# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Parish\_office@stjohn-catholic.org

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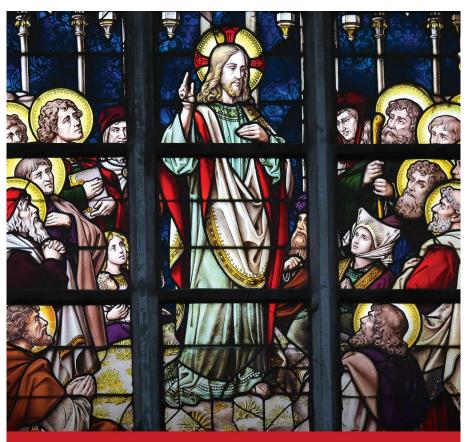
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## NOVEMBER 2, 2025 • THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED



# THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

"And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day." - Jn 6:39-40

#### **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 NOVEMBER 1-2, 2025

Entrance Hymn G645 - Amazing Grace

Scripture Readings & Responsorial Psalm G1210

Offertory Hymn G858 - Day Is Done

Communion Hymn G712 - The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Communion Hymn G870 - Jerusalem, My Happy Home

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

Recessional Hymn G882 - Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

## WORSHIP

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

November 2, 2025

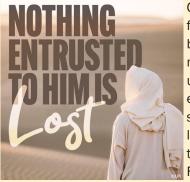
The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed John 6:37-40

I lost my wallet this year. It was such an annoyance to replace everything in it. A friend, moved by sympathy, gave me a beautiful new one. One month later I lost that one, too, with all my newly replaced cards. No matter what I did, I couldn't find what I had lost. I resigned myself to never seeing either of my wallets again.

Fortunately, the Lord Jesus is not like me in this regard. In today's Gospel (John 6:37-40),

he says, "This is the will of the one who sent me, that I should \_ Father John Muir not lose anything of what he gave me." Jesus, unlike me, is ever vigilant with what the Father has given him. He searches ©LPi for every lost soul — as the shepherd leaves the ninety-nine

to pursue the one lost sheep, or the woman rejoices upon recovering a lost coin — and even descends to the depths of loss on the cross and into the realm of the dead to recover that which seems forever lost.



On All Souls' Day, as we remember our faithful departed, these words kindle a hope beyond hope in our hearts. Even the dead are not lost to Jesus, though they may seem so to us. Nothing entrusted to him by the Father is ever truly lost. So, we may hope that every soul, no matter how wandering or forgotten in life, is secure in his loving care and destined to be raised on the last day. Of what the Father gives him, he loses nothing.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### All Souls Day

All Souls Day
Sunday 027:30 am
Monday 037:30 am † Michael Mitchell
Tuesday 047:30 am Daniel Pankratz
Wednesday 057:30 am Fr. Alex Kroll 11:30 am † Andrea Raglow
<b>Thursday 06</b> 7:30 am
Friday 077:30 am † Sister Audrey Becker 5:30 pm † Andrea Raglow
Saturday 087:30 am † Walter Callahan 4:30 pm † Carrie Anne Majoue
Sunday 097:30 am

t = 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

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 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.

Cindy Alexander Sherry Alexander Liz Aderhold Jo & Dennis Askew \* Stormy Austin

Betty

Allison Buechner

Curtis & Barbara Brakke

Teresa Brestel

Deacon George Butterfield

Larry Coshow Robert (Bob) Cox

Marcia Daniels

Lavetta Fields

Justin Gilliam \*

Berta Gonzales

Raellen Harris

Karen Hommen-Roddy

Marie Jacobs Family

Matt Jacobs

Jeremy & Family

Joey

Jessie Johnson \*

Sandy Jones

Donna Keller

Kerwin Family

Ruth King

Family Kooken

Liz Laska \*

Marty Lockman \*

Allie Martzen

Angie Mayfield

Joyce Deburgh-Mensah

Charlene Mimms

Michael & Martha Minnis

Patrick Mitchell

**Delores Nobles** 

Judah Emil R.

**Sharon Roles** 

Steve Roy

Justin Rucker

Louis Schneider

Susan Scherm

**Robert Sellers** 

Bonni Sherwood

Sean Sommer

Ginger Southe

Pattey Steadman

James & Marie Steichen

Marie Stephenson

Tate Family
John Tichenor
Sarah Tisdale \*
Larry Urish
Betty Vagedes
Lisa Voegeli
Mary Weber
Tasha Wessel \*
Wanda White

Cheryl Zehrung \*
\* New this week

Jewel Widner

# **Eucharistic Adoration**



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.

