

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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

Fr. Kirk Larkin, Pastor	536-6351
Deacon Pete Dulcamara	536-8142
Deacon Jim Coe	536-9337
Deacon David Bunch	529-3191

PARISH STAFF

Business Manager	Jim Coe
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Music Director	Frederick Krieger
Parish Secretary	Nicole Buswell
Bookkeeper	Sandra Roberts
Parishioner Records	Gretchen Hajek
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Custodian	Bill Sickler
Custodian	Joe Morita

PASTORAL COUNCIL

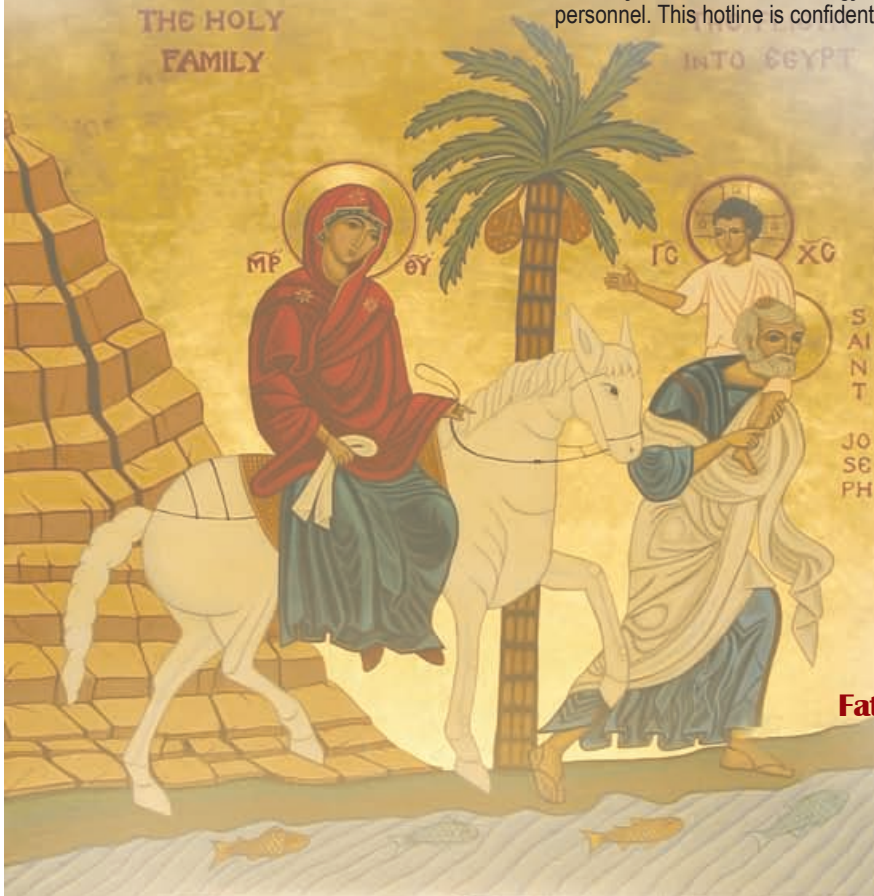
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THE HOLY
 FAMILY

INTO EGYPT



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

dear Padre

March 22, 2009

When did we become Catholic?

I know the word *catholic* means “universal,” but when did we start using it as a Church?

Emmett

Dear Emmett,

The word *catholic* has been used almost from the beginning of our history as a Church. Saint Ignatius of Antioch (AD 37-107) used the word to express the way the Church reaches out to everyone. *Catholic* was also used in the second century in the Apostles' Creed: “I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church.” The fourth-century Nicene Creed described the Church as “one, holy, catholic, and apostolic.” Note that in both creeds the word *catholic* begins with a lowercase letter *c* because it's describing what the Church is—it's not naming the religion. The Catholic Church recognizes papal primacy, and during the Reformation some of the reformers who didn't believe in papal primacy wanted to distinguish their ecclesiastical communities from the catholic community. That's why today *Catholic* refers to Christians who profess a continued tradition of faith and worship and who hold to the apostolic succession of bishops and priests from the time of Christ himself.

Rick Potts, C.Ss.R.

JUST SO YOU'LL KNOW

You will see this section in our bulletin from time to time. It will feature a word or a term or a phrase related to our faith along with a definition or explanation. I know there are times we use such words or phrases in our homilies, prayers and Mass that leave some wondering. If you find this to be so in the future, please email the word or phrase to holyfambulletin@AOL.COM and we will try to answer as best we can.

Today's Word: Laetare Sunday

The 4th Sunday of Lent, when the introductory word of the Introit is laetare, “Rejoice O Jerusalem.” As it is Mid-Lent Sunday, rose vestments are worn, flowers are permitted on the altar, and the organ is played. On this day the Golden Rose is blessed. The day is referred to also as Mediana, Mid-Lent, Mi-Carême, Mothering, Rose, or Refreshment Sunday.

