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If you are moving, please remember to notify the church office of your new contact information for any future mailings.



# St. James Catholic Church

5500 Douglas Lane, Bartlesville, Ok. 74006  
www.saintjamescatholicparish.org

**Celebration of the Eucharist**  
Saturday Vigil 5:30pm  
Sunday 9:30am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturdays at 4:30pm or by appt.

**Weekday Masses**  
Tuesday, Thursday,  
Saturday 8:30am

**Holy Hour:** Tuesday, Thursday,  
Saturday 9am -10am

**Holy Days** 7:00pm

**Church Office Hours**  
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Please submit items for the bulletin to: [secretary\\_stjms@sbcglobal.net](mailto:secretary_stjms@sbcglobal.net)  
Deadline is noon Wednesday for the upcoming weekend



## The Parable of The Weeds

**Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
July 23, 2023

**Readings for July 23, 2023**  
Wisdom 12:13, 16-19  
Romans 8:26-27  
Matthew 13:24-43

**Readings for July 30, 2023**  
1 Kings 3:5, 7-12  
Romans 8:28-30  
Matthew 13:44-52

If you are a new parishioner, please fill out a registration card located at the back of the church. Place it in the box on the back table or leave it at the office.

### Mass Intentions

Tues 07/25 - 8:30am - Peggy Schwegman - Special Intention  
 Thurs 07/27 - 8:30am - Brad Hart by Bob Hart  
 Sat 07/29 - 8:30am - Lexi Towne - Special Intention  
 Sat 07/29 - 5:30pm - Bob & Jane Zoeller - Special Intention  
 Sun 07/30 - 9:30am - Michael Bellamy - Special Intention

### This Week at St. James July 23-29

Sun 9:30am - Mass  
 3:00pm - St. James Feast Day - Hall  
 Sat 5:30pm - Mass

### Weekend Collection July 15/16

**Total Collection** \$4,303.00

### GOSPEL: St. Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat, and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well. The slaves of the householder came to him and said, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where have the weeds come from?' He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' His slaves said to him, 'Do you want us to go and pull them up?' He replied, 'No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, "First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn."'"

He proposed another parable to them. "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'"

He spoke to them another parable. "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened."

All these things Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables. He spoke to them only in parables, to fulfill what had been said through the prophet: I will open my mouth in parables, I will announce what has lain hidden from the foundation of the world.

Then, dismissing the crowds, he went into the house. His disciples approached him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field." He said in reply, "He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom. The weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Just as weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all who cause others to sin and all evildoers. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears ought to hear."

**CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL SERVICES (CCRS)** invites you to their monthly prayer meetings every 2nd Tuesday at 7pm, at Church of the Madalene, 22nd & S. Harvard Ave. Meetings are held in the St. Francis room on the NE corner of church property. The next 2nd Tuesday will be August 8. All are welcome!

### CALLING ALL SINGLE ADULT CATHOLICS!

On **August 25-27** join the **22nd National Conference for Single Catholics** at St. John's Resort, Plymouth, MI, or, participate virtually and engage with others via the online socials and small group discussions. If attending in person, use the promo code (**PARISH23**) when you register to get \$50 off! Discount for the first 50 sign-ups nationwide to use this code. Visit [NationalCatholicSingles.com](http://NationalCatholicSingles.com) for more information and to register. Can't find your question answered on the website? Call 512-766-5798.

**CONCERN NEEDS** For **July** we are collecting Canned pinto beans & cereal and packages of individual Fruit cups.

### Celebration Ministries

#### July 29, 2023

**Greeters**  
David & Carolyn Benne  
**Gift Bearers**  
David & Carolyn Benne  
**Lector/Intersessions**  
Fidelis Villegas  
**Extraordinary Ministers**  
NEED  
Linda Ruegsegger  
**Servers**  
Nguyen  
**Cross Bearer**  
Ken Campbell  
**Senior Usher**  
Ardene Dickerson  
**Usher**  
Marion Hammerschmidt

#### July 30, 2023

**Greeters**  
Harry & Nancy Brookshire  
**Gift Bearers**  
Bee Bradley  
**NEED**  
**Lector/Intersessions**  
Guy Lenora  
**Extraordinary Ministers**  
Scott & Patricia Mason  
**Servers**  
Lauritsen  
**Cross Bearer**  
Becky Bradley  
**Senior Usher**  
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Steve Bell

#### We Pray For

Michael Bellamy, Martha Clark,  
 Chris Duncan, Alice Fagan,  
 Kathy Gonser, Brad Hart,  
 Yvonne Herman, Pat & Christine  
 Kendrick, Darrel Kimery, Carol Marrs,  
 Teresa McDonald, Joan McKinney,  
 Debbie Miller, Jake Munyon,  
 Tina Murtha, Julie Neece,  
 Mark Pace, Eva Scott,  
 Toni Stark, Peggy Schwegman,  
 Shelley Sumner, Lexi Towne and  
 Bob & Jane Zoeller

**The new date for the Jubilee Picnic is Saturday, October 28th.** It will be at the same Redbud Festival Park location, the same procession start time of 2:45pm at St. Henry, and the same schedule of events.

### ST. JOHN SCHOOL NEWS

**OPEN ENROLLMENT:** SJCS is taking applications for enrollment for the 2023-24 academic year. If you would like to tour the school, please contact the school office at 918-336-0603 or email [miller@sjcs-ok.org](mailto:miller@sjcs-ok.org).

