ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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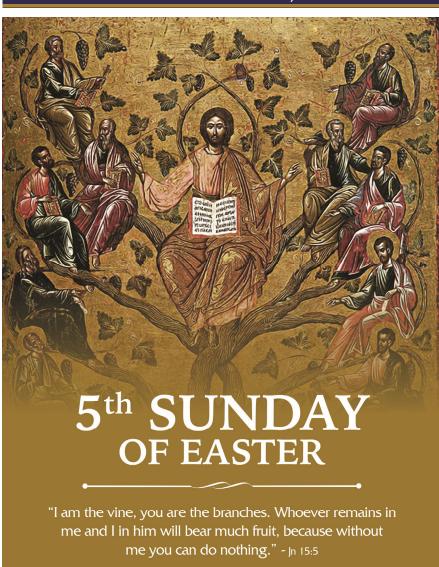
900 S. Littler

Edmond, OK 73034





APRIL 28, 2024 • 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MISSION STATEMENT

We are a Catholic Christian Community, called to be faithful, caring, enthusiastic disciples. We build up the Kingdom of God by worshiping and praising Him, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and witness, giving loving service to our neighbor and strengthening the parish community.

PERPETUAL ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

24 hours a day/7 days a week See p. 3 for details

MASS TIMES

Saturday

Vigil, 5:30 pm

Sunday

7:30 am, 9:00 am* 11:30 am*, 5:30 pm * child care available, incense

Daily & Holy Days

See "Mass Intentions" on p. 2

SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

Penance

Wednesday 5:00-6:00 pm Friday 4:00-5:00 pm Saturday 4:00-5:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick

Please call 405-340-0691 Emergencies call 405-340-0691

Baptism Prep

Parish_Office@stjohn-catholic.org

Matrimony

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance

READINGS ~ WEEK OF APRIL 28, 2024

Sun., 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 (26a)/1 Jn 3:18-24/ Jn 15:1-8

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Mon., St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26

Tues., St. Pius V, Pope

Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wed., St. Joseph the Worker

Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn 15:1-8

Thurs., St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; National Day of

Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11

Fri., Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

Sat.

Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Sun., 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

WORSHIP

GOSPEL MEDITATION April 28, 2024 5th Sunday of Easter

My friend and fellow pastor, Father Paul, noticed unsightly,

overgrown trees near his parish church. He asked the maintenance crew to cut back the growth, which they happily did, telling him the trees would be much healthier and even fuller after a good pruning. A few days later, Father Paul received a letter from an irate man in the neighborhood who wrote, "Jesus would <u>never</u> prune trees like that. He loves trees, unlike you."

I suspect that the neighbor was not familiar with this week's Gospel in which Jesus says of his Father, "He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that

bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit" (John 15:2) I - Father John Muir don't mean to pick too much on that fellow. He was perhaps

ignorant of arboriculture. But I'd wager his main confusion was the pruning and removing quality of God's love. That confusion afflicts us all to some degree, doesn't it? It is just so darn easy to react negatively when God cuts something out of our lives and assume it's not his work at all. In the

> moment, all we see is the loss, and not the loving desire for future flourishing.

The cross is the great pruning of Christ's body. Jesus' rising is the brand-new growth. It is God's promise to us that all the painful pruning in life is leading us somewhere beautiful. What has been cut back or out in your life? A friend, an opportunity, a sense of certainty, a job, health, a relationship? This week, offer those dry branches to the one who lovingly prunes us in order to make our lives burst with verdant growth.

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DOES NOT

BEAR FRUIT

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 28	7:30 am	rish and
Monday 29	7:30 am † Arland V. Per	kins
Tuesday 30	7:30 am Elijah Sha	arpe
Wednesday 03	7:30 am Nathaniel E 11:30 am† Jeanne l	
Thursday 02	7:30 am † Nadine \$ 8:15 am † Lois & Jack McC	
Friday 03	7:30 am† Lorene Buet 5:30 pmCharlie Suen	
Saturday 04	7:30 am Annie Suer 5:30 pm† Jeanne F	
Sunday 05	7:30 am	rish Ikin

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Want to sign up for a Mass intention? Please contact parish_office@stjohn-catholic.org or (405) 340-0691.

Helpers of the Holy Souls Prayer Meeting

All who are interested in praying for the Church Suffering are invited every 1st Saturday of the month for 45 minutes in the Daily Mass Chapel following 7:30 am Daily Mass. Contact Ceci Chapman-Taylor with any questions: 405-650-7691.



The Flame of Love Rosary

Join us in praying this special Rosary every Saturday morning at 11:00am in the Daily Mass Chapel (location subject to change).



