

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 26, 2020

Gifts for God – July 19, 2020

Immaculate Conception

General Collection - \$ 1,762.25
Weekly Budget Needs: 1,700.00

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

General Collection - \$ 55.00
Weekly Budget Need: 475.00

Saint Joseph

General Collection - \$ 186.00
Weekly Budget Needs: 375.00



Stewardship Reflections

"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)

Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, His plan is always better.



Mass Intentions:

Immaculate Conception

August 1 – 5 p.m.

For the people of God of Saint Joseph, Immaculate Conception & Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton parishes.

August 2 – 9 a.m

For the spiritual benefit of Thomas Jones, on his birthday; by David & Kim Jones.



*Need to schedule a Mass intention?
See David in the Parish Office.*

Important Religious Education Dates for I.C.

The completion of sacraments for 2020

First Reconciliation classwork was completed today. If your child did not attend, please contact David in the office.

The Sacrament will be conferred at the 10 a.m. mini-retreat on
Saturday, Sept. 5

First Communion: Two more classes left

– Sunday, August 2 & Sunday August 9, both at 10:30 a.m.

First Communion Rite to be celebrated at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 5

Confirmation: Two more classes left

– Sunday, Aug. 2, Sunday, Aug. 9 at 10:30 a.m.

The Rite of Confirmation will be celebrated at the Vigil Mass on Saturday, Aug. 26, at 5 p.m.

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Update on Father Jim, guest priest for next weekend

Father Jim is recovering well from his knee replacement surgery. For the moment he will remain in Tulsa. If you wish to send him a card, you can do so by dropping it by the Parish Office or mailing it to the church at P.O. Box 237, Poteau, OK 74953. We do not yet know what a good address will be in Tulsa.

Next weekend our guest priest will be Father James Porter III, a young priest of the Diocese of Tulsa. Please make him feel appreciated for his willingness to fill in for Father Jim.

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Saintly Words of Wisdom

"I will glory not because I am righteous, but because I am redeemed; I will glory not because I am free from sins, but because my sins are forgiven me. I will not glory because I have done good nor because someone has done good to me, but because Christ is my advocate with the Father and because the blood of Christ has been shed for me."

—St. Ambrose

Who was Saint Ambrose?

A well-educated lawyer who was named Bishop of Milan, then devoted himself to the study necessary to become a priest. He played a great role in the defeat of Arianism, a Fourth Century heresy which held that Jesus was not equal to the Father. He was instrumental in converting Saint Augustine away from Manicheism, a syncretic rival religion. Ambrose was born in 340 A.D. in Trier and served the Church from 374 to 397, dying at the age of 57. He had a talent for musical composition and straightforward homilies that earned him the title of Doctor of the Church.

His Feast Day is December 7.

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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, Josefina Estrada, Stan Floyd, Beverly Mazikowski, Johnny McMahan & Josephine McMahan, 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

27 Monday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time **(G)** / Jeremiah 13:1-11 / (Psalm) Deuteronomy 32:18-19, 20, 21 / Matthew 13:31-35

28 Tuesday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time **(G)** / Jeremiah 14:17-22 / Psalm 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 / Matthew 13:36-43

29 Memorial of Saint Martha (W) / Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21 / Psalm 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18 / John 11:19-27

30 Thursday of the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time **(G)** / Jeremiah 18:1-5 / Psalm 146:1B-2, 3-4, 5-6AB / Matthew 13:47-53

31 Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (W) / Jeremiah 26:1-9 / Psalm 69:5, 8-10, 14 / Matthew 13:54-58

August 1 Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor (W) / Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24 / Psalm 16: 15-16, 30-31, 33-34 / Matthew 14: 1-12

2 The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) / Isaiah 55: 1-3 / Psalm 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 / Romans 8:35, 37-39 / Matthew 14:13-21

Our Catholic Community Calendar

Monday, July 27

– Nothing scheduled.

Tuesday, July 28

– **No Daily Mass.**

– 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open. Lobby is now open.

– 3 p.m. Divine Mercy chaplet.

Wednesday, July 29

– **No Daily Mass**

– 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Food Pantry open. Lobby is now open.

– 3 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Thursday – July 30

– **No Daily Mass.**

Friday, July 31

– **No Daily Mass.**

Saturday, August 1

– 3:30 to 4:30. Father Shane Hewson hears confessions.

– **5 p.m. Vigil Mass at I.C.**

Sunday, August 2 – The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

– 9 a.m. **Sunday Mass at I.C. in English**

– 11 a.m. **Sunday Mass at I.C. in Spanish**

– 1 p.m. **Sunday Mass at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Spiro**

– 5 p.m. **Sunday Mass at Saint Joseph, Stigler.**

There will be no Daily Masses until further notice.

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SPECIAL NOTICE: All Daily Masses and the Sunday Masses at Immaculate Conception are live-streamed via Father Jim's Facebook Page (Jim Caldwell Jr.) or can be viewed later. This is to help those who cannot attend Mass for health reasons. Bishop David Konderla has issued a temporary dispensation from Sunday Mass attendance for those who cannot attend.

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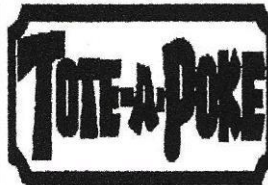
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Sunday: 9 a.m. English; 11 a.m., Spanish

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Live-Stream Sunday Mass with us on Facebook (Jim Caldwell, Jr.)