

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 2, 2020

Gifts for God – July 19, 2020

Immaculate Conception

General Collection - \$ 1,392.00
Weekly Budget Needs: 1,700.00

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

General Collection - \$ 245.00
Weekly Budget Need: 475.00

Saint Joseph

General Collection - \$ 173.00
Weekly Budget Needs: 375.00



Stewardship Reflections

“Jesus said to them, There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves,”

(Matthew 14:16)

This is what Jesus said right before he fed the five thousand men. How often do we really place our trust in Jesus when the situation looks grim? With Jesus, no gift is too small or insignificant when offered with love. But, we have to do our part. We should trust that Jesus will provide all that we need. We need to believe that Jesus has a better plan in store for us.



Mass Intentions: Immaculate Conception

August 8 – 5 p.m.

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

August 9 – 9 a.m

For the spiritual benefit of Jeremy Jones, on his birthday; by David Jones.

August 9 – 11 a.m

For the repose of the soul of Gudelia Naranjo, mother; by Cecilia Lanuza.

Sacramental class preparation update

The completion of sacraments for 2020

First Reconciliation classwork is complete, although a few students did not attend. If your child was one of them, please contact David in the office.

First Communion: One class left, next Sunday, August 9.

Confirmation: One classes: Next Sunday Aug. 9

Sacramental Prep: *One class left, next Sunday, Aug. 9*

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A Father Jim update

Father Jim, on the mend in Tulsa, sends greetings. Because of Covid-19 restrictions he cannot have visitors, so you can imagine how anxious he is to get back to us. The address is: 6800 S. Granite Ave, Chateau 2N Rm 214, Tulsa, OK 74136. Or you can send mail to P.O. Box 237, Poteau, OK 74953 and it will be forwarded to him.

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Unmasked: Satan’s Open Warfare in America

By Msgr. Stephen Rosetti

God usually keeps Satan on a tight chain. His power and actions are limited. It (now) appears that the prince of this world is almost completely unleashed. Satan (used to do) his evil in a hidden way. Now it is open warfare.

Holy statues are pulled down; sacred images are desecrated. Religion is mocked and God’s laws are rejected. One of the strongest signs of Satan’s presence is a hatred for the Catholic Church. Churches are burning.

Another strong sign of Satan’s presence is discord, violence and death. We see this everywhere. The increasing civil discord ... has erupted in open conflict.

(W)eeks ago one of our specially gifted persons said, “The demonic is way more active than before; their activity is more pronounced, and they have less fear than normal ... Their limit seems to be nonexistent lately; their violent actions ... increasingly daring and brutal.

It is a time for us to take up our own “weapons.”

One of the most powerful is the Rosary. Pray it daily to cast out Satan and to invoke the aid of the Blessed Mother. Another “weapon” is the pious reception of Holy Communion. Offer Jesus’ Presence in the Eucharist for this country and for the world.

Finally, I recommend we all ay deliverance prayers daily, especially priests in an exercise of their spiritual authority.

Jesus has won the final battle. But how many poor souls will be lost in these terrible days? Pray, pray, pray for the conversion of sinners and that Satan will once again be tightly leashed.

(This article first appeared in the St. Michael Center for Spiritual Renewal’s [Exorcist Diary blog](#). It has been edited slightly for length.)

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

3 Monday of the Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Jeremiah 28:1-17 / Psalm 119:29,43, 79, 80, 95, 102 / Matthew 14:22-36

4 Memorial of Saint John Vianney, Priest (W) / Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22 / Psalm 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 / Matthew 14:22-36

5 Wednesday of the Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Jeremiah 31:1-7 / (Psalm) Jeremiah 31:10, 11-12AB, 13 / Matthew 15:21-28

6 Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord (W) / Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 / Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 / 2 Peter 1:16-19 / Matthew 17:1-9

7 Friday of the Eighteenth Week in Ordinary Time (G) / Nahum 2: 1, 3; 3: 1-3, 6-7 / (Psalm) Deuteronomy 32:35CD-36AB, 39ABCD, 41 / Matthew 16:24-28

8 Memorial of Saint Dominic, Priest (W) / Habakkuk 1:12 – 2:4 / Psalm 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 / Matthew 17:14-20

9 The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (G) / 1 Kings 19:9A, 11-13A / Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 / Romans 9: 1-5 / Matthew 14:22-33

Guest Priest for Next Weekend

Our next guest priest (August 8-9) will be Father Elkin Gonzalez, the Vicar General of the Diocese of Tulsa who pastors Christ the King parish in Tulsa. Please make him feel welcome.

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Our Catholic Community Calendar

Monday, August 3

– Nothing scheduled.

Tuesday, August 4

– **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, August 5

– **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 – August 6

– **No Daily Mass.**

Friday, August 7

– **No Daily Mass.**

Saturday, August 8

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

– **5 p.m. Vigil Mass at I.C.**

Sunday, August 9 – The Nineteenth 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.**

All Sunday Masses at I.C. are livestreamed via Fr. Jim's Facebook page

There will be no Daily Masses until further notice.

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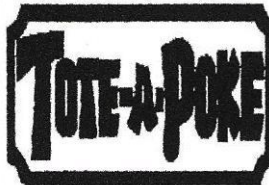
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Our Catholic Community

Immaculate Conception Church – Poteau

Saturday – 5 p.m. Vigil Mass

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

All Sunday Masses are Live-Streamed on Facebook

Confessions: Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton – Spiro

Sunday: 1 p.m.

Saint Joseph Church – Stigler

Sunday: 5 p.m.

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