

BEAUTIFUL NEW CARPETING FOR SANCTUARY & JOYCE CENTER

Thanks to Our Good & Faithful Stewards





March 16th – March 22nd

All Daily Masses in the Chapel

9am	Mass	Monday
†Vien Nguyen		Ha Nguyen
9am	Mass	Tuesday
Bill & Kathy Seck	Meadowlake Catholic Group	
6:15pm	Mass	Wednesday
Gioan & Anna		Son Nguyen
9am	Mass	Thursday
†Tong Nguyen		Ha Nguyen

Fifth Sunday of Lent

5pm	Mass	SATURDAY
Our Parish Family		Fr. Jack
9am	Mass	SUNDAY
Souls in Purgatory		Son Nguyen
11:45am	Mass	SUNDAY
†Hai Nguyen		Ha Nguyen

Sacrament of Forgiveness

(Penance, Reconciliation, Confession)

Mon thru Thurs After Morning Mass

(Just ask Father after Mass)

Saturday from 4:00pm – 4:30pm

Confessions by Appointment

Wednesday at 5:45pm

Come, Visit the Lord



in The Blessed Sacrament

The chapel is accessible at all times. The combination is 415. The door will lock safely behind you.



“TOP PRIORITY FOR PARISHES IS FOSTERING CLOSENESS”

Pope Francis said that the key role of a Catholic parish is fostering closeness among its people by working to provide for their needs and always seeking to show God's love for all. In fact, the pope said, the "first commandment" for parishes is to promote such closeness and to avoid telling people what they must change in their lives.

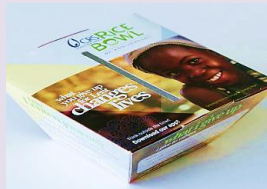
Speaking to the parish council of a church on the eastern outskirts of Rome Sunday evening, Francis emphasized the difficult situations many people are living when offering advice to the council about how to go about their work. "You have only one difficulty, but it's the same one that Jesus, Mary, and Joseph had," Francis told the council. "Being poor." "Joseph had work; Jesus had work," said the pope. "Many people here don't have it. And they have to feed their children!" "And how do they do it?" he asked. "Oh, you know!" he answered, mentioning the "temptation" of people who face difficult situations and say, "I don't want to do this; I'd rather not, but I must feed my children."

"This is your drama, of the people here," he said. "That goodness tested by injustice; injustice from unemployment or discrimination." And this is sin, it is grave sin," the pope continued. "Many people that are good are forced to do bad things, maybe, because they can't find another way." Continuing by recounting the story he said he had heard of a member of another parish in another diocese being put in jail for stealing food to feed his children, the pontiff said: "Poor man, what injustice!" "In order to fulfill a commandment, he was in prison," said Francis. "If your children are hungry and society does not help you work, does not help you find work, does not help you get rid of vices ... you must feed your children."

Telling the parish council they should work "so that these situations do not reoccur," the pope said, "You work to continue to go ahead with the people and to tell them: 'No, come here, what do you need? I will help you.'" "For this, I recommend one thing, to you, to help people," he continued. "The first pastoral commandment is closeness: being close to the people. Closeness." "We cannot go to a family with sick or hungry children -- or those that have fallen to vice -- we cannot go with 'You must, you must, you must,'" said the pope. "No. We must go with closeness, with the caress that Jesus has taught us." "To save us, God made himself close to us, was made one of us: Jesus, and suffered like us!" said Francis. "This is the way: Closeness." Continuing later in the meeting with the pastoral council of St. Mary Mother of the Redeemer Parish, Francis told the group that "we announce Jesus Christ with gestures: Also with words, but first with gestures. With closeness." "Get close," he exhorted them. "Do not be afraid of closeness. Do not be afraid of caresses: caress the people, the sick, the lonely, even those who deserve the title of 'miserable': caress them, as God has caressed us."

LENT/EASTER 2015

PRAY FAST GIVE



**RICE BOWL GIFTS
CAN CHANGE US
AND OTHERS**

There are countless people who face hunger every day. Your sacrifices will change you. The money you offer will help them. When Lent draws to a close, please take the proceeds from the Rice Bowls and convert them into a check made out to CRS and bring it to Mass on Holy Thursday or Easter Sunday.

