

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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ALTAR SOCIETY

Meets the first Thursday of the month,
September through May only

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY *

(580) 355-7837

Meets the first and third Tuesday of the
month

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Daily Masses: Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday, & Saturday at 7:30 am
No Daily Mass on Monday

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents should call for an appointment at
least three months prior to the desired date
of Baptism. Parents must be registered
parishioners. Please call the parish office
for more information.

MARRIAGE

At least six months preparation time is
required and one party must be registered
in the parish. Please call the parish office to
begin this preparation.

THRIFT SHOP * (580) 581-1309

Currently Open Mondays and Wednesdays
Only, From 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS * (580) 512-8664

Meets the second Tuesday of the month

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, COURT ST. JUDE *

(580) 248-9594 OR (580) 695-0259

Meets the third Saturday of the month

LETTER FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. JOHN PAUL LEWIS

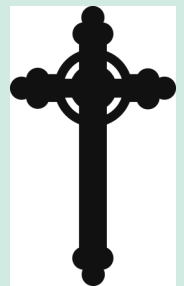
Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This week, after celebrating the Sunday Masses, I will be leaving to go on my annual retreat. You may be used to the priests leaving every year for a week-long retreat, since it is something the Church requires of all the clergy. But perhaps you've wondered why the priest goes on retreat, or what they do while they are there. A retreat (at least in a Catholic context) is a time to get away from the cares and burdens of everyday life to refocus on the

Lord. It is an opportunity to reorient oneself toward the final goal of life, which is God. We see examples of this all throughout Scripture. Even Jesus himself took time away from his public ministry to go away by himself and spend time with his Father. At least for me, I will spend the week in silence, praying, reading Scripture, reading other spiritual books, and allowing the Lord to speak to me. I will meet twice with my spiritual director while I am there to help process my prayer, and come to a deeper understanding of what the Lord is doing in my life and on my retreat. This practice of a retreat can be fruitful for anyone. Even if you can't get away to go to a retreat center, perhaps taking a Saturday to turn off your phone, TV, computers, tablets, and everything else, and just spend time reorienting yourself toward God could be immensely fruitful. Know of my fervent daily prayers for you all during this next week especially, and please pray for me, that my retreat may be fruitful, and that I may listen well to the Lord.

In Christ,

Fr. John Paul



Spiritual Bouquet

Our spiritual gift to you this Christmas is a remembrance in 900 special Masses to be offered in honor of the Infant Jesus during this Christmas season.

The Masses will begin on Christmas Eve.

We pray that God's graces and favors will be yours in abundance during this most holy time of the year.

The virgin shall be with child and give birth to a son, and they shall call him Emmanuel.

Matthew 1:23

For the people of Blessed Sacrament Parish,

This Christmas as we recall

Our Blessed Savior's birth,

may the Heavenly Light

of that Holy Night

bring His peace to

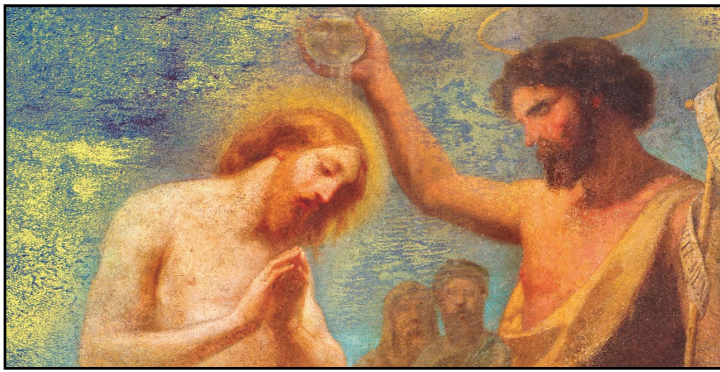
all on earth.

Thank you for all your prayers and support!

*In Christ's love,
Dea. Bob & family*

THANK YOU
GIFT FROM
DEACON BOB

Deacon Bob
and his family would
like to thank everyone
for their prayers
and support!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO FR. JOSEPH ROSS!

January 14, 2021



Birthday cards may be mailed to:
Fr. Joseph Ross
St. Ann Retirement Center
7501 West Britton Road, Apt. 174
Oklahoma City, OK 73132-1602

Fr. Ross was our pastor from January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2015. During his time with us he oversaw the "Sight and Sound" project at our parish which revealed the rose window and restored our parish organ and choir loft.

We are forever grateful for his vision!
May God Bless him always!

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BIRTHRIGHT OF LAWTON

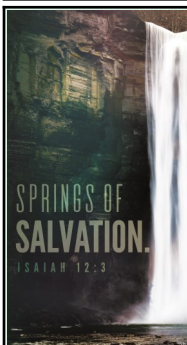
Anyone who has a child 24 month and under, Birthright of Lawton can help. We offer layettes for the new baby. The baskets are filled with all the new baby needs. Then when baby is born we help with formula, baby food, diapers, wipes, clothing to size 5T, and other needs.

Come by 5108 W. Gore Blvd.
or call (580) 248-3110.
Thank you.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The Catholic Daughters will be having their annual **Baby Shower** to help support Birthright of Lawton. We will have a special collection after the weekend Masses on January 16th and 17th.

