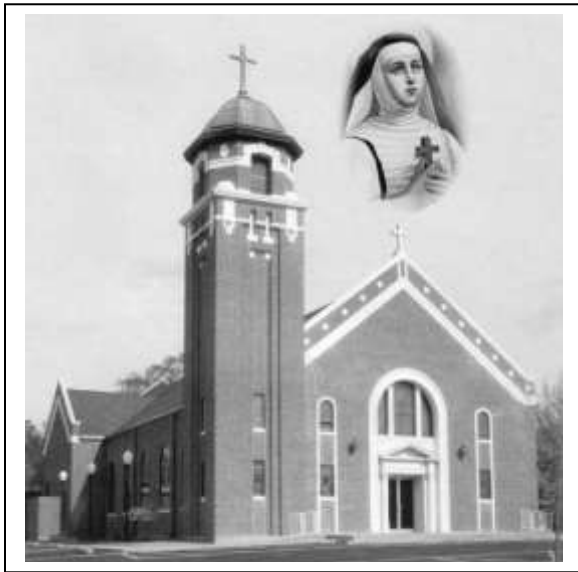


# St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

PO Box 418, 1576 Tim Holt Drive

Harrah, OK 73045-0418

UPDATED ! Parish Web Site [www.stteresaharrah.org](http://www.stteresaharrah.org)



## Reverend Prakash Madineni – Pastor

mgprakash65@gmail.com

Jocelyn M. Payne

[staharrah@gmail.com](mailto:staharrah@gmail.com)

Secretary

(405) 454-2819

Sandra Sumaza

mssumaza@cox.net

Dir. Religious Education

(501) 605-3420

Megan Marshall

styg.harrahok@gmail.com

Coordinator of Youth Ministry

(405) 613-4891

Doug Kretchmar

douglkretchmar@aol.com

RCIA

(405) 640-0745

Maria Baltazor

mbaltazor@cox.net

Safe Environment Facilitator

(405) 208-1991

Kevin Terrell

Flyinkat76@tds

Cemetery Caretaker

(405) 620-1981

**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 McCloud 6:30 pm

Wednesday Harrah 6:30 pm

Thursday McCloud 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

**Adult Education** ~ Mondays 7 p.m.- R.E. Building

**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** ~ First Thursday of the month

**St. Vincent de Paul** ~ MEETING 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 7pm in the family center

**Youth Group (Grades 6-8)** ~Sunday 6:30pm to 8pm

**High School Youth Group (Grades 9-12)** Sundays, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

**Jr Catholic Daughters** ~ First Sunday of month, 4:30 pm

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

**Women's Bible Study**~ 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays 6:30 pm Parish Hall

*December 16th, Third Sunday of Advent*

### Mass Intentions

|                  |                |                |  |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|--|
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Dec. 15</b> | <b>4:00 pm</b> | <b>†Shirley Heller-Terry Carpenter</b>                   |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Dec. 16</b> | <b>7:30 am</b> | <b>†Sharon DeLong Peterson- Stan and Rhonda DeLong</b>   |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Dec. 16</b> | <b>9:00 am</b> | <b>†John Raught- Frank and Diana Hanna</b>               |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>Dec. 19</b> | <b>6:30 pm</b> | <b>†Pete Adams- Stan and Rhonda DeLong</b>               |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>Dec. 21</b> | <b>9:00 am</b> | <b>†Von and Louise Stramski- Jim and Susan Stramski</b>  |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>Dec. 22</b> | <b>4:00 pm</b> | <b>†Von and Louise Stramski – Jim and Susan Stramski</b> |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Dec. 23</b> | <b>7:30 am</b> | <b>†George Owings- Gloria Owings</b>                     |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>Dec. 23</b> | <b>9:30 am</b> | <b>†Jack Martin- Janet Martin</b>                        |

#### Readings this week

**December 17-23, 2018**

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

**Tuesday:** Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;  
Mt 1:18-25

**Wednesday:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab,  
16-17; Lk 1:5-25

**Thursday:** Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38

**Friday:** Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a;  
Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

**Saturday:** 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-  
56

**Sunday:** Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;  
Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

#### Offerings for December 9th

**Adult Env: \$6050.50**

**Children Env: \$15.50**

**Priest Retirement\$ 2014.00**

**Total: \$ 8080.00**



**Christmas Eve – 6 p.m. and 11 p.m.  
Both at Harrah**

**Christmas Day: 8:30 am – Harrah  
10:30 am - Mcloud**

### THE FOUR WEEKS OF ADVENT

During the first two weeks of Advent we light the first two purple candles. The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday. On this day we celebrate that our waiting for the birth of Jesus on Christmas day is almost over. Rose is a liturgical color that is used to signify joy, so we light the single pink candle on the third Sunday of Advent.

Then on the fourth Sunday of Advent, the final purple candle is lit to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait expectantly for the soon-coming birth of the King of Kings.

