

OUR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Father Sean O'Brien

The Third Sunday of Lent

March 8, 2026



Immaculate Conception Church

410 N. Bagwell, Poteau, OK

Sunday Mass – 9 a.m. English, 11 a.m. Spanish

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass

Or by Appointment

Daily Mass: Tuesday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m.

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COMBINED CENTRAL OFFICE

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Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

16526 US Hwy 271 (East of Spiro)

Sunday Mass – 1 p.m.

Confessions by Appointment

Saint Joseph Church

1406 NW 7th St., Stigler, OK

Saturday Vigil Mass – 5 p.m.

Confessions 30 minutes before Mass

Or by Appointment

Third Sunday in Lent

Gifts for God

March 1, 2026

Immaculate Conception

General Collection - \$ 6,868.44
Weekly Budget Need - 2,075.00
Building Fund - 315.00

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

General Collection - \$ 900.00
Weekly Budget Need 950.00
Building Fund - 100.00

Saint Joseph

General Collection - \$ 297.00
Weekly Budget Need 607.00
Building Fund - 30.00



Stewardship

Reflections

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." JOHN 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us over the long run. When we build our lives around material possessions we will always want more, and no amount will ever satisfy our desire. True joy and peace only come when we follow Jesus - when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered."



Mass Intentions: IC

Sunday, March 15

9 a.m. – For the spiritual benefit of Aila River Jones, birthday; by Kim & David Jones.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS on MARCH 13

6 PM – St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro

6:30 PM – IC, Poteau (Bilingual). A meatless meal follows.

7 PM – Saint Joseph (Spanish)

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Annual Easter Lily collection

Each of our three parishes is taking up voluntary donations of money for the lilies that will adorn our churches at Easter. (Some have already used their envelopes!) The suggested amount remains \$20.

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Charism Workshop is Saturday morning

A team from the diocese will be at Immaculate Conception's Parish Hall at 9 a.m. on Saturday to help us to better know our God-given charisms (gifts) and how to harness them. This session will last until 12 noon and it's open for everyone. A light breakfast will be provided.

If you would, please call Katie (918-413-5507) to let her know you are coming. This event is in English.

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Altar Server workshop Saturday afternoon

Father Sean will work with all current and prospective altar servers at 2 p.m. on Saturday at Immaculate Conception.

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IC 'Fellowship Sunday' next week

The monthly "Fellowship of the Faithful" for the 9 a.m. English Mass will be held in the IC Parish Hall immediately after the conclusion of the Mass next Sunday, March 14. Everyone is invited to come by, have a donut, coffee or juice, and meet new and old friends.

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'Love the Sojourner'

Online petition seeks signatures

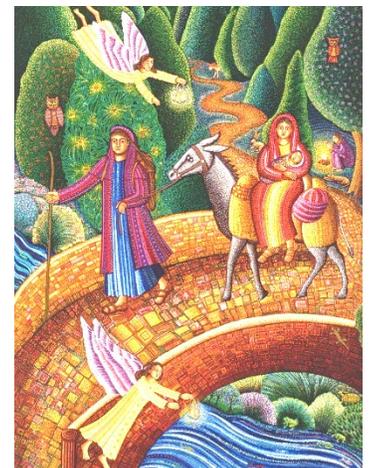
A Christian call for a more compassionate response to the ongoing problem of immigration law enforcement hopes to enlist your help.

You can find their statement – and a link to sign if you agree – here:

<https://www.lovethe-sojourner.com/>

Bishop David Konderla and Archbishop Paul Coakley have signed.

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Prayers for Our Sick & Shut-ins

"And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well." (James 5:15)

Emily Weller, Nicolosa Solis, John Paul, Billy Wood, Rufina Estabillo, Carmen Vasquez, Ana Narvaez, Juan Narvaez, Frances Liddy, Jim Norwood, Yuliana Casildo, Anthony Guerrero, Javier Diaz, Theresa Grafton, Donald Hargrove, Marge Frizzell, Donald Brooks, Vera Trout, Pilar Botello, Genia Harber, Oscar San Juan, Brandon Torres, Bobby Jackson, Robin Jackson, Jill Figari, Brenda Lizzet Cabral, Susan Heavener, Mayra Gavina, Christine Mainard, Anastacio Solis, Katie Malone, John Harris, Lizz Lopez, Roger O'Hara, Cassie Casildo, John Worton, Johnny & Barbara Morris, Nanette Johnson & Russell Tenison.

Daily Mass Readings

9 Monday of the Third Week of Lent (P) / 2 Kings 5:1-15ab / Psalm 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 / Luke 4:24-30

10 Tuesday of the Third Week of Lent (P) / Daniel 3:25, 34-43 / Psalm 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9 / Matthew 18:21-35

11 Wednesday of the Third Week of Lent (P) / Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 / Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 / Matthew 5:17-19

12 Thursday of the Third Week of Lent (P) / Jeremiah 7:23-28 / Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 / Luke 11:14-23

13 Friday of the Third Week of Lent (P) / Hosea 14:2-10 / Psalm 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 & 17 / Mark 12:28-34

14 Saturday of the Third Week of Lent (P) / Hosea 6:1-6 / Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab / Luke 18:9-14

15 Fourth Sunday of Lent (P) / 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a / Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 / Ephesians 5:8-14 / John 9:1-41

Notable Upcoming Events

FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHFUL – IC, 10 a.m. Sunday, March 15
60+ POTLUCK & ROSARY – Rectory, 5 p.m. Sunday, March 22.
NIGHT OF MERCY – Thursday, March 26 at Immaculate Conception. Confessions from 6 to 8 p.m. Multiple priests.

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This Week's Schedule

Monday, March 9

– No Daily Mass today.

Tuesday, March 10

– 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass in the IC Chapel.

– 6:30 p.m. OCIA at IC

Wednesday, March 11

– 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass in the IC Chapel

– 5 to 9 p.m. Midweek Adoration in the IC Chapel

– 6:30 p.m. IC. Faith Formation, BRIDGE, EDGE, Confirmation

Thursday, March 12

– 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass in the IC Chapel

Friday, March 13

– 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass in the IC Chapel

– 6 p.m. Stations of the Cross, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro.

– 6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross, Immaculate Conception

– 7 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Spanish), Saint Joseph, Stigler.

Saturday, March 14

– 9 to 12 Noon at IC: Charism Workshop

– 2 p.m. IC: Altar Server Workshop

– 5 p.m. Vigil Mass at Saint Joseph Church, Stigler.

Sunday, March 15 – Fourth Sunday in Lent

– 7:30 a.m. Early Bird Bible Study, IC

– 9 a.m. English Mass at Immaculate Conception, Poteau

– 10 a.m. IC Parish Hall – Fellowship of the Faithful!

– 11 a.m. Spanish Mass at Immaculate Conception, Poteau

– 1 p.m. Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro

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