MONDAYS OF LENT PRAYER SERIES

Mondays 7-8pm in St Francis Chapel

The following opportunities will contain short instruction about the type of prayer and then the prayer itself:

Monday, March 16th – Rosary

Monday, March 23rd – TAIZE

OUR GIFT SHOP IS NOW FEATURING CATHOLIC MAGAZINES and BOOKS

Come browse the new Books and Magazines section for adults, featuring works by noted Catholic authors

ALL at DISCOUNT PRICES!

THE PERFECT MEANING OF THE MASS

*A sacred banquet in which
Christ is received:*

The memory of his suffering is recalled

Our mind is filled with grace

And we receive a pledge of future glory

LENT/EASTER 2015

OUTDOOR STATIONS of the CROSS

5:30PM March 20th

Outdoors in the garden, weather permitting

THE LIVING STATIONS 5:30PM

March 27th in the church

Lenten Suppers

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS FISH FRY

March 20th

6:15pm---7:15pm

All-You-Can-Eat Prices

\$12.00 adults \$6.00 children 5-14

YOUTH MEAL

GRILLED SALMON



March 27th 6:15pm-7:15pm

All-You-Can-Eat Prices

\$12.00 adults \$6.00 children 5-14



AND

RAFFLE!

March

28th - 29th

*Come buy goodies
for your Easter table!*

Raffle Tickets \$2 each or 6 for \$12

FABULOUS PRIZES!

**Saint Pope John Paul II Doll (Ashton Drake)
His and Hers 26" Bicycles**

**BUY YOUR TICKETS
AFTER ALL MASSES**

**NO RE THIS WEEK
RE RESUMES MARCH 22**

Youth Activities

LIFE NIGHT

Wednesday at 7:00 pm
All youth in grades 6-12

YOUTH PRAYER NIGHT

Thursdays 7:00pm – 8:30 pm



March 22
Deposit of \$75
due

Houston, Texas
June 22-27
High school
students

Contact Brooke Beasley or Dina Jones
For more information



Kairos means "God's Special Time" and the purpose is to bring spiritual renewal to inmates. Although most of us cannot go into the prisons for Christ, we can help in other ways.

- ✓ store bought packaged cookies **only**
- ✓ no raisins or nuts, especially peanuts
- ✓ it's not possible to donate too many
 - Each team member is responsible for 100 dozen.

1 dozen cookies are given to every resident twice during the weekend, after the evening meals.

Ask God to use your cookies as a source of *His* love to shine on the prisoners and staff on the Kairos weekend.

**PLACE ON THE TABLE IN THE COMMONS
by Wed April 8th**



Catholic Day with the
Oklahoma City Dodgers
Sunday, April 26th

2:05pm

Cost: \$13 per ticket

Ticket orders due
March 18th

Young Adult Activities



March 19

7pm dinner

8pm speaker

Salt Grass Steakhouse
All Young Adults are invited



**Will YOU be ready to renew
the promises of your baptism
at Easter?**

Happy Birthday

- 3/15** Cristian Moran, Brandon Crump, Trinh To, German Contreras, Angel Waugh, Ronald Magee, Carlos Garza
- 3/16** Martin Fitzgerald, Joshua Thai
- 3/17** Jadyen Spear, Monica Soliz, Ruth Nolin, Jessica Walker, Alvin Cao
- 3/18** Anita Bardtrief, Teresa Nguyen, Leigh Dack, Timi Sacotte, Jordan Irizarry
- 3/19** Donna Galier, Noah Moore, Cecil Johnson, Candice Scarpitti, Beth Lopez, Peter Noxon, Kelly Rojo, Emma Potter
- 3/20** Charlene Rader, Tran Nguyen, Sergio Chavez, Justin Zondor, Dominic Fusciardi, Jocelyn Nguyen, Braeden Jones
- 3/21** Anna Nguyen, Brendan Duclos, Timothy Grajeda, Angela Lister, Mary Guzman, Phyllis Powders, Carolina Escobedo

Happy Anniversary

- 3/19** Mr. & Mrs. Milton Compau 52
Mr. & Mrs. David Schultz 40
- 3/20** Mr. & Mrs. Nghi Hoang 4
- 3/21** Mr. & Mrs. Glen Diaz 6