#### **Upcoming Funeral**

Sandra Lichtenwalter died September 30. Her Funeral Mass will be Saturday, November 8 at 11 am here at St. John the Baptist. Eternal rest, grant unto her o Lord...



## MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

Sandra Lichtenwalter

# ADMINISTRATION

#### SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

#### **Parish Offertory**

#### Poor Box/Samaritan House

 Weekly Collection (10/21 - 10/27/25)
 \$4,364.00

 FY 26 Year to Date Collection
 71,619.23

 FY 25 Year to Date Collection
 79,045.21

 FY 26 Poor Box Budget
 230,000.00

#### **CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES**

Weekend of November 2, 2025

White Envelope — Weekly Offering

Blue Envelope — Building & Maintenance

Catholic Charities Campaign



#### **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, November 2** in the Great Hall after the 7:30 and 9 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.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**



You can view all upcoming events at St. John's on the events page on our parish website. Scan the QR Code or visit stjohn-catholic.org/events









SWITTERS APOSTOLE IN THE SECONDARY HOURS FOR THE SECON

#### 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

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.

# **OUTREACH**



## 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:**

Peanut butter and jelly, mac and cheese



Project Gabriel at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Edmond is a pro-life outreach ministry providing spiritual, personal, and material support, and mentoring women experiencing a crisis pregnancy. Trained volunteers provide a close, supportive relationship with any woman needing help through her pregnancy and after delivery. Contact <a href="Project Gabriel">Project Gabriel</a> for confidential support if you or a friend are pregnant! edmondprojectgabriel@gmail.com

# ANNUAL PERU MISSION TURKEY BINGO AND SILENT AUCTION



Join us for our annual Turkey Bingo & Silent Auction, Sunday, November 16 after 5:30 pm Mass in the Great Hall. Help support St. John's Peru Mission Programs. Win your Thanksgiving Day turkey playing BINGO and bid on some great items including some beautiful items brought back from Peru in the silent auction. There will be snacks and a light dinner available for purchase. Hope to see you there for lots of fun, food, and fellowship.

# Fr. Joe is coming to Christ the King November 8-9!

Christ the King and St. John's are co-hosting "An Evening with Father Joe Uhen" dinner and fundraiser at Christ the King Parish, 8005 Dorset

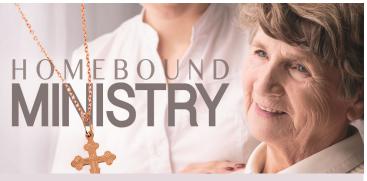


Drive, OKC on **Sunday, November 9th at 6:30 pm**. Fr. Joe Uhen will also be celebrating Masses at Christ the King November 8th and 9th!

Come join us as we celebrate over 25 years of support to Santisimo Sacramento Parish, the people of Piura, Peru and Father Joe Uhen. Dinner with all the fix'ens and dessert will be provided. Cost is \$30.00 for adults and \$15.00 for students - grades 9-12. (Pay at the door; cash or check only). Beer and wine will also be available. Fr. Joe will speak followed by an update and testimonials from parishioners who have been to Piura. Fundraising will include a wine pull and raffle (Thunder tickets, Madonna and Child Peruvian painting, An Evening Sail on Lake Hefner, Peru Alpaca Blanket, and more) and individual donations to support Fr. Joe's mission for our poor brothers and sisters in Piura.

To reserve your seat: Scan the QR code or call the parish office at (405) 340-0691. We hope to see you there for lots of fun, food and fellowship with Fr. Joe. For additional information contact Cheryl Pierce at (405) 924-6232.





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.

## DEVOTIONAL



### **REST IN PEACE**

Father Stephen Jones

Requiescat in Pace. "May he rest in peace," or R.I.P. This very common saying has become adopted by the world as a way to remember someone who has died. Yet, like many things in the world, it has deep roots as a deeply Catholic and Christian prayer! We see it in the ancient Catholic prayer for a deceased person:

Eternal Rest, grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light

shine upon him. May he rest in peace. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

This year, Halloween, All Saint's Day, and All Souls Day falls on a weekend. This providential occurrence allows us to reflect deeply upon what has traditionally been called in the Catholic tradition as "the Four Last Things," or Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell. Like

our Savior who has gone before us, each of us will be faced with the reality of death in our lives. When we die, we will experience judgment for how we lived our lives from the just and merciful Judge. Upon being judged by Christ, we will inherit our eternal reward. This will be either heaven, achieved through the grace of God and through our virtuous way of life, or hell, based on our own choices to separate ourselves from the love and mercy of God.

