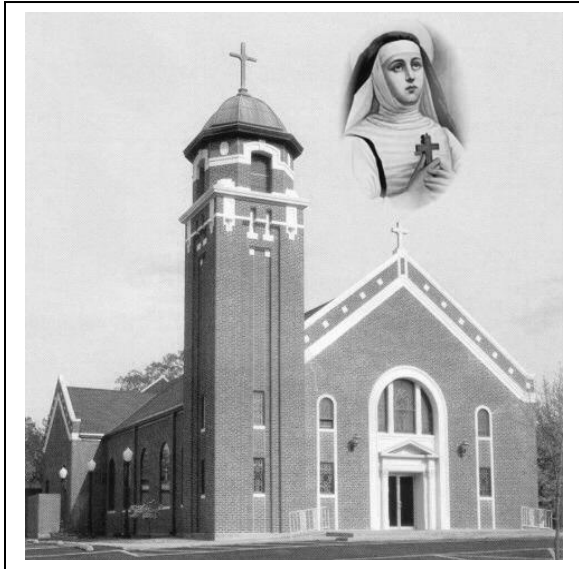


St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Priest Emergency Number: After hours line for serious medical emergencies (405) 824-2304

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am

9:00 am

Weekdays:

Monday No Mass

Tuesday McLoud 9:00 am

Wednesday Harrah 6:00 pm

Thursday McLoud 9:00 am

Friday Harrah 9:00 am

Adoration: First Fridays 8:am–6:pm Mass 6:00 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

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

September 3, 2017, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday	Sep 02 4:00 pm	Carolyn Werchen (healing) (by Knights of Columbus)
Sunday	Sep 03 7:30 am	+ Betty Gorczyca (by Steve & Cindy Gorczyca)
	Sep 03 9:00 am	+ Shirley Heller (by Patricia Melioris)
Monday	Sep 04	No Mass
Wednesday	Sep 06 6:00 pm	+ Tom Herzog (by Tammy Herzog)
Friday	Sep 08 9:00 am	Kevin Domack (healing) (by Kathy Bauman)
Saturday	Sep 09 4:00 pm	+ Tom Herzog (by Tammy Herzog)
Sunday	Sep 10 7:30 am	+ Kevin Voyles (by Backhus Family)
	Sep 10 9:00 am	+ Sally Balkenbush (by Steve & Cindy Gorczyca)

Readings for : Sep 4 to Sep 10:

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13; Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44
Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11
Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]
Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5
Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20

Collection – August 27: 106 Adult Env: \$4825.30 5 Children Env: \$15.30 Total: \$5050.60

Other Collections

Building Fund _____ Total Assets: \$4945.00

*St. Teresa of Avila & St. Vincent de Paul parishioners welcome
Bishop Bhagyaiah Chinnabathini,
of the Diocese of Guntur in India!*

In September Fr. Prakash's new Bishop will be visiting the United States from the Diocese of Guntur in India. On Sunday, September 10, he will be visiting our parish. There will be a come and go reception in the St. Teresa Family Center at 6:00 pm for parishioners of St. Teresa of Avila and St. Vincent de Paul to come and visit with him. A basket will be available for cards or if you wish to make a donation.



Beatification Mass for Fr. Stanley Rother

Join Archbishop Coakley and Cardinal Amato on Sept. 23 for this historic event. The Beatification Mass for Oklahoma's Fr. Stanley Rother is at 10 a.m. at the Cox Convention Center. It is the first beatification for a martyr in the United States and the first beatification for a U.S.-born priest. It is free, open to the public and no tickets are required. There will be plenty of seating and parking. Don't miss it! For more information, go online to stanleyrother.org.

If you are signed up to ride the bus to the Rite of Beatification Mass on Saturday, September 23, the bus will leave from St. Teresa's parking lot at 7:30 am. Give yourself plenty of time so you don't miss the bus.

Special Collection for Flood Victims after Hurricane Harvey

There will be a special collection taken up next weekend, September 9 & 10, to help with humanitarian aid and recovery efforts through Catholic Charities, following the catastrophic flooding caused by Hurricane Harvey. You can also make a donation by going online to www.archokc.org/harvey. Please pray for those impacted that they experience Christ's healing touch.