PARISH MISSION BEGINS TONIGHT

MASS INTENTIONS AND READINGS

Monday March 23rd /Toribio de Mogrovejo, Bishop

12:00 PM MASS † Robert L. Dawes by Dennis & Florence Hergenrether

Readings: Is 65:17-21 Jn 4:43-54

ADORATION 12:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Tuesday March 24th

12:00 PM MASS † Anniv. of Birth date of Charles Libro by Joan Libro

Readings: Ez 47:1-9, 12

Wednesday March 25th /The Annunciation of the Lord

12:00 PM MASS † Julius H. Banta Anniv. of Death by Gary and Sandra Roberts

Readings: Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38

Thursday March 26th

12:00 PM MASS † Garry Stokes by Mickey & Larry Stokes

Readings: Ex 32:7-14 Jn 5:31-47

Friday March 27th

12:00 PM COMMUNION SERVICE

Readings: Wis 2:1a,12-22 Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30

Saturday March 28th

Readings: Jer 11:18-20 Jn 7:40-53

March 29th/Fifth Sunday of Lent

Readings: Jer 31:31-34 Heb 5:7-9 Jn 12:20-33

5:30 PM Saturday Vigil Mass

† Madge Wade by Ron & Marie Scheirer

8:30 AM Sunday Mass

† Rene Therriault by John and Anna Therriault

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, 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Dorine Cheramie, Adele Walker, Alice Conner, Marcos Melendez, Deacon Pete Dulcamara, Ed Crimmins, Corrine Boettcher, Brenden Scarfone, Geraldine Dawes, Stephanie Ortega, Norma Cottingham, Tony Niedermeier and Margaret Waskiewicz.



March 22 – Feed the Poor 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM and March 27 is Movie Night at Carmike Theaters \$5.00 4:30 to

9:00 PM

FORGIVE ME FATHER...



Additional times for confession during Lent

Monday 11:00 to 11:30 AM March 23 & 30th.
 Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 PM March 24th.
 Wednesday 11:00 - 11:30 AM, March 25th

COME AND SEE WEEKEND... to be held March 28-30 at Conception Seminary College is a trip for young men in high school who would like to visit a seminary. This is an excellent opportunity to meet seminarians who are discerning their call to the Priesthood. This visit is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City Vocations Office and is free. Please contact your Pastor or the Vocations Office at (405) 721-9351 or email jmulligan@catharchdioceseokc.org.

GARDENING ANGELS



It is that time of year again when our flowerbeds need love and attention. Those "angels" that adopted a flowerbed last year, please call the office at 536-6351 and let us know if you intend to continue to nurture your flowers. We still have some beds that

have not been adopted. If you are interested, please let the office know. Blessings!!

ALMS... RED CLOUD SCHOOL LENTEN PROJECT... Thank you for your contributions to the future of so many Sioux children, who without Red Cloud Indian School, would most likely have a future of alcoholism (4,000,000 cans of beer are sold every year one mile from the dry reservation...4,000,000!!!), drug use, unemployment, living in primitive conditions and desperation. The school is highly successful in keeping students in school, and has a very high graduation rate: 93%! Want more information? Log on to: www.redcloudschool.org and please continue your gifts to the descendants of America's first people. Thank you from The Spiritual Life Committee.

**ABUSE OF MINORS
 PASTORAL RESPONSE
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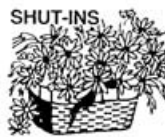
For the safety of children and the healing of victims, the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City provides an Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline. Calls to this number will be answered by the Archdiocesan Assistance coordinator who will offer to meet with the callers in person, if the caller so desires. Calls are confidential, with the following exceptions:

....Any allegation of sexual or physical abuse or neglect concerning those who currently are minors must be reported to the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (1-800-522-3511)....Any allegation of sexual misconduct must be shared with the proper authorities

In today's Gospel, God demonstrates great love for us by sending his Son so that we may believe in Him. We demonstrate our great love for God by doing good works: reaching out to others and acting with justice and charity.

Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. Your gifts of food and money continue to help us respond to so many who are living deprived lives and needing the basics we take for granted. We thank you again for our full pantry, and being our partners in the great work of the gospel. With prayers for you, our benefactors, we are The Vincentians.

We are always concerned that our parishioners who are unable to attend Mass are not receiving the Eucharist. If you are aware of someone who is homebound or in a nursing home, please call the office at 536-6351 and let us know.



EUCCHARIST PRAYER

I thank you, O holy faith; for you teach and assure me that in the divine Sacrament of the Altar, in that heavenly Bread, bread does not exist; but that my lord Jesus Christ is all there, and that He is there for love of me.

*St. Alphonsus Liguori, Doctor of the Church
 (Italy 1696-1787)*