#### POSITIONS OPEN

**Director of Development and Mission Advancement for St. John School.** If you are interested or know someone that is, have them contact Fr. John to discuss the opportunity and requirements.

**Part-time Cafeteria Assistant** (approx. 10 hrs/wk). Please contact the SJCS office.

**TEACHER OPENING:** Now accepting resumes for an elementary teacher position for the 2023-24 academic year. Please contact Dr. Miller at [miller@sjcs-ok.org](mailto:miller@sjcs-ok.org) or call the school office.



**JULY 28 BLESSED STANLEY ROTHER, PRIEST AND MARTYR:** Blessed Stanley Francis Rother was born in Okarche, Oklahoma, USA on March 27, 1935. He discerned a call to the priesthood and began seminary formation in 1953. After initial academic struggles, he completed his seminary studies and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Oklahoma City and Tulsa on May 25, 1963. After five years of parish ministry he volunteered

for the Oklahoma Catholic mission in Guatemala and spent the remainder of his life ministering there. He served his people generously even mastering their difficult language so that he could provide pastoral care and form them in their faith. When a bloody civil war reached his remote mission he chose to remain among his parishioners in spite of the danger to himself. Unknown assailants broke into the rectory at Santiago Atitlán and murdered Father Rother during the night of July 28, 1981. He was beatified in Oklahoma City on September 23, 2017.

**Prayer for the Cause for Canonization of Blessed Stanley Rother:** O God, fount of all holiness, make us each walk worthily in our vocation, through the intercession of Your saints, on whom you bestowed a great variety of graces on earth. Having graced your Church with the life of your priest and martyr, Blessed Stanley Rother, grant that by his intercession this humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone. Grant that your Church may proclaim him a saint living in your presence and interceding for us all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Stanley Rother** Blessed Stanley our brother, you poured out your life in service and spilled your blood as a witness to the faithfulness of God's love. Those you loved so deeply and served so completely knew you to be their pastor and their priest, interceding for them as their open door to the presence of Christ. Pray for us now and intercede on our behalf, as we ask you to walk with us on our journey through life, that the redeeming presence of Jesus, might touch us now and restore us to wholeness and peace. I ask in time of need [state your need] that your prayer accompany us; may the mercy of Christ, echoed in your ministry and your martyrdom, renew us and bring us the graces necessary to heal our broken-



Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about Jesus and the Catholic Faith? Perhaps you have wandered away from church and feel the need to reawaken your spiritual life. Now may be the right time to ask questions and determine if the Catholic faith is right for you or for someone you know.

The Catholic Community of Bartlesville warmly invites you and your family to attend:

### OPEN HOUSE, CHURCH TOUR AND Q&A Tuesday, August 22, 6:30pm St. John Catholic Church

"For those who seek you in darkness, grant them the gift of faith. For those whose faith in you has waned and wandered, restore them. For those who find your message too demanding to trust, show them your love."

For those interested in our adult Journey in Faith sessions, beginning **Tuesday, August 29, at St. James Catholic Church.**

Please text Kim Barbour at 952-270-4665 or email [rcia@stjohnbartlesville.org](mailto:rcia@stjohnbartlesville.org), or call St. John parish office, 918-336-4353.

**OUR LADY OF GRACE CATHOLIC RETERAT CENTER** in Stillwater invites you to encounter Christ through Silence, Solitude and Stillness through an Ignatian 3-day Silent Directed Retreat. **Aug. 10-13.** Includes: 3 nights lodging, 9 home cooked meals, daily Spiritual Direction, Mass & Reconciliation. Our private bedrooms overlook a lake, feature deluxe queen beds, private bath and patio. \$495. Preregistration required. Contact: Judene Kuszak. PH: 405.747.5035. email: [Judene@OurLadyofGraceCatholicRetreatCenter.com](mailto:Judene@OurLadyofGraceCatholicRetreatCenter.com).

### UPCOMING EVENTS IN JULY FOR THE BARTLESVILLE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY: BISHOP KONDERLA VISITS ST. JAMES CHURCH Saturday, July 22 at the 5:30pm Mass.

**NEXT SUNDAY! ST. JAMES CHURCH  
FEAST DAY CELEBRATION!**  
 Sunday, July 23 we will celebrate the feast day of St. James beginning at 3pm in Lubensky Hall at St. James Church. The Knights of Columbus will be doing the meat, please bring a side dish to share. We will plan on eating about 4pm. Fr. John, as always, will provide the music.

### PRAYER FOR WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY 2023

Virgin Mary, Mother of faith and hope, an example for this humanity bent by indifference, make me as willing as you to accept the will of God, to magnify and praise His Mercy. Mary, Mother of fortitude, you who know my heart, do not allow me to become discouraged. I confidently surrender my life into your hands. Heal my wounds. May your tenderness accompany me on the way. Your presence, Mother of love, brings us to experience the joy of seeing our families united. Help me to transmit the tenderness and Love of God to the grandchildren and youth so that, in addition to praying for them, we can pray with them. Mary, may the gift of the Holy Spirit intercede for me: sustain my weakness; breathe into my heart the consolation that I may leave traces of faith among the young, bearing witness to the beauty of life, knowing that life has a limit and that beyond it lies before us our Father's embrace. Amen.

(from Dicastery for Laity, Family, and Life)