St Paul the Apostle Catholic Church
Eufaula, Oklahoma
August 16th 2020

WEEKLY COLLECTION
August 9th:
Week 6

Envelopes:	$	427.00
Loose Checks:	$	120.00
Loose Cash:	$	53.00
Build & Maint:	$	5.00
Total:	$	605.00
YTD Budget:	$	7,980.00
YTD Actual:	$	5,347.00

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ON LINE GIVING

You can donate to St. Paul parish by visiting **https://www.dioceseoftulsa.org/donate-to-support-a-specific-parish**. Once there, you can select St Paul to make your contribution.

BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST 16th:	Shirley Crouch
AUGUST 17th:	Joe Million
AUGUST 21st:	Tiffany Peterson
AUGUST 22nd:	Jimmy Reed

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Ez 24:15-24; Dt 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14
Friday:	Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:	St. John Eudes
Thursday:	St. Bernard
Friday:	St. Pius X
Saturday:	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

LIVE STREAMING MASS

FR Kingsley will be live streaming the 10:30 am Mass at Krebs on Facebook every week. Go to WWW.Facebook.com/kingsley george-obilonu

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent weeks, we have looked at the evolution of how Roman Catholics initiate children into the life of the Church. How did customs evolve in the Eastern Church? At one time, Christians in both East and West preferred to celebrate baptism in a community setting, with large numbers of adults and children initiated at Easter. The two branches of Christianity began to split on the proper time to do this.

In the East, water was blessed in abundance on the feast of the Epiphany, which marked, among other things, the baptism of the Lord. Once infant baptism was fixed on that day, local customs marking a birth began to evolve. One celebration was the giving of a name on the eighth day, another was the "purification" of the mother on the fortieth day after birth. In that blessing, re-enacting Mary and Joseph's journey to the temple, the priest took the baby in his arms and placed the child before the altar. Just as Simeon received the child Jesus, so the priest received the new Christian while chanting Simeon's prayer. Later, normally on Epiphany, the priest would baptize, chrismate (confirm), and give a few drops of the Precious Blood to the child in a joyous celebration of the whole community.

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Register now for the September 12th Day of Reflection- "A Deeper Encounter of Christ from the Gospel of John" presented by Fr. Sean O'Brien (from the Diocese of Tulsa) and the October 24th Day of Reflection- "A Day of Silence at the Abbey" moderated by Br. Damian Whalen, OSB. Both sessions are at St. Gregory's Abbey in Shawnee.

The day begins with Mass at 8:30 a.m. in the Abbey Church and ends after adoration around 3:00 p.m. Cost is $30 (early bird registration) per session or $35 at the door. Lunch is included. Pre-registration and masks are required. Register by e-mailing retreats@monksok.org or call (405) 878-5656.

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FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY PROJECT WEEKLY COLLECTION

God bless you for your generosity. You have made a positive difference in the lives of hungry families. The requested food item for this week's collection is **CAN GOODS AND ANY NON-PARISHABLE ITEM.**

SAINT PIUS X (1835-1914)
August 21

Presidential vetoes we understand. But imagine vetoing a papal election! Yet in the conclave of 1903, the Archbishop of Cracow (ironically, a predecessor in that office of Karol Wojtyla, the future John Paul II) vetoed the leading candidate on the order of the Austro-Hungarian emperor. Instead, the cardinals elected Giuseppe Sarto of Venice as Pius X, the first pope, after a succession of nobles and diplomats, to hail from humble origins. Nor did the papacy alter his endearing simplicity. Tailors eventually made his cassock cuffs detachable because he absentmindedly wiped his fountain pen on them, forgetting that his old black cassock had been replaced by papal white! Taking as his motto "To restore all things in Christ" (Ephesians 1:10), Pius condemned the theological innovations called "modernism," yet dramatically altered the then-common practice whereby people rarely received Communion for fear of unworthiness, mandating early First Communion and urging everyone to frequent reception. Refusing to bless troops assembled in Saint Peter's Square—"I bless peace, not war!"—he died brokenhearted as World War I engulfed Christian Europe despite his peacemaking efforts.

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Votive Candles

The candles are provided for your use and convenience. However, there is a cost to replenish them. Please consider a contribution when you light a candle. Thank you.

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 16, 2020

Observe what is right, do what is just; for my salvation is about to come, my justice, about to be revealed.
— *Isaiah 56:1*

WHY PRAY?

The "foreigners" as Isaiah calls them, the "Gentiles" as Paul calls them, or the "Canaanites" as Matthew calls them are called to worship the one true God in prayer. As we listen to today's readings, perhaps we are tempted to ask: Why pray? The question is rhetorical; it is tantamount to asking why should friends talk to one another or people in love kiss one another. Prayer is a way of relating to God, a way of talking to God. The apostles had the opportunity to talk to Jesus in the flesh. We have the opportunity to talk to Jesus Christ in prayer. Our relationship with him must be enthusiastic; it cannot be faint-hearted. John Donne, a fifteenth-century poet, knew what the qualities of good prayer were. Donne asks God to treat him differently from most Christians. The poet does not want God to merely "knock, breathe, shine, and seek to mend," but also to "break, blow, burn, and make me new" (*Holy Sonnets*, XIV).

It takes a dynamic faith on our part to come to God in prayer. As Jesus once said, "Knock and the door will be opened to you" (Matthew 7:7). It may take pounding the door down, but if we are as persistent as the woman in today's Gospel, the results will follow.

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Mass Schedule:
Wednesday at 9:00 AM
Sunday at 8:30 AM
Holy Days at 5:30 PM
Confession before Mass
or by Appointment

August 2020 ~ September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
16 8:30 am Mass 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time	17	18	19 NO MASS	20	21	22 4:00 pm Mass 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
23 8:30 am Mass 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time	24	25	26 NO MASS	27	28	29 4:00 pm Mass 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
30 8:30 am Mass 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	31	1	2 9:00 am Mass 9:30 am Adoration	3	4	5 4:00 pm Mass 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
6 8:30 am Mass 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	7	8	9 NO MASS	10	11	12 4:00 pm Mass 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
13 8:30 am Mass 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	14	15	16 NO MASS	17	18	19 4:00 pm Mass 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time