**ST. PATRICK'S DAYMASS
TUESDAY, MARCH 17TH
TWELVE NOON**

ST. JOSEPH'S OLD CATHEDRAL

**Archbishop Emeritus Eusebius Beltran,
Principal Celebrant**

**All are invited to a reception in the Parish
Hall following the Mass**

WEEKEND
MINISTRY SCHEDULE

ATTENTION!
CM'S & GREETERS ONLY
Please sign-up for Holy Week Services

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| 5PM | Saturday | 3/21 |
| Altar Server | Ray Catalano, Andrew & Fred Spellman | |
| Holy Communion | Mary & Apolonio Lopez, Roy & Nancy Lyle, Yvonne Smith, Fred & Nicole Spellman, Thomas Strotman, Robin Teske | |
| Gift Bearer | Fitzgerald Family, Brian & Sam Muzny | |
| Hospitality | Celia & Glen Brown, Sandra Dunn | |
| Lector | Dale Neikirk, Gina Rim | |
| Coordinator | Frank Cassarino | |
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| 9AM | Sunday | 3/22 |
| Altar Server | Leon Jackson, Alfonso Flores, Gabrielle Valerio | |
| Holy Communion | David Aulner, Frank & Jan Bruehl, Pam Cusack, Mercy & Ray Hulley, Michael Johns, Eual McCrite, Burt & Donna Renard, Mary Schultz, Tina Wharton | |
| Gift Bearer | Deborah Wyatt, Marva Yandell | |
| Hospitality | Janie Mitchell, Tim Pham, Kyle Thompson, Edgar Wong | |
| Lector | Rita Galier, Dina Jones-Griggs | |
| Coordinator | William Seck | |
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| 11:45AM | Sunday | 3/22 |
| Altar Server | Thomas Tran, Hunter & Turner Tharp | |
| Holy Communion | Gina & Rick Atkins, Donna Barnard, Rose Cook, Michael & Debbie Friedt, Teresa Hernandez, Gayla Maupin, Dan Quiles, Tammy & Lee Vu | |
| Gift Bearer | Jay & Teresa Harris, Gerardo Hernandez, Jon & Patti Riva | |
| Hospitality | Joseph Gibbons, Debbie & Gary Kamphaus, Eileen Simpson | |
| Lector | Bernie & Peggy Denker | |
| Coordinator | Carl Cook | |

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

March 16
 10:00am *The New Evangelization*
 6:00pm Fit Camp
 7:00pm **Lent Prayer Series-Rosary**
 7:00pm Bible Study
March 17
 10:00am *The New Evangelization*
 5:30pm Cantor Practice
 6:00pm Choir Practice
 6:45pm Instrument Practice
 6:30pm Boy Scouts Meeting
 7:00pm *The New Evangelization*
March 18
 6:30am Small Group Cursillo
 10:00am *The New Evangelization*
 4:30pm Handbell Practice
 7:00pm Life Nite
 7:00pm Journey of Faith
 7:00pm *The New Evangelization*
March 19
 12:30pm Primetimers Potluck and DVD
 6:00pm Fit Camp
 7:00pm K of C officers meeting
 7:00pm *The New Evangelization*
 7:00pm Youth Prayer
March 20
 5:30pm **Stations of the Cross**
 6:00pm Fit Camp
 6:15pm Knight's Fish Fry
March 21
 3:30pm *The New Evangelization*
 6:15pm *The New Evangelization*
March 22
 10:15am **Life Kids, Edge, Life Teen**
 10:15am *The New Evangelization*

**Catholic Advocacy Day
 March 24, 8am-12noon
 State Capitol Blue Room**

Archbishop Coakley and Bishop Slattery will be speaking. Catholics are strongly encouraged to contact their legislators and extend personal invitations to attend the 8 am presentation. To be part of this important event, contact Becky VanPool at 405-523-3003 or bvanpool@catholiccharitiesok.org. We are called to be the voice for the poor, unborn and vulnerable.

*Stewardship of Treasure
 Sacrificial Giving*

	Mar 8	FYTD	PFYTD
Sacrificial Giving	14,318	502,987	517,727
Children/Teens	22	402	
Total Contributions	14,340	503,389	517,727
Other Income	3,971	155,486	216,197
Total Income	18,311	658,875	733,924

Would you please remember the poor and needy by making a contribution in the poor boxes located near the entry of the church.

