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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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**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 31, 2023**

Readings for December 31, 2023
Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3
Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19
Luke 2:22-40

Readings for January 7, 2023
Isaiah 60:1-6
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2:1-12

NEWCOMERS!! We welcome you to St. James. 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.

Please submit items for the bulletin to: secretary_stjms@sbcglobal.net
Deadline is noon Wednesday for the upcoming weekend

Mass Intentions

Tues 1/02 - 8:30am - Darrel Kimery - Special Intention
 Thurs 1/04 - 8:30am - Teresa McDonald - Special Intention
 Sat 1/06 - 8:30am - Joan McKinney - Special Intention
 Sat 1/06 - 5:30pm - +Ken Wardyn by Dana Morse
 Sun 1/07 - 9:30am - +Kay Simon by Family

This Week at St. James December 31-January 6

Sun 9:30am - Mass
 Tues 7:00pm - RCIA
 Wed 6:00pm - CRE
 Sat 5:30pm - Mass

STEWARDSHIP NOVEMBER 2023

MONTHLY: November 2023	Actual
All Revenues	\$18,450.71
Expenses	\$18,412.69
Net Income	\$ 38.02

YEARLY: July 1, 2023 to November 30, 2023

All Revenues	\$91,862.07
Expenses	\$62,839.03
Total	\$29,023.04

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!

GOSPEL: Luke 2:22-40

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, Every male that opens the womb shall be consecrated to the Lord, and to offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord. Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, He took him into his arms and blessed God, saying: "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted—and you yourself a sword will pierce—so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

RURAL MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

Saturday, January 27, 2024, at St. John the Evangelist Parish, 300 E. Washington, McAlester, OK. **9am: Mass with Bishop David Konderla, 10:30am-5pm: Day of Conference & Prayer at the Hampton Inn & Suites, 711 S. George Nigh Expressway, McAlester, OK.** Key Note Speakers include Robert and Diane Schwind from the Three Hearts Institute. They will be speaking on Prayer, Sacraments and Matrimonial Spirituality. **This conference is open to seriously dating, engaged, or married couples.** Lunch and snacks are provided. \$50 per couple. Scholarships are available. Register online: www.dioceseoftulsa.org/rural-marriage-conference. Questions: email Audrey Stubblefield, audrey.stubblefield@dioceseoftulsa.org

SENIOR LUNCHEON Tuesday, January 9 at 12 Noon. Please bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share.

Celebration Ministries

January 6, 2023

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 Elaine Lovec
 Robert Zoeller
Lector/Intersessions
 Fidelis Villegas
Extraordinary Ministers

Diane Leroux
 Evert Lovec
Servers
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Cross Bearer
 Carolyn Benne
Senior Usher
 Ardene Dickerson
Usher
 David Benne

January 7, 2023

Greeters
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 Suzanne Lauritsen
Gift Bearers
 Tim & Timothea Murtha
Lector/Intersessions
 Allan Carlson
Extraordinary Ministers
 Scott & Patricia Mason

Servers
 Anthony Mann
 Abby Shelley
Cross Bearer
 Ben Lauritsen
Senior Usher
 Terry Lauritsen

Usher
 Enrico Lodrigueza

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 Kathy Gonser, Brad Hart,
 Yvonne Herman,
 Pat & Christine Kendrick,
 Darrel Kimery, Teresa McDonald,
 Joan McKinney, Debbie Miller,
 Jake Munyon, Julie Neece, Mark Pace,
 Janet Riley, Eva Scott, Toni Stark,
 Laura Stanfill, Shelley Sumner,
 Lexi Towne and Bob & Jane Zoeller

CONCERN

For **December** we are collecting **16oz peanut butter**, canned pinto beans, crackers and tuna. Homeless items: hats, gloves, and hand warmers.

UPCOMING: Saturday, January 13, Bishop Konderla will be at the 5pm Mass for his annual visit to St. John Church.

**NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE
 FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2024**

CRE WEDNESDAYS AT 6PM AT ST. JAMES

RECONCILIATION WORKSHOP

Wednesday, January 17, 6-8pm

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Wednesday, January 24, 7-8:30pm
at St. James Church

YOUTH NEWS

We meet 6:30-8pm on Sundays at the Youth House

We will not meet December 31. Have a great Christmas!

CONFIRMATION REMINDER

Please meet on **Sunday, January 7, at the 9:30am Mass, at St. James Church**, followed by fellowship and class.



