

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH



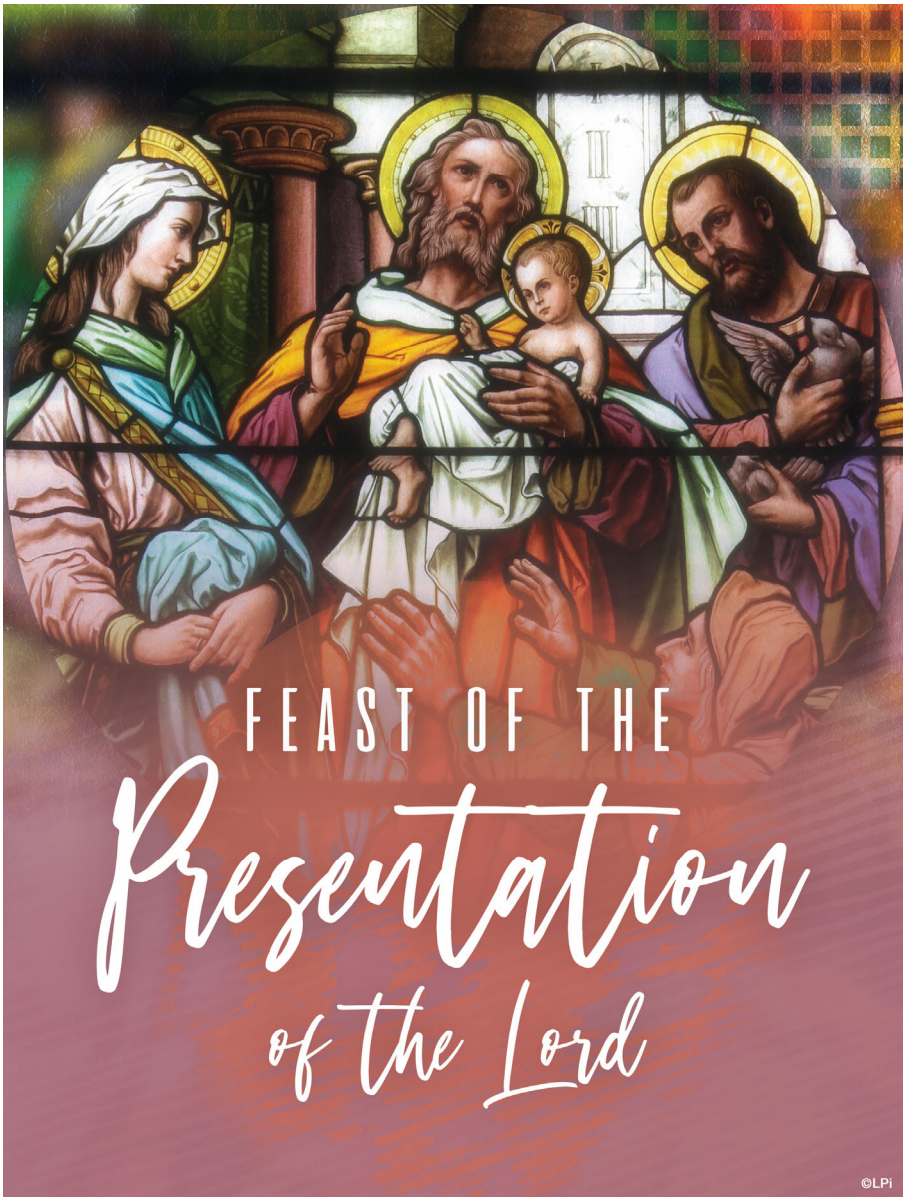
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900 S. Littler
Edmond, OK 73034



FEBRUARY 1, 2026 • 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic Christian Community, called to be faithful, caring, enthusiastic disciples. We build up the Kingdom of God by worshipping and praising Him, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and witness, giving loving service to our neighbor and strengthening the parish community.

PERPETUAL ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

24 hours a day/7 days a week
See p. 3 for details

MASS TIMES

Saturday

Vigil, 4:30 pm

Sunday

7:30 am, 9:30 am* 11:30 am*, 5:30 pm

* child care available, incense

Daily & Holy Days

See "Mass Intentions" on p. 2

SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

Penance

Wednesday 5:00-6:00 pm

Friday 4:00-5:00 pm

Saturday 3:00-4:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick

Please call 405-340-0691

Emergencies call 405-340-0691

Baptism Prep

Parish_Office@stjohn-catholic.org

Matrimony

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance

MUSIC FOR WEEKEND OF JAN. 31–FEB. 1, 2026

Entrance Hymn G568 – Rejoice, the Lord Is King!

Scripture Readings & Responsorial Psalm G1011

Offertory Hymn G683 – Be Not Afraid

Communion Hymn G728 – Eye Has Not Seen

Communion Hymn G902 – O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God

Post-Communion Hymn – Soul of My Savior (Front of Hymnal)

Recessional Hymn G736 – The Kingdom of God

WORSHIP

GOSPEL MEDITATION

February 1, 2026

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 5:1-12a

A priest I know was once falsely accused of a terrible crime. The claim was wild and easily disproved, but for a while, it didn't matter. In the atmosphere shaped by the abuse crisis of the early 2000s, the public assumption was guilty until proven innocent. His name was dragged through the mud, and his ministry placed on hold. I had the privilege — and the burden — of walking closely with him during that time.

He was angry. He was confused. He felt abandoned and deeply disoriented. The last thing on his mind was the words of Jesus in today's Gospel: "Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil against

you falsely because of me ... Rejoice and be glad" (Matthew 5:11-12). Rejoice? He felt anything but.

