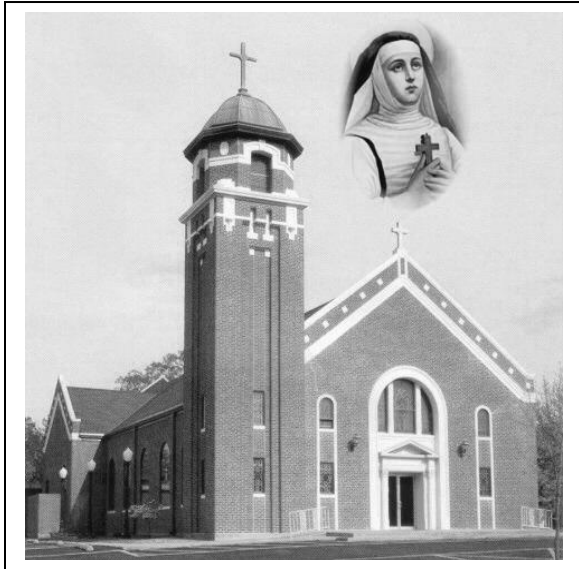


St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

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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 24, 2017 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

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| Saturday | Sep 23 4:00 pm | + Don Ross (by Carolyn Miles) |
| Sunday | Sep 24 7:30 am | + Don Ross (by Kat & Marshall Hartley) |
| | Sep 24 9:00 am | + Shirley Heller (by Patricia Melioris) |
| Monday | Sep 25 | No Mass |
| Wednesday | Sep 27 6:00 pm | + Kevin Voyles (by Carolyn Miles) |
| Friday | Sep 29 9:00 am | Marshall Family Intentions |
| Saturday | Sep 30 4:00 pm | + Michael, Dave & Mary Storemski (by Leo Storemski) |
| Sunday | Oct 01 7:30 am | + Frank Kusek (by Tim Kusek) |
| | Oct 01 9:00 am | + Shirley Heller (by Patricia Melions) |

Readings for : Sep 25 to Oct 1:

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32

Collection – September 17: 116 Adult Env: \$5525.99 5 Children Env: \$19.00 Total: \$5525.99

Other Collections Hurricane Relief: \$110.00

Building Fund _____ Total Assets: \$4945.00



First Friday Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

October 6, 8:00 am until 6:00 pm

(there will be no Mass)

**“To really communicate – I must know him, I must be able to be in
s silence close to him, to hear him and to look at him with love”**

Pope Benedict XVI on Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sign Up For Your Session for the New Parish Directory

We are getting ready to create a new photo directory, Our directory will showcase our families, provide contact info and become a useful resource to keep us connected. By participating you will receive a printed version of our new directory as well as a complimentary 8 X 10 photograph of your family with the option to purchase additional treasures. Photographers will be at St Teresa's Oct 17-21 then again Oct 24 & 25.

To sign up for your session, come to the Family Center after the Masses beginning this weekend. Or call Maria Baltazor at 208-1991. Daytime and evening appointments are available.

Catholic Daughters' Mexican Dinner

Catholic Daughters' Mexican Dinner is Saturday October 7th at 5:30 after the 4pm Mass. It is in the Family Center at St. Teresa Catholic Church. The Menu is Chicken Enchiladas, Tacos, Refried Beans, Rice and a Drink along with Chips and Salsa. The Donation is \$12 for adults and \$5 for children 10 and under, two and under are free. Half the proceeds go to our American Cancer Relay for Life Team and the other Half to our General Fund. Come join the Fiesta and win a prize!

Special Publications on Beatification of Fr. Stanley Rother

For those that did not receive a copy of the special program regarding Fr. Stanley Rother's Beatification, there are copies in the foyer of the church. If you do not receive a copy of the Sooner Catholic in the mail you can register at:

www.soonercatholic.org or call (405) 721-1810

From the Pastor's Desk

- What is most striking about the landowner is the relentless way he himself goes out to find laborers (five times), his willingness to hire the “rejects,” and his desire to pay them a full day’s wage. Jesus tells us that the Kingdom of heaven is like this landowner. The love of heaven takes the initiative in seeking us out. The love of heaven chooses us despite our utter unworthiness. And the love of heaven is lavish in its self-gift to us. To love the Kingdom of heaven is to love this landowner and the way he acts. The temptation is for us to measure our life and “the way things should be” by a standard at odds with God. Instead, “seek the Lord while he may be found, call him while his is near,” because for us, “life is Christ.”
- “Are you envious because I am generous? (Mt 20:15) God’s measureless generosity is a reason not for envy but for praise. All of us, great and small, belong to the flock he leads to safe and plentiful pastures of peace through the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ..

