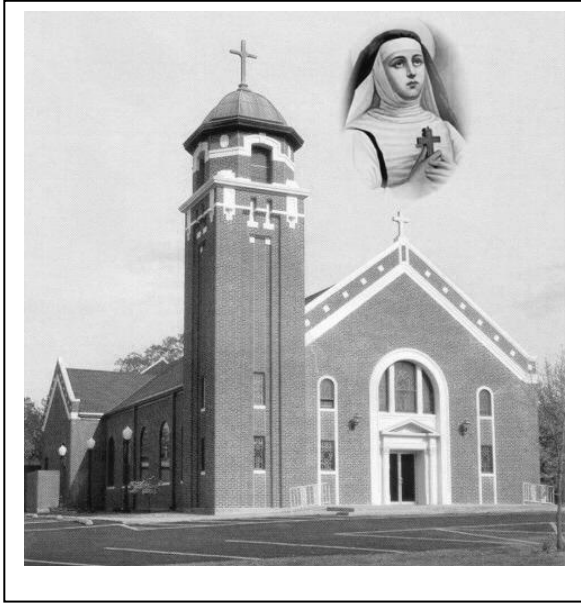


# St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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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: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 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month, 7:00 pm.

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

**December 25 2016 – Christmas Day**

## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Dec 24 11:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Vigil Mass</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Dec 25 8:30 am</b>	<b>+ Harry Hornbeck (by Barbara Ross)</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Dec 26</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Dec 28 6:15 pm</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Dec 30 8:00 am</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Dec 31 4:00 pm</b>	<b>+ Mary Catherine Hornbeck (by Barbara Ross &amp; Kelly Trice)</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Jan 01 7:30 am</b>	<b>+ Davaiah Madineni (by Kathy Bauman)</b>
	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Fr. Prakash (25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary &amp; Safe Travel)</b>

### Readings for : Dec 24 to Jan 1

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22  
Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8  
Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18  
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40  
Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23  
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18  
Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21

**Collection – December 18:** 95 Adult Envelopes: \$4608.00 8 Children Envelopes: \$8.50 Total: \$4921.50

**Other Collections:** Religious Retirement \$280.00 Immaculate Conception: \$25.00

**Building Fund:** Total Assets: \$4945.00



*Have A Blessed Christmas  
And a  
Happy New Year!*

### Blessing of Statues

Everyone is invited to join in the blessing of the statues of St. John Paul II and St. John Maria Vianney after the 8:30 am Mass on Christmas Day (December 25).

### Fr. Prakash on Vacation

Fr. Prakash will be traveling home to India on January 2<sup>nd</sup> and will return February 3<sup>rd</sup>. There will be Saturday and Sunday Masses but no daily Masses during the month of January.

Please keep Father in your prayers for a safe journey.

### Confirmation Parent Meeting

There will be a Confirmation parent meeting on Wednesday, January 4, at 7:00 pm in the Family Center. Questions..contact Sandra Sumaza at 501-605-3420.

### Thank You Fr. John!

Thank you to Fr. John who has played the organ for St. Teresa's Masses and has been an inspirational accompaniment to the choir. We wish him well in his new assignment.

**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.**

***Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament  
Friday, January 6, 2017***

***Start your New Year right by spending an  
Hour in the presence of Our Lord.  
Sign-Up sheet is in the foyer of the church.***



**Looking for A Person that can play a Digital Piano**

St Teresa's is looking to hire a person that can play a digital piano. If you are interested, please contact the Church Office or stop by pick up an application. The cutoff date for applying is December 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Offering Envelopes**

Pick up your offering envelopes for the year 2017 at the entrance to the family center. Please put your name on your envelopes to ensure that your number corresponds with your assigned number the parish database system. If you didn't get envelopes and you want them please call the parish office on Mondays or call Anne O'Day at 623-2294.

**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 "The Sacraments: Baptism & Confirmation"  
Please join us to learn your faith and why we are Catholic Christians.

**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](http://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.

**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.

### Reporting Abuse/Pastoral Response Hotline

The Archdiocese of Oklahoma City through its programs, organizations and events, has numerous daily contacts with many children and young people. It is, therefore important that all Archdiocesan Personnel, clergy, seminarians, religious, employees and volunteers, protect the rights of children and be alert to the possibility for child abuse. Under Oklahoma State law, all individuals MUST report an incident or suspicion of sexual abuse of a minor (person under 18 years of age) to the civil authorities. The Oklahoma Department of Human Services has established a statewide abuse reporting hotline for reporting: **1-800-522-3511**. This number is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. **If you feel a child is in immediate danger of harm call 911**

For the safety of children and the healing of victims, the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City provides an Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline for reporting the abuse of a minor (in the past or presently) by a member of the clergy or other church personnel: **1-405-720-9878**. The Archdiocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, a licensed professional counselor, will respond to calls to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Response Hotline.

A report to the Archdiocese does not relieve the individual of the duty to report child abuse to civil authorities as required by Oklahoma State Law. In Oklahoma, failure to report child abuse is a misdemeanor punishable in law.

### 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](http://www.okcatholicbroadcasting.com) or calling (405) 255-7348.

#### Ministry Schedule for December

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<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b> 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	<b>Ministers of Holy Communion:</b> 4:00 Karen Manwell, Steve Nettleingham, Linda Nettleingham 7:30 Cindy Newby, Stan DeLong, Kevin Terrell 9:00 Vicki Waldrip, Jackie Stafford, Debra Birdsong, Barbara Carpenter, Don Carpenter
<b>Lectors:</b> 4:00 Tracy Hartley 7:30 Kelly Trice 9:00 Dave McCorkle, Mark Seikel	<b>Lectors:</b> 4:00 Ralph Jones 7:30 James "Kent" Spaeth 9:00 Nancy Limon, Dean Schirf
<b>Ushers:</b> 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	<b>Ushers</b> Joe Zawisza, Charlie Werchan, Donnie Brim, George Landoll Greg Nowakowski, Meko Block, Joe Balkenbush, Max Mullins Ed Brzozowski, Doyle Thornton, A.J. Magott, Janet Magott
<b>Altar Servers:</b> 4:00 Kambel Medich, Mia Pendleton, Charlie Pendleton 7:30 Ali Brzozowski 9:00 Alex Boyd, Tony Opichka, Devin Birdsong Williams	<b>Altar Servers</b> 4:00 pm Casey Jones and Jason Kaminski 7:30 am Connor Lay, Alex and Izzy Harke 9:00 am Thomas Staton, Nicole Herzog and Brittany Baltazor

### 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 months. 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, Walt Givens, Marilyn Gravitt, Kaelyn Hairrell, 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, Dolores McLaren, Bruce Moates, Linda Morrel, David & Ann Meed, Ioma Meyers, Bruce Moates, Greg Montalvo, Madonna Montalvo, Justin Moore, Bev Nead, Charlotte Nickel, Sue Nickel, Charlotte Nowakowski, Darrell O'Neal, Romeo Opichka, Tony 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, 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