

Sept. 25, 2016

# Holy Trinity Catholic Church

*A Catholic community of Faith who celebrates, welcomes, and serves together*

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## PRAYER OF POPE JOHN PAUL II TO SAINT PIO OF PIETRELCINA

Padre Pio, teach us also, we pray, humility of heart, so that we may be among the humble to whom the Father in the Gospel promised to reveal the mysteries of His Kingdom. Obtain for us the eyes of faith that will help us recognize in the poor and suffering, the very face of Jesus. Support us in our hours of trouble and trial and, should we fall, let us experience the joy of the sacrament of forgiveness. Teach us tender devotion to Mary, mother of Jesus and our Mother. Accompany us on our earthly pilgrimage toward the blessed Homeland, where we, too, hope to arrive to contemplate forever the Glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen

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## YOUTH GROUP VOLUNTEERS

**Front Row:** Jo Joyce, Meg Stangl, Elizabeth Schroeder and Janet Himes  
**Middle Row:** Keri Rother, Bonnye Mueggenborg, Laurie Kretchmar, Linda Miller and Danielle Stover  
**Back Row:** Mike Baustert, Pat Brueggen, Jeff Palmer, Nancy Holthe and Joanie Meyer

**Mass Times**  
**Saturday Vigil** 5:00 PM  
**Sunday** 10:30 AM

**Weekday Morning Mass**  
**Monday**  
Communion Service 8:00 AM

**Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**  
8:00 AM in the Chapel

**School Mass**  
*All are welcome to attend*  
**Wednesday** 8:30 AM

**Reconciliation**  
**Saturday** 4:00 PM  
*Or by appointment*

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## ORGANIZATIONS

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas**  
Shari Black, Regent  
Halli Ford, Vice-Regent  
**Holy Trinity Altar Society**  
Theresa Schulte, President  
**Catholic Order of Foresters**  
James Wittrock, Chief Ranger

**Knights of Columbus**  
B. J. Waeger, Grand Knight  
**Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus**  
*Father Stanley Rother Assembly*  
Gerald Knecht, Faithful Navigator

**School Advisory Council**  
Nikki Buck, Roger Gann, Brooke Brady  
Jana McDaniel, Lance Schneider

**Parish Council**  
Patrick Brueggen, Chairman  
Mike Kretchmar, Vice Chairman  
Marian Rother—Secretary  
Joel Frisby, Lance Schneider  
Joe Wittrock, Cindy Shelley  
Michael Baustert, Karla Eischen  
Art Meyer

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***“Keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ.”***

— 1 Timothy 6:14

### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	September 24	5:00 p.m.
	<b><i>People of the Parish</i></b>	
Sunday	September 25	10:30 a.m.
	<b><i>+Robert Yost</i></b>	
Monday	September 26	8:00 a.m.
	<b><i>Communion Service</i></b>	
Tuesday	September 27	8:00 a.m.
	<b><i>+Rodney Mueggenborg</i></b>	
Wednesday	September 28	8:30 a.m.
	<b><i>+Loretta Vogt</i></b>	
Thursday	September 29	8:00 a.m.
	<b><i>+Gerry Brueggen</i></b>	
Friday	September 30	8:00 a.m.
	<b><i>+Francis Schaefer</i></b>	
Saturday	October 1	5:00 p.m.
	<b><i>People of the Parish</i></b>	
Sunday	October 2	10:30 a.m.
	<b><i>+Martin Parizek</i></b>	

