

ST. MARY CHURCH
ARDMORE, OKLAHOMA

December 11, 2016



MASS INTENTIONS



MONDAY **DECEMBER 12, 2016**
 No Mass

TUESDAY **DECEMBER 13, 2016**
 No Mass

WEDNESDAY **DECEMBER 14, 2016**
 12:00 NOON † **Lois Biddick**
 - Charlie & Georgia Tanner

THURSDAY **DECEMBER 15, 2016**
 9:00 AM † **Larry Kopera**
 - Stella Kopera & Family

FRIDAY **DECEMBER 16, 2016**
 12 NOON † **Louis Remondino**
 - Shirley Remondino

6:00 PM **Adoration & Divine Mercy**

SATURDAY **DECEMBER 17, 2016**
 5:30 PM † **Tony Pratt**
 - Roland Stolfa Family

SUNDAY **DECEMBER 18, 2016**
 8:00 AM For the people of the parish
 10:45 AM For the people of the parish

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY **DECEMBER 17, 2016 5:30 P.M.**

Lectors: (1) Cyd Jordan (2) Marilyn Neubauer
 C. Ministers: Juan Jimenez, Susan Gonzalez, Betsy Tackett, Arnulfo & Teresa Rodriguez, Charlie Tanner

Acolyte: Juan Jimenez
 Altar Servers: Alondra Rodriguez, Araceli Rangel
 Ushers: Bob Petz, Richard Markum

SUNDAY **DECEMBER 18, 2016 8:00 A.M.**

Lectores: Ana Maria Molina, Leda Salinas, Diana Hughes

Comunion: Celsa Thomas, Melba Moinette, Jose & Maria Rivera

Anuncios: Maria Jimenez
 Acolitos: Ardres Lopez, Aron Rivera, Angel Arredondo, Rosalyn Armijo

Hospitalidad: Juan Salazar
 Sacristan: Claudia Lucio

SUNDAY **DECEMBER 18, 2016 10:45 A.M.**

Lectors: (1) Bob Bates (2) Gerald Johnson
 C. Ministers: Ray Butler, Julie Hunnicutt, Marilyn Rice, Jim & Maureen Schumacher, Krys Smith

Acolyte: Ray Butler
 Cross Bearer: Cory Wallace
 Altar Servers: Angelica Ramirez, Harlin Rice
 Ushers: Kathryn Strong, Dave & Tracey Mordy



Ann Caudle, Billie Presley. Continue to pray for Derick Dougan, Susan Queen, and those on the December prayer sheet.



Altar flowers provided by:
 Mercy Hospital Ardmore



Faith Formation News

- **First Reconciliation** will be Wednesday, Dec. 14th at 6:00 p.m. in the church.

Readings for the Weekend of Dec. 17/18

First Reading: *Isaiah 7:10-14*
 Second Reading: *Romans 1:1-7*
 Gospel: *Matthew 1:18-24*

Flocknote -We encourage all parishioners with e-mail or texting access to register at flocknote.com/smcc-adm and follow the steps on the website, text SMCC-ADM to 84576, or contact the church office for help.



Next Confirmation Class: Wednesday, Dec. 21st, 6:00 p.m. in the Catholic Center. This will be our Christmas party for parents and students!

Catholic Charities offers **FREE** individual, couples, and family counseling in Ardmore. Services are based on a brief therapy model of 6 sessions. For more information or to sign up, call 405-524-0969.



The Oklahoma Blood Institute will be here on Sunday, December 18th from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Please consider giving this gift of life!

If you would like to have the Ministry Schedule e-mailed to you, please contact the church office at 223-0231 or stmaryardmore@hotmail.com.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Please turn in your **Raffle Tickets** for the Women of St. Mary drawing as soon as possible! Extra tickets are available from any officer or at the church office.



The Women of St. Mary will have their meeting and Christmas ornament exchange on Wednesday, December 14th in the Catholic Center at 6:30p.m. Please bring a wrapped ornament to the meeting.

Men of St. Mary Dinner Monday, December 12, in the parish hall. Social: 5:30 p.m. – Dinner 6:30 p.m. Mark Urbanosky will prepare a traditional homestyle Czech meal of cabbage rolls with garlic mashed potatoes & gravy, homemade yeast rolls and a special Czech dessert. Our speaker will be Peggy Maher who will visit with us about "Inside NASA". With all the amazing developments in space exploration, this will be interesting. Bring your space questions. **All men of the parish are invited.** If you would like to add your name to the email list as a way to receive a friendly reminder about meetings, email David Mannas at dmannas@cableone.net.

The men and women of St. Mary will be singing **Christmas carols** at the Ardmore Veterans Center on Monday, December 19th at 6:00 p.m. All the men and women of the parish are encouraged to show up at 5:45 p.m. and make this a wonderful event for our veterans. Since we will be singing songs that we all know, there will not be a practice.

The **St. Mary Youth Group** is collecting **new** socks to be given to the Veterans' Center. A box will be in the vestibule for these donations.



NATIVITY FOR CHRISTMAS MASS

The church is planning to have a live Nativity again this year. All children are invited to participate - the more the merrier! The children participating need to be sure that their families will be attending the Christmas Eve Family Mass on December 24th at 6:00 p.m. It will be a very simple Nativity - information sheets will go out to the kids at Faith Formation. Practice will be on Dec. 24th from 10:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. If your child wants to participate, they must sign up on the sheet in the vestibule. If you have any questions, please call Julie at 223-0231 or 465-0639.



Health Mentors Needed Check. Change. Control.® is a four month program that utilizes a FREE web-based health management tool. This tool allows an individual to track and chart their blood pressure numbers. Offline, Check. Change. Control.® offers participants education about hypertension, stroke, blood pressure management, nutrition and physical activity. This program is an opportunity for faith-

based groups to partner with the American Heart Association to provide FREE resources and education to the congregation and communities that they serve. Churches must identify a minimum of two health mentors (health mentors do not have to be from the medical field) who will attend one health mentor training, agree to enroll participants only during the open enrollment period and have a blood pressure station located within the church. Our parish nurse, Connie Hestily, is working on setting up this program. If you would like to help as a health mentor, contact her at 580-380-9882 as soon as possible.



Rother Heritage Gallery exhibit open. The Heritage Gallery at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 7501 Northwest Expressway, is now open. The exhibit features items from Servant of God Father Stanley Rother, including his cassock, letters and photos, and items found in his room in Guatemala after his murder. The free exhibit is open weekdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

COLLECTION DEC 3/4

Offertory Envelopes:	\$ 7,377.00
Loose Collection:	\$ 540.25
Total:	\$ 7,917.25
Amt needed for week:	\$ 7,500.00
Excess/(deficit):	\$ 417.25

BUILDING FUND DEC 3/4

Previous balance:	\$55,003.90
Expenses: (repairs)	\$ 702.65
Deposits:	\$ 580.00
Current cash total:	\$54,881.25

PLEDGES

3 year Pledges as of 12/4/16 \$76,580.00

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

MARK COLBERT ATTY AT LAW