



March 31, 2019

St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

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Religious Education Office Hours: By Appointment

Mass Schedule

Monday No Mass

Tues, Wed, & Thurs., Friday 9:00am

Saturday Vigil 5:00pm

Sunday 8:45am & 11:15 am

Days of Obligation 9am & 6:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat. 3:30 or by appointment

Special Prayer Time

On every WEDNESDAY at 6:00 p.m. we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Prayers to Our Lady Of Perpetual Help, quiet time for your own private prayers and closing at 7pm with Benediction.

Oklahoma Catholic Broadcasting

Oklahoma City KKNG, FM 97.3

Ministry to Youth

Youth Group is grades 6-12 meet every Wednesday at 6:30pm to 8:00pm in the Parish Hall (Supper included).

Shari McGurk 474-8218 & Becky Garcia 990-4782

Kristen Danner & Kirsten Stalford 802-5747

Homebound Parishioners

If you would like to receive Holy Communion at your home because you are unable to come to church, call the Parish Office.

Ministry Schedulers

Vicki Harris - Ushers/Greeters 737-2724

Alice Sealy - Lectors 670-2571

Fran Zeleny - Communion Ministers 677-6265

Vanessa Ackerman - Altar Servers 332-8645

Parish Ministries & Organizations

Funeral Meals.....	Sue Flies	990-5826
Homebound Ministry....	Parish Office	677-4873
Knights of Columbus....	Robert F. Warner, Jr.	585-9534
Ladies Group.....	Peggy Ensey	301-2734
Meals On Wheels.....	Mary Baumann	799-3969
Music Director.....	Michelle Hill Lile	924-5200
Prayer Chain.....	Dona Brown	737-4124
Safe Environment.....	Darla Bralley	677-4873
Social Activities.....	Kirsten Stalford	802-5747
St. Paul Parish Charity	Help Hotline.....	670-6105

Bulletin Deadline Office

Monday at 12pm Excluding Holidays

Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday 8am-4pm



PARISH COUNCIL

Vernon Hughes - (Chairperson)	672-6107
Randy Trower - (Vice Chairperson)	248-1067
Carmelita De La Cruz - (Secretary)	326-5834
John Atkinson	670-4956
Benny Contreras	550-4547
Don Dobry	677-5696
R. J. Magee	760-2066
Linda Odland	610-6027

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Doneen Jones (Chair Person)	672-4584
Dan Suppes	677-1650
Rich Blouin	677-9578
Bill Baumann	799-3969
Kim Irwin	642-1536
Joe Schrader	1-405-589-2969

PARISH SERVICES

Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals

Contact the Pastor @ 677-4873

Inquiry into becoming a Catholic (RCIA)

Contact Deacon John Page @ 677-7620

BECOME A REGISTERED MEMBER

Welcome to St. Paul Parish. If you are attending Mass and activities here at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, you should register. The forms are on the table in the foyer of the church. There are special privileges being a registered member of the parish. We are glad you are here. Call the Parish Office for any questions (677-4873).

