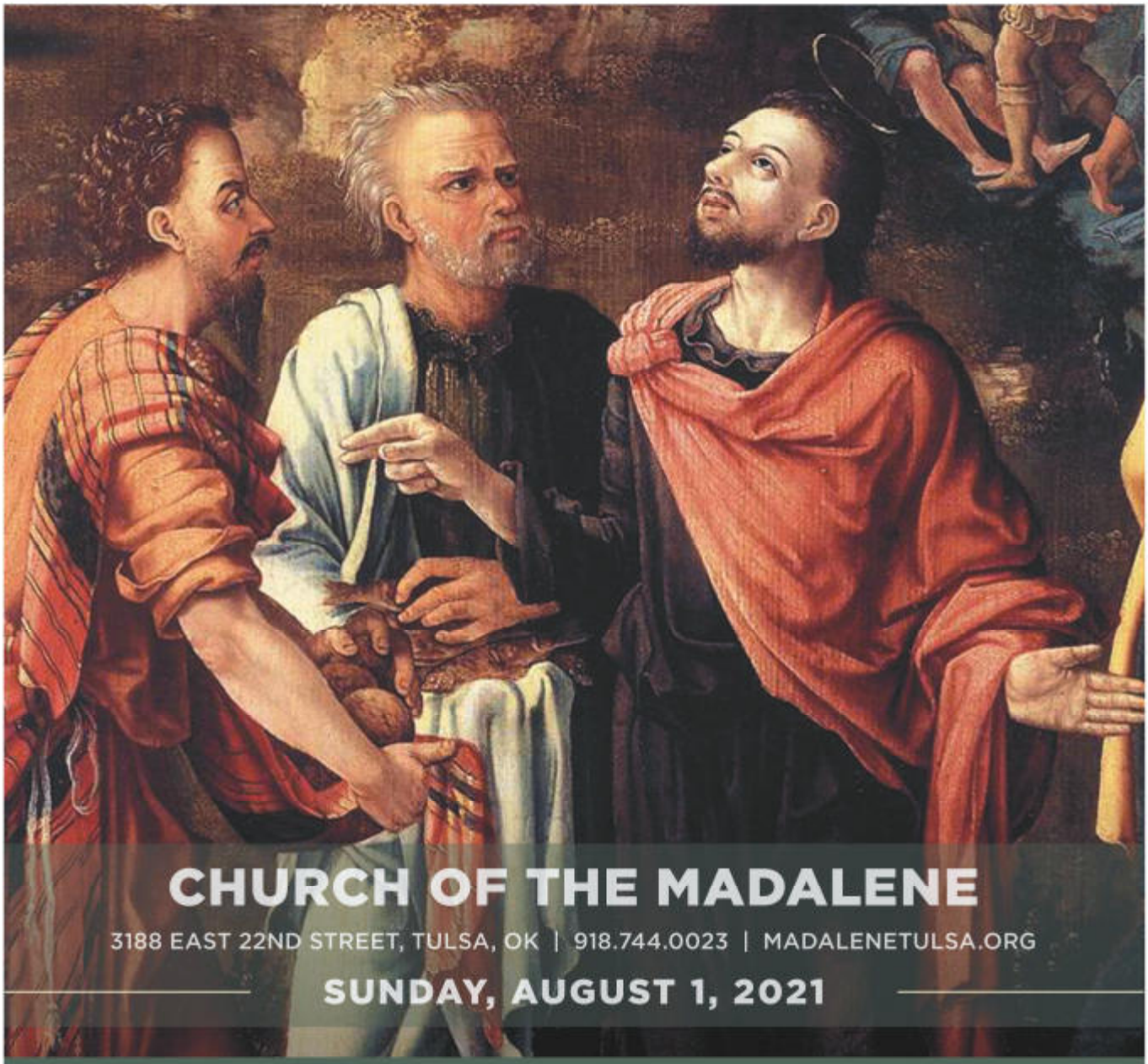

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 2021

18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." - Jn 6:32-33

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday	8:00am
Wednesday	6:00pm (Latin/English)
Thursday	8:00am
Friday	8:00am
Saturday	8:00am
Vigil	**5:30pm**
Sunday	**8:00am**
	10:00am

CONFESSION

Wednesday	5:00pm
Saturday	4:00pm

ADORATION

Friday	6:00–7:00pm

PARISH OFFICE

Monday—Friday
9:00am–12:00pm & 1:00–4:30pm

Closed on holidays and Holy Days of Obligation

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

5:30PM Mass	**Lector**	**Usher/Greeters**	**Altar Server**
July 31	Margaret Petrella	Michael Amelio, Bob Young	Mike Davis
August 7	Aly Garner	Michael Amelio, Bob Young	Mike Davis

