

# Fourth Sunday of Easter - May 3, 2020

## Gifts for God – April 26, 2019

### Regular Tithes

Immaculate Conception - \$ 1,775.00  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - 115.00  
Saint Joseph - 300.00

### Building Fund

Saint Joseph - \$ 50.00

### Faith & Works 2020

**Immaculate Conception - \$ 5,833.00**  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - 758.00  
Saint Joseph - **1,265.00**

*(Last update March 20)*



## Stewardship Reflections

*“And Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...’ (Acts 2:38)*

The word “repent” means to turn from sin, to change our actions. Change that is permanent comes from within. It requires prayer, discipline, and perseverance. Change is also hard. We have to recognize that we are broken and need help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.



## Mass Intentions: Immaculate Conception

May 9 – *For the spiritual & physical benefit & protection for the people of Immaculate Conception, Saint Joseph & Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton parishes.*

May 10 – *For all mothers of our Catholic community of Immaculate Conception, Saint Joseph & Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton parishes.*

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## OK Bishops to issue joint statement

*We should know on May 6 the steps to restart public worship*

Bishop David Konderla and Archbishop Paul Coakley of Oklahoma City will announce on Wednesday (May 6) the steps that will be followed in order for the resumption of public worship in Oklahoma’s Catholic churches. They are doing this in consultation with a select group of advisers, and also with civic leaders.

Any discussion of how this will work is pure speculation. We would caution patience; do not set your expectations too high as there are many issues to resolve and a considerable number of people (mostly outside of the Church) who will push back on any reopening whatsoever.

Father Jim will continue to broadcast daily and Sunday Masses from our chapel and the church itself, as well as special prayers like the 3 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet. Daily Masses are now celebrated at 9 a.m. (except at 8 a.m. on Fridays with Adoration), and at 11:30 a.m. on Saturdays.

Confessions are offered at Immaculate Conception, in the church, from 9 to 11 a.m. on Saturdays. As always, social distancing is required.

Keep up your prayers for a complete victory over the Covid-19 virus, and for the preservation of our civil rights that are embodied in our Constitution, most especially the God-given freedom to practice our Catholic Christian faith without interference from government or anti-religious groups or individuals.

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## A Gentle Reminder on Tithing While we Await the End of Isolation

Just a reminder that, while we wait patiently for the resumption of public Masses, the ordinary bills of your parish arrive on time. If you can afford it, your tithe would be most welcome. You can send it in by mail, drop it by the parish office, or use our new online giving form which can be found at our website: [occok.org](http://occok.org).

Also, our bulletins continue to be published and posted online. There is a new Bulletin Archive page in which is posted bulletins beginning on April 5.

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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

**4** Monday of the Fourth Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 11:1-18 / Psalm 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 / John 10:11-18

**5** Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 11:19-26 / Psalm 87:1B-3, 4-5, 6-7 / John 10:22-30

**6** Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 12:24 – 13:5A / Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 / John 12:44-50

**7** Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 13:13-25 / Psalm 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 / John 13:16-20

**8** Friday of the Fourth Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 13:26-33 / Psalm 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11AB / John 14:1-6

**9** Saturday of the Fourth Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 13:44-52 / Psalm 98:1, 2-3AB, 3CD-4 / John 14:7-14

**10 The Fifth Sunday of Easter (W)** / Acts 6:1-7 / Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 / 1 Peter 2:4-9 / John 14:1-12

## **Pray for the Repose of the Soul of Margaret Griffith**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Griffith, a resident of the Heavener Nursing Home at the age of 82. Margaret, a native of Germany, was a lifelong Catholic who endured the perils of World War II. She died on Wednesday, April 29, a day after receiving anointing and the last rites of the Church. Her fascinating story can be found [HERE](#).

## Our Catholic Community Calendar

### Monday, May 4, 2020

- 9 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.
- 3 p.m. Live-stream of Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

### Tuesday, May 5, 2020

- 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open. Curbside only.
- 9 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.
- 3 p.m. Live-stream of Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

### Wednesday, May 6, 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.
- 3 p.m. Live-stream of Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

### Thursday – May 7, 2020

- 9 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.
- 3 p.m. Live-stream of Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

### Friday, May 8, 2020

- 9 a.m. Live-stream of Daily Mass & Rosary with Father Jim.
- 3 p.m. Live-stream of Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

### Saturday, May 9, 2020

- 9 to 11 a.m. Father Jim hears confessions in the Church.
- 11:30 a.m. Daily Mass, followed by Rosary.
- 3 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- 3:30 to 4:30. Father Jim hears confession in the Church.

### Sunday, May 10, 2020 – The Fourth 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.
- 3 p.m. Chaplet of Divine Mercy

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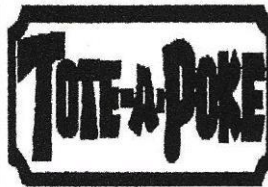
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*Our Catholic Community*

**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.)