Pray The Rosary Daily

Please join us before daily Mass on all weekdays, in the Sanctuary, at 7:00 am and Sundays at 11:00 am before 11:30 am Mass to pray the

Holy Rosary. If you are interested in leading the rosary, contact Ann Sorrels at 405-834-5906



AMBO FLOWERS

If interested in a flower memorial or celebration, please call or email the parish office at 405-340-0691 or parish_office@stjohn-catholic.org and they can assist you.

Dates available on a first come first serve basis.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Due to space limitations, names are removed from prayer list after three months. If you wish to have a name added, please contact parish_office@stjohn-catholic.org or 405-340-0691.

Connie & Tommy

Mary O'Brien

Holly Palacio

Colin Palmer

David Potts

Joni Pvron

Tabby Roy

Cathy Solis

Steichen

Shaelynn Palmer

Albert Quintana

Jessica, Ash & River

David Reeves

Paul Schaefer

Mr. Sorensen *

Dena Sponsler

James & Marie

Josette Timian

Alberta Walker

Diane & Armin Walter

* New this week

Penny Varvel

Tony Wessel

Moore

Fernando Acuna Jo Askew Whitney Baker Paul Barr **Erlestine Baxter Darlene Blevins** Paul Boer Patsy Boyd Allison Lang Buechner Helen Cammuso

High School Youth Choir Cindy Clark Robert (Bob) Cox **Culkin Family** Charles Daunis **Geoffrey Daunis** Don DeCarlo Timothy Descher Robert Diaz

Mary Ann Durling Jim Ferguson Lavetta Fields David Garcia Jack Goodson Lynnda Gray Lily Hartmann Roxanna Hatfield Lynette Heimer

Ermgard & Jon Hoffman

len Holland Joe Janis

Jeremy & Family Jescavage Family

Jessie Johnson

Joey

Abbie King

Bianca & Carol Knapp

James Knapp

Carol Letteer

Ivy Letteer

Leona Lutgring

Charles & Kevin Lutonsky

Leota Lutonsky

Richella Lutz

Landan & Lindsey McBride

Lou Ella McBride

Sharon McDonald *

Karen Mele

Martha & Mike Minnis

Coby Moore & Eden

Eucharistic Adoration



CURRENT NEEDS:

Day Monday Hour

Tuesday

1 am

2 am

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

11 pm

& 3 am

12 am, 1 am, 2 am, 4 pm, 7 pm & 11 pm

1 am, 8 pm & 10 pm

12 am, 1 am, 2 am

Sunday 12 am, 1 am & 6 am

Contact Janet Barresi to sign up at (405) 590-4797 or janetbarresi@mac.com



Remember in your prayers, those currently serving our Country.



Please pray for vocations and support our seminarians. www.OKCVocations.com



MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please pray for all souls in Purgatory.

ADMINISTRATION

SACRIFICIAL GIVING REPORT

Parish Offertory

Weekly Collection (4/16 - 4/22/24)	\$70,682.51
FY 24 Year to Date Collection	3,266,251.08
FY 23 Year to Date Collection	3,053,256.78
FY 24 Collection Budget	3,600,000.00

Poor Box/Samaritan House

Weekly Collection (4/16 - 4/22/24)	\$6,440.16
FY 24 Year to Date Collection	219,227.34
FY 23 Year to Date Collection	212,575.32
FY 24 Poor Box Budget	235,000.00

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Weekend of April 28, 2024 White Envelope — Weekly Offering Annual Catholic Appeal

If you contribute online and no longer wish to receive envelopes, please let the parish office know and we can remove you from the distribution list 405-340-0691.



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WEEKLY GLIMPSE

Sunday 28

10:10 am	All Adult Faith Formation	Parish Center
2:00 pm	. First Communion Mass & Recep	tionChurch
5:00 pm	Men's ACTS Pentecost	Great Hall
6:45 pm	High School Youth Group	Youth Rm
7:00 pm	Broncho Catholic Supper	Yellow House

Monday 29

8:30 am Monday Women's Bible StudyCommon	η
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6:00 pm Visitation Group: ACTS WomenCouncil Rr	n
6:30 pm Peru Board Mtg Board Rr	n
6:30 pmCub Scout Meetings Seton Ha	Ш

Tuesday 30

8:15 am	SEAS Moms Faith Group	Council Rm
2:00 pm	Visitation Group: ACTS Women.	Council Rm
4:30 pm	Finance Board	Board Rm
6:00 pm	Boy Scout Mtg	Seton Hall
6:00 pm	Broncho Catholic Senior Night	Yellow House

Wednesday 01

Moms of SJ Study	Council Rm
Fatima Prayer Group	Fr. Larkin Rm
Timeout	Commons
Elementary Faith Formation	School
Prayer & Life Workshops	Board Rm
	Fatima Prayer Group Timeout Elementary Faith Formation