8:00AM Mass	**Lector**	**Usher/Greeters**	**Altar Server**
August 1	Larry Schoonover	Mae Timmons, Karen Hart	Dave Jansen
August 8	Angela McAtee	Burnedette Anderson	Henry & Rockie Anderson

10:00AM Mass	**Lector**	**Usher/Greeters**	**Altar Server**
August 1	Dolores Landry	Royce Ellington, Geoff Patterson	Jack & Nora Fyler
August 8	Isaias Santillano	Renee Wagenblatt, Theresa Witcher	Maureen Goree, Dylan Merle

Church of the Madalene is looking for energetic people to work in the nursery on Sunday's from 9:30- 11:30am. Must be VIRTUS trained (we can provide the online training).

This is a paid position.

For more information, please email Liz Poulter at **madalene.parishlife@gmail.com** or 918-744-0023.

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Lois Grummer
Bob Marson
Becky Holder
Sharon Burns
Heather Beckwith
Jessie Dragoo
Becky Grossman
Billy Seago (cousin of Liz Poulter)
Judy Tartarini (sister of Karen Dodge)
Dorothy McNamar

Email prayer requests to Debi Clancy at clancyintl@cox.net or call 918-638-0344

*Names will remain on this list for three months.
All requests can be renewed as often as needed. Please email **madalenecomms@gmail.com** to renew prayer requests for the bulletin.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, August 3
Chris Gregory (special intention),
r/b Wendy Gregory

Wednesday, August 4
Fred Smith (special intention), r/b Sandra

Thursday, August 5
Vocations

Friday, August 6
Jane Rausch †, r/b The Olzawski Family

Saturday, August 7
Jane Rausch †, Ken & Pat Fike

Sunday, August 8
Maxine Staley †

Please contact the parish office for information about requesting Mass intentions.

Volunteers needed for helping with cleansing and ironing Church of the Madalene "Holy Laundry" (items used by Priest, Deacons and EMHCs during each Mass)

Volunteers are needed to wash, launder, and iron the purificators, corporals and small towels that are used by the Priest, Deacons, and EMHCs during each Mass. Depending on the number of volunteers who are willing to help with this important volunteer opportunity, the time commitment usually requires a few hours once a month. Instructions will be provided at your convenience.

Please contact Mae Timmons, Sacristan, for more details about this opportunity (402) 213-6300 or mtimmons@cox.net.

St John Adoration Community
Wine and Cheese Party

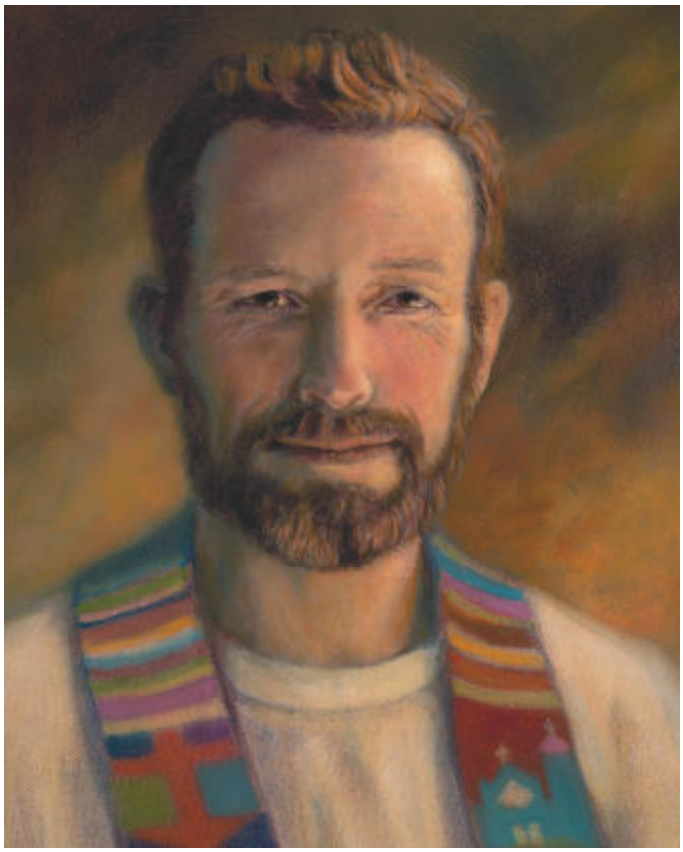
The St. John Adoration Community will host a Wine and Cheese get together on August 21 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Beckerle Hall. Join us as we celebrate our thirty-eighth anniversary as a Community before the Face of Jesus. Invite a friend who would benefit knowing Jesus more intimately and by befriending Him face to face. Bring a light snack or beverage to share or just come!