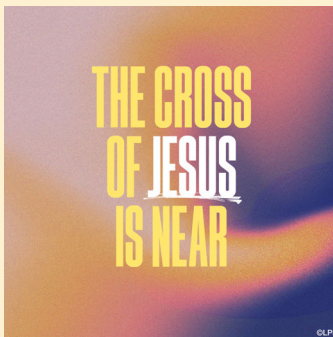
And yet... something holy slowly grew in him. Not overnight, and not without pain. But as the truth came to light and his name was cleared, I watched him become more Christlike —

more patient, more compassionate, more detached from human approval.

Maybe you haven't faced something so dramatic. But where do you feel judged? Misrepresented? Overlooked? Maybe someone else got the credit or the promotion. Maybe someone you love isn't getting their due. In those moments, the Cross of Jesus is near. When we feel accused, that's when we ask him for the grace not just to endure, but somehow, mysteriously, to rejoice and be glad.

— Father John Muir

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 01.....7:30 am..... † Mickey & Betty Gilliland
9:30 am..... People of the Parish
11:30 am..... † Joanne Arnold
5:30 pm..... † Fr. Joseph Jacobi

Monday 02.....7:30 am..... Joan Thorne
(Candlemas) 7:00 pm..... † Paul & Mary Louise Khoury

Tuesday 03.....7:30 am..... Tammy Gaddy

Wednesday 04..7:30 am..... † Jessie Francis Gelders
11:30 am..... † Marty Freeman

Thursday 05.....7:30 am..... Clark Buettner
8:30 am..... † Truong Nguyen

Friday 06.....7:30 am..... † James & Linda Forsythe
5:30 pm..... † Dr. Suresh Chandrasekaran

Saturday 07.....7:30 am..... † David Dines
4:30 pm..... † Andrea Raglow

Sunday 08.....7:30 am..... † Brian Scott
9:30 am..... People of the Parish
11:30 am..... † Bill Kramerick
5:30 pm..... † Floremon Agura

† = deceased

Want to sign up for a Mass intention? Please contact
parish_office@stjohn-catholic.org or (405) 340-0691.



The Flame of Love Rosary

Join us in praying this special Rosary every Saturday morning at 11 am in the Daily Mass Chapel (location subject to change).

Helpers of the Holy Souls Prayer Meeting

All who are interested in praying for the Church Suffering are invited every 1st Saturday of the month for 45 minutes in the Daily Mass Chapel following 7:30 am Daily Mass. Contact Ceci Chapman-Taylor with any questions: 405-650-7691.



Pray The Rosary Daily

Please join us before daily Mass on all weekdays, in the Sanctuary, at 7:00 am and Sundays at 11:00 am before 11:30 am Mass to pray the Holy Rosary. If you are interested in leading the rosary, contact Ann Sorrels at 405-834-5906.



MARIAN FLOWERS

In Remembrance of Elmer & Dorothy Russell

By Margaret Downie

If interested in a flower memorial or celebration, please call or email the parish office at 405-340-0691 or

parish_office@stjohn-catholic.org and they can assist you. Dates are available on a first come, first come, first serve basis.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Due to space limitations, names are removed from prayer list after three months. If you wish to have a name added, please contact parish_office@stjohn-catholic.org or 405-340-0691.

Larry Cammuso	Charlie Suenram
Robert Cary	Tate Family
Marilyn Clement	Geri Thacker
Erin Clemente	Tasha Todd
Danny Corona *	Ernestine Walker
Robert (Bob) Cox	Peggy Wallace
Lane & Megan Davenport	Judy Wessel
Andrea Davis	Wilder Wright
Family of Demetri	* New this week
Margaret Diamon	
Paul Diehl	
Lavetta Fields	
Jim & MaryAnne Forsythe	
Berta Gonzales	
Anne Graham	
Marilyn Gulino *	
Jessica Hargesheimer	
Catherin Herrold	
Jacquelyn Hicks	
David Hodge	
Kayla Hunter *	
Ellen Innis	
Jessica Jameson	
Jeremy & Family	
Joey	
Donna Jones	
Janet Keene	
Kreitinger Family	
Helen Livingstone	
David & Leonora Lutgring	
Mac McShane & Family *	
Mary Katherine Meade	
Charlene Mills	
Martha & Mike Minnis	
Patrick Mitchell	
Melody Mora	
Natalie Munson	
Gordon Murray	
Wendy Nielsen *	
Janet Ondrake	
Jeanna Padilla	
Nick Pugh	
Judah Rivera	
Nita Roberts	
Susan Scherm	
Laura L. Scott	
Robert Sellers	
Shelly Simmons	
Patty Steadman	
James & Marie Steichen	

Eucharistic Adoration

Pink indicates an urgent need.

"A Holy Hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament is worth more than a thousand years of human glory."
-St. Padre Pio



Day	Hour
Monday	2 am, 6 am & 3 pm
Tuesday	4 am
Wednesday	1 am
Thursday	3 am
Friday	1 am, 2 am, 8 pm, 9 pm, 10 pm & 11 pm
Saturday	12 am, 2 am, 3 am, 11 am, 12 pm, 2 pm, 6 pm, 7 pm & 11 pm
Sunday	12 am, 1 am, 5 am, 6 am, 1 pm, 4 pm & 8 pm

Contact Janet Barresi to sign up at
(405) 590-4797 or janetbarresi@mac.com



Deceased Loved Ones

If you have a relative who has died recently whose death/funeral you would like included in the bulletin, please let us know by emailing communications@stjohn-catholic.org.



