

Sacred Heart

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." - Mt 21:42ab



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Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30am - 4:30pm

Fri. - 8:30am - 12pm

Sacraments & Liturgies

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am (Spanish), 10:30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

9:00am & 7:00pm

Daily Mass:

Tues, Wed & Fri.: 9:00am

Thurs.: 5:30pm

First Friday Mass: 12:00 p.m. at

St. John's Chapel

Confession:

Saturday: 4:30-5:15pm & by appt.

Baptism: By appointment, contact Parish Office.

Weddings: Six months notice required. Please contact the pastor to begin the preparation process.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 9:30-10:30am & Friday

6:00-7:00pm.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Do you ever wonder why things never seem to come together? We see glimpses of consistency, equity, justice, peace, harmony, and wellbeing, but it always falls short. Human life is still expendable and manipulated, people are used for personal advancement, countries are at war, the economy continues to face turbulence, anger and frustration are widespread, and happiness is the possession of just a few and not the many. Could it be that we are serving the wrong kingdom? We keep trying to make our kingdom work and find ourselves still scratching our heads after repeatedly failed attempts to do so. It is almost as if people are saying, "we'll get it right this time if we do ...," as if some new and secret innovation has yet to be tried.

We serve God's kingdom. We may not like hearing that, but it is true. God did not make only a few of us. God made all of humanity and all of humanity is called into service. How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? Secular leaders enjoy winking at the Sacred Scriptures and using them when they advance a cause, but are they really listened to? Even those who consider themselves believers tend to sift through God's Word, taking what seems to fit and apply and discarding the rest. After all, if we were really serving God's kingdom, we would see an abundance of fruit testifying to this fact. But what's growing on the vine is anything other than good Gospel-centered fruit.

Nothing in this world or the next belongs to us. We have such a hard time believing this and live our lives as if everything belongs to us. And, the fruit does not lie. Trees that are neglected and not properly fertilized reveal that fact. They cannot keep these deep secrets from being discovered. If God's kingdom was really being served, then life would have looked much differently after the crucifixion. By now, there would be plenty of fantastic fruit to harvest in abundance: faith, hope, love, prudence, temperance, justice, and fortitude. Do we see these in abundance around us? Why not?

Still we grapple with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. It's all about us and what we want, think we need, and expect to acquire. When did this change of focus occur? We may be struggling with this since humanity's day in the garden and have never understood that the focus cannot be on us and the apple but on God and God's justice. Maybe the only answer is that the Kingdom be taken from us and given to someone who is willing to do a better job.

Catechetical Corner

*Religious Education Classes Pre-K through 8th
Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.*

Confirmation Class 9th through 12th - TBD

Prayers for the Sick:

Please pray for:

Juan Franco, Dale Wilson, Jean Beesley, Max Taldo, Don & Mary Louise Boyne, Carolyn Schmidt, Betty Conway, Don Perno, Rick Larson, Judy Diskin, Rhett Crawford.

Happy Birthday to: Paul Newton (3); Roberta McLane (4); Katie Kroll (6); Lauren Boyne (8).

Happy Anniversary to: Rick & Jennifer Rumsey (6).

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Please contact the office so we can update our information.

Mass Intentions: October 3rd - October 9th, 2020

Saturday Special Intentions
Sunday 8:00 Special Intentions
Sunday 10:30 Special Intentions
Tuesday Special Intentions of Rick/Jennifer Rumsey
Wednesday Our Country / Jennifer Rumsey
Thursday Special Intentions
Friday Special Intentions

Readings for the week of October 4th, 2020

Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/
Mt 22:1-14



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Lectors: Saturday 1st & Second Readings

October 3rd - Jeff Everard
October 10th - Karen Sontag
October 17th - Mike Tanner
October 24th - Jeff Everard
October 31st - Karen Sontag

Lectors: Sunday 1st & Second Readings

October 4th - Sue Ausmus
October 11th - Charles Gebetsberger
October 18th - Josette Haskell
October 25th - Sara Beuchat

All other Ministries are on a volunteer basis until further notice.

Sacred Heart Church Collections



September 20, 2020 Collection

Envelope.....\$ 1,546.00
Loose\$ 303.00
On-Line.....\$ 25.00
Total Weekend Collection.....\$ 1,874.00

September 27, 2020 Collection - Not Available

Honor the Lord with generosity Ecc.35:7

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Gifts Given to Share

My oldest two children took piano lessons when they were younger. In fact, it was because my oldest wanted to learn to play so badly that we purchased a piano. He would use it for practice during his few years of lessons, and then my daughter took up the instrument. After a few years of lessons for each, restlessness set in and a type of indifference took over. The lessons and the practicing came to an end.