***Daily Mass Server: Bridget Himes***

### Last Update on the Parish Center and Storage Project

I am happy to give the last update on the parish center and the garage. We began the renovation work on the parish center on 9th June 2016. With your generosity we were able to achieve the following works on the parish center and garage. At the outset we intended to give a major face lift to the existing 66 year old convent and make it more feasible so that we would be able to use it with some major changes. We fixed the ceiling, new heat and air, 46 glass windows, wooden flooring, carpeting, kitchen, two water fountains, painting, new cabinets, removed one closet in each of the seven class rooms on the first floor, work room for catechists, added three bathroom spaces on both the levels, new extended porch, new face lift on the front (east) side of the building, pressure wash the whole building, replaced the wood work in the exterior of the center, did some lawn work and made it more suitable for the Youth and Religious Education Programs. Together with that we also renovated the existing garage making it official storage for the whole parish accommodating the parish organizations. We have created four separate spaces for the parish organizations and put in four different doors and one main door on the east entrance of the storage. We also put a new roof on the garage and power washed the facility. The parish organizations are ready to move in.

The Holy Trinity School has occupied the two classrooms on the north end of the building and the rest of the building is now being used for Religious Education and the Youth. We have a nice kitchen so that Youth can have their dinners on Wednesdays. We also intend to use the building for RCIA, New Evangelization Meetings, Money Counters, Parish Nursery Program, Adult Education Program and Parents' Association Space. We also will rent out the facility for parishioners use at a very low cost for small functions. The building committee has worked very hard in making all these works possible and in keeping to our time period. God has blessed us in all we have undertaken. I am positive that each of you are happy with the work and the way it has turned out. I have heard a lot of compliments from the parishioners over the work we have done. The School, RE & Youth are thrilled to have their classes in the new space. Very soon we will be having an open house and its blessing. Currently we are getting ready with our plans for the New Administrative building. Thank you all for your generosity in making this possible for your parish. —Fr. John Peter

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

### Sunday, September 25

9:00 a.m. K-6 Religious Education (PC)

### Wednesday, September 28

8:30 a.m. School Mass—Grade 3

6:00 p.m. Youth Group (PH/PC)

6:00 p.m. Parents' Association Meeting (LIB)

### Sunday, October 2

9:00 a.m. K-6 Religious Education (PC)

### Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy and Our Response

Since the beginning of the Jubilee Year of Mercy our parish of Holy Trinity has taken and is still taking part in many of the liturgical activities. There are so many liturgical things that we have so far accomplished in our parish community. To name a few:

- ◇ We are still faithful in saying the Prayer of our Holy Father for the Jubilee.
- ◇ We have experienced the Mercy and forgiveness of God through the Advent and Lenten Penance rite that each of us have participated.
- ◇ We have taken part in each of the corporal Works of Mercy and concentrated on each one of the Corporal Works every Month.
- ◇ As a parish level, we led a Pilgrimage to go through the Holy Doors of Our Lady's Cathedral, St. Joseph's Old Cathedral, Infant Jesus Shrine, Prague, and St. Gregory's Monastery Church in Shawnee.

These are to name a few liturgical activities that our parish was able to perform to make the Jubilee Year of Mercy a special one. As it is going to conclude on the 20th of November, 2016, we will have special celebrations to mark its conclusion. Thank you to all who have participated in it and made this Jubilee Year a meaningful one.

**Online giving:** Secure online payment options are now available via Holy Trinity Church website at [holytrinityok.org](http://holytrinityok.org). Simply click the "Donate" tab, scroll down to "Online Giving" and choose the payment option you prefer. You can choose to make a one time payment or you can set up recurring payments. Although not required, should you choose to pay online, we would suggest that you create an account. Doing so will allow you to track payments, and eventually view your account details. You can go to the parish website and click donate link and that will lead you automatically to the link. Thank you for your willingness to share your resources with the parish. Please call the parish office if you need any clarification.

### Annual Young Adult Mass/Cookout with Archbishop Coakley

This annual event is Sept. 25 at the Catholic Pastoral Center, beginning at 3 p.m. Mass at 5 p.m.; cookout at 6 p.m. Presenter is Fr. Chis Brashears, Associate Pastor at St. Eugene's. The theme is "Free Fallin': From Trust to Conviction—How to trust God more and keep our faith through the struggles."