From the Pastor's Desk

- When Peter tries to deny the Lord his Passion – “God forbid that such a thing ever happen to you!” – he, in effect, is denying the possibility of happiness itself. “It is only by freeing himself through suffering” said Pope Benedict XVI, “that man finds himself, that he finds his truth, his joy, his happiness.” Therefore, we eagerly offer our bodies as a living sacrifice to God. For, no matter how much our sharing in Christ’s cross may make us an object of the world’s laughter and mockery, we know that our need to live our relationship with the Lord will become like fire burning in our heart. “The cross forces us to look upon the fact that we are loved by God. The cross becomes a new center of gravity for the bringing together of what is divided” (Pope Benedict XVI).
- There is only one sacrifice God desires of us: that we give to him wholeheartedly all that we are and do. In the Eucharist, we who are Christ’s own body become an integral part of his self-offering to the Father. Let us so live that our offering may be pleasing to him. The Church stands firm upon the rock of Peter. Peter’s faith stands firm upon the rock of God’s Word made flesh in Jesus Christ.

Donate to Catholic Charities

In today’s gospel, Jesus calls us to take up our cross and follow him. Helping others with their cross or burdens in life is something that Catholic Charities does by helping others daily in your name. Donate to Catholic Charities at givetocc.org to support the annual appeal as you are able.

Holy Land Items for Sale

A Christian Group from Bethlehem in the Holy Land is visiting our church on Saturday and Sunday September 2nd & 3rd. They come to us to sell the olive wood carvings and crafts that are hand made by the Christians in the Holy Land. This is their main source of income. We need to support these people by buying their beautiful olive wood carvings and crafts so we can help Christian families stay in the Holy Land. Pray for the Christians in the Holy Land.



Religious Education Classes Begin

Religious Education classes start Wednesday, September 6th @ 7:00 pm. If you haven't registered your children, please arrive early to do so, doors will open at 6:15 pm. Classes available for Preschool thru 12th grade. First year Confirmation Classes being offered for student in the 8th grade and up this year. Any questions contact Sandra Sumaza, RE Director.

Mass For RE Students & Teachers

On Wednesday, September 13, there will be a one time change of the Mass. The Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 pm instead of 6:00 pm for the RE students and teachers. All parishioners and parents are encouraged to attend the Mass.

Altar Server Training

Mandatory Altar Server Training for all new persons wanting to be Altar Servers from fourth grade on up, and for servers with less than one year experience, will be held **Sunday, September 17, 2017 at 10:00 am** or immediately following the 9:00 am mass for St Teresa's parish servers. For those interested in becoming a Server but did not previously sign up, you are still welcomed to come for training. Also on **Sunday September 17th at 10:00 am** there will be a **mandatory** Altar Server meeting for all Altar Servers and parents. Information will be provided on how the Altar Server Program will function moving forward. This meeting will begin in the church.

Appreciation Breakfast

Sunday, September 10th, Council #4598 will resume our monthly breakfast. Our monthly breakfast will be held as an **Appreciation Breakfast** at no charge to our parishioners of Both St. Teresa of Avila and St. Vincent De Paul of McCloud for all of your support throughout the year. **Serving time will be from 8:00 am to 10:30 am.** Your support has made it possible for the Knights of Columbus to continue to provide its services to all of the programs and worthy causes our Council supports. Thank you for being part of our team.

Altar Society Meeting

Due to the Labor Day holiday, St. Teresa Altar Society will meet on Sunday, September 10th at 1:00 pm.

Knights of Columbus meeting

Due to the Labor Day holiday, Knights of Columbus meeting will meet on Sunday, Sep 10, beginning at 11:00 am.

Cristo Rey School to Host Open House for Students and Parents

Cristo Rey Oklahoma City Catholic School will be holding an open house event from Noon to 3 pm on October 7 for potential students and parents interested in learning more about the school and visiting the facility. The Cristo Rey building is located at 900 N. Portland on the OSU-OKC Campus. Applications will be accepted from students who will be in ninth grade in Fall of 2018, when the school officially opens its doors.

Birth Choice Life Walk

Birth Choice will be celebrating their 25th Celebration of Life Walk at the Myriad Botanical Gardens on Sunday, October 1, 2017. Registration and activities begin at 12:30 pm. Walk begins at 2:00 pm. For more information and to register, please visit our website at www.birthchoice.org

Anniversary Mass

Archbishop Coakley invites married couples who are celebrating milestone anniversaries (25, 40, 50+) in the calendar year 2017 to attend a special Anniversary Mass at 3 p.m. Oct. 15 at The Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 3214 N.