Thursday 02

6:30 am	Men of St. John's	Great Hall
3:45 pm	Benefit Enrollment Mtg.	Great Hall
7:00 pm	Knights Council Mtg	Great Hall

Friday 03

6:00 pm.	SPARK	SEAS Gym
6:30 pm.	Ladies Bunco	.Commons

Saturday 04

	10:00 am	Baptism Pre	pCommons
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Sunday 05

9:00 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	.9 am Mass
10:10 am	Elementary Faith Formation	School
10:10 am	All Adult Faith Formation Pa	arish Center
1:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Commons
6:00 pm	Broncho Catholic Pickleball	Off-site
6:45 pm	Baccalaureate Reception	Great Hall

We are blessed to have a very active parish. Not all activities will be listed here each week. The complete calendar can be found at stjohn-catholic.org/calendar.

Bulletin and Newsletter Content Submissions should be directed to communications@stjohn-catholic.org by noon on Thursday (10 days before Sunday). Submissions are accepted as space permits and are subject to editing. Graphics will be created and used if space permits.



SAMARITAN HOUSE

42 E. 9th Edmond, OK Open Monday- Friday 9:00 am—12:00 pm samhouse@stjohn-catholic.org 405-216-7554

Please drop off donations in the bin marked Samaritan House in the closet in the Commons. Do not leave items on the porch as animals get them and we are not able to use your donation.

Do you or someone you know need assistance with food or utilities? St. John's Samaritan House is here to help. Call or come by!

<u>Current Needs:</u> spaghetti and sauce, dry beans or rice



Spiritual Direction at St. John's

Spiritual Direction is a process guided by the Holy Spirit in which two people enter into a unique conversation. The Spiritual Director is trained to listen in a particular way to hear where God is present and acting in the life of another. The primary focus of Spiritual Direction is on a person's experience of God, often occurring in prayer, but not limited to times of formal prayer. Spiritual Direction is most concerned with helping a person with his or her relationship with God. If you are interested in Spiritual Direction to deepen your own personal relationship with Jesus, just reach out to any of the parish office.



Greeters Needed

Are you a social person? Do you like meeting new people? Do you have a

servant's heart? Then consider joining the Greeter/ Hospitality Ministry. We are in need of people JUST LIKE YOU! Contact the parish office or call Richard Baker at 707-330-3979 for more information.





What should I do if a loved one or friend is homebound and needs to receive Communion outside of the Parish?

St. John's has a central contact for parishioners to reach out to: Kay Sommer, who leads the Communion to the Homebound Ministry. You can call Kay at 405-474-6593 or e-mail her at kaysommer@cox.net not only with Communion needs but also if you have questions about this ministry. She will designate and dispatch a trained and commissioned ministry member in a timely manner and ensure that the needs of the homebound for Holy Communion are met. You may also reach out to Diane Gbone at sjbemhc@gmail.com.

PARISH COMMUNITY

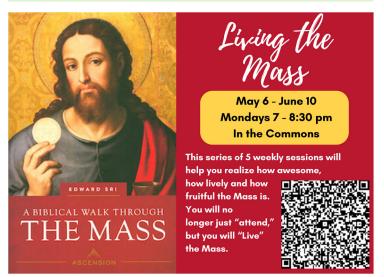


Still spots available for Steubenville Youth Conference! Steubenville Mid-America is a high-energy youth conference where thousands of teens are invited to encounter Jesus Christ through dynamic speakers, engaging music, the Sacraments, small group discussions, and fellowship with other teens. This conference is an outreach of Franciscan University in partnership with the St. Louis Archdiocesan Office of Youth Ministry. The conference will take place on the campus of Missouri State University in Springfield, MO. Open to High School students including incoming Freshmen and graduated Seniors. Please visit Realm to register or call the parish office for assistance!



Counseling **Services** Charities.

St. Joseph's Counseling welcomes parishioner's, staff, and family members to phone us for short-term counseling needs provided in both English and Spanish. Our licensed staff can provide 6 sessions at a low cost to those wishing to address emotional stressors. Referrals will be provided when more specialized services are needed. Call (405) 524-0969 for more information.







Please RSVP at: archokc.org/sister-study For more information call Karen Robinson at (405) 721-1416.

> Sunday, May 19 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Great Hall

To make an appointment, call 877-340-8777 or visit obi.org.