MAY HE REST IN PEACE

Pat delaGarza

ADMINISTRATION

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

Parish Offertory

Weekly Collection (1/20 – 1/26/26)	\$ 70,799.54
FY 26 Year to Date Collection	2,444,779.84
FY 25 Year to Date Collection	2,309,340.46
FY 26 Collection Budget	3,744,000.00

Poor Box/Samaritan House

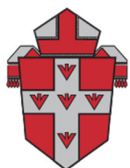
Weekly Collection (1/20 – 1/26/26)	\$11,493.00
FY 26 Year to Date Collection	146,631.10
FY 25 Year to Date Collection	146,431.07
FY 26 Poor Box Budget	230,000.00

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Weekend of February 1, 2026

White Envelope — Weekly Offering

Blue Envelope — Building & Maintenance



Go Make Disciples

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL
ARCHDIOCESE OF OKLAHOMA CITY

The Annual Catholic Appeal is here! Through the ACA, we join together to support vital ministries across the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City that share Christ's love with thousands of people each year. These ministries provide Catholic education for children, formation for seminarians, marriage preparation and enrichment for couples, and facilities for retreats, conferences, and camps. None of this is possible without your generosity. As Commitment Weekend approaches, please prayerfully discern your support of the ACA. To learn more or to make your gift today, visit: www.archokc.org/aca.



Candlemas

MASS BY CANDLE LIGHT FOR THE
FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION

BRING YOUR PRAYER CANDLES
FROM HOME TO BE BLESSED!

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2
7 PM IN THE CHURCH



ACTS

St. John The Baptist invites YOU!

ACTS is a Catholic retreat that is designed to help individuals deepen their relationship with God, grow in faith, and connect with others in their parish community.

Women's Retreat

February 5-8

Men's Retreat

February 26-March 1

You can also contact
Erin Snow at
esnow@stjohn-catholic.org
or (405) 340-0691.

SCAN ME



Join us for Troop 21's
36th Annual



AUCTION & CHILI SUPPER

SATURDAY | FEB | ST. JOHN'S
AT 5:30 PM | 7 | GREAT HALL

Stop by the Gathering Space after all
Masses Jan. 31-Feb. 1 to purchase tickets.

Bulletin and Newsletter Content Submissions should be directed to communications@stjohn-catholic.org by noon on Thursday (10 days before Sunday). Submissions are accepted as space permits and are subject to editing. Graphics will be created and used if space permits.



SAMARITAN HOUSE

42 E. 9th Edmond, OK
Open Monday- Friday
9:00 am–12:00 pm
samhouse@stjohn-catholic.org
405-216-7554

Please drop off donations in the bin marked Samaritan House in the closet in the Commons. Do not leave items on the porch as animals get them and we are not able to use your donation.

Do you or someone you know need assistance with food or utilities? St. John's Samaritan House is here to help.
Call or come by!

Current Needs:
toilet paper and cereal

February Peru Shipment

Want to reach out to your adopted family in Peru? Send your family a box! This shipment will arrive right before their Winter! Blankets, sweatshirts, hats, and gloves are welcome gifts. The **deadline** to have your F2F boxes for the next Peru Shipment is **Wednesday, February 25**. Inventory sheets are available in the Commons closet.



Bring your boxes to the **PERU WAREHOUSE** located at 307 Wimbledon Drive (just off of 2nd Street between Fretz and Kelly) in Edmond on one of the following days:
Saturday, February 14 from 10 am to 1 pm.
Saturday, February 21 from 10 am to 4 pm.
OR drop off your boxes at the **PERU HOUSE** located at 1009 S. Littler Avenue on any **Wednesday** afternoon in February (Feb. 4, 11, 18 & 25) from 1 to 4 pm or by appointment.

General donations of clean clothing, shoes, dishes, flatware, sheets & blankets, towels and religious items (all in good condition) are always welcome and may be dropped off at the Peru House, Warehouse or left in the closet in the Commons in bags or boxes marked "Peru." (No electrical appliances or computers.)

In addition: the Medical & Dental teams are collecting **small stuffed animals, rosaries and medals** to hand out to their patients. Donations can also be left at the Peru House, Warehouse or Commons Closet. Contact Mike Fronkier at 405-509-1312 or Donna Rogge at 405-740-1822 for appointments or questions.

Donations for the Sanctuary Women's Development Center

Donations will be accepted after all Masses
January 11-February 1 in the Gathering Space.

We are collecting:



- Gallon-Size Ziploc bags
- Deodorant soap
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Disposable Razors
- Feminine Hygiene Products



Sponsored by ACTS



Greeters Needed

Are you a social person? Do you like meeting new people? Do you have a servant's heart? Then consider joining the Greeter/Hospitality Ministry. We are in need of people **JUST LIKE YOU!** Contact the parish office or call Richard Baker at 707-330-3979 for more information.



What should I do if a loved one or friend is homebound and needs to receive Communion outside of the Parish?

St. John's has a central contact for parishioners to reach out to: Kay Sommer, who leads the Communion to the Homebound Ministry. You can call Kay at 405-474-6593 or e-mail her at KleaBarrett@yahoo.com not only with Communion needs but also if you have questions about this ministry. She will designate and dispatch a trained and commissioned ministry member in a timely manner and ensure that the needs of the homebound for Holy Communion are met. You may also reach out to Diane Gbone at sjbemhc@gmail.com.



