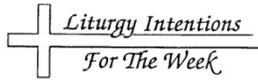


ST. MARY CHURCH
ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA

November 24, 2013



MONDAY **NOVEMBER 25, 2013**
 No Mass

TUESDAY **NOVEMBER 26, 2013**
 No Mass

WEDNESDAY **NOVEMBER 27, 2013**
 12:00 NOON Mercy Hospital Chapel
 †**Jose Mendez** - Olga Mendez
 6:00 PM Adoration – *Divine Mercy Chaplet*

THURSDAY **THANKSGIVING - NOVEMBER 28, 2013**
 9:00 AM In Thanksgiving for all the graces given our parish and for the blessings enjoyed by all our people

FRIDAY **NOVEMBER 29, 2013**
 12:00 NOON †**Darlene McBride**
 - Charlie & Georgia Tanner

SATURDAY **NOVEMBER 30, 2013**
 5:30 PM †**Larry Kopera**
 - Stella Kopera & Family

SUNDAY **DECEMBER 1, 2013**
 8:00 AM For the people of the parish
 10:45 AM For the people of the parish

Readings for next weekend Nov. 30 - Dec. 1, 2013

First Reading: *Isaiah 2:1-5*
 Second Reading: *Romans 13:11-14*
 Gospel: *Matthew 24:37-44*

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 30, 2013 5:30 P.M.

Lectors: (1) Charlie Tanner (2) Wendy Craddock
 C. Ministers: Anne & Riley Beard, Mary Liz Reavis, Roland & Ann Stolfa

Altar Servers: Caroline & Emily Sherry

Ushers: Robert Petz, Jim Supan

Offerings: McCall Family

SUNDAY DECEMBER 1, 2013 10:45 A.M.

Lectors: (1) Gus Orellana (2) Nancy Porter

C. Ministers: Bob & Patti Highsmith, Marilyn Rice, Scott & Dana Dempewolf

Cross Bearer: Heidi Rivera

Altar Servers: Kobe & Payton Brewster

Ushers: Tom & Mitchel McCormick

Offerings: Ushers

December Sacristans:

Saturday: Susan Gonzales

Sunday: Kathleen Maher



Cheyenne Knapp. Continue to pray for Carmela Aranda, Jhourdan Davis, Sadie & Sophie Vaughn, Preston Dalton, Suzan Lombardi, Lucille Murray, Mario Aranda, Lewis Clark, Jack Mills, Bella Robertson and those on the November prayer sheet.



Altar flowers provided by:
 Mercy Hospital Ardmore

LOAVES & FISHES NOVEMBER ASSIGNMENT
DRY PINTO BEANS - 1LB PACKAGE



Faith Formation News

We will be out for Thanksgiving break on Sunday Nov. 24th. Classes resume on Dec. 1.

Ministry Schedule for December is available.
 Please pick up your copy in the vestibule.

The office annex has been undergoing a "facelift" with new paint, carpet, furniture and blinds. We'd like to do a collage of crosses in one of the rooms. If anyone has a cross/crucifix they would like to donate for this purpose please bring it by the church office. Thank you.

Seminarian Education Appeal: Catholic households in the Archdiocese will be receiving a direct mailing from the Vocation Office regarding our Seminarian Education Appeal (SEA). This is a direct request for a pledge toward the costs of educating our seminarians, along with a miniature version of our seminarian poster and a vocation prayer card. Please participate with a financial gift toward the cost of educating our future priests. Please also pray for our seminarians and for more young men to join them at the seminary. We appreciate your generosity. For more information please contact the Vocation Office @ (405) 721-9351.

The parish office will be closed November 27-29 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST THE KING

Reminder: Please call the office and let us know if you need Father Tom to visit you or a loved one that has been hospitalized.

Christ the King: Today we celebrate Christ the King and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. Does my stewardship of the blessings entrusted to me give evidence that Christ is Lord of *my* life?

The Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. In the last five years, over 36% of CCHD's grants have gone to improving education, supporting economic development, and improving housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and take poverty off the map.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. The Divine Mercy chaplet is said at the beginning of Adoration. Please come take advantage of this special blessing for our parish.

Thank you: *This bulletin is furnished to the parish without printing charge. The advertisements that appear completely defray all publishing cost with which the church would otherwise be burdened. Please patronize these sponsors on the back of our bulletin as a thank you for their generosity.*

Are you are suffering from an abortion? Or know someone who is? You are not alone. Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ at a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat December 6-8, 2013. The retreat offers a profound opportunity, with a team of trained companions, therapists and clergy, to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Participation is strictly confidential. The retreat is sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office of Family Life. For more information call 405-623-3844 or email: rachelsvineyardokc@gmail.com The cost is \$75 for meals, a private room, and all retreat materials. Payment plans and financial assistance are available. For a description of the retreat and a complete list of other retreat dates and locations, call 1 877 HOPE 4 ME or visit the international website at www.rachelsvineyard.org.

CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE: At Christmas time, foster parents are not allotted any extra money to purchase gifts for children in their care. For the last 40 years, St. Philip's has administered a program which obtains Christmas wishlists from foster children, then distributes the wishlists to parishioners who purchase the children's gifts (within certain monetary guidelines). The program also collects money from those simply wishing to donate but not shop. St. Philip's is seeking St. Mary's participation in a variety of ways: parishioners adopting wishlists and purchasing the gifts with their own funds, monetary donations from those who want to help but not shop, help shopping with the donated funds, gift wrapping, etc. Wishlists will be distributed November 17th & November 24th, and the gifts must be turned into St. Philip's on December 8th. If you are interested in helping in any of the above ways, please contact Anne Stolfa-Beard at 226-5469 H & 490-6777 C. or call the St. Philip's program coordinator, Katie Morgan at 580-222-9027 for information or to volunteer. There will be a red Christmas box labeled for the Foster Children's Christmas in the vestibule where you can place donations.

ALL ARE INVITED TO THE



"Men of St. Mary" Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, December 8th (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
Come join us in the parish hall!

There will not be a Men of St. Mary Dinner for December due to the holidays.



The Women of St. Mary will have their meeting and Christmas ornament exchange on Wednesday, December 4th in the Catholic Center at 6:30 p.m.

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