PARISH COMMUNITY





Podcast
Fr. Alex and Coordinator
of Adult Ministry,
Stephanie Stovall,
highlight our very own
parishioners and their
personal encounters with
the Eucharist. You can
tune in every Monday for

Joy of the Eucharist

the Eucharist! Listen on Apple, Spotify, Amazon Music, our YouTube

new episodes of Joy of

page, or our website! At the end of each 30-minute episode, Fr. Alex will offer a quick teaching. Discussion questions for Visitation Groups are available in the show notes. Just search the title "Joy of the Eucharist" and be sure to like and subscribe so you will get updated when new episodes are published! We hope that this podcast inspires all who listen to cultivate a deeper love and devotion for Jesus, truly present in the most holy Sacrament of the altar.

SJB Weekly Email

Stay in the Know!

Each week, we send an email to ALL active parishioners at St. John's. If you are NOT receiving the SJB Weekly Email, add Realm as a contact with an email address of notifications@onrealmmail.org

or contact communications@stjohn-catholic.org

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VBS Volunteers Needed!

Just a few spots left! Be sure to register your child soon!

We need plenty of volunteers to make this week of Vacation Bible School possible! Please contact children@stjohn-catholic.org if you are interested in helping with various tasks.





AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE



A day to equip and inspire clergy, parish leaders, and parishioners in their mission to share the Good News with a world that desperately needs to hear it.

Aug. 10, 2024

OKC Convention Center

100 Mick Cornett Dr. Oklahoma City, OK 73109

OKdisciple.org







Text GMD to 84576 for important updates and reminders

Book of Revelation

Have you ever wondered what this book is about and the symbolisms found in it?

Attend Fr. Jim Goins Day Retreat
Aug. 31st to learn more about what it
means. Open to all Catholics, at the
Catholic Pastoral Center (archokc.org)
8:15 am to 2:30 pm with lunch and refreshments.

Cost is just \$30. Seating is limited so act now.

Mail checks made out to K of C Council 10822 to: 14616 Collingwood Lane, Edmond, OK 73013 or scan QR code to pay by credit card.

Contact Michael Zink at 405-314-4120 or email at Michael-the-j@att.net.





Join the Serra Club

The Serra Club of Oklahoma City is a group of lay women and men who promote and pray for vocations in the archdiocese. The group meets at 11 am on the third Tuesday of each month at Catholic Charities, 1232 N. Classen Blvd, Oklahoma City, with Mass in the

St. Teresa of Calcutta Chapel. A light lunch at 11:30 am and a speaker at Noon. Everyone is welcome to attend or become a member. Learn more at serraokc.org.

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CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



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Joy Murphy.......Campus Development jmurphy@stjohn-catholic.org





Jobs Box

Find the latest career opportunities in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City in the Jobs Box at archokc.org/jobs-box.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Want to get to know other Men and their families at St John the Baptist Catholic Church? Consider joining the Knights of Columbus!

It's a great way to meet other Catholic gentlemen and their families. Please call Jack Goodson, Grand Knight Council 6477 at 405-312-5008 or Richard Baker, Membership Chairman at 707-330-3979 or email jacgoodson@aol.com for more information.

April Knight of the Month: Mike Mays

April Family of the Month: Joel & Rosario Rodriguez

Check out our website: https://uknight.org/CouncilSite/about.asp?CNO=6477 for activities and more information.

The St. John the Baptist Knights of Columbus Council 6477 meets on the 1st Thursday of each month in the Great Hall starting at 7 pm. Your first year of membership is free. Join online by scanning the QR code.





Seven Sisters Apostolate

The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for a sole intention of Fr. Novak, Fr. Alex and Fr. Manti— a "holy wasting" (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ.

One Holy Hour—One Priest—Each Week—One Heart of Prayer

If interested in SSA, Contact Nadine Kushnir (405) 615-0915.

CONTACTS

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Clergy

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PastorVery Re	ev. William Novak, V.G.
Assoc. Pastor	Rev. Alexander Kroll
Assoc. Pastor	Rev. Mariadas Manti
Deacon	Frank Alexander
Deacon	David Ashton
Deacon	Robert Dunlap
Deacon	Randy Hearn
Deacon	Zsolt Nagykaldi
Deacon	Richard Rosencrans

Parish Staff

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Events	Mel Ashton
Reception	Joann Byfield
Outreach/HR	Amy Dennis
Exec. Asst	Bernadette Dibler
Business Manager	Jennifer Dolf
Evang & Mission	Lynda Hearn
Communications	Kasey Holt
Maintenance	Danny Keef
Children Faith Form	Sarah Knoles
Youth Ministry	Matthew LeBlanc
Music	
Accounting	Amanda Pierce
Evang & Mission	Erin Snow

Adult Faith Form	Stephanie Stovall
IT parish/school	Matt Thomason
Safe Environment	Alisa Zelnicel

Children's Day Out

Ph 405-340-1789

Director.....Eva Nagykaldi

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults stjohnthebaptistOCIA@gmail.com Director......Irene Haefele