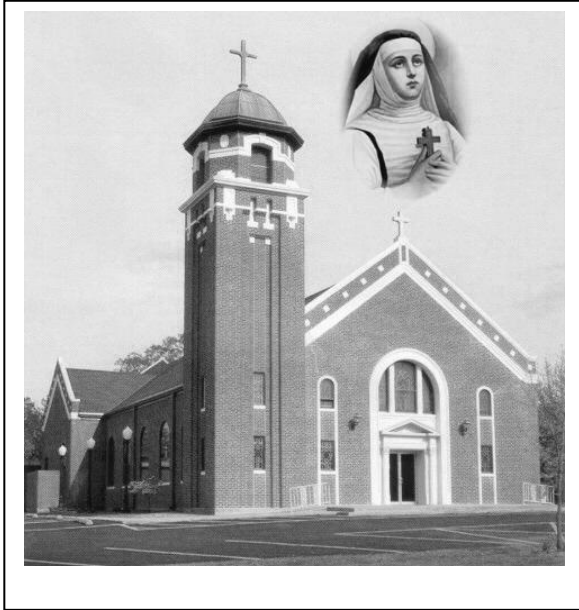


St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Archdiocese of Oklahoma City

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

Father Prakash Madineni – Pastor
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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 8:30 am
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) 309-6416
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) Wednesday, after RE until 8:45 pm

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.

April 23, 2017 – Divine Mercy Sunday

Mass Intentions

Saturday	Apr 22 4:00 pm + Leon & Kevin Hopcus (by Martha Hopcus)
Sunday	Apr 23 7:30 am + George Allen Owings (by Gloria Owings)
	9:00 am + Karla Prieto (by Steve Prieto)
Monday	Apr 24 No Mass
Wednesday	Apr 26 6:15 pm + Alf & Agnes Matula (by Marsha Hopcus)
Friday	Apr 28 8:00 am The Marshall Family
Saturday	Apr 29 4:00 pm + Jim Jorski (by Steve & Cindy Gorczyca)
Sunday	Apr 30 7:30 am + Jim Jorski (by Frank & Evelyn Saxton)
	9:00 am + Tom Herzog (by the Herzog Family)

Readings for : Apr 24 to Apr 30:

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

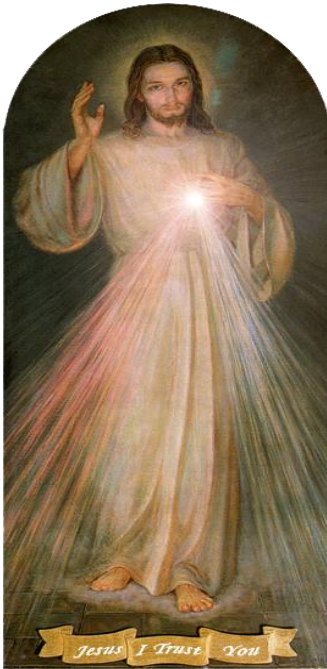
Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Collection – April 16:	114 Adult Env: \$ 5026.00	6 Children Env: \$ 13.00	Total: \$5039.00
Other Collections	Good Friday (Holy Land): \$1358.00	Catholic Relief Svcs: \$1759.00	Rice Bowl: \$42.49
Building Fund:	Total Assets: \$4945.00		

Divine Mercy Sunday



Jesus said, **“Before the Day of Justice, I am sending the Day of Mercy”** (#1588)
Our Lord promised the complete remission of all sin and punishment due for sin, including Eliminating all accumulated purgatory time.

To properly observe Divine Mercy Sunday:

- (1) Celebrate the Feast on the first Sunday after Easter
- (2) Sincerely repent of all sin
- (3) Place complete trust in Jesus
- (4) Go to Confession, preferably before the Feast
- (5) Receive Holy Communion on the day of the Feast
- (6) Venerate the image of Divine Mercy
- (7) Be merciful to others through actions, words, and prayers on their behalf

“Tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy.” (699)

Feast of Divine Mercy Celebration

Sunday, April 23rd is the Feast of Divine Mercy! A *“Divine Mercy 101”* talk by Fr. Michael Gaitley will be shown at 2:15 p.m. in the St. Teresa Family Center, followed by a Chaplet of Mercy, Holy Hour of Adoration and opportunity for Confession at 3:00.

St. Teresa Youth Group Indian Taco Fundraiser

St. Teresa Youth Group will hold an Indian Taco fundraiser on Saturday, May 6 in the Family Center. Serving hours are from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm and carry out orders will also be available. Thank you in advance for supporting our youth.