**Guest Speaker:
Elizabeth Lev**

THE WOUND THAT HEALS ENTERING THE MYSTERY OF REDEMPTIVE SUFFERING

LENTEN SERIES: PART 1
**EXPLORATION OF CHRIST SUFFERING
THROUGH ART, MUSIC & PRAYER**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19 | 7 PM
GREAT HALL

Elizabeth Lev is

- American art historian based in Rome
- Teacher at Duquesne University and the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas
- Vatican Museums consultant and a Vatican analyst for NBC

OTHER UPCOMING DATES:

Part 1 | Beauty Offered | March 7
Speaker from Hallow
Part 2 | Beauty Pierced | March 24
Eric Genius

LIMITED CHILDCARE AVAILABLE
WITH ONLINE REGISTRATION!



REGISTER OR LEARN MORE HERE

PARISH COMMUNITY



BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

Saturday, February 7
10:00 am - 12:00 pm

In Room 1 (Formerly the Council Room)



Baptism Prep class is required for parents & godparents requesting Baptism for their child. All materials needed will be provided. Boxed lunch provided. Limited childcare provided. PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE!



**SJB
Weekly
Email**

Stay in the Know!

Each week, we send an email to ALL active parishioners at St. John's. If you are NOT receiving the SJB Weekly Email, add communications@stjohn-catholic.org as a contact or email communications@stjohn-catholic.org directly to notify us of the issue.

Raising Catholic Families

THROUGH WEEKLY FAITH-BUILDING ACTIVITIES

The Presentation of the Lord is celebrated on Feb. 2nd. Have a meal and some prayer time by candlelight. Talk about ideas for how each family member can give more of themselves to God. For younger children, frame this as asking what they can do to make God happy.

ARE YOU FOLLOWING US ON SOCIAL MEDIA?

FACEBOOK

@stjohnedmondccatholic

INSTAGRAM

stjohnedmondok

YouTube

StJohn Edmond



ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON SCHOOL

FOLLOW SEAS ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

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INSTAGRAM

stelizabethedmondok



MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by our Catholic faith, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School serves God and families by spiritually and academically preparing students for lives of holiness and service.

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Edmond, OK 73034

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Stelizabethedmond.org

Principal

Jenny Lang

Assistant Principals

Taylor Lothes

Melissa Patton

A Night at the Races

SETON SOIRÉE | FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2026

**TICKET SALES
ARE OPEN!**

CHILDREN & FAMILY UPCOMING EVENTS

CHILDREN'S ADORATION

9:30 - 10 AM

Every second Thursday
of the month

In the Blessed Sacrament Chapel
(Meet between the chapel and
the Commons)

All families and their
children (newborn and up)
are invited to spend time
in a family-friendly,
guided adoration time.

Join us on February 12!
We will meet at Stephenson
Park after Adoration for
some play time!



Join the Serra Club

The Serra Club of Oklahoma City is a group of lay women and men who promote and pray for vocations in the archdiocese. The group meets at 11 am on the third Tuesday of each month at Catholic Charities, 1232 N. Classen Blvd, Oklahoma City, with Mass in the St. Teresa of Calcutta Chapel. A light lunch at 11:30 am and a speaker at noon. Everyone is welcome to attend or become a member. Learn more at serraokc.org.

THE PARENTS OF ST. JOHN'S UPCOMING EVENTS

**PLEASE NOTE: SOME DATES BELOW HAVE
CHANGED SINCE ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED**

**NOV
21**

FRIENDSGIVING POTLUCK

6:00 pm | Great Hall

Share a meal, reflect
on blessings and build
our parent community.

**JAN
26**

COCKTAILS & CONVERSATIONS

6:30 pm | Location: TBA

* Bring a bottle of your
favorite wine to share
and hear from our
speaker, Msgr. Novak!

**FEB
16**

MARDI GRAS POTLUCK

6:30 pm | Location: TBA

Bring the whole family
and a dish to share for
one last party before
Lent begins!

**MAR
6**

HOST THE PARISH LENTEN SUPPER

6:30 pm | Great Hall

We will prepare the
meal and serve the
food this evening after
Stations of the Cross.

**APR
19**

FAMILY BBQ AT LAKE ARCADIA

6:00 pm | Caddo Pavilion
at Lake Arcadia

Wrap up the school year
with BBQ and fun for the
whole family!

About this Ministry:

The Parents of St. John's serves the family structure: the domestic church. We hope to build strong Catholic families by providing a place for parents to gather for fellowship and spiritual growth.

All parents of the parish are encouraged to participate. The group meets on Sundays after the 9:00 am Mass during Children's Faith Formation in the Teacher's Workroom at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School. The Parents of St. John's also meet for socials during the school year. See the schedule of events here and visit the parish website for more information as the date of the event approaches.

Contact Information:

Sarah Lepak (918) 760-6106 and Stephanie Ledet (405) 474-7446

* Limited Childcare Available with Registration



Please pray for vocations and support our
seminarians. www.OKCVocations.com

S P A R K

Sharing, Playing, And Renewing the Kingdom



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14

6-8 PM

SEAS GYM

All **3th - 5th graders** are invited
for an evening of faith building,
fellowship & food!

We need volunteers to make this possible!

*Please contact Sarah Knoles at children@stjohn-catholic.org
with any questions or to sign up to help.*



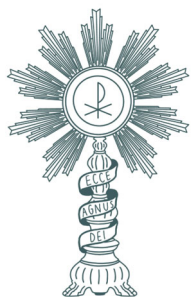
Saturday, February 7

6 - 8 pm in Seton Hall



All Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd graders are
invited for an evening of faith building through
crafts, games and food. Please register on our
website by scanning the QR code.

We need a few volunteers to help monitor.
For questions, please contact
children@stjohn-catholic.org.



