



ST. JOHN *the* BAPTIST

† CATHOLIC CHURCH †

MARCH 22, 2026 | 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 7:30 am & 4:30 pm Vigil

Sunday | 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am & 5:30 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday | 7:30 am

Tuesday | 7:30 am

Wednesday | 7:30 am & 11:30 am

Thursday | 7:30 am & 8:30 am (school)

Friday | 7:30 am & 5:30 pm

Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

24 hours a day/7 days a week

See p. 3 for details.

GET IN TOUCH

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

900 S. Littler, Edmond, OK 73034

(405) 340-0691

parish_office@stjohn-catholic.org

www.stjohn-catholic.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday | 8 am-4:30 pm

Friday | 8 am-2 pm

We do not close for lunch.



5th Sunday

O F L E N T

"'Lazarus, come out!' The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, 'Untie him and let him go.' Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him." Jn 11:43-45

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MUSIC FOR WEEKEND OF MARCH 21-22, 2026

ENTRANCE • G945 I Am the Bread of Life

SCRIPTURE READINGS & PSALM • G1028

OFFERTORY • G694 How Firm a Foundation

COMMUNION • G628 You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

COMMUNION • G902 O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God

POST-COMMUNION • G510 Jesus, Remember Me

RECESSIONAL • G881 Lift High the Cross

ABOUT OUR CHURCH

SACRAMENTS



RECONCILIATION

Wednesday 5:00-6:00 pm
 Friday 4:00-5:00 pm
 Saturday 3:00-4:00 pm
 Or Any Time by Appointment

BAPTISM

Contact
 parish_office@stjohn-catholic.org

MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office at
 least six months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call (405) 340-0691

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Parish Offertory

Weekly Collection	3/10/26 - 3/16/26	\$65,421.18
FY 26 YTD Collection	7/1/25 - 3/16/26	3,007,453.37
FY 25 YTD Collection	7/1/24 - 3/17/25	2,827,635.87
FY 26 Collection Budget	7/1/25 - 6/30/26	3,744,000.00

Poor Box/Samaritan House

Weekly Collection	3/10/26 - 3/16/26	\$4,691.49
FY 26 YTD Collection	7/1/25 - 3/16/26	208,784.28
FY 25 YTD Collection	7/1/24 - 3/17/25	185,368.66
FY 26 Poor Box Budget	7/1/25 - 6/30/26	230,000.00



DONATE ONLINE

Donating online is easy! Just aim your phone camera at the QR Code and follow the link. Thank you for your support!



CATHOLIC CHARITIES CAMPAIGN UPDATE

Our 2025-2026 goal for the Catholic Charities Campaign was \$550,000 and we exceeded our goal by \$24,789. Thank you to all who gave so generously to Catholic Charities.

First join us for

Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 12
3 pm in the Church

Join us for a Eucharistic Holy Hour with song, a Divine Mercy Chaplet, intercessions and benediction.

Then join us for

EASTER EGG HUNT

SUNDAY, APRIL 12
AT 4 PM
BEGINS IN THE SEAS GYM

PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE USING THE QR CODE SO THAT WE CAN BE SURE TO HAVE ENOUGH EGGS FOR EVERY CHILD! DON'T FORGET YOUR BASKET!

Contact children@stjohn-catholic.org with any questions.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER TRIDUUM MASS TIMES

PALM SUNDAY VIGIL | MARCH 28

- 4:30 pm Vigil Mass

PALM SUNDAY | MARCH 29

- 7:30 am, 9:30 am*, 11:30 am* & 5:30 pm Mass

HOLY THURSDAY | APRIL 2

- 7:00 pm Mass*
- No Daily Mass

GOOD FRIDAY | APRIL 3

- 3:00 pm* & 7:00 pm* Service
- No Confessions

HOLY SATURDAY | APRIL 4

- 8:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass
- No Confessions

EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 5

- 7:30 am, 9:30 am* & 11:30 am* Mass
- No 5:30 pm Mass

* = childcare available

PRAYER INTENTIONS

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MASS INTENTIONS

Next Sunday - March 22

7:30 am | + Major Philp Nicklas
9:30 am | People of the Parish
11:30 am | + Danny Culkin
5:30 pm | + Anna Sedlacek