RCIA Session #16

Introduction to the Sacraments/Sacrament of Baptism

Presenter: Fr. Carlos

RCIA will kickoff the New Year with a look at the seven Sacraments of the Catholic Church; the primary means by which God through his church spiritually feeds, heals and strengthens us.

Baptism is the foundational sacrament upon which all the others are grounded. It disposes, prepares and enables the soul to receive the other sacraments. Without baptism, it would be impossible to validly receive the others.

Join Fr. Carlos, as we explore this Sacrament of Initiation and reveal how God's love and grace is at work in the baptized. By understanding more clearly what's happening we'll have a greater appreciation for why Baptism takes us deeper into a life-changing relationship with God.

**Tuesday, January 2, 7pm
 St. James Catholic Church**

NEEDED! The RCIA ministry is in need of adult childcare volunteers for Tuesday nights this Spring. If you or someone you know may be interested, please contact Julie Heath at 918-914-0467.

ST. JOHN SCHOOL NEWS

TURN YOUR OKLAHOMA INCOME TAXES INTO SCHOLARSHIPS WITH GO FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS AND VERITAS! These programs are both scholarship granting organizations (SGO) under the Oklahoma Tax Commission requirements that provide scholarships to K-12 students to attend accredited Catholic schools in the Diocese of Tulsa. **Deadline is December 31, 2023.**

To learn more about the GO for Catholic Schools online, please visit goforcatholicalschools.com.

To learn more about the Veritas program online, please visit veritasok.org.

SPIRITUAL READING BOOK CLUB

For January 2024, the Catholic Community Spiritual Book Club has chosen Richard Rohr's book, "Eager to Love"-The **Alternative Way of Francis of Assisi**. The group enjoyed Rohr's clear and enjoyable writing style in other books, but be warned that this book asks us to look "beyond the birdbath image of the saint to find a life-changing embrace of Jesus' teachings". The book is about \$15 from Amazon. The January 10th discussion will cover the Preface and 1st Chapter. Hope to see you at **1:30pm** at Penny Eccleston's, 5635 Baylor Place. Call Pat Netzer at 918-332-6302 for more information.



TOGETHER IN HOLINESS is a marriage enrichment event to help married couples grow together and be Catholic parents. Cost per couple is \$54 by Jan. 8, \$64 after Jan. 8. Childcare (age 1-12) is available for \$5 per child. There are scholarships available. Please go to forlifeandfamily.org/together-in-holiness to register or for more information. You may also contact Conference Coordinator, Heather Grimes: 832-779-1070 or heather@forlifeandfamily.org

NEWS FROM THE OKLAHOMA MONKS AT ST. GREGORY'S ABBEY

The dates for the **2024 Monastic Encounter Weekends** have been announced! **Catholic single men, ages 18-45**, are invited behind the cloister gate to learn more about monastic life at St. Gregory's Abbey. **The dates are: February 16-18, June 7-9, August 2-4 and October 18-20.** During this time, attendees will share in the liturgical prayer, lectio divina, common work and communal life of the abbey and live as a monk. While these encounters are primarily intended for those discerning a religious vocation, they are still of spiritual benefit to those yearning to know God's still, small voice amidst life's chaos. For more information contact Fr. Simeon Spitz, OSB, vocation director at 405-878-5456 or at vocations@monksok.org.

Register today for the January 27 **Day of Reflection "Discerning the Body: Holy Eucharistic and Sacred Assembly."** Presenter will be Fr. Simeon Spitz, OSB. This day of reflection will explore the real presence of Jesus Christ in the body and blood of the Eucharist and in His body, head and members, the Church. Both the Eucharist and the Church are a Holy Communion that manifests the real presence of Jesus Christ on Earth. The cost is \$30 (if prepaid, \$35 if paid at the door), preregistration is required. Lunch is included. The day begins at 8:30am with Mass in the Abbey church, and ends after Adoration around 3pm. To register go to our website at www.monksok.org, email retreats@monksok.org, or call 405-878-5296.

teenFEMM Mother & Daughter Middle & High School Retreat
Girls 12-18 years old; mothers encouraged to attend
Saturday January 20, 2024 from 8 am to 5 pm
Bishop Kelley High School
3905 S. Hudson Ave.
Registration Fee is \$30/pair
Breakfast, lunch and snacks are included.

This course will cover:

- Your Body and Your Health
- Charting Health and Hormones
- Puberty and Your Healthy Cycle
- Female & Male: The Beginning of Life
 Brain, Emotions & Lifestyle & Healthy Habits for a Healthy Body