Halloween, or All Hallows Eve, is the anticipatory vigil celebration of the great feast day on November 1st where we recognize all the saints in heaven. The saints consist both of those souls known to us as the canonized saints, along with those blessed souls known only to God. This is our great goal and aim of life: to be a saint and to behold God face to face eternally in the heavenly homeland!

On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, we celebrate All Souls Day. This is a day where we intentionally offer up prayers, specifically the sacrifice of the Mass, for the faithful departed who are being purified in Purgatory. Purgatory is a temporary state of affairs:

> no one in Purgatory will be there forever. Everyone there will eventually be in heaven. We have the firm hope and confidence that God is a good Father who is merciful and desires his children to rest eternally with Him in heaven as saints. To this end, he bids us to pray for the dead who are still in need of some purification, that through the merits of the Passion of Christ, they may be completely cleansed from the effects of the

sins from their lives after death.

This weekend, let us reclaim Halloween as a truly Catholic holiday, or holy day. May we remember to pray for the faithful departed and remember our own great aim in life: to become a saint!

-Father Stephen Jones

This is our great goal and aim of

life: to be a saint and to behold

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heavenly homeland!



### OF ST. JOHN'S MEN

Join us for coffee & a light breakfast as we grow together in our faith.

Meets every **Thursday Beginning** September 18th!

> 6:30-7:25 am in the Great Hall

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT BILL CONDON: BCONDON@LAMAR.COM



THE BIBLE and the VIRGIN MARY

- Discover how Catholic beliefs about Mary build on the Old Testament as well as the Gospels.
- · Learn why the early Church used titles like "New Eve" and "Ark of the New Covenant" for Mary.
- · Grow in your devotion to Our Lady.



## **BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

Saturday, November 8 10:00 am - 12:00 pm In the Commons

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.





#### Thank you Knights of Columbus

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their generous support at the recent Pack 21 campout. They graciously provided a delicious lunch for all the attending families—about 100 people. Their presence and hospitality truly added to the spirit of community and fellowship experienced that day.



Remember in your prayers, those currently serving our Country.

# ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON SCHOOL

#### FOLLOW SEAS ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

**FACEBOOK** 

@SEASCatholicSchoolEdmondOK

**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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Jenny Lang
Assistant Principals
Taylor Lothes
Melissa Patton

# **RED HOT TRIVIA NIGHT!!**

Friday, November 14, 2025
St. John's Great Hall



6:30 pm

**Taco Dinner & Cocktails** 

*7:30 pm* Trivia



\$350 - Table of 8 \$450- VIP Table of 8 \$45 - Individual Tickets

20% of all fundraising proceeds will be sent to the Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma to grow the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School Reserve Fund. The remaining proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School.

# CHILDREN & FAMILY UPCOMING EVENTS

# **CHILDREN'S ADORATION**

9:30 - 10 AM

Every second Thursday of the month

Join us on November 13! vill meet at Stephenson ark after Adoration for

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 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.



# Saturday, November 15 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.







FRIENDSGIVING POTLUCK

# CONVERSATIONS 6:30 pm | Location: TBA

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

## **MARDI GRAS** POTLUCK

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



6:30 pm | Great Hall

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

# **BBQ AT**

5:00 pm | Caddo Pavili

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

# CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



#### **BRONCHO CATHOLIC**

320 E Hurd St, Edmond, OK 405-340-0691 x 156 www.bronchocatholic.org Find us on Instagram @BronchoCatholic

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



#### FINAL CALL! Broncho Bash 2025

We have an extended opportunity until November 3 at 8 am to donate toward our Mass & Meals as well as tickets to the Cocktail Party with the Priests.

Thank you to all who so generously gave to this year's Broncho Bash in support of our Broncho Catholic Campus Ministry at

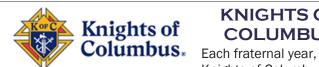
To date, we have netted \$72,291.84. Scan the QR code to learn more and give today.





