

OUR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Father Sean O'Brien

The Commemoration of All Souls

November 2, 2025



'If then we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more ...'

Romans 6:8-9

Immaculate Conception

410 N. Bagwell, Poteau, OK

Mailing Address: PO Box 237

Sunday Mass – 9 a.m. English

11 a.m. Spanish

Daily Mass: Tu-Fri 8:30 a.m. Chapel

Confessions 30 min. before Mass

or by Appointment

St. Elizabeth

Ann Seton

16526 US 271 (East of Spiro)

Sunday Mass – 1 p.m. English

Confessions by appointment

St. Joseph Church

1406 NW 7th St., Stigler, OK

Saturday Vigil Mass – 5 p.m.

Confessions 30 min. before Mass

or by Appointment

Office Phone 918-647-3475

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Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Gifts for God

October 26, 2025

Immaculate Conception

General Collection - \$ 1,440.00
Weekly Budget Need - 2,075.00

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

General Collection - \$ 513.00
Weekly Budget Need 950.00

Saint Joseph

General Collection - \$ 545.00
Weekly Budget Need 607.00



Stewardship

Reflections

"...because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me...." JOHN 6:38

When praying the "Our Father", say the words slowly so you truly recognize what you are saying. Every day when praying this prayer, we repeat what Jesus said in the scripture passage – "thy kingdom come, thy will be done." Even though we say these words, do our actions reflect those words? This is the difference between saints and the rest of us. Saints were faithful and obedient to God's will. Start today – start aligning your words and actions with God's will for you.



Mass Intentions: IC

November 9, 2025

9 a.m. – + *For the repose of the soul of Bert Manning; by David Jones.*

11 a.m. – + *For the repose of the soul of Joseph Cerami; by Kim Jones.*

Gift Shop open today

The Immaculate Conception Gift Shop is open today after each Mass in the Parish Hall. It's been awhile since most of us have been by: there is new merchandise and a lot of older items "marked down" for quick sale. Proceeds go to help the parish prepare for the next big project: expansion of our outgrown Parish Hall.

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Also: Tulsa Catholic store sales to help IC

Starting Monday through next Saturday, Catholic Book & Gift Store in Tulsa is donating 20% of all sales to Immaculate Conception. Doesn't matter whether it's in-store or online. The web address is: <https://catholicbookandgifts.com/> If you're thinking about Christmas gifts or perhaps enhancing the sacred character of your home, please check out their web catalogue.

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Religious vocation in your future?

Are you a young lady or gentleman in middle school, high school, or college?

Do you ever wonder what Religious Life is all about?

Come to the Church of St. Benedict in Broken Arrow on Sunday, Nov. 16, for a two-hour meeting with the **Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate** and **Religious Sisters of Mercy** of Alma, Michigan. It starts at 1:30 p.m.

There's no registration necessary, no fee to pay, just an opportunity to hear the brothers speak of their Order and religious life, and the sisters discuss Vocations and their Order.

The visit is sponsored by the Mission of Mary's Army (www.marysarmy1917.com)

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Dr. Karlo double-header: Don't miss!

Dr. Karlo Broussard, itinerant apologist for the Diocese of Tulsa, is coming to Poteau and Stigler on Saturday, Nov. 15 for two separate talks that you will not want to miss.

At 4 p.m. on Saturday, Karlo will talk on "Empowered to Share: Embracing the Call to Evangelize in the Modern World." Evangelization is the call of all Christians but there are obstacles to overcome. He will explain how to do that – and why we should.

Then at 6 p.m., beginning with a potluck meal at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, he will speak on "Mary: Queen of Heaven or Queen of Idolaters?" If you have a non-Catholic friend who is interested in exploring our beliefs, bring him along. Karlo will love it.

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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)

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, Barbara Rogers, 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.

Many names have been removed in this latest update of the Prayer List.

We do not want to omit anyone who still needs our prayers, so please contact David at the Parish Office if you wish to reinstate or add someone.

Daily Mass Readings

3 Monday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 11: 29-36 / Psalm 69:30-31, 33-34, 36 / Luke 14:12-14

4 Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop (W) / Romans 12:5-16ab / Psalm 131:1bcde, 2, 3 / Luke 14:15-24

5 Wednesday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 13:8-10 / Psalm 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 / Luke 14:25-33

6 Thursday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 14: 7-12 / Psalm 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 / Luke 15:1-10

7 Friday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 15: 14-21 / Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 / Luke 16:1-8

9 Saturday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 16: 3-9, 16, 22-37 / Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11 / Luke 16:9-15

9 Feast of Lateran Basilica (W) / Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 / Psalm 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9 / 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17 / John 2:13-22

Looking Ahead: Important Events

- **IC GIFT SHOP SPECIAL SALE** - Today (Nov. 2) in the Parish Hall after each Mass. New items!
- **ALL WEEK BENEFIT SALE** Nov. 3-8 at Catholic Book & Gift, Tulsa. All items sold earn Immaculate Conception 20% commission. Great for pre-Christmas! In store or online.
- **ALTAR SERVER SPIRITUAL RETREAT**, Saturday, Nov. 15, 10:30 – 3 p.m. St. Benedict Church in Broken Arrow.
- **DR. KARLO BROUSSARD**, Saturday, November 15. At 4 p.m. at Immaculate Conception & 6 p.m. at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro.
- **CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD PANTRY**, Saturday, Nov. 22.

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This Week's Schedule

Monday, November 3

- 6:30 p.m. Spanish OCIA at IC.

Tuesday, November 4

- 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass in the IC Chapel.
- 6:30 p.m. English OCIA in the Youth Center.

Wednesday, November 5

- 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. All Faith Formation classes scheduled.

Thursday, November 6

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

Friday, November 7

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

Saturday, November 8

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

Sunday, Nov. 9 – Feast of Dedication of Lateran Basilica

- 7:30 a.m. Early Bird Bible Study (Youth Room)
- 9 a.m. English Mass at Immaculate Conception, Poteau
- 11 a.m. Spanish Mass at Immaculate Conception, Poteau
- 1 p.m. Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro

BULLETIN EXTRA – November 2, 2025

Immaculate Conception readies emergency food baskets

Father Sean and the Immaculate Conception community are collecting food for Emergency Bags to assist local households who will be hit hard by the cancellation of SNAP (food stamp) benefits due to the prolonged federal financial shutdown. We need to move quickly; calls for assistance have already begun, and the demand on last Saturday's mobile food pantry exceeded our normal delivery.



If you can afford to help, bring your donations to the Parish Hall today (Sunday), Monday and Tuesday, so we can get it all boxed and bagged. The Parish Hall will be open for delivery of donations until 5:30 Sunday and Monday.

What is needed? Canned goods (non-perishables like soups, fruit, etc. are great), tomato and spaghetti sauces; pasta, canned milk; cereals. Crackers, juices. Especially those items that do not require refrigeration.

We will make public announcements about the distribution of food soon.

The emergency food drive does not affect our monthly Catholic Charities Mobile Food Pantry, which will arrive on Saturday, Nov. 22, as regularly scheduled.

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Angel Tree forms available in church, offices

If you have a young child or two in mind for the Angel Tree Project, we have forms available (in English and Spanish). This year Immaculate Conception is partnering with St. Benedict parish in Broken Arrow to provide for needy youths.

Here at IC we are gathering the names, and St. Benedict is providing the gifts. Each girl or boy can request up to three items they need or want. There is no specific age range.

Forms are available from Dave Jones, Katie Burwell, Melisa Gonzalez or any of our ushers.

The deadline for submission is Nov. 16. That's only two weeks, so act quickly.

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