Monday - March 23

7:30 am | + Anna Godeaux

Tuesday - March 24

7:30 am | + Jack Fisher

Wednesday - March 25

7:30 am | + Barry Fisher
11:30 am | + Rose Uschak

Thursday - March 26

7:30 am | + Kathy Treece
8:30 am | + Remedios Morales Cruz

Friday - March 27

7:30 am | Nathaniel Boyd
5:30 pm | + Nicole Jones

Next Saturday - March 28

7:30 am | + Brandon Tran
4:30 pm | + Arla Protzman

Palm Sunday - Next Sunday - March 29

7:30 am | + Patty & Herman Downs
9:30 am | People of the Parish
11:30 am | + Debbie Garnand
5:30 pm | + Lauren Elise Emig

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

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

Deborah Adams	Albert Quintana
Jo & Dennis Askew	Deziree Reynolds
Bernard Braun	Shana Rickstew
Jean Braun Leske Gillette	Judah Rivera
Allison Buechner	Sarah Santillano
Larry Cammuso	John Paul Jesus Santillano
James Caperton	Susan Scherm
David Christine	Robert Sellers
Marilyn Clement	Shelly Simmons
Danny Corona	Nora Smith
Robert (Bob) Cox	Patty Steadman
Andrea Davis	James & Marie Steichen
Paul Diehl	Mike Steffen
Bob Eccellente	Larry & Ana Mae Stotler
Lavetta Fields	Mark & Estrella Strauss
John Gilbert	Charlie Suenram
Jack Goodson	Tate Family
Anne Graham	Geri Thacker
Chris Guinn	Tasha Todd
Colleen Guinn	Lisa Voegeli
Marilyn Gulino	Ernestine Walker
Catherin Herrold	Peggy Wallace
Ellen Innis	Grant Waters
Jessica Jameson	Judy Wessel
Jeremy & Family	Wanda White
Joey	* <i>New this week</i>
Shay Johnson	
Joseph Kathrein	
Janet Keene	
Ethel Ketelsleger	
Bruce Killian	
Joan Krauss	
Kreitinger Family	
Tom McNally	
Mac McShane & Family	
Mike & Martha Minnis	
Patrick Mitchell	
Melody Mora	
Natalie Munson	
Judy Myers	
Wendy Nielsen	
Janet Ondrake	
* Michael Patton	
Nick Pugh	



MARIAN FLOWERS

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. Dates are available on a first come, first serve basis.



OUR DEPARTED MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Peggy Patton

STATIONS of the CROSS

FRIDAYS
BEGINNING FEB. 20
6:15 PM | CHURCH
LENTEN SUPPER TO
FOLLOW IN THE
GREAT HALL



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 24/7, 7 DAYS A WEEK

Looking to deepen your prayer life? We have Perpetual Adoration which anyone is welcome to stop by for at any time. We also strive to have at least two regular adorers signed up for each hour. Below are hours needing someone to sign up. Please prayerfully consider making this commitment!

Monday: 2 am

Tuesday: 4 am

Wednesday: 1 am

Thursday: 3 am, 4 am & 10 am

Friday: 12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 9 pm, 10 pm & 11 pm

Saturday: 12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, 5 am, 2 pm, 6 pm,
7 pm & 11 pm

Sunday: 12 am, 1 am, 1 pm, 4 pm & 8 pm

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

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

-St. Padre Pio

DAILY ROSARY

Please join us before daily Mass on all weekdays, in the church, at 7 am and Sundays at 11 am before 11:30 am Mass to pray the Holy Rosary. The Flame of Love Rosary is prayed Saturday mornings at 11 am in the Daily Mass Chapel. If you are interested in leading the rosary, contact Ann Sorrels at 405-834-5906.



HELPERS OF THE HOLY SOULS

All who are interested in praying for the Church Suffering are invited every first 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.



HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF A LOVED ONE OR FRIEND IS HOMEBOUND AND NEEDS TO RECEIVE HOLY 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 Holy 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.





PERU MINISTRY WILL YOU ANSWER THE CRY OF THE POOR?

Luis Alfredo (32) & Yoselin (32) have 3 children, Daniel (11), Gabriela (7), & Liam (4). Together for 13 years, & the couple has plans to marry in June 2026. Mom takes care of the home & children. Dad is a moto taxi driver making about \$10.40 on a good day.