BRONCHO CATHOLIC

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405-340-0691 x 156

www.bronhocatholic.org

Find us on Instagram

@BronchoCatholic

Emily Marable.....Campus Ministry
uco@stjohn-catholic.org



**Knights of
Columbus**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Each fraternal year,
Knights of Columbus

Councils are encouraged to promote growth within their councils with a minimum of 15 new members joining the Order. In addition to membership growth, councils are also evaluated based on the programs completed, promotion of insurance, accurate and timely reports filed, and Safe Environment compliance.

“Council 6477 has earned the 2024-2025 Star Council Award, recognizing excellence in program activity, membership growth (353% of quota), insurance promotion, fraternal reporting, and Safe Environment compliance.”
Based on our level of growth in membership, Council 6477 has once again, for the second year in a row, achieved the recognition of Triple Star Council. This could not have been achieved without the members’ focus on being In Service to One, In Service to All.

Congratulations to the following upon their recognition as:

January Knight of the Month:

Mike Mays

January Family of the Month:

Rick and Amy Feuerborn



WE ARE HIRING

join our team

COORDINATOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY

- Help young people love their faith as much as you do.
- Work a job that gives your life meaning and purpose.
- Be a part of a team motivated by the Lord's invitation to go make disciples

SUBMIT YOUR RESUME:

adennis@stjohn-catholic.org



Altar Server Training

Dates are TBD for our next altar server training sessions. In the meantime, if you have a student in 5th grade or above that is interested in being trained for this ministry, the first step is to sign them up on the church website. The pathway is

Worship >> Be a Part of the Mass >> Altar Servers >> Sign up for Next Training. If you have questions about the ministry, please call Ann Sorrels at 405-834-5906 or email altarserversjb@gmail.com.

CONTACTS

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Clergy

Pastor.....The Very Rev. Msgr.
William Novak, V.G.
Assoc. Pastor.....Rev. Stephen Jones
Assoc. Pastor.....Rev. Mariadas Manti
Deacon.....Frank Alexander
Deacon.....David Ashton
Deacon.....Robert Dunlap
Deacon.....Randy Hearn
Deacon.....Zsolt Nagykaldi

Deacon.....Richard Rosencrans

Parish Staff

Events.....Mel Ashton
Outreach/HR.....Amy Dennis
Exec. Asst.....Bernadette Dibler
Business Manager.....Jennifer Dolf
Evang & Mission.....Lynda Hearn
Communications.....Kasey Holt
Music.....Daniel Jack
Children's Ministry.....Sarah Knoles
Accounting.....Amanda Pierce
Evang & MissionErin Snow
IT parish/school.....Matt Thomason

Safe Environment.....Alisa Zelnicek

Children's Day Out

Ph 405-340-1789
Director.....Eva Nagykaldi

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

esnow@stjohn-catholic.org
Director.....Erin Snow

PARISH COMMUNITY

Traditional Values, Outdoor Fun!



Activities

- 2 Family Campouts
- Service Projects
- Pinewood Derby
- Achievements
- July 4th Parade
- Summer Camps

When & Where

Meets Monday nights at 6:30pm
St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
Seton Hall
900 S Littler Ave, Edmond, OK 73034

Register Now



Cub Scout Pack 21

At Cub Scouts, boys in grades K- 5th embark on an unforgettable adventure that builds character, instills traditional values, and nurtures leadership skills. Look no further and join us!

☎ 405-255-1710 (CJ Fedor) ✉ pack21cc@gmail.com



Remember in your prayers,
those currently serving our Country.

Great Lenten Prep...

FREEDOM IN CHRIST COURSE
(8-week Course, \$25)
Thursdays Beginning January 29th
9:30-11 am in Room 3

Attend to learn Unbound's 5 Keys, releasing the power of the Gospel in your life!




EVERYONE IS FIGHTING AN INVISIBLE BATTLE...



- Inability to forgive oneself or others
- negative thoughts, secret sins and unhealthy relationships
- destructive habits, idols and false identities
- resentments and bitter wounds that never seem to heal

8 Ways to Support
THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING

"Grieving alone is grieving extended and deepened."
- Doug Manning

- 1 BE COMPASSIONATE & EMPATHETIC**
Sit with them in their grief: e.g. "That must really hurt." Don't try to explain it away.
- 2 PROVIDE A LISTENING EAR**
Talking can be very healing. Plus, words can hurt whilst listening generally cannot!
- 3 GIVE A HUG IF APPROPRIATE**
A firm, reassuring hug can release Oxytocin, which creates a feeling of calm and a host of other health benefits.
- 4 LET THEM GRIEVE IN THEIR OWN WAY & TIME**
There is no "normal" way to grieve, and no timeline.
- 5 SHOW YOUR SUPPORT & CARE**
Send a note, flowers, schedule a Mass intention, or some other touch to show you care.
- 6 REMEMBER THEIR LOVED ONE & CONTINUE TO TALK ABOUT THEM LOVINGLY**
It can hurt when everyone else seems to have forgotten, especially on special days like holidays, birthdays, anniversaries, etc.
- 7 DON'T TAKE ANYTHING PERSONALLY**
They may not want to talk, may seem distant, or may even lash out. Everyone grieves differently; try not to take it to heart.
- 8 PRAY FOR THEM & THEIR LOST LOVED ONE**
Lift them, their family, and their lost loved one up in prayer. Say a rosary, light a prayer candle, etc.

"Safe people are the ones who simply listen. I think you need three H's. You need someone to Hang Around, Hug You, and Hush. You do not need advice, you need ears. Someone to just quietly hear your pain."
- Doug Manning

Knights Pancake Breakfast

Do you remember the last time you stopped by to dine in or take away a freshly prepared breakfast plate? Join us on **Sunday, February 1** in the Great Hall after the 7:30 and 9:30 am Masses for bacon, coffee, pancakes, biscuits with gravy and cinnamon rolls.