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



## KNIGHTS OF **COLUMBUS**

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:

October Knight of the Month:

Chris Coyle

October Family of the Month:

Ross and Kirsten Cash and Family





#### **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** Deacon......Richard Rosencrans

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		William Novak, V.G.
Assoc.	Pastor	Rev. Stephen Jones
Assoc.	Pastor	Rev. Mariadas Manti
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Deaco	n	David Ashton
Deaco	n	Robert Dunlap
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IT parish/school	Matt Thomason
Safe Environment	Alisa Zelnicek
Children's Day Out	
Ph 405-340-1789	

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults
esnow@stjohn-catholic.org
DirectorErin Snow

Director.....Eva Nagykaldi

# PERU OUTREACH

#### THE BLIND SHALL SEE

#### Peru Outreach—Eye Mission Team

I went to Peru for the first time in 2002 on a family mission trip. We arrived in the morning and that afternoon we were driven around the villages of Piura. My senses were overwhelmed. The sights, sounds and smells were a shock to the system and immediately my world view was changed. I had never before witnessed that level of poverty up close. Friday of that week, Fr. Joe invited us to join him in taking communion to the homebound. I wish I could describe what a moving and spiritual experience that was for me. Many of the people we visited were bedridden, living with disabilities or blind.

As a nurse, my instincts kicked in and I wanted to do whatever I could to help them. I saw so many needs. I knew our church was sending medical missions, but there had to be more that we could do. As a surgical nurse, I knew that surgical interventions can often change people's lives. Returning to Oklahoma, going about my daily routine and putting aside the needs of all the poor I met in Peru wasn't possible. I wasn't the same person that I was before that trip. God's call and sheer compassion took over. My husband said we should take two weeks to pray and think about it before deciding to do anything. After two weeks, he asked me what my thoughts were. I told him, "I think we have wasted two weeks. Let's get to work." I began working on a plan to add surgery to our medical work in Peru.

Logically, cataract surgery was a reasonable place to start since it was a day surgery and no anesthesia was necessary. After seeing so many people struggling with blindness, I knew there was a need for eye care. Then, with Fr. Joe's blessing, I got busy! I began, only with courage from God, going through the phone book listings of ophthalmologists and calling each one until I found a doctor willing to go to Peru to do cataract surgery. When I finally got to a doctor that agreed, I volunteered that year to work in his surgery center, learning everything I needed to know about cataract surgery. Since all my experience had been in women's surgery, I had a lot to learn.

By the next summer, two more surgeons and the supervisor from the surgery center volunteered to go on that first eye surgery mission in 2003. With the grace of God, many miracles happened and about 50 people had their sight restored that first year. With doctors from all over the country, we've returned to do eye surgery in Piura every year since then. There are so many stories I could tell of miracles and people's lives that have been changed, but truly the life that was the most changed was my own. That first trip to Peru completely altered the direction of my life and since then, I have followed that new path that God continues to lead me down. God has provided and blessed the eye mission each year with doctors and supplies, but I feel blessed the most, because I get to do His amazing work.

Rhonda Doherty, RN Peru Eye Surgical Team Leader

To learn more about St. John's Peru Mission Trips, sponsoring a Peruvian family in need and other Peru outreach opportunities visit our website: <a href="https://www.stjohn-catholic.org/serve#PeruMissions">https://www.stjohn-catholic.org/serve#PeruMissions</a> or contact Cheryl Pierce at capierce 19@sbcglobal.net. Your

support can make a difference in the lives of the poor in Peru!

"The crowds were amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the deformed made whole, the lame walking, and the blind able to see, and they glorified the God of Israel."
-Matthew 15: 31





Eye Mission Team 2025

#### 2026 Peru Medical/Dental Mission Trips

Interested in joining a Mission Trip to Peru? St. John the Baptist's Peru Medical, Dental and Family Mission Teams will hold their first <u>organizational meeting</u> on **Sunday**, **November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:45 pm** (after the 5:30 pm Mass) downstairs in the Council Room. We have openings for physicians, interpreters, nurses, surgery staff, physical therapists, dentists and assistants, and non-medical parish and family team members!

#### Trip Dates are:

June 12 – 21 Medical/Surgical/ Family Mission June 19 – 28 Dental/Family Mission

For more information, call Cheryl Pierce at 405-924-6232 or email at capierce19@sbcglobal.net.