*Thanks to All Our
 Good and Generous Stewards!*



FEBRUARY TOTALS

Families	69
Adults	162
Kids	71

Thanks very much for your generous offering of groceries and other monetary gifts to help purchase items from the Regional Food Bank. The following items are used on a regular basis:

Box Dinners	Cereal/Oatmeal	Corn
Peanut Butter	Dry Pinto Beans	Fruit
Ramen Noodles	Green Beans	Beans
Instant Potatoes	Spaghetti Sauce	Rice
Saltine Crackers	Mac & Cheese	Jelly
Tuna or Chicken	Macaroni	Soup
Spaghetti	Vegetables	Tomatoes

Current Needs: Canned fruit & Canned meat

Prayer Day for the Retired

On Wednesday, March 18, the office of Worship and Spiritual Life will host a Prayer Day for the Retired at the Catholic Pastoral Center. The day will begin with registration, coffee and donuts from 9:30am to 10am. The morning presentation will be at 10am, followed by Mass at 11:30. Lunch is after Mass with confessions around 12:45pm. The afternoon session follows confessions and the day concludes by 3pm. Deacon Joe Fogue is our presenter for the day, focusing on "The Home Stretch and the Finish Line-Lent, the Triduum and our Life Journey."



Calling all Senior Members in the PrimeTime of their lives (55 and over)! Peggy Denker works very hard to come up with interesting activities for our more senior members.

Come and see the fascinating DVD presentation featuring the famous hand crafted *St. John's Illuminated Bible*. There will be a Pot Luck meal in the Knight's Chamber on March 19th at 12:30 and the video will begin at 1.

Please use sign-up sheets
Or Call Peggy at 408-0473

Catholic Foundation scholarships available

If you are a current college student or high school senior, the Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma may have a scholarship for you! The Catholic Foundation offers a \$6,000 scholarship (\$1,500 per year) to students attending a non-Catholic college or university and a \$12,000 scholarship (\$3,000 per year) to students attending a Catholic college or university. These scholarships are available for up to four years and are renewable each year as long as academic and enrollment guidelines are met. For information, go online to www.cfook.org or contact your high school counselor, pastor or director of religious education. For further questions, contact (405) 721-4115 or cfo-info@archokc.org. Applications are due by Wednesday, April 8.

**BIRTH CHOICE OF OKLAHOMA
LIFE OF THE PARTY GALA
MARCH 28TH AT 6PM
OKLAHOMA CITY GOLF & COUNTRY
DINNER AUCTION DANCING**

Contact Barbara at (405) 606-8428.

PRAY FOR THE INFIRM & HOMEBOUND

HOMEBOUND

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| Adela Balderas | Lillian Brehm |
| Joyce Beauregard | Pat Everhart |
| Ron & Rose Rytlewski | John Wemyss |
| Margaret Crawford | Rodney Mumford |
| Frances Drabowsky | Goldie Evans |
| Gladys Grizzle | Ruth Frejo |
| Rosita Hall | Donald Landt |
| Ray Linch | Neans Murray |
| San Juana Medina | Alice Willard |
| Alberta Marquez | Michelle Mathew |
| Paula Mejlaender | Bernadine Merz |
| Janie & Al O'Connor | Bob Onspaugh |
| Charles Lane | Elinor Thompson |
| Ray Winnard | |

If you see the names of people on the list of the infirm who are now on the mend, please call the office so we can remove them to make room for others.

INFIRM

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| Bert Alvarez | Wanda Kuzmic | Toni Kane |
| Reginald Stewart | Arlen Williams | David Miller |
| George Kuzmic | Roger Kane | Bryce Duke |
| Loretta Plumlee | Cletus Kane | Harold Cook |
| Ramona Orland | Jim Pitcock | Weldon Cain |
| Charles Blackburn | Veronica Quinn | Ruth Hansen |
| Mary A. Balderas | Imogene Wood | Bill Lewis |
| Chester Hagnoski | Homer Thompson | Ray Brewer |
| Jim Mayeaux | | |

All our homebound and infirm parishioners are being looked after by very special Care-Givers. Please be sure to remember them in your prayers as well. Sometimes people wonder how they can really pray for so many people. Here's a tip for a prayer at any time of the day or night:

Dear Lord, I commend to you all the infirm and homebound members of our parish family. Please give them and their caregivers every grace and blessing.



WEDNESDAYS

7pm-8:45pm

You may join the sessions at any time.
Childcare is available

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Middle School Lock-in and Laser Quest



High School Theology of the Body Movie: "Old Fashioned"

