us to learn your faith and why we are Catholic Christians.

Second Collection For Retirement Fund For Religious

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others – educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to today's second collection.

"Investing in the Future of Our Faith"

The St. Teresa of Avila Religious Education program would like to extend their appreciation to the Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma. St. Teresa's was selected as a 2016 recipient of a \$3,500 grant for the purchase of technology equipment supporting our Religious Education program and promoting STREAM (Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics). With this grant, St. Teresa's has purchased five (5) TV's with mounting brackets and wireless display adapters , four (4) laptops, Microsoft Home Office Suite and Support. This equipment will enable our youth and RE teachers to retrieve a wealth of religious information and access numerous forms of media. Annual grants for educational projects in parishes and schools within the Archdiocese have been awarded for almost 50 years by the Catholic Foundation. "Investing in the Future of Our Faith" remains the goal of Catholic Foundation (and St. Teresa's) as we educate our current and next generation of Catholics.

FORMED.ORG

Our parish has subscribed to an exciting new online platform: *Formed. Org.* which provides access to video-based study programs, feature Catholic films, audio presentations, and eBooks from the Church's foremost presenters right from your computer, smart phone or tablet. Go to www.Formed.org and enter our parish code: ZYTQDG to create an account. (Do not sign up as an individual-our parish code provides more content than an individual subscription.) For questions contact Steve Scalzo 613-1655 or Kristi Kretchmar 640-0966.

Vocations Retreat For Young Men

The Vocations Office's "Advent Day of Recollection" is open to young men in high school and college. It will be held December 22 from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm at the Catholic Pastoral Center. RSVP by December 20 at (405)721-9351 or vocations@archokc.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.

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.

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.

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 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 December

Ministry Schedule for January

Ministers of Holy Communion:	Ministers of Holy Communion:
4:00 Robbie Garland, Mark Garland, Mary Sweeney	4:00 Karen Manwell, Steve Nettleingham, Linda Nettleingham
7:30 Stan DeLong, Rachel Espolt, Steve Gorczyca	7:30 Cindy Newby, Kent Spaeth, Kevin Terrell
9:00 Barbara Davenport, George Davenport, Doug Kretchmar, Kristi Kretchmar, Mark Seikel	9:00 Vicki Waldrip, Jackie Stafford, Debra Birdsong, Barbara Carpenter, Don Carpenter
Lectors:	Lectors:
4:00 Tracy Hartley	4:00 Ralph Jones
7:30 Kelly Trice	7:30 James "Kent" Spaeth
9:00 Dave McCorkle, Mark Seikel	9:00 Nancy Limon, Dean Schirf
Ushers:	Ushers
4:00 Sam Wayskup, John Bacon, Joe Chicoine, Mark Hargrove	Joe Zawisza, Charlie Werchan, Donnie Brim, George Landoll
7:30 Bernadette Klimkowski, Stan DeLong,	Greg Nowakowski, Meko Block, Joe Balkenbush, Max Mullins
9:00 George Visnieski, Joe Wierzbic, Steve Stramski, Stan Malaske	Ed Brzozowski, Doyle Thornton, A.J. Magott, Janet Magott
Altar Servers:	Altar Servers
4:00 Kambel Medich, Mia Pendleton, Charlie Pendleton	4:00 pm Casey Jones and Jason Kaminski
7:30 Ali Brzozowski	7:30 am Connor Lay, Alex and Izzy Harke
9:00 Alex Boyd, Tony Opichka, Devin Birdsong Williams	9:00 am Thomas Staton, Nicole Herzog and Brittany Baltazor

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....

Michelle Anderson, Bay Lea Atkins, Sally & Joe Balkenbush, Jan Barnes, Tom Barnes, Michael Beam, James Beam, Linda Beam, Vickey Boorshes, Benjamin Boyd, Larry Boyle, Anita Brimm, Jenny Bruns, Sally Bugg, Jan Coleman, David Davenport, Al Dilis, Loretta Dixon, John & Virginia Drew, Mary Flisnik, Carlos Frey, Simone Galvin, 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, Bruce Moates, Linda Morrel, David & Ann Need, Ioma Meyers, Bruce Moates, Greg Montalvo, Madonna Montalvo, Bev Nead, Charlotte Nickel, Sue Nickel, Charlotte Nowakowski, Darrell O'Neal, Romeo Opichka, Trisha Parker, Fr. Lucas Pinapati, 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, Angie Terrell-Wagner, 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