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT-C
30TH & 31ST MARCH 2019

PARISH NEW

We can give different titles to today's Gospel as the parable of the "Prodigal son" or "the Merciful Father". There is a great search for happiness and fulfillment in life. There are many attractions in life, there are many voices saying to us, "Follow me" or, "Follow your desires and you will find happiness. The prodigal son went in search of happiness. He thought that he could find happiness in a life of debauchery. He tried to find happiness by satisfying his every desire whether moral or immoral. This led him to live with the pigs in the piggery. But true happiness is not to be found outside of ourselves but within ourselves, in our own hearts. But the best offer of happiness is from God our Father. In leaving with his inheritance in hand, the son had rejected all the values of his heritage, everything the father represented. The son gradually began to see the emptiness of his miserable life and longs to return home. The father gave him the freedom to leave but when the son comes to his senses, undergoing a conversion experience, he is welcomed with outstretched arms. We leave home every time we lose faith in the voice that calls us the Beloved and follow the voices that offer a great variety of ways to win the love we so much desire. Note that the father takes the initiative. He does not wait for the son to come to him. It is the father who makes the first move and runs a long way. The father has not forgotten his son. He has kept unchanged his affection and esteem for him and has always wanted him to return. He reveals no anger or disappointment. Imagine yourself at the return, as described in the parable: "He ran to his son, embraced him, and kissed him." The son says to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son." *No matter how irresponsible you are, no matter what you've done, God will take you back. God will say: Everything is okay now.* God will always take back with open arms anyone who returns to Him with even a little humility and contrition. The journey home is often full of difficulties. One of the greatest challenges of the spiritual life is to be open to forgiveness. We could think of drug and alcohol abuse, all the fraud and stealing in the workplace, murders and violence, marital infidelity, priestly infidelity, all the tensions between people. Because of these and so many other things we could say we are like the younger son in need of returning to our Father. Lent is the perfect time to come back home. The most beautiful line the father says to the elder son is, "All I have is yours." Our heavenly Father says to us, "All I have is yours." This is a most beautiful promise and invitation. After the son has repented and committed himself to a new life, the father clothes him in a colorful robe. It was a sign that he was the same old son but he is a new son. The son cannot go back to the old ways, because the robe is a reminder of the new responsibility that the son accepts. The father is the human face of what we call mercy. Mercy is a restorative power. The prodigal son begins to see and experience himself as loved by his father. The parable of the prodigal son challenges us to behave like the merciful father and reach out first to those who has hurt us or grown distant from us, perhaps a family member or friend to take that first initiative. At various times in our lives it is easy to identify ourselves with one or all of these three characters. We've all been the aggrieved elder brother. We've also been in the shoes of the penitential son, who returns to begin all over again. We are all prodigal sons and daughters. But be sure of your willingness to start life anew. The Lord invites us as a loving Father to confess, to amend our lives, and to walk always in his paths. Each one of us can no doubt relate to this touching scene, one of the most beloved in the entire New Testament. We think of the excitement, the recognition of a loved one away for a long time, the tears of joy at the airport arrival section during a holiday season—or at any time of the year. Maybe it is a husband or wife, brother or sister, or child or grandchild returning from years overseas in the armed services or Peace Corps or seminary, as if he or she had been lost and now found. The return to the Father is ultimately the challenge to become like the Father in everything we say, to be rich in compassion and mercy to each and every person we meet especially to those distant from us. The merciful Father is always there to embrace and kiss us. The parable of the prodigal son indicates, however, that we do have the opportunity to make a change; we do not have to stay in our hopeless state; we can come to ourselves

FR. SUNDAR

1. ON all Fridays, during the LENTEN SEASON, there will be STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 6.30 P.M. Please participate in this during Lent.
2. Paschal Cedar Meal will be on 7th April at 5.00 P.M. in the parish Hall. The price is \$10.00 each. Please sign up your names on the sheets in the foyer.
3. The Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday the 20th at 10:00 a.m. at St. Paul. It is that time of year again!!! the Easter Egg Hunt will be here before we know it. We need your help with stuffing over 5,000 eggs with candy. We are in need of wrapped candy that fits inside eggs. Please place your candy donations in the box in the back of church marked Easter Egg Hunt Donations. Thank you for your generous support!!! We could not do this each year without you!!!!
4. There is Spring Clean-Up coming on Saturday the 6th of April at 8:00 a.m. We are in need of 4 teams this year. 2 teams to work with Fr. Sundar in and outside and 1 team to level out the dirt from the water leak and 1 team to clean out areas around fence line. There are sign up sheets on the tables in the foyer of the church.
5. The Lawn Team is need your help this year. If you are available please sign up on one of the clip boards in the foyer of the church.
6. **FOOD DRIVE** - We will collect food in the foyer for the Mid-Del Food Pantry next weekend. We send the needy that come to us for food to the Pantry and they take care of our food requests. Plan to make a food donation of any kind of.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEW

1. **Help support Catholic radio**
Oklahoma Catholic Radio will host an "Into the Deep" lunch at 11:30 a.m. April 2 in the Christ the King parish atrium. Special guests are Archbishop Coakley and Jim Beckman, executive director of the Secretariat for Evangelization and Catechesis. Register at www.okcr.org/lunch.

MASS INTENTIONS

Would you like to have a Mass celebrated in memory of a loved one or thanksgiving for the prayers answered by God. A \$10 Stipend is Recommended for each Mass. Call the parish office and have a date fixed for you in advance.

FINANCIAL REPORT

16th & 17th MARCH COLLECTIONS: Parish Support \$3,031.00 2nd Collection \$1,456.00

Please be more generous because we are behind the annual Budget to pay the monthly regular bills..

Please Pray for the Following

Please notify the parish office if a parishioner is in the hospital or seriously sick so that Holy Communion will be given to them. Most of the hospitals in the city have a priest chaplain available to give Holy Communion or if needed the sacrament of anointing of the sick.