We hope to see you there!

From the Pastor's Desk

- On this Divine Mercy Sunday we recall the words of Saint Thomas Aquinas, "mercy consists in bringing a thing out of non-being into being." We see this transpire concretely in the life of the early Church. The believers "devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of bread and to prayers." They were filled with awe; they were witnesses of wondrous signs; they lived for the good of the other; they were selfless and generous; they overflowed with "exultation and sincerity of heart." God "in his great mercy" gave them – and us – "a new birth to a living hope" through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. That is what the Apostle Thomas is looking for in the Lord's open side.
- In the Risen Christ, wounded and glorified, we see all our hopes realized. In him all the wounds of our hearts, minds, and bodies are transformed into his holiness. The sorrow and pain of our lives are made the source of our sanctification and joy.

First Friday Adoration

First Friday is May 5th. A sign up sheet is at the back of the church.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be observed on Sunday, May 7, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, and societies of apostolic life or secular institutes. Find resources at www.usccb.org/vocations or www.archokc.org/vocations/home.

Adult Education Classes

Adult Education classes are held every Monday in the Family Center at 7:00 pm.
We are watching a DVD series by Bishop Barren. Come and join us!

Second Collection Next Week

Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40 percent of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

OLOG Registration Fee Assistance

St. Teresa parish will again offer Camp OLOG registration fee assistance of \$100 per camper. If you would like to receive this financial assistance, please register your child(ren) and submit the deposit by June 1, 2017. This will ensure a space in the chosen camp session and also to show your commitment to attend. One check will be sent to the Archdiocese to be applied toward the registration fees. Registration forms and camp information is available at www.archokc.org<<http://www.archokc.org>>. If you have questions, please contact Kelly Trice at 405-570-2003.

ADF Gift Report & Goal for 2017 (as of 3-9-17):

<u>Gift Count</u>	<u>Pledge Balance</u>	<u>Pledge Payments</u>	<u>Total Cash</u>	<u>Total Achieved</u>	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>% Achieved</u>
74	\$10,484.50	\$695.50	\$10,475.00	\$21,655.00	\$30,179	(\$8,524)	72%

Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is April 28-30 at the Catholic Pastoral Center. The weekend is to renew and nourish good marriages, giving couples new ways to make their sacrament more fulfilling and stronger. Apply at www.meoklahoma.org or call Rick and Bev Feller, (405) 323-9119 or Bryan and Karen Berland, (405) 850-4274.

Blue Sunday

April 30 has been designated Blue Sunday throughout the nation. On this day, all churches, regardless of denomination have been asked to pray for the victims of child abuse and those who rescue them. The archdiocesan Safe Environment Office encourages all the faithful to join in prayer.

Nurses' Day Mass and Dinner

Nurses' Day Mass and dinner will be May 11 at St. Charles Borromeo, OKC. Mass at 5:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Archbishop Coakley will celebrate Mass. During dinner, Fr. Tim Luschen will share his journey of supporting aging parents. "Nursing: The Balance of Mind, Body, and Spirit" is the theme. Register by May 5 with Glenda Bronson, (405) 936-5226, Glenda.bronson@mercy.net.

Cancer Support Group

St Philip Neri Catholic Church in Midwest City is in the process of developing a FAITH BASED Cancer Support Group for those most affected by this devastating disease. Those currently experiencing and having been diagnosed with cancer; wherever you may be on this journey: such as undergoing treatment, in the monitoring/remission phase or having been declared NED (No Evidence of Disease) are welcome. Caregivers and loved ones of those diagnosed with cancer are also invited to join this group as your journey not only parallels your loved one's journey but you have different perspective and emotions as you travel together. Please join with us as we bring hope, education, and support to those directly and indirectly affected by this disease. There will be three informational meetings at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church in the St. Michael room on April 18, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.; April 27, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.; and May 6, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided. Informational meetings are to gauge interest and develop a plan for needs of the group in various subjects, educational materials, resources, etc. The first official group meeting will be scheduled in September of 2017. Members from other parishes and the community are welcome. For information or questions, please contact Sharon Hebert at shebert9@att.net or 405-255-1840, or Angie Tomlinson at 405-618-9654 or parishnurse@stphilipnerimwc.org.

Stroke Scan screening at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church in Midwest City **April 27 & 28**. Call 832-437-7355 to register.

Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat

Have you had an abortion or been effected by another's abortion? There is help for you. Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ at a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat May 26-28. The retreat offers a profound opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Participation is strictly confidential. The retreat is sponsored by the archdiocesan Office of Family Life. There is no cost. Pre-registration required. Contact (405) 623-3844 or rachelsvineyardokc@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed

Matthew Kelly is coming to Oklahoma City for a special "Living Every Day with Passion & Purpose" event at the Cox Convention Center on Sept. 30. Volunteers are needed for different tasks ranging from distributing flyers to setting up the day of the event. Volunteers receive complimentary tickets. Go online to <http://dynamiccatholic.com/mission/volunteer>.

Ministry Schedule for April

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Ministers of Holy Communion:	Ministers of Holy Communion:
4:00 Kim Johnson, Robbie Garland, Mark Garland	4:00 Carol Rudek, Steve Nettleingham, Linda Nettleingham
7:30 Kent Spaeth, Kevin Terrell, Brigitte Heath	7:30 Cindy Newby, Stan DeLong, Rachel Espolt
9:00 Dean Schirf, Mark Seikel, Phillip Stramski, Kristi Kretchmar, Doug Kretchmar	9:00 Vicki Waldrip, Jackie Stafford, Debra Birdsong, Barbara Carpenter, Don Carpenter
Lectors:	Lectors:
4:00 Karen Manwell	4:00 Scott Dull
7:30 Greg Nowakowski	7:30 Patty Lay
9:00 Steve Stramski,	9:00 Phillip Stramski, Amelia Stramski
Ushers:	Ushers
4:00 Michael Visnieski, Ralph Jones, Scott Manwell, John Cook	4:00 Russell Dull, Doug Kretchmar, Terrence Visnieski, Charlie Werchan
7:30 Felix Magott, Michael Nickel, Erick Nickel, Kevin Terrell	7:30 Mark Klimkowski, Steve Espolt, Daniel Lay, James "Kent" Spaih
9:00 Ed Freeman, Dan Lay, Neil Baltazor, Ed Brzozowski	9:00 Dan Block, John Marshall, Jeff Wagner
Altar Servers:	Altar Servers
4:00 Kambel Medich	4:00 Jason Kaminski, Casey Jones
7:30 Mia Pendleton, Charlie Pendleton	7:30 Connor Lay, Alex Harke, Izzy Harke
9:00 Daniel Boyle, Jesse Baltazor, Devin Birdsong Williams	9:00 Alex Boyd, Michael Boyle, James Boyle

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, Samantha Anderson, Bay Lea Atkins, Sally & Joe Balkenbush, Jan Barnes, Tom Barnes, James Beam, Vickey Boorshes, Benjamin Boyd, Anita Brimm, Jenny Bruns, Sally Bugg, Jan Coleman, Jody Cook, Barbara Davenport, Al Dilis, Loretta Dixon, John & Virginia Drew, Mary Flisnik, Mary Ellen Fortlene, Carlos Frey, Simone Galvin, Patrick Grannon, Marilyn Gravitt, Kaelyn Hairell, Larry & Ann Henthorne, Norma Holloway, Martha Hopcus, Martin House, Alana Jansen, Ronny Jaro, Ann Jones, Eddie Jones, Betsy & Jerry Jorski, Raymond Jorski, Maurice Lachance, Don Lachance, Dial Libel, Rev. Eugene Marshall O.S.B., Leta Overton, Rosalie Marino, Bruce Moates, Linda Morrel, David & Ann Meed, Ioma Meyers, Bruce Moates, Greg Montalvo, Madonna Montalvo, Justin Moore, Paul & Charlotte Nickel, Sue Nickel, James Northcutt, Charlotte Nowakowski, Darrell O'Neal, Romeo Opichka, Trisha Parker, Fr. Lucas Pinapati, Linda Raly, Odest Raly, Fred Rodriguez, Mary Rodriguez, Lee Roller, Don Ross, Carol Rudek, Carolyn Rudek, Mike Scalzo, Terrah Showers, Alom Self, Juanita Shaffer, Jo Sims, Tom & Aline Smith, Brenda Smith, Kaelyn Spradlin, Logan Stephens, Danny Sweeney, Angie Terrell-Wagner, Greg Thompson, Madison Tytanic, Henry Villartha, Olivia Voyles, Tammy Wallinger, Irene Watkins, Carolyn Werchan, Chelsey Werchan, Scotlyn Kay Whiteman, Olivia Whitfield, Vickie Wilson, Bob Woo d, Barbara Wyskup, Dorothy Wyskup, Louise Wyskup, Filex & Ann Zachare