\$8 for Adults \$6 for Seniors and Children, \$25 for a family of four, Come and have breakfast with the Knights. Newcomers to the parish are welcome too! Check your welcome packet for a coupon for a free breakfast for your family.



Every Wednesday
10am-1pm in the Great Hall
 Wear your favorite Super Bowl jersey, hat and/or colors and get ready for Super Bowl TRIVIA! Questions will be such that the gals can play just as well as the guys! Not a football fan, you got this! Get the most questions right, you'll get a sweet treat! TimeOut meets every Wednesday from 10 am to 1 pm in the Great Hall. Come on in, or contact Debbie Kusters (405) 204-1783 or Pat Bourgeois (405) 938-5544 for more information.

Ladies Bunco Night

February 6 | 6:30 pm in the Great Hall

Connect. Renew. Recharge.
 No reservation required.
 Cash prize awarded to the winner!



Seven Sisters Apostolate
 The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for a sole intention of Fr. Novak, Fr. Jones, and Fr. Manti—a “holy wasting” (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ.

We want to pray especially for the physical, mental and spiritual health of Archbishop Coakley & all priests in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, that they may be filled with grace constantly as they pour out so much for our parish communities. Will you answer the call? If interested in SSA, Contact Nadine Kushnir (405) 615-0915.

One Holy Hour—One Priest—Each Week—One Heart of Prayer

We Celebrate Children at St. John's

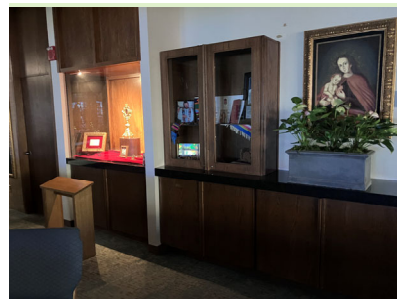
PARENTS

- 1 Relax! God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.
- 2 Sit toward the front where it's easier for them to see and hear. Quietly explain the parts of the Mass.
- 3 Sing the songs, pray and say the responses. Children learn by copying you.
- 4 Feel free to leave Mass if you need to, but please come back!
- 5 The way we welcome children in Church affects how they see the Church. Let them know they are at home here.

EVERYONE

Please be supportive of parents and children at Mass. They are our future! Here are some easy ways to be welcoming:

- 1 Smile!
- 2 Offer a kind word.
- 3 Pray for them.



We have a lost and found!
 Did you know we have a lost and found? If you are missing something, please check the lost and found cabinet underneath the Blessed Stanley Rother Reliquary in the upper level of the church.



ORDINARY ACTS OF LOVE

Deacon Frank Alexander

Having just celebrated the mystery of the Incarnation—God entering human history as a vulnerable child—the Church does not rush us immediately to the desert of repentance. Instead, she invites us to walk with Christ as He steps quietly from the hidden life of Nazareth into His public ministry. This “ordinary” time is anything but ordinary.

Just as Jesus spent 30 hidden years before beginning His ministry, we are reminded that holiness is most often formed quietly—through fidelity, prayer, and ordinary acts of love. The Catholic Church dedicates February to the Holy Family as a model for all Christian families, emphasizing the virtues of faith, sacrifice, love and prayer.

Ordinary Time is called “ordinary” not because it is common, but simply because the weeks of Ordinary Time are numbered. The Latin word ordinalis, which refers to numbers in a series, stems from the Latin word ordo, from which we get the English word order. Thus, the numbered weeks of Ordinary Time, in fact, represent the ordered life of the Church—the period in which we live our lives neither in feasting (as in the Christmas and Easter seasons) or in more severe penance (as in Advent and Lent), but in watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

Christmas reveals who Christ is: Emmanuel, God-with-us. Ordinary Time begins to show us how He is with us. For Catholics, Ordinary Time invites us to walk alongside Him as His mission becomes visible and transforms our lives.

The Solemnity of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd harkens back to the Christmas mystery of Light, except now Christ is “the Light of Revelation to the Gentiles who will

save his people from their sins.” Candles, symbolizing Christ our Light, will be carried in procession this day, as will be the Paschal candle during the Easter Vigil Liturgy.

The green vestments of Ordinary Time symbolize growth, life, and hope. After the brilliance of Christmas gold and white, the Church dresses in green to remind us that faith is meant to mature steadily. This month is not driven by dramatic feasts; rather, it mirrors the slow, patient work of grace in daily life leading us into the penitential Season of Lent.

The Gospel readings during this time frequently focus on Christ’s early miracles, teachings, and the calling of the first disciples. We hear fishermen invited to leave their nets, ordinary people transformed by a simple “Follow me.” This challenges us to examine our own readiness to respond.

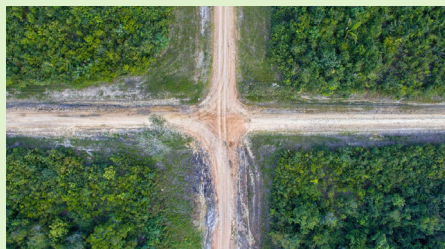
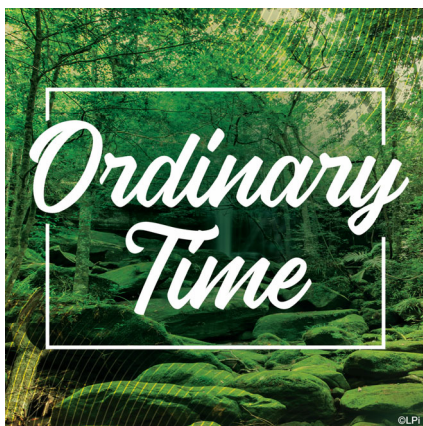
Ordinary Time asks: What nets am I still holding? What familiar comforts prevent me from a deeper trust? It is a season for attentive listening, for recognizing how God speaks in the routines of our lives.