Thank you for your support!



This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Matthew 1: 7-8

BAPTIZED

"I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

MARK 1:8

It happened in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John. On coming up out of the water he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit, like a dove, descending upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

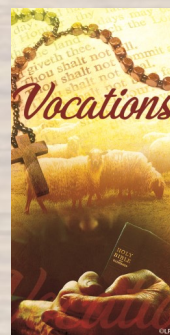
Rosary...Join in praying the rosary, every Wednesday, at 6:30 pm in the church.

Rosario...Todos están invitados a rezar el rosario, cada miércoles a las 6:30 pm en la iglesia.

If you would like to send a card or letter to our seminarians, their addresses are:

Mr. Robert Blaschke
Conception Seminary College
P.O. Box 502
Conception, MO 64433-0502

Mr. Austin Harper
Kenrick-Glennon Seminary
5200 Glennon Drive
St. Louis, MO 63119



CATHOLIC CHARITIES
ARCHDIOCESE OF OKLAHOMA CITY

Catholic Charities of Lawton has moved to a new location! They are still serving the community, but now from Villa Nova located at 305 NW 4th Street in Lawton. The phone number has not changed, so if you or someone you know needs assistance, please call 580-353-1811.

JOIN FLOCKNOTE

Everyone, please take out your cell phones.....

please send the word **lawton** in a text message to the number: **84576**. This is a great time to be signed up so that we can keep you and your family updated with our weekly bulletins and other announcements.



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January

BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY 11 Michael Carrubba, Christopher Conway, Jason Esquer, Brandi Flood, Alejah Ilidan, and Marky Rubio.

JANUARY 12 Dean Bread, Jaeleig McCool, Christian Ortiz, Tailor Phillips, Sarah Richter, Letha A. Seibold, and Tyler Youngblood.

JANUARY 13 Maria Reyna and Kellen Smith.

JANUARY 14 Leroy Conway, Philip Immenschuh, and Leslie Phelps.

JANUARY 15 Matthew Arrington, Gwen Aviles, Kinley Benke, Johnathan Monday, and Sarah Pierce.

JANUARY 16 Aliyana Alvarado and Stephen Lewis.

JANUARY 17 Adla-Marie Burke, Efren Hernandez, Jo Anna Hull, Rendell Launte, Nelson Madonado, Nilsa Maldonado, Ivette Martinez, Olivier Pita-Romero, Larry Schaefer, and Ariana Zarraga.

THANK YOU

for your generosity

Our Mass Attendance and Offerings

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Attendance 368

Parish Improvement Fund \$3,191.00

December 26th & 27th Attendance 304

General Fund—Envelopes & Cash \$3,561.88

General Fund—Online Giving \$1,537.58

St. Vincent de Paul Fund \$7,562.54

Holy Mary, Mother of God Attendance 179

Parish Improvement Fund (464646) \$1,520.00

Special Collection Next Week:

Catholic Daughters Baby Shower to benefit
Birthright of Lawton. Please make checks out to
CDA or Catholic Daughters

**We want to extend our deep thanks for
continuing your generous support.
Your generous contributions
help sustain our Parish.**

“Save Time and Donate Online!”

WeShare is an easy and convenient way to save time and support our church. Donating is simple, safe, and completely secure. If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit www.lawtoncatholic.com and click the “Give Now” tab.

JANUARY 10, 2021

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

THIS WEEK AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Monday, January 11

7:30 am—Daily Mass (For the Intention of Harvey Jacobi)

10:00 am—Thrift Shop Open Until 2:00 pm

Tuesday, January 12

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Bernadette Vandergrift by Her Family)

6:00 pm—Knights of Columbus Meeting, PH Conf. Rm.

Wednesday, January 13

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+John Price Mizelle)

10:00 am—Thrift Shop Open Until 2:00 pm

6:30 pm—Rosary in the Church

Thursday, January 14

7:30 am—Daily Mass (For the Intention of Vera Taylor by the Rosado Family)

Friday, January 15

7:30 am—Daily Mass (For the Intention of Collette Cox)

Saturday, January 16

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Mary Alice Kauanui by Her Family)

3:00 pm to 4:30 pm—Confessions in the Parish Hall

5:00 pm—Vigil Mass (+Florentina Albao by Her Family)

Sunday, January 17

8:30 am—Mass (People of the Parish)

11:00 am—Bilingual Mass (+William and +Jane Larson by Eddie Larson)

Daily Readings: www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

Mass Attendance on Dec. 24 & 25, 2020 totaled 368

Christmas Eve at 5:00 pm had 173 in attendance.

Midnight Mass had 97 in attendance.

Christmas Day at 10:00 am had 98 in attendance.

Mass Attendance on Dec. 26 & 27, 2020 totaled 304

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm had 84 in attendance.

Sunday Morning at 8:30 am had 106 in attendance.

Sunday Morning at 11:00 am had 114 in attendance.

Solemnity of Holy Mary, Mother of God

Mass Attendance on Dec. 31 & Jan. 1 totaled 179

Vigil Mass at 5:00 pm had 87 in attendance.

Morning Mass at 10:00 am had 92 in attendance.

The Dispensation is still in effect for Sunday Mass.
You are excused from your Sunday Obligation.

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