With Misty Smith

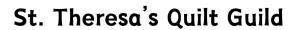
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19 6 - 7:10 PM IN THE GREAT HALL



Learn about the beauty the of saints and their relics. This session will cover relics, their history, the three classes of relics and proper veneration.







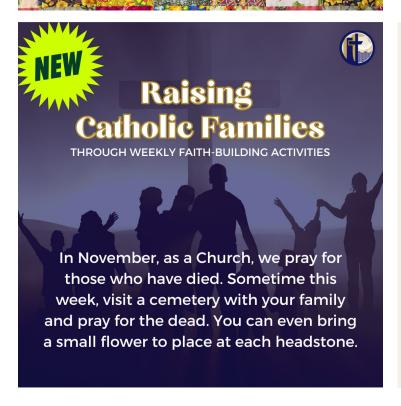
We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 9-11 am in the Council Room to make quilts for those in need. No experience necessary, join us for the next one on **November 11** for fabric, fellowship and fun!

sttheresassjtb@gmail.com Linda Chrisco 405-831-9633



Every Wednesday 10am-1pm in the Great Hall Norah Nelson will lead us in a Praise and Worship session

including excerpts from a book by parishioner, Sandy Binkley. Come and be uplifted. For more information about this Senior group, contact Debbie Kosters (405) 204-1783 or Pat Bourgeois (405) 938-5544.





UNBOUND PRAYER SESSIONS IST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH UPCOMING SESSION: NOVEMBER 4 6-7:30 PM

Please email Unbound.OK@gmail.com to register for a prayer session.

During a private, confidential Unbound prayer session, individuals are guided to identify and move beyond the spiritual obstacles that prevent them from moving forward in their relationship with Jesus Christ and the Church. This method of prayer addresses areas of pain, sin, and weakness and leads us to lay claim to the freedom that is ours through our Baptism.

Attend to find freedom and healing, releasing the power of the Gospel in your life!





#### Join the Choir

The Choir meets at 7 pm on Wednesdays in the Choir Room next to the Sanctuary. They sing each weekend at the 9:30 am Mass.

The Youth Choir meets on Sundays at 3 pm in the Choir Room next to

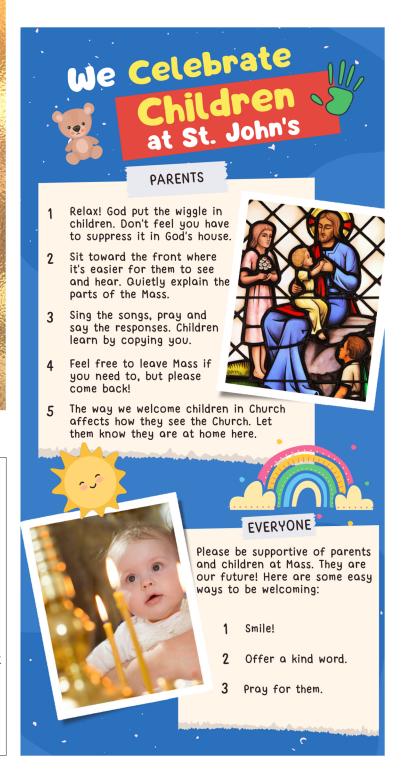
the Sanctuary. They sing about the fourth Sunday of the Month at the 11:30 am Mass.

The Women's Chorus Sings for Holy Day Masses that are not on Sundays. They rehearse once or twice before the Holy Day Mass.

This is a great time to join. Call Danny Jack with your questions at (405) 871-5401.



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.





THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6 8 AM - 3:30 PM MEET IN THE PARKING LOT AT 7:45 AM



Fr. Manti will lead a pilgrimage to the Infant of Prague Shrine in Prague and St. Gregory's Abbey in Shawnee. Mass will be celebrated at the Shrine.

50 spots available. Scan the QR code or register online at the parish website to reserve your seat. \$50 per person which includes transportation and a box lunch.



#### **Linen Ministry Volunteers Needed**

Our linen ministry needs a few more volunteers! Linen upkeep members ensure that fresh linens are available for every Mass at St. John's through heartfelt and dedicated service. If you are interested, or would like further information, please contact Novia Mays at novimays@midlandcarriers.com or (405) 556-0294.