Lake Ave., OKC. A reception will follow. Contact the Office of Family Life at (405) 721-8944 if attending. The archbishop will impart his blessing and the local Catholic community will rejoice in the example and commitment to your Sacrament of Marriage.

St. Ann Retirement Center Craft Fair & Open House

Saint Ann Retirement Center is hosting our Annual Fall Craft Fair and Open House on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 from 10:00am until 2:00pm. We are currently looking for vendors who would like to have a table. For information contact Richard Amend at 721-0747.

Ministry Schedule for September

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Ministers of Holy Communion: 4:00 Susan Stramski, Steve Nettleingham, Linda Nettleingham 7:30 Cindy Newby, Kent Spaeth, Kevin Terrell 9:00 Vicki Waldrip, Jackie Stafford, Debra Birdsong, Neil Baltazor, Maria Baltazor	Ministers of Holy Communion: 4:00 Robbie Garland, Deniece Knapp, Susan Stramski 7:30 Brigitte Heath, Kevin Terrell, Stan DeLong 9:00 Aniota Craiger, Barbara Carpenter, Don Carpenter, Dean Schirf, Phillip Stramski
Lectors: 4:00 Joe Zawisza 7:30 Bernadette Klimkowski 9:00 Phillip Stramski, Amelia Stramski	Lectors: 4:00 Karen Manwell 7:30 Greg Nowakowski 9:00 Steve Stramski, Dean Schirf
Ushers: 4:00 Scott Dull, Sammy Martin, Dewain Manek, Martin House 7:30 Gerald Visnieski, Mike Sweeney, Steve Gorczyca, Tony Nickel 9:00 Glen Nead, Thomas "TJ" Nead, Stan Malaske	Ushers 4:00 Michael Visnieski, Ralph Jones, Scott Manwell, John Cook 7:30 Felix Magott, Michael Nickel, Erick Nickel, Kevin Terrell 9:00 Ed Freeman, Doyle Thornton, Neil Baltazor, Ed Brzozowski
Altar Servers: 4:00 Jason Kaminski, Casey Jones 7:30 Ali Brzozowski, Alex Harke, Izzy Harke 9:00 T.J. Nead, Devin Birdsong Williams, Matthew Sloas	Altar Servers

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...

Andy Adams, Michelle Anderson, Samantha Anderson, Bay Lea Atkins, Joe Balkenbush, Jan Barnes, Tom Barnes, James Beam, Vickey Boorshes, Benjamin Boyd, Pat Boyle, Anita Brimm, Jenny Bruns, Sally Bugg, Brett Cleveland, Christian Cleveland, Tiffany Cleveland, Chelsea Cluster, Jan Coleman, Jody Cook, Barbara Davenport, J.C. Delamore, Al Dilis, Loretta Dixon, John & Virginia Drew, Ron & Loretta Finley, Mary Flisnik, Mary Ellen Fortleney, Simone Galvin, Patrick Grannon, Mike Gravitt, Marilyn Gravitt, Kaelyn Hairell, Edna Hanmer, Larry & Ann Henthorne, Norma Holloway, Martha Hopcus, Martin House, Alana Jansen, Ronny Jaro, Betty Johnston, 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, James Milam, Linda Morrel, David & Ann Meed, Ioma Meyers, 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, Carol Rudek, Carolyn Rudek, Scott Saxton, Mike Scalzo, Terrah Showers, Alom Self, Juanita Shaffer, Scott Shamrock, Jo Sims, Lola & Daniel Smith, Tom & Aline Smith, Brenda Smith, Kaelyn Spradlin, Henry James Steele, Logan Stephens, Danny Sweeney, Joe Tytanic, Greg Thompson, Henry Villarma, Olivia Voyles, Tammy Wallinger, Irene Watkins, Carolyn Werchan, Chelsey Werchan, Scotlyn Kay Whiteman, Olivia Whitfield, Vickie Wilson, Bob Wood, Jerry Wright, Barbara Wyskup, Dorothy Wyskup, Louise Wyskup, Filex & Ann Zachare