Butter Braids

Youth Group will take orders for the annual Butter Braid fundraiser after all Masses on the weekends of September 30/October 1 and October 7/8. All our great flavors are back along with a favorite, Double Chocolate, plus new Caramel Rolls. Delivery will be after Masses on October 21/22 in plenty of time for the holidays. Payment is due at the time of order. Thank you for supporting St. Teresa’s Youth Group.

Annual Food for Families Food Drive

Knights of Columbus Council #4598 will be conducting their **Annual Food for Families Food Drive** at both **St Teresa’s Church and St. Vincent De Paul Church** during the month of October to help support the St. Vincent De Paul Society in their efforts to reach out to those in need in our local area. Sacks will be available beginning on Saturday September 30th, and will be accessible during the month of October. Drop off at St. Teresa’s will be in the family center stage area, and at St. Vincent it will be the church foyer or the church hall.

St. Vincent de Paul Feast Day Celebration

On Sunday, October 1st, St. Vincent’s parish will be celebrating the Feast Day of their patron saint, St. Vincent de Paul. Before Mass there will be a rosary said at the Prayer Garden. After Mass there will be a pot luck dinner. Everyone is invited – bring your favorite dish. There will be Bouncy Toys and Games for little kids and big kids. There is no Saturday Vigil Mass.

Recovered & Reopen – St. Thomas More Books & Goifts

Please come celebrate the reopening of our store October 13th from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm. We will have drawings, discounts, gifts, and refreshments. 7904 N May Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73120 405-842-9911

Catholic Charities Annual Appeal

Today’s responsorial psalm is “The Lord is near to all who call upon him.” Catholic Charities is present to those who are in need, through case management, homeless services, counseling, immigration and refugee services. Be an answer to your neighbor’s call by donating to Catholic Charities at givetocc.org to support the Annual Appeal as you are able.

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

St Benedict Church Fall Carnival

St. Benedict Church Fall Carnival is Saturday, October 7, from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm. The Granny’s Attic Garage Sale and Breakfast start at 8:00 am. Carnival Games open up at 9:00 am. There is live music & entertainment, games, silent auction and Bingo, food booths, bake sale, cake walk, petting zoo, vendor booths, inflatables. Fun for the whole family.

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.

Our Lady of Fatima centennial tour

The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue will be in Oklahoma as part of the world Apostolate of Fatima U.S. Tour for Peace. The historic tour marks the 100th anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady of Fatima, Portugal. The tour will be at the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima/St. Joseph, Bison, Oct. 13; St. Mary, Guthrie, Oct. 14; St. Monica, Edmond, Oct. 15; St. Damien, Edmond, Oct. 16; St. Paul the Apostle, Del City, Oct. 17; and Prince of Peace, Altus, Oct. 18.

40 Days for Life

From Sept. 27 to Nov. 5, everyone is invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil for an end to abortion. People are invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Planned Parenthood center at 6112 N.W. 63. For more information or to volunteer, contact Dale Dirkschneider, (405) 209-0309, dsdirkschneider@gmail.com; or Dick Smith, (405) 650-1603, dicksmith77@cox.net.

Forming A Blended Family

All marriages have challenges, but for some couples preparing for remarriage, who have children, these challenges are unique. The spouses will have gone through the death of a partner or divorce and will have been deeply affected by these experiences. Often remarriage involves the blending of families, a challenge in and of itself, mostly due in part to unanticipated problems and miscommunications. "Forming a Blended Family", a new program is being offered by the Office of Family Life, Saturday, October 7, 2017, at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 7501 N.W. Expressway in OKC. Sign-in begins at 8:30 with the first session beginning promptly at 9am the class will end approximately at 4:00pm. Please download the registration form from Archokc.org or you may call the Office of Family Life at (405) 709-2709.

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 |
| Lectors: |
| 4:00 Joe Zawisza |
| 7:30 Bernadette Klimkowski |
| 9:00 Phillip Stramski, Amelia Stramski |
| 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 |
| 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 |

Ministry Schedule for October

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| 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 Karen Manwell |
| 7:30 Greg Nowakowski |
| 9:00 Steve Stramski, Dean Schirf |
| 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 Casey Jones & Kambel Medich |
| 7:30 Connor Lay, Mia Pendleton, Charlie Pendleton |
| 9:00 Alex Boyd, Katelin Baltazor, Chelsey 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...

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, Phillo Gravitt, 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