

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

**1010 NW 82<sup>nd</sup> Street, Lawton, OK 73505 • (580) 536-6351 • Fax: (580) 536-6352**

**INFANT BAPTISMS** Parents are required to contact the Parish Office for baptismal preparation classes. Classes are held on the 1st Monday of the month.  
*Bautizos En Español* Los padres necesitan contactar la oficina de la Parroquia para tomar las clases de preparacion. Las clases seran el primer miercoles de cada mes.

**QUINCEANERA CLASSES** Please contact the office 6 months prior for the Quinceanera preparation classes.  
*Quinceañera Clases* Por favor contacte la oficina con seis meses de anticipacion.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK** Please call the parish office if someone is seriously ill or in the hospital.

**MARRIAGE** Please contact the priest 6 months prior to your wedding date. Date or facility will not be scheduled until after couples have met with clergy.

**PRAYER CHAIN** For a circle of prayers for you or a loved one call Vicki Gable, 536-6355 or Alicia Abbott, 536-9156.

**NEWCOMERS** We welcome you! Please register in the parish by calling or coming by the Parish office. Forms are also available in the vestibule of the church.

**BOOK AND GIFT STORE** is located near the Parish Hall, open before and after Mass and during Religious Education hours on Wednesday evenings. Maintained by Dr. Anne Williams.

**MASS SCHEDULE**  
Saturday 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
1:00 p.m. (Spanish)  
Daily Mass Mon - Thurs 12:00 noon,  
Friday Communion Service  
12:00 noon

Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 4-5 p.m.  
Chapel Open Daily from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. or by code after hours. Call the office for code.

**PARISH OFFICE**  
Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Main Office 536-6351 Fax 536-6352  
Religious Education 536-6355

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**  
Classes run from September through May  
Pre-K Sunday 11:00 a.m.  
Grades K-5 Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
Grades 6-12 Wednesday 6:45 p.m.

RCIA for adults RCIC for children  
Call Office for information.

**ABUSE HOTLINE (405) 720-9878**  
The Archdiocese of Oklahoma City takes the safety of our children very seriously. Therefore, The Archdiocese offers the Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline for reporting the abuse of any minor by a member of the clergy or other church personnel. This hotline is confidential.

