OUR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Father Sean O'Brien The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 21, 2025



Immaculate Conception



Saint Joseph



Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton



Our Catholic Community

Immaculate Conception Church - Poteau

502 N. Bagwell - P.O. Box 237, Poteau, OK 74953 Daily Mass: Tuesday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. Sunday: English, 9 a.m. Spanish, 11 a.m.

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton - Spiro

16526 US Highway 271 (East of Spiro) Sunday Mass: 1 p.m.

Saint Joseph Church - Stigler

1406 NW 7th St. Saturday Vigil Mass: 5 p.m.

Confessions: 30 Minutes before Weekend Masses or by Appointment

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Gifts for God September 14, 2025

Immaculate Conception

General Collection - \$ 2,348.00 Weekly Budget Need - 2,075.00

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

Report delayed

Weekly Budget Need 950.00

Saint Joseph

Report Delayed

Weekly Budget Need 607.00

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Stewardship Reflections

"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)."

LUKE 16:13

Jesus knows that for many of us, God and money run "neck and neck" as top priority. Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from becoming a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

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Mass Intentions: IC

September 28

9 a.m. – For the Spiritual Benefit of Barbara Rogers; by Kim & Dave Jones. 11 a.m. – For the repose of the soul of Most Rev. Eusebius J. Beltran, Archbishop Emeritus of Oklahoma City.

Saint Michael Holy Hour at IC

The Feast of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael – the only angels named in sacred Scripture - is next Monday, Sept. 29. Father Sean invites us to participate in a Saint Michael Holy Hour at 7 p.m. at Immaculate Conception.

Food pantry this Saturday (really)

The monthly visit of the Catholic Charities Mobile Food Pantry will be Saturday, Sept.27, at the PARC ballfields south of town. Time for volunteers to show will be 9 a.m. (*Apologies from the bulletin editor for last week's misleading headline.*)

IC FFF Student enrolment hits 73

Student enrolment in our Faith Formation program hit 73 this week.

Work Day at IC is October 11

A parish "work day" at Immaculate Conception is set for Saturday, October 11, starting at 8 a.m. There's a lot of outdoor work to be done, so dress appropriately (boots, work gloves, etc.) and bring your chain saws, weed eaters and branch pruners (loppers). It will be a fruitful time of fellowship.

Archbishop Emeritus Eusebius J. Beltran – 1934-2025

Funeral services for Archbishop Emeritus Eusebius J. Beltran will be held Tuesday and Wednesday (Sept. 23-24) in Oklahoma City. Archbishop Beltran served as Bishop of Tulsa between 1978 and 1993. His body will lie in repose from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help on Tuesday with a vigil service at 6:30 p.m. On



Wednesday, his body will lie in repose at the Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine, with the Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Burial will be in Resurrection Cemetery.

On deciding who Jesus really is

"... every individual must make a decision for or against the person of Jesus ... Jesus is either who he says he is, or he is not. A careful reading of the gospels reveals that Jesus does not let people walk the fence. He asks people to decide who he is. He tells us we cannot serve two masters and that we must take up our cross and follow him."

(An excerpt from the book, <u>A Clear Path</u>, copies available in the parish office.)

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, Sandra Mejia, Yuliana Casildo, Liz Sosa, Anthony Guerrero, Nicholas Farias, Javier Diaz, Kathleen Linville, Colten Benson, 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 & Violet Ray.

Daily Mass Readings

22 Monday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Ezra 1:1-6 / Psalm 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 / Luke 8:16-18

23 Memorial of Saint Padre Pio of Petrelcina, Priest (W) / Ezra 6: 7-8, 12b, 14-20 / Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 / Luke 8:19-21

24 Wednesday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Ezra 9:5-9 / (Psalm) Tobit 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 / Luke 9:1-6

25 Thursday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Haggai 1:1-8 / Psalm 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b / Luke 9:7-9

26 Friday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Haggai 2:1-9 / Psalm 43:1, 2, 3 4 / Luke 9:18-22

27 Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest (W) / Zechariah 2:59, 14-15a / (Psalm) Jeremiah 31:
10, 11-12ab, 13 / Luke 9:43b-45

28 The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) Amos 6:1a, 4-7 / Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 / 1 Timothy 6:11-16 / Luke 16:19-31

Looking Ahead: Important Events

- TULSA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE, Sept. 26-27.
- MOBILE FOOD PANTRY, Sept. 27, Poteau PARC, 9 a.m.
- SAINT MICHAEL HOLY HOUR, Monday, Sept. 29, IC, 7 p.m.
- FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION, IC Chapel, Oct. 3, 9 a.m. onward
- IC PARISH WORK DAY October 11, starting at 8 a.m. Bring your work gloves & a song in your hearts!
- **THREE HEARTS PILGRIMAGE –** Oct. 9-11, 35-miles to Clear Creek Abbey, Hulbert. Registration: threeheartspilgrimage.org.

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This Week's Schedule

Monday, September 22

– Spanish OCIA at IC – 6:30 p.m. in Parish Hall.

Tuesday, September 23

- -8:30 a.m. Daily Mass in the IC Chapel.
- 6:30 p.m. English OCIA at IC in Parish Hall.

Wednesday, September 24

- 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; Parents & Students.

Thursday, September 25

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

Friday, September 26

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

Saturday, September 27

- 9 a.m. Volunteers arrive, Catholic Charities Food Truck in Poteau
- 5 p.m. Vigil Mass at Saint Joseph Church, Stigler.

Sunday, September 28 - The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 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

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