Rosemary Parrett Funeral Service

Rosary Vigil
Tuesday, August 3 at 7pm

Funeral Service
Wednesday, August 4 at 2pm
Reception to follow

Blessed Stanley Rother Feast Day



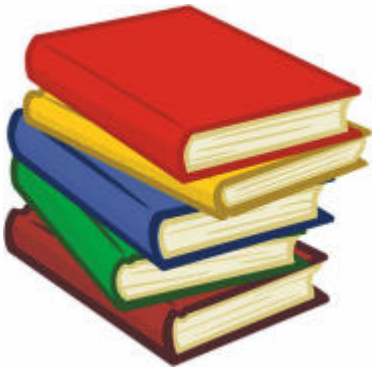
Each year, on July 28, the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, the Diocese of Tulsa, the Diocese of Little Rock, and parishes in the Diocese of Sololá in Guatemala celebrate the feast day of Blessed Stanley Rother. In our Diocese, we celebrate the feast day on the nearest Sunday. This year that is August 1.

The feast day marks the anniversary of Blessed Stanley's murder in his rectory in Guatemala during a bloody civil war in the country in the late 1970s and early 1980s. Blessed Stanley was killed July 28, 1981.

While Blessed Stanley feared for his life, he did not want to leave the parishioners he loved, saying "**A shepherd cannot run at the first sign of danger**."

LIBRARY NOW OPEN

The library is now open after many months of hard work and planning. New books have been purchased and donated, a children's section has been added, and we even have an online catalog. The library is available to all parishioners during office hours and when not reserved for meetings. Please visit the office to have the library unlocked.



If a man wants to be always in God's company, he must pray regularly and read regularly. When we pray, we talk to God; when we read, God talks to us.
-- Saint Isidore of Seville

Marcel Davis is currently unable to drive herself to the 5:30pm Mass on Saturday nights, and is looking for anyone able to give her a ride to and from church. If you would be able to assist, please call her at 918-906-2393.

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To sign up to host Coffee & Donuts after the 10am Mass, contact Liz Poulter at 918-744-0023 or madalene.parishlife@gmail.com

FIRST READING

Then the LORD said to Moses,
"I will now rain down bread from heaven for you.
Each day the people are to go out
and gather their daily portion;
thus I will test them,
to see whether they follow
my instructions or not." (Ex 16:4)

PSALM

The Lord gave them bread from heaven. (Ps 78)

SECOND READING

... be renewed in the spirit of your minds,
and put on the new self,
created in God's way in righteousness and
holiness of truth. (Eph 4:23-24)

GOSPEL

"I am the bread of life;
whoever comes to me will never hunger,
and whoever believes in me will never thirst."
(Jn 6:35)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

"You cannot see the forest for the trees" is a widely known saying that can bring wisdom to our understanding of our journey. Often, our sight becomes limited to what is immediately before us. We lose touch with lessons and experiences from the past and promises and hope for the future. As human beings, we have the privilege of being able to choose things. What I like and don't like, want, and don't want can be major preoccupations of our minds and hearts. Our preferences and desires begin to define us more than the simple fact of our being. Who we are matters more than what we are or what we have. If we don't move beyond the external and superficial stuff to what really is of essence, we risk becoming very unsettled, disorientated, angry, and unhappy. We fail to see the bigger picture of hope and promise that lies ahead and the Divine Presence that has sustained and carried us before.

We like it when the "now" time of our lives satisfy us. Even the people who witnessed Jesus feed the five thousand got confused and distracted. It felt good when thousands of people were able to eat. They wanted to know what they could do to get this to happen again! But Jesus quickly reminds them that this is not the point of this sign. As much as the now time of our lives is of concern, it is not what is ultimately important. We need to learn the difference between being and doing, drawing more strength from who we are and who God is rather than what is happening around us and the choices we can make. Jesus is the true bread that came down from heaven. Jesus is the very incarnate presence of God who sustains life and assures us that we will not perish. This is not easy to understand and feel. We have to practice being in the presence of ourselves, others, creation, and God. We are brought to a holy place when we encounter the sacredness of being. This is real prayer.

Then, we learn to trust. It is when we cease trusting that we start to become afraid, uncertain, apprehensive, and doubtful, and overly self-concerned. We even start to grumble. God has our back. That is the essential powerful message of the living bread come down from heaven. God, who is alpha is also omega, the beginning and the end, and has everything in between in his care as well. A woman once remarked that her most powerful God moment happened when she and her husband cuddled with their new baby for a time. Without exchanging words and using only the affection communicated through sight and touch, they rested in being with each other. This brought them to the sacred, where they realized that a greater Being was with them. It was real. They knew that they were part of something bigger, intimate, and profound. When we rest in the Living Source of life, we will find that our souls are no longer hungry or thirsty.

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