***Welcome through the waters of Baptism:***

***Blaine Francis Stursa  
Son of Joshua & Kirstin Stursa***

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR**

**Tues. Sept. 27**—St. Andrew Dinner at Christ the King Church in OKC, for young men who are interested in discerning a call to the priesthood. Join pastors and the Vocation Director, Fr. Brian Buettner, for an evening of food, fellowship and prayer from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., for high school/college aged men. RSVP by September 23 at vocations@archokc.org or 721-9351.

**Wed. Sept. 28**—6 p.m.—Youth Group (PH/PC)

**Sun. Oct. 2** - K-6 RE classes, 9-10:15 a.m. (PC)

**Wed. Oct. 5**—Confirmation Candidates practice for the Sacrament of Confirmation, 6-8:30 p.m. Sponsors are welcome to attend.

**Sunday, Oct. 9**—Confirmation at the 10:30 a.m. Mass

**Sat. Oct. 22, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the UMCA, Tulsa—DCYC 2016**—Discipleship Catholic Youth Conference, featuring **David Henrie** (Wizards of Waverly Place/How I Met Your Mother) sharing his faith journey; **Leah Darrow** (America's Next Top Model); performance by **Joe Castillo** (America's Got Talent). Check the promo video at <https://youtube/Magau5ljvZso>. Deadline is Sept. 23, 6 p.m. Contact Bonnye or Keri for additional information.

**IMPORTANT 2016 Regional Catholic Youth Conference** on November 18-20, 2016, in Beaumont, TX. The theme this year is "Take courage." The biennial conference brings together a community of Catholic high school teens and their leaders from Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas for a weekend of prayer, music, powerful speakers, hands-on activities and laughter. Conference cost is \$325 (2 nights hotel, registration, t-shirt, insurance, breakfasts, Saturday lunch & Dinner. Deadlines: Deposit of \$100 due **Sept. 15** (plus Consent & Liability waiver). Balance of \$225 due Oct. 21 (payment transferable but not refundable). Please contact Bonnye or Keri for registration forms. The Archdiocese of OKC has 220 spots, first come-first served

**Mission Trip 2017** will be in Nashville, TN, the week of July 16-22, 2017 *There will be a sign up meeting on Sunday, Sept. 25th, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass, held in the Parish Center.* If you plan on attending, thinking about attending or need information please be at the meeting.

**Marriage Anniversary Celebration at Holy Trinity Church Sunday, October 23rd at the 10:30 a.m. Mass**—Holy Trinity Church invites married couples who are celebrating milestone anniversaries (25, 40, 50+) in the calendar year of 2016 to attend a special Anniversary Mass offered for them on Sunday, October 23, at 10:30 a.m., followed by a reception in the Parish Center. It is imperative that you contact the parish office if you plan to attend (263-7930) and give your names. There will be a special blessing for those couples who are celebrating their anniversaries as we rejoice in your example and commitment to the Sacrament of Marriage, designed by God, a faithful, exclusive, lifelong union of a man and a woman joined in an intimate community of life and love; committing themselves completely to each other and to the wondrous responsibility of bringing children into the world and caring for them.

**Adult Formation Classes on "33 Days to Merciful Love" by Father Gaitley is beginning at Holy Trinity Parish.**—This new adult formation class is being offered this fall for anyone who wishes to participate. This is a 6 week class that will begin on October 16 and end with a special Consecration to Divine Mercy on November 20 which is a perfect way to end the Jubilee of Mercy! The classes will be held in the Parish Center every Sunday beginning at 6 p.m. Those who are interested in participating please contact Nancy Holthe at 405-538-7348 or [nancy@kingfisher.church](mailto:nancy@kingfisher.church).

