

OUR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Father Sean O'Brien

The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 26, 2025

**The exalted will
be humbled; the
humble, exalted.**

Jesus tells a parable of a
two men at the Temple:

A proud Pharisee & a
repentant tax collector.

One returned home,
justified before God.

The other did not.

A warning for us all.

Sunday Gospel reading
Luke 18:9-14

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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Gifts for God

October 19, 2025

Immaculate Conception

General Collection - \$ 1,961.00

Weekly Budget Need - 2,075.00

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

General Collection - \$ 811.01

Weekly Budget Need 950.00

Saint Joseph

General Collection - \$ 617.00

Weekly Budget Need 607.00



Stewardship

Reflections

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." LUKE 18:14

Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable or your talent is better than anyone else or your money gives you status is another way of making those things "gods" before God. Pride is the opposite of humility. Remember, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.



Mass Intentions: IC

November 2, 2025

9 a.m. – + *For the repose of the souls of Benjamin & Consuela Lanuza; by Fidel & Cecilia Lanuza.*

11 a.m. – *For the spiritual benefit of Kelda Hoffman & Ramona Hargrove; by Kim & David Jones.*

A very special buying opportunity

Thinking ahead to Christmas? Want to help Immaculate Conception? You can do both! From Monday, Nov. 3 to Saturday, Nov. 8, Catholic Book & Gift in Tulsa will donate 20% of their sales – both online and in-store – to Immaculate Conception.

To coincide, we will open our Gift Shop (in the parish hall) after each Mass on Sunday, Nov. 2. There's new merchandise and a lot of items you may not have seen. This "inventory reduction sale" will benefit our Building Fund as we look ahead to the expansion of our parish hall and office building.

The Tulsa store is online at <https://catholicbookandgifts.com/>. Many thanks to Jim and Carol Bryan and family for this wonderful opportunity.

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Angel Tree joint project for IC – Saint Benedict

An "Angel Tree" for children who otherwise might have a bleak Christmas will be held this year. It's a cooperative project between Immaculate Conception and Saint Benedict parish in Broken Arrow.

Our parish members can submit names of children with a list of **three items** that they want or need. We need to know:

- If it's a girl or boy, and the age of the child.
- If request is for clothing or shoes, the right sizes.

Saint Benedict's team will fulfill the Angel Tree requests, up to 30. We need names no later than November 17. Please write them legibly and include your name and contact number, in case there are questions. Bring them to the Parish Office or hand them to Dave or Katie.

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Karlo Broussard returns Nov. 15 to Poteau, Spiro

Dr. Karlo Broussard, resident apologist for the Diocese of Tulsa, returns to Immaculate Conception and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton on Saturday, Nov. 15 for two distinct talks.

At 4 p.m. at IC, Karlo talks on "Empowered to Share: Embracing the Call to Evangelize in the Modern World," where he explores the concept of evangelization and emphasizes powerful modes of sharing the faith through personal life testimony and verbal proclamation. He will discuss common obstacles we face – fear, misunderstanding, cultural challenges – but highlight why evangelization is the call of all Christians, and why we should engage in it.

At 6 p.m., at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, beginning with a potluck meal, Karlo will deliver another talk on a topic to be determined. All Catholic friends are invited. More details to come.

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BULLETIN EXTRA - October 26, 2025

Celebrate with Bishop David, Heavener Catholics!

Bishop David Konderla is coming to Sacred Heart Mission in Heavener on Saturday morning as the ongoing Jubilee of Hope Pilgrimage celebration. Confessions begin at 8:30 a.m., and the Mass is at 10 a.m. Let's help them celebrate!

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Come to the IC Party as your favorite saint

The Immaculate Conception All Saints Party is this Saturday, Nov. 1, at 6 p.m. at the new Pavilion (and with a newly-illuminated staircase for your walking safety). It's a spaghetti-themed potluck for adults and children. Come in costume as your favorite saint and prepare to play games and fellowship.

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All Souls Day next Sunday – Bring a photo

Next Sunday is the Feast of All Souls. You are invited to bring a photo(s) of loved ones to Mass for special intercessory prayers. November is the month we pray especially for the deceased who may be in Purgatory.

