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#### **KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS\***

Meets the second Tuesday of the month

#### **ALTAR SOCIETY**

Meets the second Monday of the month, September through May only

#### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00 am and 11:30 am Sunday Mass: 9:45 am at our Mission, St. Patrick Catholic Church in Walters Daily Masses: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, & Saturday at 7:30 am

No Daily Mass on Monday or Tuesday

### **CONFESSIONS**

Saturday: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

# **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Parents should call for an appointment at least three months prior to the desired date of Baptism. Parents must be registered parishioners. Please call the parish office for more information.

#### MARRIAGE

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# LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. JOHN PAUL LEWIS

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This is a very important weekend in the life of the Church. Obviously, we celebrate the Nativity of the Lord on Saturday, and Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. These two feasts are intimately connected, and an important reminder for us of the



# THE HOLY FAMILY

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He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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reality of the incarnation. In the Christmas Eve Mass, the Gospel Reading is taken from the Genealogy of Jesus. At first glance, it is just a long list of names, beginning with Adam and ending with Jesus. What it really tells us though, is that God came and took on our human nature in the midst of a real family, with real lineage. And that lineage is filled with very broken and sinful people. When the Word became flesh, he did so in the midst of sinful humanity, in order that the sinfulness could be redeemed, and that he could transform humanity's fallen state.

If Jesus can enter into this sinful lineage of people and somehow bring redemption and salvation, surely he can do so in our families. Every family is broken in some way. Every family is in need of redemption. Every family needs to encounter and experience the Lord's mercy in order to grow more fully in love for one another. If we entrust ourselves to the prayers of Mary and Joseph, and place ourselves within the love of Jesus Christ during this Christmas season, the Lord will work wonders in our lives. He will bring us the redemption and salvation we have so long awaited.

May the Lord bless all of you abundantly during this time of joy!

In Christ,

Fr. John Paul



# thank you

The Altar Society would like to give a big
THANK YOU to everyone that came to the
Annual Turkey Dinner and Holiday Bazaar.
We would also like to thank the
Knights of Columbus for helping
serve the dinner.



Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 pm
Vigil Mass for Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
at St. Patrick in Walters

Saturday, January 1st at 10:00 am
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God



# Prayer for the New Year

Dear Lord, at the beginning of this New Year, I remember that you are a God of beginnings and endings. You created the world, with all its eternal patterns. Winter begins in frost, and ends in Spring's thaw. Spring begins in new, green life, ending in Summer's heat. Summer begins in sunshine, and ends in Autumn's breezes. And Autumn's color leads to the white of Winter again. As another year ends and begins in our lives, help us to remember that you have made a world of cycles. When fortune turns to trials, or hardship turns to joy help me take delight in the life I've received from you. Remind me that I will one day pass from this world and enter a new life like those who've gone before me.

Amen

# UPCOMING EVENTS

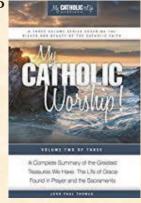
Catholic Women's Conference February 26, 2022 okcatholicwomen.com

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## MY CATHOLIC WORSHIP ADULT FAITH FORMATION

There will be no Adult Faith Formation classes on December 26, 2021 and January 2, 2022.

There is class on December 19, 2021.



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and click the "Give Now" tab.

# JOIN FLOCKNOTE

Everyone, please take out your cell phones.....



please send the word <u>lawton</u> in a text message to the number: <u>84576</u>. This is a great time to be signed up so that we can keep you and your family updated with our weekly bulletins and other announcements.



**DECEMBER 27** Rebecca Boswell, Mayah Murillo, and Melissa Rivera

**DECEMBER 28** Mariana Garcia, Steven Glanzer, Christopher Linville, David Scott, and Denise Zaragoza

**DECEMBER 29** Claudia Beckner, Charles Beller, William Ellis, and Candace Morris,

**DECEMBER 30** David Beckner, Madison Isham, and Vanessa Lusk

**DECEMBER 31** Terry Benke, Sara Breeze, Kathy Coe, Susan Furtado, Rhonda Kennedy, and Hella Young

**January 1** Justin Apple, Irinea Cardona, Fe R. DelaCruz, Steffan Morris, Aline Mukasekuru, John Turner, and Victoria Winemiller

**January 2** Valeria Barrientos, Luis Carbajal, Mary Daniel and Michael Glowaski



#### Our Weekend Mass Offerings December 4 & 5, 2021

General Fund—Envelopes & Cash	\$6,478.65
General Fund—Online Giving	\$1,456.04
Christmas Flowers	\$1,156.00
Parish Improvement Fund (464646)	\$2,066.73
Parish Improvement Fund—Online Giving	\$115.22

#### December 11& 12, 2021

General Fund—Envelopes & Cash	\$5,493.39
General Fund—Online Giving	\$2,593.68
Immaculate Conception	\$1,154.18
Retirement for Religious	\$2,840.46
Parish Improvement Fund (464646)	\$307.00
Parish Improvement Fund—Online Giving	\$620.79

Second Collection Next Week: Parish Improvements

We want to extend our deep thanks for continuing your generous support. Your generous contributions help sustain our Parish.

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Walters Weekend Mass Attendance and Offerings Sunday, December 5, 2021 9:45 am Mass Attendance 29

Operating Fund \$995.00 Building Fund \$20.00 Thank you for your support!

## **DECEMBER 26, 2021**

# WELCOME TO **BLESSED SACRAMENT** CATHOLIC CHURCH

We are glad you are here today!



Monday, December 27 **NO Daily Mass** 

Tuesday, December 28

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Theodore and Marguerite Liard by the Flusche Family)

Wednesday, December 29

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Marie C. Scheirer by her family)

No Religious Education Classes 6:30 pm—Rosary in the Church

Thursday, December 30

No Daily Mass

**6:30 pm—Holy Hour in the Church** There will be no confessions.

Friday, December 31

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Fred Butler by Anita Butler)

5:00 pm—Vigil Mass Mary Mother of God

St. Patrick in Walters (For All Expectant Mothers)



Saturday, January 1

10:00 am—Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

(For Discerners and Seminarians of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City)

5:00 pm—Mass (+Raymond Labbe by Robert Labbe) Sunday, January 2

**8:00 am—Mass** (For the People of the Parish)

9:45 am—Mass at St. Patrick Church in Walters (+Gerhard Juarez Hilts by his family)

11:30 am—Bilingual Mass (+Hassen Cara by the Bannon Family)

Mass Attendance December 4 & 5, 2021

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm had 127 in attendance. Sunday Morning at 8:00 am had 141 in attendance. Sunday Morning at 11:30 am had 204 in attendance. **Total Attendance 472** 



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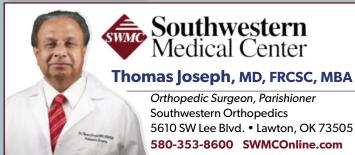
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