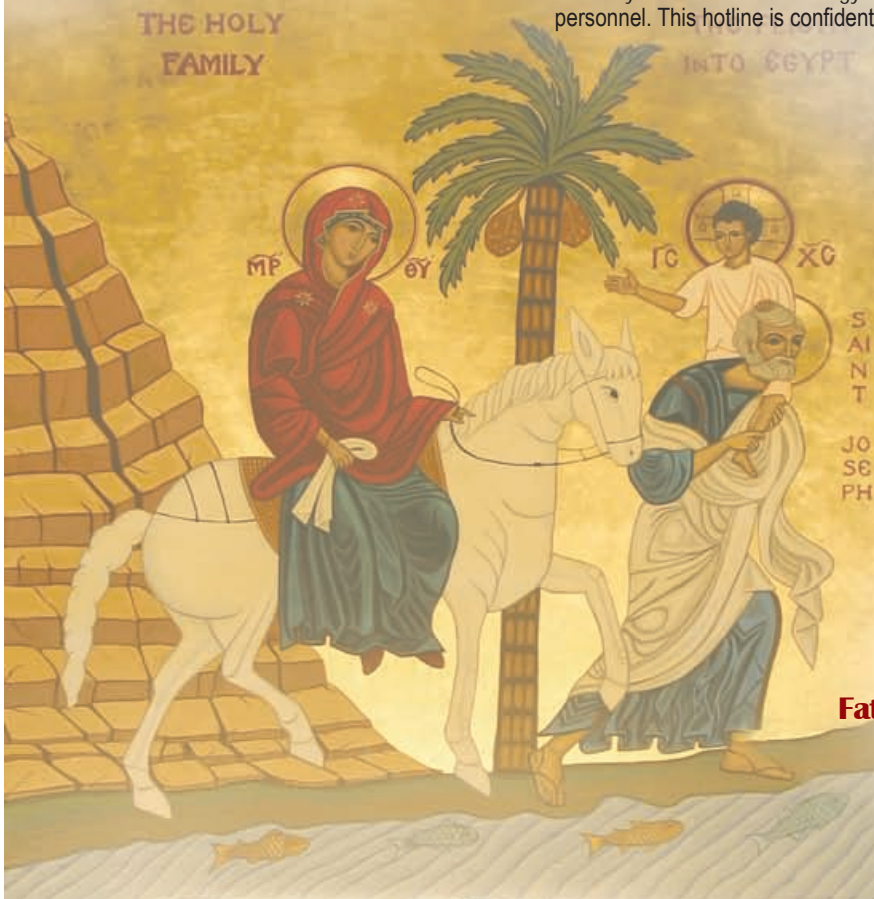
**Fr. Kirk Larkin**  
**Pastor**

**PASTORAL STAFF**  
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Deacon Jim Coe 536-9337  
Deacon David Bunch 529-3191

**PARISH STAFF**  
Business Manager Jim Coe  
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Organist Marjorie Farrell  
Parish Secretary Nicole Buswell  
Bookkeeper Sandra Roberts  
Parishioner Records Gretchen Hajek  
Facilities Director Roger Sessom  
Custodian Bill Sickler  
Custodian Joe Morita

**PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
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**Through the prayers and example of the Mother of God and St. Joseph, we are led by the Spirit to continue the ministry that Jesus began, giving glory to God by joyously proclaiming the good news of Jesus Christ in worship, word and witness.**

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**Bulletin Deadline: Monday 12:00 Noon**



## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH

The fourth precept of the Church is, "You shall observe the prescribed days of fasting and abstinence." This particular precept is significant with the onset of Lent just three weeks away. The definition of fasting is, "Limiting the intake of food and drink for a religious purpose." We are called to imitate Christ in our lives and we strive to do that in many ways. Fasting is meant to help us do that by entering into His suffering (as if we need anything more than our daily lives to remind us of that). It is a discipline that allows us to express our commitment and devotion to God. Mandatory days of fasting are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday in which the Church requires her faithful to take one main meal and two lesser meals that together do not equal the main meal. (There is also, of course, the one-hour fast we are all to observe before receiving Holy Communion.) Abstinence, on the other hand, is, "Depriving oneself of meat or foods prepared with meat." The prescribed days of abstinence are Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays in Lent. The United States bishops also strongly recommend abstinence be observed on all Fridays of the year as Friday is the day we commemorate the death of our Lord (I remember when fish was served every Friday at school and, as I got older, seeing it as the "special of the day" in many restaurants). The Catholic Church considers her tradition of fasting and abstinence to be a positive discipline, not negative as is often portrayed in movies or presented by other denominations. Its purpose - and motivation - is not to deny ourselves the goodness of creation or to "punish" our body, but to help us unite ourselves, through a discipline of self-sacrifice, to enter more deeply into that sacrificial love Christ calls each of us to enter into. There is a long history of fasting and abstinence in the Church. As a matter of fact, if you read the lives of the saints you will see that many of the saints preferred these disciplines as a way to unite themselves more fully to Christ. Some even took it to an unhealthy extreme. But that these great men and women entered into this practice tells us there is something important for all of us to be gained there. So as we enter into this season of penance (Lent), let us also enter into our own penitential practice of fasting and abstinence (remember, it is only required of those ages 14 to 60 and those whose health will allow) so that we can also enter in to that deeper relationship with Christ we all desire.

### MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS

#### **Monday February 9th**

**12:00 PM MASS** † Rev. Alan Loth by Holy Family Parish

Readings: Gn 1:1-19 Mk 6:53-56

**ADORATION 12:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

#### **Tuesday February 10<sup>th</sup>/Scholastica, Virgin**

**12:00 PM MASS** † Frank Scheirer by Ron & Marie Scheirer

Readings: Gn 1:20-2:4a Mk 7:1-13

#### **Wednesday February 11<sup>th</sup>/Our Lady of Lourdes**

**12:00 PM MASS** † Robert Lewis Dawes by St. Vincent de Paul Society

Readings: Gn 2:4b-9,15-17 Mk 7:14-23

#### **Thursday February 12th**

**12:00 PM MASS** † Ruth Dzialo 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Death by Holy Family Parish

Readings: Gn 2:18-25 Mk 7:24-30

#### **Friday February 13th**

**12:00 PM COMMUNION SERVICE**

Readings: Gn 3:1-8 Mk 7:31-37

#### **Saturday February 14<sup>th</sup>/Cyril, Monk & Methodius, Bishop**

Readings: Gn 3:9-24 Mk 8:1-10

#### **February 15<sup>th</sup>/6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Readings: Lv 13:1-2,44-46 1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Mk 1:40-45