My youngest had not expressed much interest in piano when he was younger. Then when he was a teenager, he asked for lessons. He began to play and now he plays even for fun and to relax. When his siblings try to play, they are stuck with the truth that those days are gone and since they gave it up years ago, they can no longer really play. In many ways, they were given a gift, but since they did not use and cultivate it, they lost it.

God gives us gifts every day and we too often act like those gifts will simply always be there. The truth is, unlike God Himself, many of those gifts are not eternal. If we fail to acknowledge them and put them to use, we risk losing them in the end. What a shame. What gifts might be slowly slipping away from each of us due to our lack of interest and indifference? They might not be there if and when we change our minds.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Who has authority over God's kingdom? While we know that the obvious answer is Jesus, that is not the answer our lives always reveal. We struggle with wanting control over God's kingdom. We wrestle with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. However, at the end of the day nothing in this world or in the one to come belongs to us. All that we see and know to be true belong to God, and Jesus is the only one who has any authority. How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? We often conduct our business as if we are the owner, lord and master of it all, but sadly we are not. God gives us the means and the potential to bear good Gospel-centered fruit. This desire and capacity exist within each individual. Unless we really acknowledge and accept who is ultimately in charge, the type of love, justice, peace, and other good fruits God desires for the world will never be realized.

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Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus: The Sacred Heart Council meets at 7:00 pm on the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Contact Grand Knight Robert Mulvihill 918-906-7170.

Prayer Network: For prayer requests, contact Sheila Ford at (918) 695-8796 or email at skfgma14x@gmail.com or contact the office.

Women's Bible Study Group: Meets Tuesday mornings 10:30-11:45am. Contact Julie Pittman 918-519-2029.

Fatima Ladies: Every 3rd Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:45 a.m. Contact Sue Johnston 918-227-1431.

Grief Support Group: 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays/8 wk sessions Contact Connie Anderson by text at 319-470-2800.

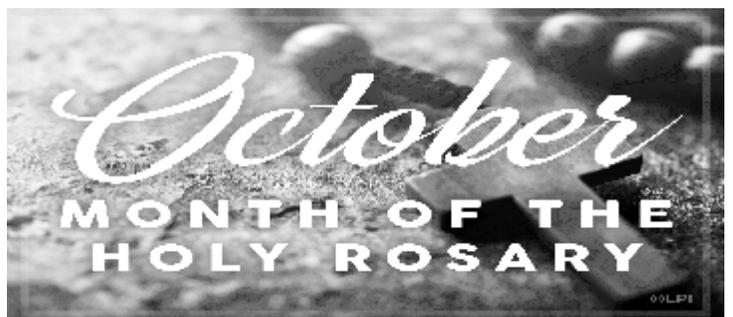


Catholic Charities Annual Appeal is this weekend Do Small Things with Great Love! Thousands of families are finding themselves in need of assistance for the first time in their lives. As we continue to face the challenges the pandemic has brought on our community, we ask that you prayerfully consider a gift to help those in need. Every gift to Catholic Charities, when combined with those of many, will do great things! There are donation envelopes in the gathering area. You may return them to the Church throughout the month of October or mail them directly to Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities is now hiring for two positions to help with their fundraising efforts - Donor Strategist & Grant Writer. These positions do not require specific experience... they will train the right person. Apply at <https://cceok.org/jobs> They also need volunteers for their food pantry. They need volunteers to work their drive-through food distribution Tuesday through Friday 8:45 am to noon and/or 11 am to 2pm shifts. Visit <https://cceok.org/volunteer> or call 918-508-7125

Birthright of Tulsa needs new or nice hand-me-down clothing size Infant to Toddler-2 ONLY. They also will accept maternity clothing. Winter wear is needed the most. You may bring items to the parish or drop it off at Birthright of Tulsa, 6600 S. Yale Ave, (Warren Clinic) Tulsa, OK. Call 918-481-4884 for drop off hours

There is still time to sign up for the Prayer Vigil at the Garden of Hope which will be happening through November 1st from 5:00 a.m. to 11 p.m. There are flyers in the gathering area with registration information or go to 40daysforlife.com/tulsa





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