

Divine Mercy Sunday - April 19, 2020

Gifts for God – April 12, 2019

Regular Tithes

Immaculate Conception - \$ 1,558.00
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - 100.00
Saint Joseph - 400.00

Building Fund

Immaculate Conception - \$ 30.00

Faith & Works 2020 (Ongoing)

Immaculate Conception - \$ 5,833.00
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - 758.00
Saint Joseph - **1,265 .00**



Stewardship Reflections

“Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’” (John 20:19)

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, like a new neighbor, a new work colleague or a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home? Many of us can probably do a much better job at this. When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded. We are made for relationships – with God and each other. A simple “hello” and a smile goes a long way.



Mass Intentions: Immaculate Conception

April 25 – For the spiritual & physical benefit & protection for the people of Immaculate Conception, Saint Joseph & Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton parishes.

April 26 – For the spiritual Benefit of the Marinelle Morrow family, by Marinelle Morrow.

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An Update on Religious Education

Waiting on Oklahoma, Diocese of Tulsa to reopen

Thanks to Covid-19 our schedule was wrecked for completion of religious education classes and, more importantly, the conferral of sacraments on First Communion and Confirmation students.

We anticipate Bishop David Konderla will issue an extension of his decree forbidding public Mass in the Diocese. Additionally, the state of Oklahoma continues to be in “stay-at-home” mode until April 30.

RE students who are not in a sacramental class – third grade through eighth grade – will not come back to class this school year.

The classes preparing for sacraments – First Communion, taught by Reyna Burgos; Sacramental Prep, taught by Kim Jones; and Confirmation Two, taught by David Jones – will need to complete their training. We do not have enough information to know when this will be.

Similarly, new dates will be required for First Communion and Confirmation Masses. We realize that parents want extended family to attend these events, but until the national (or at least regional) health situation resolves itself, this is not realistic. But this will be a factor used when we are finally able to set the dates.

The situation is frustrating and disappointing for all of us. The students and instructors have worked hard and were so close to being ready when the shutdown began. Let us pray that God will bring an earlier end to this, so that our young people can be drawn ever more deeply into the Christian life.

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Online Giving Portal: Status report

The new Online Giving portal for our three-parish Catholic community of Saint Joseph, Immaculate Conception and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton passed its first week with flying colors with tithes made to two of the three.

There were no reports of any problems, but should you have issues, please contact Father Jim or David at the office. They “attended” a virtual training last week and are confident they can walk parishioners through any signup challenges.

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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: Ignacio Gonzalez, Stan Floyd, Beverly Mazikowski, Brandy Beane, John Worton, Robert Green, Harold High, 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 of Easter (**W**) / Acts 4:23-31 / Psalm 2:1-3, 4-7A, 7B-9 / John 3:1-8

21 Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 4:32-37 / Psalm 93:1AB, 1CD-2, 5 / John 3:7B-15

22 Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 5:17-26 / Psalm 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / John 3:16-21

23 Thursday of the Second Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 5:27-33 / Psalm 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 / John 3:31-36

24 Friday of the Second Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 5:34-42 / Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14 / John 6:1-15

25 Feast of Saint Mark, evangelist (R) / 1 Peter 5:5B-14 / Psalm 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17 / Mark 16:15-20

26 The Third Sunday of Easter (W) / Acts 2:14, 22-33 / Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 / 1 Peter 1:17-21 / Luke 24:13-35

Our Catholic Community Calendar

Monday, April 20, 2020

– 10 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.

Tuesday, April 21, 2020

– 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open. Curbside only.

– 10 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.

Wednesday, April 22, 2020

– 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open. Curbside only.

– 10 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.

Thursday – April 23, 2020

– 10 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.

Friday, April 24, 2020

– 10 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.

Saturday, April 25, 2020

– 9 to 11 a.m. **Confessions** at I.C.

– 11:30 a.m. Daily Mass, followed by Rosary.

Sunday, April 26, 2020 – The Third Sunday of Easter

– 10 a.m. Live-Stream: **Holy Mass** at Immaculate Conception parish, Poteau.

– 12 Noon. Live-stream: **Holy Mass** in Spanish with Father Jim.

A Saint's Prayer to the Blessed Mother

"Dearly beloved Mother, grant, if it is possible, that I may have no other spirit but yours to know Jesus and his divine will; that I may have no other soul but yours to praise and glorify the Lord; that I may have no other heart but yours to love God with a love as pure and passionate as yours. I do not ask you for visions, revelations, feelings of devotion, or spiritual pleasures. It is your privilege to see God clearly; it's your privilege to enjoy heavenly bliss; it's your privilege to triumph gloriously in heaven at the right hand of your Son and to hold absolute sway over angels, men, and demons; it is your privilege to dispose of all the gifts of God, just as you wish . . . The only grace I beg you to obtain for me is that every day and every moment of my life I may say: Amen, so be it, to all that you did while on earth; amen, so be it, to all that you are now doing in heaven; amen, so be it, to all that you are doing in my soul, so that you alone may fully glorify Jesus in me for time and eternity."

— St. Louis de Montfort

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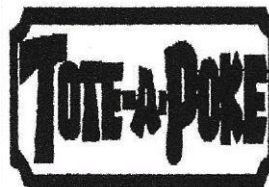
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Our Catholic Community

**Bishop Konderla has suspended public Masses
until April 24 - or until further notice!**

Immaculate Conception Church – Poteau

Mass Times: Live-Stream only on Facebook

Sunday: 10 a.m. English, 12 Noon Spanish

Confessions: Saturday 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church - Spiro

Saint Joseph Church - Stigler

Live-Stream Daily Mass with Father Jim on Facebook (Jim Caldwell, Jr.)