This period before Lent also prepares our hearts gently for conversion. Rather than beginning with ashes and fasting, the Church first allows us to encounter Christ’s mercy and authority. We see His compassion for the sick, His patience with sinners, and His power over darkness. By the time Lent arrives, we know who we are turning back to—not a distant judge, but the

Lord who has already walked among us.

In a world that prizes excitement and constant change, the Ordinary Time bridges the space between Christmas and Lent, teaching us to value spiritual steadiness. It reminds us that God is present not only in mountaintop moments but also in the quiet middle spaces of our lives. Here, Christ walks with us, teaching us how to live as His disciples day by day. If we embrace this season fully, we discover that what is “ordinary” can become the very place where God does His most extraordinary works.

—Deacon Frank Alexander



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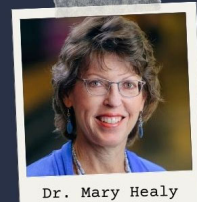
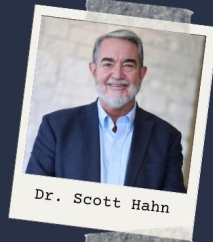
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- 7:30 a.m. Sanctity of Life Mass, Corpus Christi Catholic Church
- 9 a.m. March around the capitol
- 9:30 a.m. Enter the capitol for Rose Day
- 11:30 a.m. Speeches on the floor of the House
- 1 p.m. Benediction by Archbishop Coakley

OKLAHOMA STATE CAPITOL, 2300 N. LINCOLN BLVD., OKLAHOMA CITY
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SUPPORT

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: meets on the third Sunday of the month from 10:15 - 11:30 at St. Andrew's Catholic Church, 800 NW 5th St, OKC, OK 73160. Call Caryl Prati, RN FCN for information at 405-799-3334. St. Phillip Neri, 1107 Felix Pl, Midwest City, OK 73110. Every Other Tuesday 7:00 -8:30. *Contact Sharon Hebert, 405-455-3608, shebert9@att.net.*

CODEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS: is a fellowship of men and women who want to develop healthy relationships to support and share with each other in a journey of self-discovery. CODA meets at 6:30 pm every Thursday. Call Sherry at 405-844-1474.

WIDOWED OR DIVORCED: The opportunity to find help dealing with the natural grief process is available through the Beginning Experience weekend. With the help of God, the pain of loss can turn into an experience of positive growth. For info or upcoming dates, *Contact the Office of Family Life at 721-5651 x108.*

CAREGIVER SUPPORT: for caregivers of those with some type of dementia. Meets on the 2nd Monday of each month from 7:00 – 8:30 pm at Santa Fe Presbyterian Church, 1603 N Santa Fe. *For information call the church at 405-341-3300 or Cindy Thomas at 405-715-9954.*

Autumn Leaves Memory Care, 1001 S. Bryant, 405-406-3858. 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm.

STROKE AND BRAIN INJURY SUPPORT GROUPS. CITYWIDE STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

American Heart Association

3401 NW 63rd, #200, OKC, OK 73116 *Contact Janet Spradlin, Ph.D., 405-272-6554 to join from home anywhere in Oklahoma.* Meets 4th Monday of the month, 6:30 - 8:00 pm.

Jim Thorpe REHAB SUPPORT GROUPS

INTEGRIS Jim Thorpe Rehab Hospital
4219 S. Western Ave., OKC, OK 73109.

For Rehab Caregiver Support Group *Contact: Allie Weaver, CRC 405-636-7883.* Meets 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:00 pm. For Brain Injury Support Group *Contact Karen Bryan, OTR/L 405-644-5381.* Meets 4th Thursday of month, 6:00 -7:30 pm.

MERCY HOSPITAL STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

4120 W. Memorial Rd. (Glass Pyramid),

#102 OKC, OK 73120. *Contact: Gary Bulmer 405-721-8453.* Meets 2nd Tuesday, 6:00-7:30 pm.

OKC BRAIN INJURY SUPPORT GROUP

Valir Rehab Hospital – 700 NW 7th St., OKC, OK Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday of month, 6:00-8:00 p.m. *Contact: Gary Bulmer 405-721-8453 or Rod Davidson 405-517-1608*

CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY & GAMBLING:

A CHANCE TO CHANGE- meets on Mondays, from 6:30-8:00 pm, at 3031 NW 64th, off May Avenue, OKC. New programs for individuals with gambling problems and employee assistance programs are now available. Call 405-840-9000.

MENTAL HEALTH: Edmond Support Group for depression, bipolar and related conditions meets every Saturday, 3:00-4:00 pm, in the Edmond Public Library, at 10 S. Boulevard.

LOCAL MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION CLASS

4 area support groups are available for family members or caregivers of someone with a severe mental illness.

1 area support group is available for those suffering with a severe mental illness.

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Family to Family classes: Go to www.namigreaterokc.com for information about support groups and classes and continuing education series regarding serious mental illness. You may also call 405-408-8806 for information.

