

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time – Sunday, January 19, 2020

Gifts for God – January 12, 2019

Regular Tithes

Immaculate Conception - \$ 1,244.01*
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - 328.00
Saint Joseph - 384.00

* Includes all Masses.

Building Fund

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - \$ 50.00



Stewardship Reflections

“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” (Isaiah 49:5)

God has given each of us different gifts. In order for God’s plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don’t let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and generously share them with others.



Mass Intentions:

Immaculate Conception

January 25 – For the people of God of Poteau, Spiro & Stigler parishes.

January 26 – For the spiritual benefit of Lucia Jones, on her birthday. By Kim & David Jones.



How do I schedule a Mass Intention?

Please see David Jones, or Father Jim. Please write the name, and whether it is in memory (for the repose of the soul) or for their spiritual benefit.



Ministry to the Sick & Elderly

If someone in your family is in the hospital, nursing facility or homebound, please call Father Jim to arrange for a pastoral visit or the delivery of Holy Communion.

Has your address, phone or email changed?

Starting next Sunday, there will be volunteers gathering new contact information on parishioners. Mailing addresses and phone numbers change more often than we realize. It’s important to be able to contact you outside of church hours.

Please help us keep our records up-to-date.

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Confirmation class this week on Wednesday

This week’s Confirmation classes – both first and second year – will meet in the classroom building at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 22.

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Do you need your offertory info for tax filing?

If you need a year-end report of your offertory gifts to the parish, please sign the form at the front of the church, and one will be compiled for you by the first weekend in February.

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Bring out your palms (starting February 1)

All “used” blessed palms from last year will be collected in boxes at each parish starting February 1. They will be burned to help provide ashes for Ash Wednesday, which is February 26.

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Catholic Community Calendar

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

- 8 a.m. Daily Mass in the I.C. Chapel
- 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open.

Wednesday, January 22, 2020

- 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open.
- 12 Noon, Daily Mass in the I.C. Chapel
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class at I.C.

Thursday, January 23, 2020

- 8 a.m., Daily Mass in the chapel.
- 6 p.m. Scripture Study at I.C. with Father Jim

Friday, January 24, 2020

- 8 a.m. Daily Mass in the I.C. Chapel

Saturday, January 25, 2020

- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Confessions at I.C.
- 5 p.m. Vigil Mass for Sunday, Immaculate Conception, Poteau.

Sunday, January 26, 2020 – The Third Week of Ordinary Time

- 9 a.m. Holy Mass at Immaculate Conception parish, Poteau.
- 10:30 a.m. RE Classes at Immaculate Conception
- 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Class at I.C. (New time!)
- 12 Noon. Holy Mass at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton parish, Spiro.
- 5 p.m. Holy Mass at Saint Joseph Parish, Stigler.

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Prayers for Our Sick & Shut-ins

"And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well." (James 5:15)

Let us pray for: Harold High, Richard Johnson, Chet & Paula Gorgas, Bill Burwell, Donald Hargrove, Dorothea Willis, Patricia Shirey, Barbara Morris, Marianne Young, Leonard Adkins, Howard Bryant, Susie Hawkins, Nanette Johnson, Mary Smith, Rita Thompson, Susan King, Hilda Culver, Violet Ray, and all our hospitalized and shut-ins.

Daily Mass Readings

20 Monday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time (**G**) / 1 Samuel 15:16-23 / Psalm 50:8-9, 16BC-17, 21 and 23 / Mark 2:18-22

21 Memorial of Saint Agnes, Virgin & Martyr (R) / 1 Samuel 16:1-13 / Psalm 89:20, 21-22, 27-28 / Mark 2:23-28

22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (W) / 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 / Psalm 144:1B, 2, 9-10 / Mark 3:1-6

23 Thursday of the Second Week of Ordinary Time (**G**) / 1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7 / Psalm 56:2-3, 9-10A, 10B-11, 12-13 / Mark 3:7-12

24 Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor (W) / 1 Samuel 24:3-21 / Psalm 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11 / Mark 3:13-19

25 Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, Apostle (W) / Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 / Psalm 117:1BC, 2 / Mark 16:15-18

26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) / Isaiah 8:23 – 9:3 / Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14 / 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17 / Matthew 4:12-23

Second Collections: How the schedule works

Some have questions about the Second Collection offertory envelopes that come with your annual packet. With fingers crossed, let's try to reduce the confusion.

The Parish Building Fund is always the first Sunday of the month. It is local.

There are nine (9) second collections in the Diocese of Tulsa. Two of them are critical: The Faith & Works campaign in February which provides the lion's share of the funding for the operation of the Diocese; and the Catholic Charities Appeal in October.

In March (21-22) there is the Solidarity with Foreign Churches appeal. There are four envelopes associated with this appeal: Church in Latin America, Church in Central & Eastern Europe, the Church in Africa, and World Mission Sunday. Some people use all four envelopes. Some pick and choose. It's okay to write your checks to I.C., Saint Joseph or Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton as all monies are combined and forwarded.

In April there are two special collections: The Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land (April 10), and the National Missions Collection on the weekend of April 25-26. The latter collection has five envelopes: Black & Indian Missions, Catholic Home Missions, Catholic Communications, Catholic University of America and the Retirement Fund for Religious.

In May, there is the Pro-Life Collection on Mother's Day (May 9-10). Funds go to Birthright and Go Life, both well established and effective organizations that work to save babies and help pregnant women.

In June there is the Peter's Pence Collection, taken on the Sunday closest to the Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul (June 27-28). This goes to help fund the operations of the universal Church. On the weekend of Nov. 21-22, there is the collection for Social Justice. This has two envelopes: Catholic Relief Services and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

The final special collection is at Christmas: the collection for Infirm Priests and Retired Priests. There are two separate envelopes.

Lay Ministry Assignments for Sunday, January 26, 2020

Rosary – Kim Jones

Lector – Ramona Hargrove

Announcements – Zac Patty

Altar Servers – Brittney Gavina & Christian Gavina

Ushers – Juan Mendoza Sr., Kevin Mendoza, Leticia Burgoa & Patricia Delgado

Lay Ministers of Holy Communion – Maria Gavina, Maricela Morales & Kim Jones.

Hospitality – Margarita Gonzalez & Team