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Your help needed to refresh our Prayer List

Please help our office staff keep our Prayer List up-to-date. We need to know 1) who has recovered or 2) who still needs our prayers. The list will be adjusted based on your feedback. Contact David in the Parish Office, or text him at 918-576-9314.

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Altar Server Spiritual Retreat

An Altar Server Spiritual Retreat will be held at Saint Benedict church in Broken Arrow on Saturday, Nov. 15, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. (includes lunch). All servers, clergy and ministry leaders are invited. Bishop David Konderla and Gabriel Castillo will speak.

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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, Angi Andrepont, Sandra Mejia, Yuliana Casildo, Liz Sosa, Anthony Guerrero, Nicholas Farias, Javier Diaz, Kathleen Linville, Theresa Grafton, Nicolosa Solis, Artis Jackson, Clarence Nobles, Emily Query, Savannah Anderson, Janita Hendricks, Donald Hargrove, Marge Frizzell, Jack Harrison, Donald Brooks, Vera Trout, Ruel Salada, Pilar Botello, Josh Noel, Genia Harber, Oscar San Juan, Dianna Garcia, Brandon Torres, Bobby Jackson, Robin Jackson, Barbara Legrif, Collin Urizar, Juan Diego, Alec Brenman, Felicitas Garcia, Onor Roop, Doris Krause, Patsy Slagle, Charles Lohmann, Jill Figari, Macrina Lara, Barbara Rogers, Susan Heavener, Kyle Harmon, Rogelio Rivera, Jose Martinez, Mayra Gavina, Christine Mainard, Elda Lauryn, Colton Simpson, Shelby Burgos, Itzel Gomez, Patty Karpika, Agustina Ruiz, Sandra Mejia, Anastacio Solis, Edith & Lazarus Girton, George Mansour, Josefina Estrada, Katie Malone, John Harris, Lizz Lopez, Roger O'Hara, Cassie Casildo, John Worton, Johnny & Barbara Morris, Nanette Johnson, & Russell Tenison.

Daily Mass Readings

27 Monday of the 30th Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 8: 12-17 / Psalm 68:2 & 4, 6-7ab, 20-21 / Luke 13:10-17

28 Feasts of Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles (R) / Ephesians 2: 19-22 / Psalm 19:2-3, 4-5 / Luke 6:12-16

29 Wednesday of the 30th Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 8:26-30 / Psalm 13:4-5, 6 / Luke 13:22-30

30 Thursday of the 30th Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 8: 31b-39 / Psalm 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31 / Luke 13:31-35

31 Friday of the 30th Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Romans 9: 1-5 / Psalm 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 / Luke 14:1-6

1 Solemnity of All Saints (W) / Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 / Psalm 24: 1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 / 1 John 3:1-3 / Matthew 5:1-12a

2 Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls) (P) / Wisdom 3:1-9 / Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 / Romans 5:5-11 or Romans 6:3-9 / John 6:37-40

Looking Ahead: Important Events

- **JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE**, Saturday, Nov. 1, 10 a.m. Sacred Heart Mission, Heavener.
- **ALL SAINTS PARTY**, IC, Sat., Nov. 1, 6 p.m. At the Pavilion!
- **ALL SOULS DAY**, Nov. 2 – Bring photos of loved ones to church
- **IC GIFT SHOP SALE** – Nov. 2, after each Mass. Parish Hall.
- **ALTAR SERVER SPIRITUAL RETREAT**, Saturday, Nov. 15, 10:30 – 3 p.m. St. Benedict Church in Broken Arrow.
- **DR. KARLO BROUSSARD**, Saturday, November 15.

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This Week's Schedule

Monday, October 27

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

Tuesday, October 28

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

Wednesday, October 29

- 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. Bridge classes 1 & 2, and Confirmation.

Thursday, October 30

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

Friday, October 31

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

Saturday, November 1

- 10 a.m. Jubilee Pilgrimage at Sacred Heart in Heavener.
- 5 p.m. Vigil Mass at Saint Joseph Church, Stigler.
- 6 p.m. All Saints Party at the IC Pavillion!

Sunday, Nov. 2 – Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

- 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