NAMI SUPPORT GROUP

NAMI hosts support groups for families and caregivers of people with mental illness and has a support group for people with mental illness. *For more information on mental illness support and events visit NAMledmond.org or call 405-408-0886*

Al-Anon Groups

Edmond Clubhouse, behind Reid Printing
3130 B South Boulevard 405- 330-1160
Monday 12:00 noon
Monday 6:30 pm Preteen - Alateen
Monday 7:40 pm
Wednesday 6:45 pm
Saturday 9:30 am and 11:00 am
Sunday 5:30 pm Al-Anon Adult Children

Alcoholics Anonymous Groups

Peace Lutheran, 2600 E Danforth,
Mon, Wed, 8:00 pm,
Wesley Foundation Student Center, 310 E Hurd St., M, W, F, Sat, 12:10 pm
Edmond Group, 3130 S Boulevard, Every day, 8:00 PM; Tues, Thurs, 12:10 pm; Sat, 11:00 am, Sun, 9:30 am
Edmond Hispanic Group, 3130 S Boulevard, Mon, Wed, Fri, 6:30 pm
American Legion Hall, 101 E. 5th Street, Tues, Sun, 7:30 pm
Simply AA, 19 1/2 West 1st St, Tues, Thurs, Sun, 8:00 pm
Presbyterian Church, 10th and Rankin, Sat, 8:00 am

SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE

Contact: Cindy Rose, 405-919-9195, rose23@cox.net, Crossings Community Church, 14600 North Portland Ave, OKC, OK 73134, every Mon, 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm *Contact: Randy Miller , 405-751-1859, r_miller1012@cox.net or Cindy Siegrist, 405-317-1387, All Souls' Episcopal Church, 6400 North Pennsylvania Ave, OKC, OK 73116, 4th Tues of every month from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. *Contact: Phyllis Haley, 405-330-8155, 2109 Silvertree Lane, Edmond, OK 73013, Meet Monthly.**

Survivors Support Group

Meerschaert House 2nd Floor - 1901 NW 18th St., OKC, OK. (St. Francis of Assisi Parish). Third Monday of the Month 7:00 -8:30. A support group for those who have lost someone to suicide. A simple gathering in a caring atmosphere, offering ways to cope and remember loved ones. *Denise Short 405-620-7991. Youth Room*



February 2026



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Penance @ 5 pm Wed.		Penance @ 4 pm Fri.	Penance @ 3 pm Sat.
1 Men's ACTS Mtg • Knights Breakfast • OCIA BOTW • Children's LOTW • Sunday St. John's Kids, FF & HS Youth Group	2 Monday Women's Bible Study • SEAS Basketball • Cub Scout Mtgs • Candlemass 7 pm (candlelit)	3 • SEAS Moms Study • SEAS Basketball • OCIA	4 Moms of SJ Study • Timeout • Wednesday St. John's Kids & Faith Formation • Womens Evening Study • Choir Rehearsal	5 Men of St. John's • Freedom in Christ • Fatima Prayer Group • Womens ACTS Sendoff • Alpha Presents: The Rescue Project	6 • Women's ACTS Retreat • SEAS Basketball • Ladies Bunco	7 • Women's ACTS Retreat • Baptism Preparation • Boy Scout Chili Supper • St. Joseph's Flock: MS • Saints in Training
8 Womens ACTS Retreat • OCIA BOTW • Sunday St. John's Kids & Faith Formation • Parent Bible Study • St. Joseph's Flock – HS	9 • Monday Women's Bible Study • SEAS Basketball • PTO Meeting • Cub Scout Mtgs	10 SEAS Moms Study • St. Theresa's Guild • Well-Read Mom • 10:10 Youth Challenge • Cursillo School • OCIA	11 Moms of SJ Study • Timeout • Wednesday St. John's Kids & Faith Formation • Womens Evening Study • Choir Rehearsal	12 Men of St. John's • Children's Adoration • Freedom in Christ • Fatima Prayer Group • The Rescue Project • KoC Exemplification	13 • SEAS Basketball	14 • SEAS Basketball • SPARK • St. Joseph's Flock – MS
15 Men's ACTS Mtg • OCIA BOTW • Children's LOTW • Sunday St. John's Kids, FF & HS Youth Group • St. Joseph's Flock – HS	16 • Monday Women's Bible Study • SEAS Basketball • Parents of SJ Mardi Gras Potluck	17 • SEAS Moms Faith Group • SEAS Basketball • OCIA	18 Ash Wednesday • Masses at 7:30am, 9am, 5:30pm & 7:30pm • Liturgy of the Word & Distribution of Ashes 11:30am	19 Men of St. John's • Freedom in Christ • Fatima Prayer Group • SEAS Basketball • The Wound that Heals: Guest Speaker: Liz Lev	20 • SEAS Basketball • Stations of the Cross & Lenten Supper	21 • SEAS Basketball • Beloved Widows of the Lord • Blue & Gold Banquet • St. Joseph's Flock – MS
22 Mens ACTS Team Mtg • OCIA BOTW • Sunday St. John's Kids & Faith Formation • Parent Bible Study • St. Joseph's Flock – HS	23 • Monday Women's Bible Study • SEAS Basketball • Cub Scout Mtgs • Peru Monthly Mtgs	24 • SEAS Moms Study • SEAS Basketball • Finance Board • School Advisory Council • OCIA	25 Moms of SJ Study • Timeout • Catholicism 101 • Wednesday St. John's Kids & Faith Formation • Choir Rehearsal	26 Men of St. John's • Freedom in Christ • Fatima Prayer Group • SEAS Basketball • Alpha Presents: The Rescue Project	27 • Men's ACTS Retreat • SEAS Basketball • Stations of the Cross & Lenten Supper	28 • Men's ACTS Retreat • SEAS Basketball • Catechist Book Study • St. Joseph's Flock – MS
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