Traditionally, each of the four Advent candles have a deeper meaning:

- The **1st Sunday of Advent** symbolizes Hope with the “Prophet’s Candle” reminding us that Jesus is coming.
- The **2nd Sunday of Advent** symbolizes Faith with the “Bethlehem Candle” reminding us of Mary and Joseph’s journey to Bethlehem.
- The **3rd Sunday of Advent** symbolizes Joy with the “Shepherd’s Candle” reminding us of the Joy the world experienced at the coming birth of Jesus.
- The **4th Sunday of Advent** symbolizes Peace with the “Angel’s Candle” reminding us of the message of the angels: “Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men.”

# **Events at St. Teresa**

## **Center of Family Love Wish List**

6th grade RE class is collecting items for The Center of Family Love  
from November 14- January 23.

**The following are examples of what is on the wish list. The full lists are available at the back of the church.**

For example:

Balls, Basketball and Soccer

Board Games Sorry, chutes and ladders and checkers

Card Games: Uno, Skip Bo, Go Fish

Crafting Supplies

Lego's, Play Do and Building blocks

Flash Cards and anything related to basic math and cognitive skills.

**There will be a box in the welcome center of the church for items.**

**The Center of Family Love is a nonprofit organization that provides quality care to adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, at no cost to the families.**

## **New Years Eve Dance Jan 31<sup>st</sup>**

St. Teresa's will be hosting a New Year's Eve dance December 31st from 9 PM to 12:30 AM in the Family Center. All adults ages 21+ are invited to attend. The cost of entry is a snack item to share. Soft drinks will be provided, please feel free to bring your own beverages beyond that. Due to lack of use last year, childcare will not be provided. For questions, please contact Philip Stramski (405) 625-776.

## **Local Catholic Events**

### **Sanctity of Life Mass Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>**

The Sanctity of Life Mass is a celebration of life from conception to natural death. Archbishop Coakley will preside at the Mass at 6 p.m. Jan. 16 at The Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Oklahoma City.

### **Oklahoma Catholic Women's Conference February 23<sup>rd</sup>**

The Oklahoma Catholic Women's Conference will be Feb. 23 at Embassy Suites in Norman. Visit [www.ocwconference.com](http://www.ocwconference.com).

### **Oklahoma Catholic Men's Conference March 9<sup>th</sup>**

The Oklahoma Catholic Men's Conference will be March 9 at Embassy Suites in Norman. Visit [www.catholicmen.net](http://www.catholicmen.net).

## **Liturgical Roles for December**

### **Saturday 4 P.M.**

#### **Ministers of Holy Communion**

Pat Bacon  
Tracy Hartley  
Steve Nettleingham  
Kelly Trice

#### **Lectors**

Tracy Hartley

#### **Ushers**

John Bacon  
Joe Chicoine  
Mark Hargrove  
Sam Wyskup

### **7:30 A.M. Sunday**

#### **Ministers of Holy Communion**

Steve Gorczyca  
Krista Harke  
Cindy Newby

#### **Lectors**

Kent Spaeth

#### **Ushers**

Stan DeLong  
Steve Gorczyca  
Bernadette Klimkowski  
Tony Nickel

### **9:00 A.M. Sunday**

#### **Ministers of Holy Communion**

Rich Boyd  
David McCorkle  
Shawn Payne  
Mark Seikel  
Dean Schirf

#### **Lectors**

Dave McCorkle  
Mark Seikel

#### **Ushers**

Stan Malaske  
Steve Stramski  
George Visnieski  
Joe Wierzbic



**Altar Servers: Please check your email for scheduling or contact Melanie Rivera @ 405-534-7700**

## **St. Teresa's Prayer List**

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....**

Howard Anderson, Brad Anglin, Amanda Ashley, Brittany Baltazor, Kaitlin Baltazor, Jan Barnes, Tom Barnes, Chris & Stacie (Martin) Boone, Anita Brimm, Sally Bugg, Easton Carpenter, Lois Chicoine, Tiffany Cleveland, Barbara Davenport, Rebecca David, Mary Jean Dellaquilla, Loretta Dixon, John & Virginia Drew, Kathleen Duggins, Ron & Loretta Finley, Mary Ellen Fortleney, Dana Pattison-Garcia, Marilyn Gravitt, Mike Gravitt, Stella Hartig, Janet Holder, Martha Hopcus, Ronny Jaro, Ann Jones, Betsy & Jerry Jorski, Billy Keller, Matthew Keller, David Kreikemeier, Don Lachance, Rob Lawrence, Maria Leslie, Elanora Lipinski, Michelle Lynch, Rev. Eugene Marshall O.S.B, Harriett Marshall, Evadne Mathews, Bob Maxey, David McKinney, Curtis Meyer, Corine Miller, Justin Moore, Paul & Charlotte Nickel, Darrell O'Neal, Linda Parker, Trisha Parker, Fred Rodriguez, Mary Rodriguez, Fred and Donna Roller, Marjorie Royal, Carol Rudek, Carolyn Rudek,, Juanita Shaffer, Jo Sims, Brenda Smith, Daniel Smith, Kim Spradley, Logan Stephens, Wesley StillSmoking, Henry Villarma, Samuel Visniski, Carolyn Werchan, Charlie Werchan, Chelsie Werchan, Candace Wietelman, Vickie Wilson, Barbara Wyskup, Louise Wyskup, George Yancy, Filex & Ann Zachare, Joe Zawisza