

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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Meets the first and third Tuesday of the month

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm,
Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am
Daily: Monday and Tuesday 7:30 am,
Wednesday St. Mary's School Mass at 8:45 am,
when school is in session, otherwise 7:30 am,
and Thursday through Saturday 7:30 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm & by appointment

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

Open: Monday, Wednesday & Friday
10:00 am to 2:00 pm

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS * (580) 512-8664

Meets the second Tuesday of the month

ALTAR SOCIETY

Meets the second Monday of the month,
September through May only

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

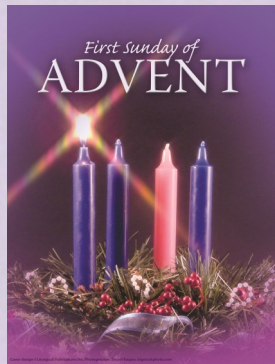
Dear brothers and sisters
in Christ,

As we begin the Advent season this weekend, the Church invites us into an intentional time of prayer and expectation. These four weeks are meant to feel the emptiness of the manger, the hopeful expectation, and longing for the Lord to come to us. Advent also trains our hearts to long for the final Advent, when the Lord will appear in glory to judge the living and the dead. While the rest of the world is fully into the "Christmas Season," for Catholics, we are encouraged to increase our prayer, not our shopping budget, so that when Christmas arrives, our hearts are ready to welcome the newborn Messiah. This is symbolized in the Advent Wreath, which we begin lighting today. We wear violet colored vestments to remind us of the time of prayer and penance.

To focus our hearts during this special liturgical season, we will be having our **Annual Advent Penance Rite** on **Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00 pm**. We are so blessed to have nine priests coming to the parish to help me and Fr. Vic out. In preparation for confessions that night, start by making a good examination of conscience and come up with two or three of your most serious sins since your last confessions. If we prepare ourselves well, it will allow many people to receive God's love, mercy, and forgiveness in an expedient way.

Know of my prayers for you and your family during this Advent Season. May the Lord draw each of us during this season to long for the coming of the Messiah with an expectant hope.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Fr. Brian



ADVENT PENANCE RITE

Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00 pm

All are invited to the Church to participate in our Advent Penance Rite. There will be several priests from around the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City available to hear confessions on this evening. It is always a good idea to celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** at least twice a year, normally during Advent and Lent.

LADIES ALTAR SOCIETY

Potluck Christmas Party & Gift Exchange

Monday, December 9th at 6:00 pm

in the Parish Hall.

All are welcome to attend!

Bring a gift valued at no more than \$10, if you would like to participate in the gift exchange.

Altar Care for December
provided by: Linda Benke

EXPLORE OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

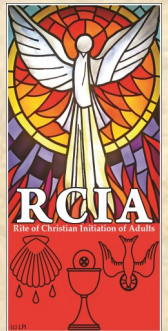
Come join the RCIA discussion

Every Sunday at 12:00pm

in the Parish Hall, immediately following the 11:00 am Mass at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church.

Lessons will include lunch.

For more information, please contact Deacon Bob Quinnett at: (580) 583-0271
email : deaconbob@lawtoncatholic.com



ARCHDIOCESE OF OKC VISION 2030 CONVOCATION

Archbishop Coakley cordially invites everyone to an uplifting day of prayer, vision, and dedication as he releases the Archdiocesan Pastoral Plan: Vision 2030

Building a Culture of Conversion and Discipleship.

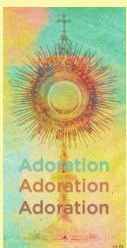
The Archdiocesan Convocation is **Saturday, Dec. 7th** from **8:45 am to 4:45 pm** with **Mass at 5:00 pm** at the Cox Convention Center, 1 Myriad Gardens in OKC.

Keynote speakers are Jeff Cavins and Kevin Cotter.

Guest presenters are Andre Regnier and Dianne Davis.

Music led by Jos Blakesley. Visit:

www.ArchOKC.org/convocation or call (405) 709-2723.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

All day adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following 7:30 am Mass, ending at 6:45 pm with Vespers & Benediction at 7:00 pm.

Come spend some quiet time
in prayer with our Lord.

PREPARE

"So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."
MATTHEW 24:44

"Be sure of this:
if the master of the house
had known the hour of night
when the thief was coming,
he would have stayed awake
and not let his house
be broken into. So too, you also
must be prepared, for
at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come."
Matthew 24: 43-44

THANK YOU FROM THE ALTAR SOCIETY

The Altar Society would like to thank the Knights of Columbus and the Thrift Shop Volunteers for serving, and thank all the parishioners who donated pies and desserts, and gave of their time for the dinner. And thank you for everyone that bid on Silent Auction items. We consumed lots of turkey and had lots of fun!

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Give in thanksgiving.

"The nuns left lasting impressions on me," writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members.