# HELP SAVE LIVES in Edmond & OKC! 7 am-7 pm daily Sept 25 – Nov 2

Get involved! Sign up for daily prayer times at: <u>40daysforlife.com/Edmond</u> or <u>40daysforlife.com/oklahomacity23rd</u>

-Edmond Sunday Rosaries with Priest or Deacon at 3 pm 1601 S Blvd, Edmond Ok. Leader: Victoria Penny: (405) 404-7921 or victoriapenny14@gmail.com

# -OKC Sunday Rosaries with Priest or Deacon at 2 pm

619 NW 23<sup>rd</sup> ST Oklahoma City, Ok. Leader: Mike Hurney (918) 625-7619 or mike.Hurney@outlook.com





# Our Lady of Fatima Spanish Prayer Group

Meets Thursdays 10 am-12 pm Fr. Larkin Room

Spanish-speaking group that gathers weekly for prayer and fellowship. Scan the QR code to sign up.



Se habla español: (405) 650-2161



Spiritual Direction at St. John's Spiritual Direction is a process guided by the Holy Spirit in which two people enter into a unique conversation. The Spiritual Director is trained to

listen in a particular way to hear where God is present and acting in the life of another. The primary focus of Spiritual Direction is on a person's experience of God, often occurring in prayer, but not limited to times of formal prayer. Spiritual Direction is most concerned with helping a person with his or her relationship with God. If you are interested in Spiritual Direction to deepen your own personal relationship with Jesus, reach out to Erin Snow at esnow@stjohn-catholic.org or (405) 340-0691.

## WELCOME



We would like to welcome all newcomers and their families to St. John the Baptist. If you haven't already, please register online at <a href="mailto:stjohn-catholic.org">stjohn-catholic.org</a> at the top right corner of your screen on the homepage where it says "Parish Registration."

Uly & Paola Aguilar

**Daniel Arreola** 

Mark & Janet Bial

**Carlos Caudillo** 

Jordan Chavez

Quinn & Jordyn Costello

Aaron & Katherine Dale

Jon Day

Justin & Jenifer DeFratus

**Tara Dewberry** 

Mattie Flanagan

Mitchell & Nancy Funk

Seth Garlett & Leda Becker

**Leah Hardy** 

Tom & Connie Hardy

John Luke Harker

Cody & Megan Knight

Elise Miles

Allan & Amanda Patterson

Bijan Qualls

Victoria Rodriguez

Tito & Brenda Segura

Michael Seykora

Joel & Macy Smith

Joe Stetin

**David Tucker** 

KitKat Unsell

Lance & Lisa Wade

Kami Yeislev

Newly Baptized

In October we welcomed these children into our Faith Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Elliott Hayes Robbins - son of Ryan & Christine Robbins

Kamdyn, Kaiya and Luka Okot — children of Kal & Megan
Okot

Louis Plagg — son of Evan & Ellen Plagg

Mackenzie Terry — daughter of Zach & Tabitha Terry

Hayley Bingham — daughter of David & Katy Bingham

Arthur O'Malley—son of Patrick & Kaelan O'Malley



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#### In October 2025:

David Hernandez & Keira Tocco at St. John the Baptist Wesley Reynolds & Deziree Butler at St. John the Baptist



SMALL FAITH GROUPS THAT MEET IN THE HOME!

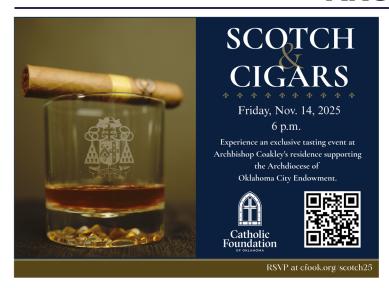
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What are Visitation Groups?
Read here!

Email Erin Snow at esnow@stjohn-catholic.org to join a group or possibly be a leader!



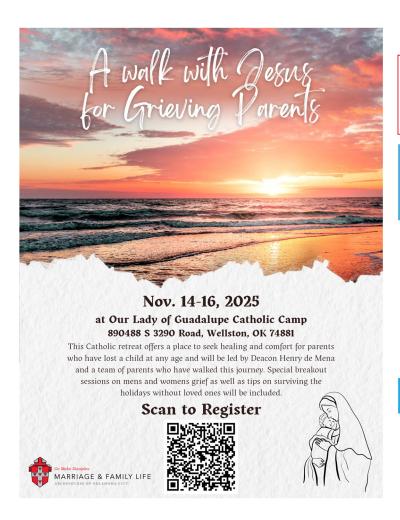
# **AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE**



## Become a seminarian pen pal!

Our seminarians are away from home for months at a time during their formation. While at seminary, they would like to hear from people back home in Oklahoma! To become a Seminarian Pen Pal, visit archokc.org/penpal, find their addresses and send a letter, card or gift package.