**Confirmation Ceremony on Sunday, October 9th**—Archbishop Paul S. Coakley will be here at Holy Trinity Church on Sunday, October 9th for 10:30 a.m. Mass to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on 30 candidates of our parish community. There will be reception in the parish hall immediately following the Mass. You are most welcome to join us. Please note that the Mass will be longer due to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Tom Yost, Wendy Gray Olmstead, Lynn Sturgeon, Janey Kretchmar, Joli Schroeder, Joe Farrell, Lucille Howard, Emma Elliot, John Bombhoff, Elaine Lakey, Bill Patterson, Steve Knecht, Diane Eischen, Ken Reding, Aggie Daniel, Jacqueline Irion, Terry Reese, Ray Spomer, Steve Winters, Chelce Garms, Sandy Raupe, Bill Rund, Kenneth Garms, Randy Wiewel, Jan Wilkens, Ricky Howard, James Annuschat, Janice Ort, Charles Bamburg, Jaime Turner, Lori Johnson, Deniece Schwarz, Mabel Meyer, Mike Mueggenborg, Steve Brandley and Paul Hoebing. *To add or delete names to the prayer list, call Theresa Liebl (263-7324). She is required to contact the person's family to insure their privacy if they do not wish their name to be published.*

## **HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

**Wed. Sept. 28**—School Mass, 8:30 a.m. Grade 3

\*\*\*Parents' Association Meeting, 6 p.m. in the Library\*\*\*

**Scrip Program for HTCS** *Buy Scrip by contacting Annye Bombhoff (368-7228 or [annye@pldi.net](mailto:annye@pldi.net))*

**School Endowment Fund Tickets**—Thank you for your support of our School Endowment Fund. Tickets for the 2016-2017 School Year are available at the school office. Congratulations to this week's \$100 winner, **Max Schwarz**.

**Youth Choir Rehearsal**—Sun., Sept. 25, at 4 p.m. (choir loft)

**JOB OPENING**—Holy Trinity School is seeking a principal who will be a faith and academic leader for a rural Catholic parish school serving students in Grades PreK-3 through 8 for the 2016-2017 school year. Candidates must be practicing Catholics who have knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith. In addition, candidates should hold a master's degree in educational administration or a related field, and a minimum of five years' educational experience, previous administration or principal experience is preferred. Applications are available by contacting the Department of Catholic Education at 405-721-4202, P.O. Box 32180, OKC 73123 or [dfloyd@archokc.org](mailto:dfloyd@archokc.org).

**Special Collection for Louisiana Flood Victims**—The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has announced plans to hold a special collection to aid those who urgently need our help to rebuild their lives. I have authorized a special collection in the Archdiocese of OKC for the weekend of September 24-25. The proceeds of this collection will be transmitted to Catholic Charities USA, who will see that the funds are used to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted Catholic Dioceses. I am grateful for your assistance in enlisting the aid of the faithful in your parish. Sincerely yours in Christ, Most Reverend Paul S. Coakley, Archbishop of OKC.

**Join Fr. Ray Ackerman & Fr. John Peter Swaminathan on a very unique pilgrimage to Ireland, July 10-22, 2017**—

Includes Dublin, Baltinglass Abbey, St. Mary's Cathedral, Our Lady of Knock, St. Patrick's Tomb and Cathedral, Giant's Causeway, Titanic Museum in Belfast, Glendalough, Lake Corrib Cruise, Trinity College, Gallarus Oratory, Kilmalkedar Church, St. John's Cathedral, Holy Well of St. Brigid, Cliffs of Moher, O'Brien's Tower, Rock of Cashel, Clonmacnoise, Blarney Castle, The Burren, Downpatrick Cathedral, Inch Abbey, Galway, and much, much more! Mass, breakfast and dinner daily. Festive dinner with Irish Music and Dance. Four star hotels, luxury air-conditioned motor coach, and roundtrip air from OKC. Contact Melani Roewe at 293-2003 or visit <http://bit.ly/RevAckermanIreland> to download brochure. Secure online registration at <http://bit.ly/29KPZTT>.

**COLLECTION AMOUNT**  
**September 18th: \$6,056.00**