

The Third Sunday of Easter - April 18, 2021

Gifts for God – April 11

Immaculate Conception

General Collections - \$ 1,591.00

Weekly Budget Needs: 1,700.00

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

General Collection - \$ 270.00

Weekly Budget Need: 475.00

Saint Joseph

General Collection - \$ 280.00

Weekly Budget Needs: 375.00



Stewardship Reflections

“Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ But they were startled and frightened...” - LUKE 24:36-37

Throughout the day we have many opportunities to “see the face of Jesus” in others and to “be the face of Jesus” to others. Do we take that opportunity to provide “peace” to those we encounter or are we afraid of what others will think of us and do nothing? Pray for the strength and courage to live a “God-centered” life and not a “self-centered” life.



Mass Intentions:

Immaculate Conception

April 24

*For the spiritual benefit of Msgr. Alvin Grous, by Carol McWilliams.
For the people of God of Poteau, Spiro & Stigler parishes.*

April 25

For the spiritual benefit of the Marinelle Morrow family.

New parish office hours start May 4

Coming in May: new hours for the Parish Office. The office, which conducts business for the three parishes in Poteau, Spiro and Stigler, will be open Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

“We don’t have a lot of foot traffic, but several people have suggested an earlier start time,” said David Jones, parish secretary of ten years and also director of Religious Education.

Most parish offices are closed on Mondays because priests and their staffs usually are busy on weekends.

Take-home FAQs for parents

Parents of those to receive their First Communion on **May 16** should receive a handout detailing some of the Frequently Asked Questions about the big event. The take-home paper will be given to students on in class next Sunday.

There are ten students who are almost ready to receive this most precious sacrament.

Faith & Works: An update on bishop’s fund

The collection for Bishop Konderla’s annual Faith & Works campaign is still underway, and we are still short of our target. The campaign provides the money needed to fund the operation of the Diocese in Eastern Oklahoma. That includes the education of seminarians so that we can have new priests to replace those who retire.

The latest numbers show that Immaculate Conception is \$745 short of goal. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton is \$681 short, and Saint Joseph is \$444.

Special envelopes are available in the church if you need one.

Mid-Month Adoration this Friday

Mid-month Adoration for April is this coming Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Immaculate Conception Chapel. Please talk to Melisa Gonzalez or David Jones to schedule.

A Historical Note: Today we are back in our renovated church at IC

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: Bryan Rangel, Regino Narvaez, Carlos Felipe, Agustina Ruiz, James Hearn, Anastacio Solis, Edith & Lazarus Girton, Matt Simonds, George Mansour, Josefina Estrada, Katie Malone, John Harris, Stan Floyd, Liz Lopez, Roger O'Hara, Beverly Mazikowski, Johnny & Josephine McMahan, Brandy Beane, John Worton, Chet & Paula Gorgas, Bill Burwell, Dorothea Willis, 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

19 Monday of the Third Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 6:8-15 / Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 / John 6:22-29

20 Tuesday of the Third Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 7:51 - 8:1a / Psalm 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8 a, 17 and 21 ab / John 6:30-35

21 Wednesday of the Third Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 8:1b-8 / Psalm 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a / John 6:35-40

22 Thursday of the Third Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 8:26-40 / Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 / John 6:44-51

23 Friday of the Third Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 9:1-20 / Psalm 117:1bc, 2 / John 6:52-59

24 Saturday of the Third Week of Easter (**W**) / Acts 9:31-42 / Psalm 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 / John 6:60-69

25 Fourth Sunday of Easter / (**W**) / Acts 4:8-12 / Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 / 1 John 3:1-2 / John 10:11-18

Our Catholic Community Calendar

Monday, April 19

– No events scheduled.

Tuesday, April 20

– 8 a.m. **Daily Mass, Rosary in the Parish Hall.**

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

Wednesday, April 21

– 8 a.m. **Daily Mass, Rosary in the Parish Hall.**

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

Thursday – April 22

– 8 a.m. **Daily Mass, Rosary in the Parish Hall.**

– 6 p.m. Scripture Study on Revelation resumes at IC.

Friday, April 23

– 8 a.m. **Daily Mass & Rosary in the IC Chapel**

– 9 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Mid-month Adoration until 5 p.m.

Saturday, April 24

– 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. IC – Confessions (Father's office)

– 3 to 4:30 p.m. Confessions (Father's office)

– 5 p.m. **Vigil Mass for 3rd Sunday of Easter at IC.**

Sunday, April 25 – The Fourth Sunday of Easter

– 8:30 Confessions at IC.

– 9 a.m. **English Mass at Immaculate Conception**

– 10:30 a.m. Religious Education classes at IC

– 11 a.m. **Spanish Mass at Immaculate Conception.**

– 12:15 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.**

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The old pews available to everyone

Father Jim has begun advertising the sale of the old pews to the general public. There is still time to acquire one if you want it. Price is \$100 to parish members. Proceeds go to the "Let Us Renew the House of the Lord" fund. See Father or David if you are interested.

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