NOVEMBER 15, 2025 | 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM
THE CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK

#### **FEATURING:**



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Register by September 29 to grab an Early Bird discount!

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Find the latest career opportunities in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City in the Jobs Box at archokc.org/jobs-box.



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Questions? E-mail counseling@ccaokc.org

# SUPPORT

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP: meets on the third #102 OKC, OK 73120. Contact: Gary 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 ANNONYMOUS:** 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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),

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.

More details to be found at www.NAMledmond.org

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 NAMIedmond.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

#### **SURVIVIORS 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



# November 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	<b>Wed</b> Penance @ 5 pm Wed.	Thu	<b>Fri</b> Penance @ 4 pm Fri.	Sat Penance @ 3 pm Sat.
* Full calendar can be found at www.stjohn-catholic.org/events						Solemnity of All Saints Mass 7:30 am ACTS Men's Pentecost MS- Youth Group SPARK
2 Knights Pancake Breakfast • Parent Bible Study • St. John's Kids & Youth • Peru Medical Mtg • HS- Youth Group	Monday Womens Study     SEAS Basketball     English Cursillo     Marriage Mentor Mtg     Cub Scout Mtg	4 SEAS Moms Study SEAS Basketball Unbound Prayer Sessions Surviving Divorce OCIA	5 Moms of SJ Study • TimeOut • Wednesday St. John's Kids & Youth • Womens Evening Study • Choir Rehearsal	6 Men of St. John's Pilgrimage of Hope Fatima Prayer Group SEAS Basketball Alpha KoC Membership Mtg	7 SEAS Basketball First Friday Family Potluck Ladies Bunco	Catechist Book Study     Baptism Preparation     MS- Youth Group
9 Children's LOTW St. John's Kids & Youth Parent Bible Study ACES Training Youth Choir HS- Youth Group	10  • Monday Womens Study • SEAS Basketball • Alpha • PTO Mtg • Cub Scout Mtgs	<ul> <li>11 SEAS Moms Study</li> <li>St. Theresa Quilt Guild</li> <li>Well-Read Mom</li> <li>Cursillo School</li> <li>OCIA</li> <li>Surviving Divorce</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>12 Moms of St. John's</li> <li>Timeout</li> <li>Womens Evening Study</li> <li>Wednesday St. John's Kids &amp; Youth</li> <li>Choir Rehearsal</li> </ul>	13 Men of St. John's Children's Adoration Fatima Prayer Group SEAS Basketball Knights Exmplification Alpha	14 Red Hot Trivia Night	15 Alpha Retreat  • Youth Service Event • Knights Membership Drive • Saints in Training • MS- Youth Group
16 Knights Membership Drive St. John's Kids & Youth Parent Bible Study HS- Youth Group Peru Turkey Bingo	17 Monday Womens Study SEAS Basketball SEAS Turkey Bingo Cub Scout Mtgs	<ul> <li>18 SEAS Moms Study</li> <li>SEAS Basketball</li> <li>Advent Family Night (Catechists)</li> <li>OCIA</li> <li>Surviving Divorce</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>19 Moms of SJ Study</li> <li>Timeout</li> <li>St. John's Kids &amp; Youth</li> <li>Catholicism 101</li> <li>Womens Evening Study</li> <li>Choir Rehearsal</li> </ul>	20 Men of St. John's • Fatima Prayer Group • SEAS Pre-K Thanksgiving Feast • SEAS Basketball • Alpha	21  • SEAS Basketball  • Parents of St. John's Friendsgiving	<ul> <li>22</li> <li>Beloved Widows of the Lord</li> <li>Giving Tree</li> <li>MS- Youth Group</li> </ul>
23 Giving Tree  • Youth Choir • HS- Youth Group Group • Advent By Candlelight	24  • Edmond Community Thanksgiving Dinner- Cooking • SEAS Basketball • Peru Monthly Mtgs	25  ECTD- Cooking SEAS Basketball School Advisory Council Choir Rehearsal Surviving Divorce	26 • SEAS Basketball	27 Thanksgiving Thanksgiving Day Mass 9 am	28 SEAS Basketball	29 . MS- Youth Group