

**St. Joseph Old Cathedral  
307 NW 4th Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73102**

***Parish Information***



***Pastor***

Reverend Brian Buettner

***Associate Pastor***

Reverend Miguel E. Ayuso Ruiz

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Deacon Paul A. Albert

Deacon Herb Vance ( VA-Chaplain)

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Ms. Vanessa Baquera

***Parish Organist***

Ms. Grace R. Jackson

***Weddings***

At least six months preparation time is required. Please call the parish office to begin this preparation.

***Baptisms***

Please contact the parish office to inquire about Baptism requirements.

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**Facebook: St. Joseph Old Cathedral**

**Office Hours: Monday-Friday**

**8:00am—4:00pm**

***Masses***

**Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm**

**Sunday 8:00 am \* 10:00 am \* 4:00 pm \* 12:00 pm (Spanish)**

**Weekdays 12:00 noon \* Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)**

***Holy Days***

**7:00 am \* 12 noon \* 7:00 pm**

***Confessions***

**Saturdays 3:00 pm \* Weekdays 11:15 am**

**Sundays 11:15 am and Wednesdays 5:45 pm (Spanish)**

## Letter from our Pastor, Fr. Brian Buettner

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Gaudete! Rejoice! This weekend we celebrate the 3rd Sunday of Advent, also known as Gaudete Sunday. We get this Latin name from the first word in the Entrance Antiphon for this Mass, “Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.” We rejoice because the season of waiting is drawing to a close. So many of us struggle with patience. Our culture and society teach us that if we want something, we should go, now, and get it. We are collectively really bad about waiting for delayed gratification. However, without maturing in patience, we can easily forget to prepare ourselves for a good that is impossible for us to grasp now. The entire life of grace is a movement of our spirit for the eternal, but it demands that we lift our eyes to the horizon. When we catch a glimpse of our future, we can’t help but cry out and rejoice that the Lord is near! Prayerfully enter into these final two weeks of Advent, creating within yourself a patient longing for God’s promises that will be fulfilled in its proper time!

One way to rejoice this week is to join us for our “Advent Lessons and Carols” being presented by Grace Jackson and the St. Joseph’s Choir this Thursday night, December 17th at 7pm in the church. It promises to be a beautiful evening of music and reading the prophecies of the coming of the Messiah. Admission is free, but donations collected will support the continued development of our music ministry.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Brian

Iniciamos la tercera semana del tiempo de la espera; vamos en camino acompañados de la palabra de Dios, que es lámpara para nuestros pasos y luz en nuestro sendero. Podemos, por lo tanto, reflexionar en primer lugar acerca del tema de la alegría cristiana; tema que hoy, más que nunca, requiere de una buena profundización y aplicación práctica. La realidad difícil que vivimos, este año 2020 una pandemia que nos ha confrontado con muchos tipos de soledades, de pérdidas. También nos ha ayudado a recuperar cosas y situaciones esenciales que habíamos olvidado vivir o disfrutar. Porque en lugares y momentos difíciles también se pueden abrir paso la confianza en el futuro y la alegría.

La liturgia nos invita a discernir “voces en el desierto” para sintonizar con las que hablan de aspiraciones y proyectos que promuevan un gozo sin exclusiones, un gozo fruto de la “vida según el Espíritu”. Al mismo tiempo, el testimonio de los profetas (Isaías y Juan), en este domingo, nos estimula a convertirnos en portavoces de los que no tienen voz. No debemos olvidar que muchos ruidos e intereses creados pretenden silenciar la voz de Dios y su Espíritu en la vida pública, en el devenir de la historia que Dios nos invita a construir desde las periferias. Cada encuentro con Jesús resucitado en la eucaristía nos empuja a “no apagar el Espíritu”, a mantenernos constantes en la oración y el combate frente al mal. Dios es alegría y fidelidad. Donde está Dios hay futuro.



**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH OLD CATHEDRAL**

**Saturday, December 12**

**4:00 pm**— (Intention of Jerry Day by The Wehrenberg Family)

**7:00 pm**— Mass (Our Lady of Guadalupe)

**Sunday, December 13**

**8:00 am**—Mass (Intention of Teresa Perales)

**10:00 am**—Mass (Pro Populo Mass)

**12 noon**—Mass Spanish (†Rosa De Leon)

**4:00 pm**—Mass (Intention of Holly Hankins)

**Monday, December 14**

**12 noon**-Mass (†Clive Courtney by Dean & Linda Hinton)

**Tuesday, December 15**

**12 noon**—Mass (†Patti Courtney by Dean & Linda Hinton)

**6:00 pm**— Clases de RICA con el Padre Miguel

**6:30 pm**—Choir Rehearsal

**Wednesday, December 16**

**12 noon**— Mass (†Matt Wiewel)

**6:30 pm**-Spanish Mass (†Leo Schwarz)

**6: 00 pm**— RCIA with Deacon Paul Albert

**6:00 pm**— Confirmation class with Ted & Mae Guzman

**Thursday, December 17**

**12 noon**— Mass (All Souls in Purgatory by Sabas Penaloza)

**7:00 pm**— SJOC Christmas Lessons and Carols

**Friday, December 18**

**12 noon**— Mass (Intention of Isidro DeSantiago by Alejandra DeSantiago)

**Saturday, December 19**

**4:00 pm**— (†Mickey Means by Bruce Means)

**Sunday, December 20**

**8:00 am**—Mass (†Anna Koehler)

**10:00 am**—Mass (Pro Populo Mass)

**12 noon**—Mass Spanish

**4:00 pm**—Mass (†Robert Jacobs)

***December 5-6, 2020***

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We begin the third week of advent. This Sunday is called "Gaudate Sunday", a Sunday of joy, joy because the Lord is already near and we are on our way accompanied by the word of God, which is a lamp for our feet and a light on our path. The goal of our walk is approaching little by little. The Solemnity of the Birth of the Son of God is getting closer and closer, which urges us to redouble our efforts, resuming the purposes formulated fifteen days ago when we began Advent.

To help celebrate Christmas, please take a tag from the giving tree to bless a Vet or a Rose Home Resident. Take a donation envelope if you prefer. Please return the unwrapped gift as donation by December 20th. Have a blessed Christmas.

- Social & Charitable Club

Due to Covid-19 and the limited space in our parish, preparation for First Holy Communion will be different this year. We are offering an online program called Prepared: Signs of Grace through Augustine Institute . Please call the parish office to inquire more information.

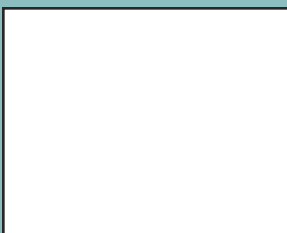
Debido a Covid-19 y al espacio limitado en nuestra parroquia, la preparación para la Primera Comunión será diferente este año. Estamos ofreciendo un programa en línea llamado Preparado: Signos de Gracia a través de Augustine Institute. Llame a la oficina parroquial para solicitar más información.



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