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Of Ordinary Time

Catholic Schools Week  
January 31– February 6

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# Welcome

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

In this weekend's Gospel, we join Jesus just after he called his brand new apostles, Peter, Andrew, James, and John. Their first order of business was enter the synagogue, the place where faithful Jews would recite the scriptures, reflect on the blessings that God has done for them, offer prayers, and ultimately praise and worship God. The synagogue was at the center of the village of Capernaum and their entire society evolved around what they would do there. On entering the synagogue, the people were taken aback by the words of Christ because he spoke with an authority that was missing in the scribes. They embraced Christ's words even as they saw a man that was oppressed by an unclean spirit was freed by simply the command of Jesus, "Come out of him!" When we come to Mass, our intentions should be clear. We approach the altar in order to give thanks and praise, to offer prayers and petitions, and to worship and adore the Lord. Intentionality is important for us in our faith life. If we come to Mass distracted, day-dreaming, or make plans for what we will do with the rest of the day, we will not be attentive to the words of the Lord being directed to us. He will be speaking to us and desiring our faith to stirred to action, but instead we will be found absent. However, if our intention is to be an active participant in the Mass, the Lord will take that gift of self and fill us with direction and purpose by the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Let us pray that we are always properly disposed to receive the graces God desires to give us at every Mass and each day of our life.

*Fr. Brian*

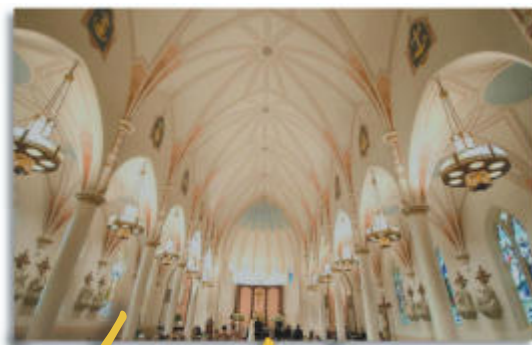
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*Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo*

*En el Evangelio de este fin de semana, nos unimos a Jesús justo después de que llamó a sus nuevos apóstoles, Pedro, Andrés, Santiago y Juan. Su primera orden del día fue entrar a la sinagoga, el lugar donde los judíos fieles recitaban las Escrituras, reflexionaban sobre las bendiciones que Dios había hecho por ellos, ofrecían oraciones y, en última instancia, alababan y adoraban a Dios. La sinagoga estaba en el centro del pueblo de Capernaum y toda su sociedad evolucionó en torno a lo que harían allí. Al entrar en la sinagoga, la gente quedó desconcertada por las palabras de Cristo porque hablaba con una autoridad que faltaba en los escribas. Abrazaron las palabras de Cristo incluso cuando vieron a un hombre que estaba oprimido por un espíritu inmundo y fue liberado simplemente por el mandato de Jesús, "¡Sal de él!" Cuando venimos a misa, nuestras intenciones deben ser claras. Nos acercamos al altar para dar gracias y alabar, ofrecer oraciones y peticiones, y adorar al Señor. La intencionalidad es importante para nosotros en nuestra vida de fe. Si venimos a Misa distraídos, soñando despiertos o hacemos planes para lo que haremos el resto del día, no estaremos atentos a las palabras del Señor que nos dirigen. Él nos estará hablando y deseando que nuestra fe se mueva a la acción, pero en cambio seremos encontrados ausentes. Sin embargo, si nuestra intención es ser un participante activo en la Misa, el Señor tomará ese don de sí mismo y nos llenará de dirección y propósito con la guía del Espíritu Santo. Oremos para que siempre estemos debidamente dispuestos a recibir las gracias que Dios desea darnos en cada misa y cada día de nuestra vida.*

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## Worship

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 4:00pm  
12:00noon in Spanish

Weekdays 12:00noon

Wednesdays 6:30pm in Spanish

Holy Days 7:00am, 12noon, 7:00pm

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Weekdays 11:15am (English)

Saturdays 3:00pm (English)

Sundays 11:15am (Spanish)

Wednesdays 5:45pm(Spanish)

### What is a Mass Intention?

Infinite graces flow from the sacrifice of the Holy Mass. The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for our loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and meaningful part of our Catholic tradition that dates back to the early Church. Saint Joseph parish promotes the offering of Masses during our weekend or at daily Masses. Please contact the parish office to place a request.

### New to St. Joseph Parish?

Whether you're just visiting or are searching for a place to worship, we're delighted you have come and we hope you have felt comfortable. We are ready to assist you with your questions and needs. Our parish family is growing and there is a place for you!

# Witness



Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect, and enlighten families.

- Pope John Paul II -

## Best Catholic Men's Conference in the USA

The *In the Father's Footsteps* Oklahoma Catholic Men's conference will look much different than in the past. On February 20, they will livestream from the Catholic Pastoral Center in Oklahoma City meaning you can join from anywhere around the world, even your couch. Learn more and register at [www.catholicmen.net](http://www.catholicmen.net).

## The World Doesn't Need What Women Have

...it needs what women are (Edith Stein)! Ladies, you do not want to miss the 2021 Oklahoma Catholic Women's Conference on February 27. This event has recently been changed to a FREE virtual event. Learn more by visiting [www.okcatholicwomen.com](http://www.okcatholicwomen.com).

## O Come Let Us Adore Him

Eucharistic Adoration allows us to be intimately close to the Lord in prayer. This invitation is for you. Come be with Him. Pray with Him. Remain with Him. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed all day Thursday February 4 starting at 7:00am and ending with Benediction at 6:45pm.

## Growing In Faith Together

Families: be sure to mark your calendars for the next family faith formation nights held in the church from 7:00-8:00pm. Each month highlights ways you can live as disciples of Jesus. The session in Spanish with Miss Vanessa Baquera will be February 1 and in English with Fr. Brian Buettner on February 4. See you there!

## Young Adults: Mass, Meal & Mission

This monthly archdiocesan event invites young adults from across the OKC metro to gather and be inspired for mission in our parishes. The goal is to create a vibrant culture of formation and community where young adults will engage in all aspects of parish life. Join other young Catholics on Friday February 5 from 6:00-8:00pm at Christ the King parish in Nichols Hills.

## The Value of Catholic Schools

The theme of this year's national celebration is "Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service." The theme encompasses the core products and values that can be found in Catholic schools across the country. Not only are we teaching students to become future servant leaders, faith-filled disciples, and enriched citizens in our communities, educators are growing with them. In Catholic schools, we are all learners, servants and leaders. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed.

Many of you in our community, like me, see the wonderful reality of Catholic education every day at our schools. It's in the dedication and integrity of our pastors, teachers, and staff. It's in the hard work and accomplishments of our students who, day-by-day, are learning and growing in the Lord and gaining a values-filled education. It is in the commitment of our parents, guardians, and volunteers who give selflessly of their time and talents to help make our schools excellent!

Catholic Schools Week celebrations in 2021 may look a little different or be reimaged, but one thing is certain, schools will still focus on the value that Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our Church, communities and nation. -Dr. Diane Floyd, Archdiocesan Superintendent of Catholic Schools.

## THANK YOU

A disciple of Jesus lives a life sharing his or her time, talent, and treasure. We are blessed by your prayers, service, and financial support.

### January 23-24 Mass Offertory

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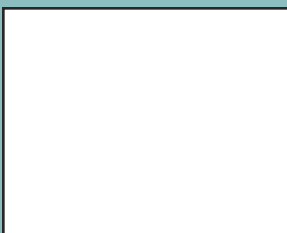
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