Please give generously.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

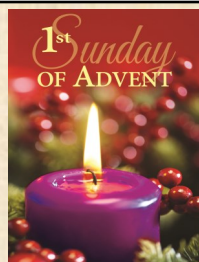
Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! The funds raised will go to support those who live on the margins and in poverty in the US.

If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give.

Visit www.usccb.org/national_collections and click on "How to Give" on the left.

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

The Son of Man will come
at an hour you do not expect.
Good stewards know that they
are accountable to God
for all they have and are,
and they strive to live in
readiness for His coming.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



St. Mary's Catholic School
(580)355-5288
611 SW A Avenue



St. Mary's Catholic School is hosting the Second Annual Trivia Knight on **January 17th**! Register online at <https://stmarys.simplenetix.com> or come to the school or church office! Cost is \$35 per person, teams of 6.

We are also looking for silent auction items!

Please contact Angela at
(580) 355-2054 for more information.

DUE TO THE UPCOMING HOLIDAYS, PLEASE SUBMIT ANNOUNCEMENTS EARLY

Sunday, December 15th—submit by **noon, Dec. 3rd**

Sunday, December 22nd—submit by **noon, Dec. 10th**

Sunday, December 29th—submit by **noon, Dec. 16th**

Sunday, January 5th—submit by **noon, Dec. 20th**

Sunday, January 12th—submit by **noon, Jan. 6th**

Send all bulletin announcement requests to:

secretary@lawtoncatholic.com

NURSERY AVAILABILITY

The Nursery will **ONLY** be available during the **Sunday 11:00 am Mass**.



Our Weekend Mass Attendance and Offerings

Sunday, November 17 Mass Attendance 642

General Fund (464646) \$5,633.25

St. Mary's Catholic School \$2,031.72

December 8, 2019 Collections are for
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and for the Retired Religious Fund.

"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.blessedsacramentlawton.weshareonline.org

www.lawtoncatholic.com

December



DECEMBER 2 Joan Marie Abatelli, Jennifer Marshall, Adam Robertson, and Angela Sickler.

DECEMBER 3 Susan Bruemmer, Marina Harris, Rohan Mariano, and Veronica Muniz.

DECEMBER 4 Jeff Gilmore.

DECEMBER 5 Ana Basora Walker, Michaela Benke, Crispin Delacruz, Rebecca Dial, Sandra Pokorny, Juan Toro, Virginia Tuckwell, and Michael Turner.

DECEMBER 6 Nicholas DeSimone, Estela Flores, Arron Kent, and Clayton Pendergrass.

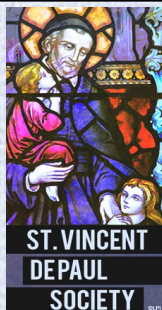
DECEMBER 7 Christy Clark, Gabrielle Gonzalez, Alyssa Marie McLinden, Jeffrey Moore, Ingrid Olivero, Annette Sargent, Tara Thomley, Janine Webster, Neil Williamson.

DECEMBER 8 Johnny Bennett Jr., Andrew Celedon, Victor Fix, and Luz Ramos-Garcia.

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.

Are you looking for an opportunity to help those less fortunate than yourself? We are in need of volunteers. You are one phone call away from making a big difference in your own life as well as the lives of the less fortunate in Lawton. To help, please call David Sargent at (580) 699-5091.



Welcome

To Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
We are happy you are here!

We invite you to complete a parish registration form. Forms are available on our parish website, in the vestibule of the Church, or you may phone or come by the Parish Office during office hours. If you are already registered, please insure that we have your correct contact information.
Office phone number: (580) 355-2054

ADVENT

December 1, 2019

THIS WEEK AT BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Monday, December 2

7:30 am—Mass (+Mark Butler by His Family)

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

Tuesday, December 3

7:30 am—Mass (For the Intentions of Georgia and Damon Doye by Glenda Turner)

6:00 pm—St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, PH Conf. Rm.

Wednesday, December 4

7:30 am—Adoration with Confessions

8:30 am—Benediction

8:45 am—Mass (For the Students of St. Mary's Catholic School)

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

6:30 pm—Rosary in the Church

6:30 pm—Religious Education Classes

Thursday, December 5

7:30 am—Mass (+Bernard Szatkowski by the Szatkowski Family)

Friday, December 6

7:30 am—Mass (For the Intention of Discerners and Seminarians of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City by Yuki Walker)

Immediately Following Mass—Adoration until 6:45 pm

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

6:45 pm—Vespers and Benediction at 7:00 pm

Saturday, December 7

7:30 am—Mass (+Teresa E. Cortes by Ernesto Endaya)

3:30 pm—Confessions until 4:30 pm

5:00 pm—Mass (+Jed "Bartholomew" Fisher by Kim Fisher)

Sunday, December 8

8:30 am—Mass (For the People of the Parish)

11:00 am—Mass (+Robert E. Marsh, Jr. by the Leroy Conway Family)

12:00 pm—RCIA with Deacon Bob, PH Conf. Rm.

Free, supervised nursery available during the Sunday 11:00 am Mass Only