Notify the hospital that you are a catholic and you need Holy Communion.

Please pray for these parishioners who are sick and need your prayers for the healing.

1. Patricia Felock 2. Erin Hentz Marinko 3. Teresa Tortorelli 4. Tom Jones Sr. 5. Marie Seay 6. Shirley Thomas
7. Charlie McGehee 8. Christopher Detar 9. Connie Andrews 10. Norm and Carolyn Detar 11. Kitty Zagaruyka 12. Frank Barta, Jr.
13. Jo Ingram, 14. Suzetta Tedesco, 15. Andrew Kerlin 16. Troy Shrader 17. Rich Blouin 18. Joseph A. Gallagher 19. Pat Tedesco

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Chasity Bonilla 4-2, Evelyn Palomo 4-2, Gloria Villarma 4-2, Melania Nakpil 4-3, Lindsey Johnson 4-5,
Mary Mathew 4-7, Crystal Suppes 4-7, Joyce Billy 4-8, Tim Keefer 4-10, Loril Pablo 4-10, Douglas Park 4-14,
Rennato Difuntorum 4-15, Gloria Manley 4-14, Clyde Peralta 4-17, Jeff Lusch 4-18, Victoria Bement 4-19,
Catherine Schreiber 4-19, Val Sifuentes 4-1, Corazon Vilog 4-19, Sophia Bement 4-19, Carol Manolo 4-20,
Frank Barta Jr. 4-21, Christina Tabin 4-22, Aurora Agger 4-23, Roberta Irwin 4-23, Fatima Vasquez 4-23,
Braden Walton 4-23, Trung Nguyen 4-24, Wanda Egler 4-26, John Inman 4-29,
Tania Salazar 4-29, Daniel Suppes 4-29, Nathan Ceniza 4-30, Sherrie Jones 4-30,

LITURGICAL CALENDAR OF THE WEEK (4th Sunday of Lent)

1st APRIL: MONDAY: Isaiah. 65:17-21. St. John. 4:43-54

NO MASS:

2nd APRIL: TUESDAY: Ezekiel. 47:1-9,12. St. John. 5:1-16

8.30 A.M. Rosary. 9.00 A.M. Mass for:

3rd APRIL: WEDNESDAY: Isaiah. 49:8-15. St. John. 5:17-30

8.30 A.M. Rosary. 9.00 A.M. Mass for:

4th APRIL: THURSDAY: Exodus. 32:7-14. St. John. 5:31-47

8.30 A.M. Rosary. 9.00 A.M. Mass for: NO MASS

5th APRIL: FRIDAY: Wisdom. 2:12-22. St. John. 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

8.30 A.M. Rosary. 9.00 A.M. Mass for: Wes & Tricia Stotler (Anniv.) by Larry & Ann Mae Stotler

6.30 P.M. STATIONS OF THE CROSS

6th APRIL: SATURDAY: Isaiah. 43:16-21. Philippians. 3:8-14. St. John. 8:1-11

5.00 P.M. Mass for:

7th APRIL: SUNDAY: Isaiah. 43:16-21. Philippians. 3:8-14. St. John. 8:1-11

8.45 A.M. Mass for: Sister Pat Jelly O.P. by Tom McLuckie

11.15 A.M. Mass for: +Thurman Hood by Steven & Vanessa Ackerman

<u>DATE</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Eucharist Ministers</u>
<u>6th APRIL</u> <u>SATURDAY</u> <u>5.00 P.M.</u>	1. Keith Williams 2. Kristen Danner	1. C. Fox 2. C. Porcadas 3. T. Vogt	1. James Williams 2. Hank Salazar 3. Roberta Woodward 4. Conlan Woodward	1. Barbara Opalenick 2. Fatina Brito 3. Mike Flies 4. Sue Flies
<u>7th APRIL</u> <u>8.45 A.M.</u>	1. Larry Jones 2. John Bradley	1. J. Shrader 2. K. Habel 3. L. Jones	1. Dan Suppes 2. Crystal Suppes 3. Kathy Bolton 4. Jim Wright	1. Fran Zeleny 2. Jo Brinlee 3. Erika McGehee 4. Carolyn Detar
<u>11.15 A.M.</u>	1. Steve Ackerman 2. Braden Walton	1. A. Hernandez 2. A. McGurk 3. J. Del Rosario	1. Joe Riedl 2. Ron White 3. Kim Irwin 4. Edward Sanchez	1. Brian Stalford 2. Kirsten Stalford 3. Mary Matthew 4. Kay Scott

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