For \$30/month you can sponsor this family and truly make a difference in their lives. Contact Stephanie Simpson at F2F@stjohn-catholic.org or (405) 627-6199 for more information.



SAMARITAN HOUSE FOOD & FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

42 E. 9th Edmond, OK
Open Monday-Friday | 9 am-Noon
samhouse@stjohn-catholic.org or (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:
canned meat, fruit or vegetables (canned)

**THE SAMARITAN HOUSE HAS A NEW PROGRAM!
SEE BELOW:**

INTRODUCING "MY WAY FORWARD" EMPOWERING SINGLE PARENTS

The Samaritan House is thrilled to announce My Way Forward, a life-changing initiative in partnership with the Francis Tuttle Foundation. This program is designed to help single parents break the cycle of poverty and achieve lasting financial independence.

Through the Francis Tuttle Technology Center, eligible single parents receive TUITION-FREE career training in over 40 intensive programs—including Healthcare, Trades, and Business. To ensure success, The Samaritan House provides grocery assistance and financial support for living expenses such as rent, utilities, or childcare.

For more information, please contact The Samaritan House at 405-216-7554.



HELP SAVE LIVES in Edmond & OKC!

February 18-March 29, Monday-Saturday | 7 am-7 pm
Get involved! Sign up for daily prayer times below.

Edmond Sunday Rosaries with Priest or Deacon | 3 pm
1601 S Blvd, Edmond OK
Leader: Victoria Penny: (405) 404-7921 or victoriapenny14@gmail.com
<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/edmond>

OKC Sunday Rosaries with Priest or Deacon | 2 pm
619 NW 23rd ST Oklahoma City, OK
Leader: Mike Hurney (918) 625-7619 or mike.Hurney@outlook.com
<https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/oklahomacity23rd>

GOSPEL MEDITATION

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March 22, 2026
5th Sunday of Lent
John 11:1-45

A friend of mine wrote an imaginative reflection on the raising of Lazarus that caught me off guard. She proposed that when Jesus called Lazarus from the tomb, the man was not joyful but angry and annoyed. After so much suffering, maybe death felt like a release. He had finally

escaped the pain. And then, suddenly, Jesus' voice cuts through the silence: "Lazarus, come out!" (John 11:43) The light stings his eyes. The pain returns. And now he is dragged back into a world that had broken him.

It startled me at first, but the more I sat with it, the more it made sense. Sometimes, people do not want to be raised. Not at first. Think of those in the grip of addiction, despair, or numbness. The tomb can feel safer than the risk of living again. Yet Jesus, moved by the grief and faith of others (Martha, Mary, the community) calls the dead man out. Lazarus obeys. But he is still bound, head to foot. Jesus says to the bystanders, "Untie him and let him go" (John 11:44).

That is often how healing happens: slowly, reluctantly. Not just by a personal decision, but through the love and persistence of others. Resurrection is not always euphoric. It may begin in protest and confusion and only later turn to gratitude and freedom. But Christ's voice breaks through, anyway.

Lenten challenge: Who in your life needs to be called back to life? Pray for them. If that person is you, listen for the voice. It is calling even now.

— Father John Muir

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ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON SCHOOL



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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Jenny Lang

Assistant Principals
Taylor Lothes
Melissa Patton

FOLLOW US:



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A Night at the Races

SETON SOIRÉE | FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2026

STILL A FEW SEATS LEFT!



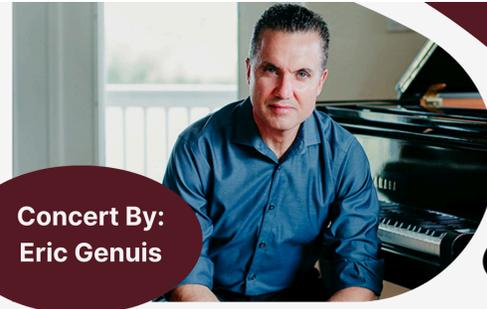
WE ARE HIRING

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



Concert By:
Eric Genuis

JOIN US FOR A CONCERT OF REDEMPITIVE LOVE:
HOPE IN HARD PLACES
LENTEN SERIES: PART 3

TUESDAY, MARCH 24 | 6-8 PM
CHURCH

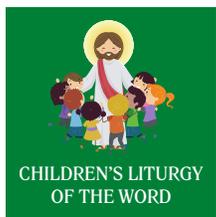
This classical music concert and personal testimony invites meditation on:

- Christ's sacrifice
- His nearness to the broken
- The transforming power of His love

LIMITED CHILDCARE AVAILABLE WITH ONLINE REGISTRATION!



