

**Gifts for God – September 6**

**Immaculate Conception**

General Collection - \$ 1,784.00  
Weekly Budget Needs: 1,700.00

**Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton**

General Collection - \$ 680.00  
Weekly Budget Need: 475.00

**Saint Joseph**

General Collection - \$ 389.00  
Weekly Budget Needs: 375.00

**BUILDING FUND**

Immaculate Conception - \$ 225.00  
Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton - 20.00  
Saint Joseph - 140.00



**Stewardship Reflections**

*“For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.” (Romans 14:8)*

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God daily and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.



**Mass Intentions:**  
**Immaculate Conception**

**September 19 – 5 p.m.**

*For the repose of the soul of Gliceria Llemit, by Perlita Cline.*

**September 20 – 9 a.m**

*For the repose of the soul of Aristeo Botello, by Pilar Botello.*

**RE classes begin: Where is your child?**

This weekend kicks off another year of religious education at Immaculate Conception, but enrollment is below expectations. Missing are first grade students, middle school students and First Year Confirmation, plus several students we see regularly at Mass.

We encourage you to send your child to RE even if it is not a “sacramental year” so that they can continue to learn about their Catholic faith. It may only be for 90 minutes a week but, through the power of the Holy Spirit, it can help counteract the influence of an increasingly impious society.

Please see David Jones, director of Religious Education, to enroll.

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**Rite of Christian Initiation in Spanish**

The first Spanish-language RCIA class at Immaculate Conception will kick off soon – a start date to be announced shortly. It will be held on Tuesday evenings. Several people have indicated they will attend, and there is room for more if you are interested. Please see Father Jim or David Jones.

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**Rite of Christian Initiation in English**

There is still time to join those who are looking into the Catholic Church through our English-language RCIA program. If you or someone you know is interested, now is the time to let us know so that we can schedule the best time for the class, which will likely be on Wednesday evenings. Again, talk to Father Jim or David at the parish office: 918.347.3475.

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**40 Days for Life begins Wednesday, Sept. 23**

Every year the 40 Days for Life campaign brings together people in 63 countries and over 1,000 cities to pray, fast, and stand vigil at abortion facilities. Peacefully and prayerfully the many participants give witness to the dignity of unborn children and their mothers. Over 17 thousand babies have been saved, 206 abortion workers have quit, and 107 abortion centers have closed.

The Diocese of Tulsa and Eastern Oklahoma will sponsor another 40 Days for Life campaign at the Garden of Hope, from Sept. 23 to November 1, 2020. With prayer, fasting and holding vigil, we will seek God’s power to heal the scourge of abortion in our city and world. (Article continues on next page)

## 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, 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

**14 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (R)** / Numbers 21: 4B-9 / Psalm 78:1BC-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 / Philippians 2:6-11 / John 3:13-17

**15 Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows (W)** / 1 Corinthians 12: 12-14, 27-31A / Psalm 10:1B-2, 3, 4, 5 / John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35

**16 Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope; and Cyprian, Bishop & Martyrs (R)** / 1 Corinthians 12:31 – 13:13 / Psalm 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22 / Luke 7:31-35

**17 Thursday of the Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time (G)** / 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 / Psalm 118:1B-2, 16AB-17, 28 / Luke 7:36-50

**18 Friday of the Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time (G)** / 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 / Psalm 17: 1BCD, 6-7, 8B and 15 / Luke 8:1-3

**19 Saturday of the Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time (G)** / 1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49 / Psalm 56:10C-12, 13-14 / Luke 8:4-15

**20 The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (G)** / Isaiah 55: 6-9 / Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 / Philippians 1:20C-24, 27A / Matthew 20:1-16A

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This year our vigil of prayer at the Garden of Hope will last from 5 am to 11 pm, 7 days per week, from September 23 to November 1, 2020.

Sign-ups for prayer commitments at the garden will be conducted exclusively online through the 40 Days For Life, Tulsa Campaign website: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/tulsa> .

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**Please pray for Divine Guidance on Election Day 2020!**

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## Our Catholic Community Calendar

### Monday, September 14

– Nothing scheduled.

### Tuesday, September 15

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

### Wednesday, September 16

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

### Thursday – September 17

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

### Friday, September 18

- 8 a.m. Daily Mass in the I.C. Chapel
- 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mid-month Adoration in the IC Chapel.

### Saturday, September 19

- 3:30 to 4:30. Confession is available
- 5 p.m. Vigil Mass at I.C.

### Sunday, Sept. 20 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 9 a.m. Sunday Mass at I.C. in English
- 10:30 to Noon – Religious Education classes. Late registration.
- 11 a.m. Sunday Mass at I.C. in Spanish
- 12:15 to 2 p.m. – Confirmation classes at IC.
- 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*

*On most weekdays the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be at 3 p.m.*

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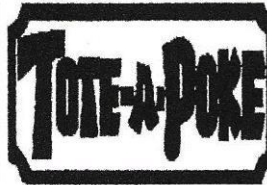
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*Our Catholic Community*

**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.)