**5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass**

† Krystyna Abram by Thomas Abram

**8:30 AM Sunday Mass**

† Danny Miller by Larry & Mickey Stokes

**11:00 AM Sunday Mass**

**People of the Parish**

**1:00 PM Spanish Mass**



#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING AROUND THE WORLD**

Jeremy Goosey, Joshua Myrice, Michael Epperson, Mark Bilafer, Brian Ferguson,

Frank Thibodeau, Todd King, Jonathan Brodeur, Christopher Kent, Thomas York, John B. Larkins III, Matthew Gowan, Aaron Schmidt, Anthony Daniel, Wes Carter, David Burks, Bryce Robinson, Michael Yeager, Vincent L. Moscatello, Jr., Rob Hart and Jason Frascht.

**ADF Today** the 2009 Archdiocesan Development Fund Appeal begins in our Parish and throughout the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. This is an opportunity to unite with all Catholics in the Archdiocese to share our blessings and to share God's love with each other. Your gift is important. Please assist the works of Religious Education, Hispanic Ministry, Pastoral Ministry, Youth & Young Adult Activities, Family Life Programs, and many other services provided by the Archdiocese.



**NURSERY HELP NEEDED**

Holy Family Is taking applications for a Part Time Paid Position in the Church Nursery... If you are interested in this position, please contact Vicki Gable at 536-6355.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**



The Ladies Guild Annual Scholarship applications are now available. To qualify you (1) Must be a registered Parish member or the child of a registered member. (2) Show

Scholastic Achievements (3) Leadership Ability/Extracurricular Activities/Church Activity Participation and (4) Show family financial need. Applications may be picked up in the Parish Office or the RE Office.

The Catholic Foundation Scholarships are also available by contacting The Foundation at PO Box 32180, Oklahoma City, OK 73123. Phone (405) 721-4115. College, Medical, Nursing and Music Scholarships are now available.

**In the Father's Footsteps Men's Conference.....**

Husbands, Fathers, Sons and Grandfathers, please keep Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup> open and join men of all ages in a wonderful day of learning, reflection, fellowship, reconciliation, and celebration of the Eucharist with Archbishop Beltran at Bishop McGuinness High School. We will have four speakers that will cover all aspects of being "Men of Honor". All conference activities and lunch are included in the fee. Register today on-line at [www.catholicmen.net](http://www.catholicmen.net) or using the brochure found in the church foyer.

**LADIES GUILD MEETING....** Holy Family Ladies Guild will meet on Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 in the Parish Hall. Please bring a small side dish to share. Childcare will be provided in the nursery.

**NEW ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED....**



Become more involved in the liturgy. Altar Server Training for the young (10 years and up) and old alike will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, February 28, 2009. This training session is for anyone interested in joining this special ministry. Any questions, please call Linda at 353-2052 or the parish office at 536-6351.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL MASS AND MEETING**

will be held on Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady's Cathedral. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Beltran at 4 PM and the program and reception will follow at 5 PM in Conner Center. Dr. David Lopez, President of American Fidelity Foundation, will be the guest speaker. All are welcome and reservations are greatly appreciated. Contact Cassie Nehring at 405 523-3000.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS**

will meet at 11:00 AM on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the Catholic Daughters. This gathering will include a meeting followed by a potluck luncheon. We always welcome new members. If you are interested, come join us for our meeting and celebration.

**....EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER....**

IF WE COULD FIND HIM ANYWHERE ON EARTH, WE WOULD TRY TO GO THERE. WE HAVE HIM, EVERY FREE MOMENT, ON THE ALTAR. BE WITH HIM THERE.....

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN OUR PARISH**

Dorine Cheramie, Harold Nesmith, Adele Walker, Alice Conner, Marcos Melendez, Deacon Pete Dulcamara, Deacon Herman Lawrence, Ed Crimmins, Corrine Boettcher, Gary Roberts, Brenden Scarfone, Norma Cottingham, Geraldine Dawes, Stephanie Ortega, Marie Webb and Anna Therriault.