REGISTER OR LEARN MORE HERE



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word returns on April 26 and we need more volunteers! No experience required. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Sarah Knoles at children@stjohn-catholic.org



LOST & FOUND SPRING CLEANING

ITEMS DONATED AFTER MARCH 26

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.

We will be clearing out everything in our lost & found after March 26 and donating items to Peru. Please check and see if you have any of your items being stored here - thank you!

Unbound

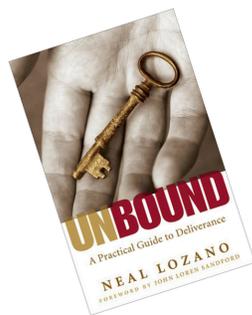
FREEDOM IN CHRIST

8-Week Video Study

Thursdays at 6:30 pm in Room 1
March 26-May 21

Come discover the Keys to Spiritual Healing & Freedom!

Based on the 5 Keys to Freedom
by Neal Lozano



1. **Repentance & Faith**
2. **Forgiveness**
3. **Renunciation**
4. **Authority**
5. **The Father's Blessing**



Register by scanning the QR Code!

VBS
WILDERNESS ADVENTURE
Through the Sacraments June 8-12
 9 am - 12 pm



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

ATTENDEES ENTERING PK4-5TH GRADE (26-27 SCHOOL YEAR)	GOD'S ARMY A HELPER OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS ENTERING 6TH-8TH GRADE	TEEN VOLUNTEERS 14-17 YEAR OLDS
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**REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!**



**WE NEED LOTS OF VOLUNTEERS!
PLEASE EMAIL SARAH KNOLES AT
CHILDREN@STJOHN-CATHOLIC.ORG**




**RAISING
CATHOLIC FAMILIES**
 THROUGH WEEKLY FAITH-BUILDING ACTIVITIES



As a family read Luke 1:26-38 in your Bible - the Annunciation of the Lord. Then make an angel craft or a yummy treat like angel-shaped cookies or angel food cake.



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



SJB Young Adult Ministry
**Shabbat
Dinner**

Saturday, March 28th
 6:00 pm
 Contact Katie (405) 315-4069
 for location details.



Young Adults (Age 18-35) are invited to learn more about what was happening on Holy Thursday through a Shabbat (Traditional Passover) dinner.



Experience the traditions that shaped the Last Supper and discover how this ancient meal points directly to the Eucharist we celebrate today.

For any questions, contact Katie Nagykaldi at (405) 315-4069 or knagykal@gmail.com




**MIDDLE SCHOOL
ULTIMATE NERF WAR!**

March 28th | 6 - 8 pm
SEAS Gym

Come ready for an epic Nerf gun battle in the gym with dinner and Alpha film following in the Youth Room.

FUN • GAMES • MUSIC • BATTLE




CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 6477

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:
February Knight of the Month:**

Dick Geib

February Family of the Month:

Wayne and Jessica Strong and Family

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OUR CLERGY

PRIESTS

Pastor

The Very Rev. Msgr. William Novak, V.G.

wnovak@stjohn-catholic.org

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Stephen Jones

sjones@stjohn-catholic.org

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Mariadas Manti

frmanti@stjohn-catholic.org

DEACONS

Deacon Frank Alexander

Deacon David Ashton

Deacon Robert Dunlap

Deacon Randy Hearn

Deacon Zsolt Nagykaldi

Deacon Richard Rosencrans

TIMEOUT

EVERY WEDNESDAY

10 AM-1 PM IN THE GREAT HALL

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This week we are grateful to have Meals on Wheels (MOW) speak to us at TimeOut. Learn how MOW contribute to the Edmond Community, who is eligible for a meal, and be amazed at the number of meals delivered to homebound Seniors and to the Senior Center. They will also give ideas of volunteer opportunities! TimeOut's Ministry is dedicated to our Seniors, those living alone, widowed, and to their Caregivers. We meet each Wednesday in the Great Hall at 10am. Contact Debbie Kosters (405) 204-1783 or Pat Bourgeois (405) 938-5544 for more information.