Tepeyac Hill dedication draws thousands to Rother shrine

**Rother shrine dedication**
Join Archbishop Coakley, priests of the archdiocese, bishops and guests for the dedication of the Bl. Stanley Rother Shrine on Feb. 17 in Oklahoma City. The dedication is open to the public. Seating will be limited and available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

rothershrine.org/dedication

More than 3,000 faithful gathered for the first Mass and blessing of the statues of Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego on Dec. 11 at the Bl. Stanley Rother Shrine in Oklahoma City. Photo Avery Holt/Sooner Catholic.

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Archbishop Coakley's Calendar

The following events are part of Archbishop Coakley’s official calendar.

Jan. 1 - Mass for Perpetual Profession of Vows with Dominican Sisters, 3 p.m., St. Andrew-Dunlap Catholic Church, OKC
Jan. 5 - Bl. Stanley Rother Shrine Dedication Executive Committee meeting, 3 p.m., Catholic Pastoral Center, OKC
Jan. 10 - Presbyteral Council meeting, 9:30 a.m., CPC
Jan. 12 - Archdiocesan Finance Council meeting, 2 p.m., CPC
Jan. 12 - Archdiocesan Board meeting, 3 p.m., CPC
Jan. 18 - School Mass, 8:30 a.m., Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Okarche
Jan. 18 - School Mass for St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic School, 8:25 a.m., St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Edmond
Jan. 21 - School Mass, 8:30 a.m., St. Joseph Church, Enid
Jan. 24 - Annual meeting of Catholic Conference of Oklahoma Board, 2 p.m. (via zoom)
Jan. 24 - School Mass for St. Thomas More Catholic School, 8 a.m., St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church, Edmond
Jan. 26 - School Mass for Bishop John Carroll Catholic School, 8:15 a.m., The Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, OKC
Jan. 26 - ACA Mass and reception, 6 p.m., St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Edmond
Jan. 26 - TET Mass and celebration, 10 a.m., St. Andrew-Dunlap Catholic Church, OKC
Jan. 29 - Confirmation, 10-4:55 p.m., St. Matthew Catholic Church, Elka City

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By Sooner Catholic Staff

Additional coverage of Church and archdiocesan news events, only on soonercatholic.org.

- To send photos, information or story ideas, e-mail communications@archokc.org.
- For families who have lost someone they love, May the Lord continue to support them and heal their hearts.

The following are events to be an inspiration to place in your calendar.

Lavishing God, During this season of Christmas, we ask for your blessing on all families. Let Mary’s openness to your will be an inspiration to place all trust in you. Let Joseph’s courage provide hope during times of anxiety and uncertainty. Let Jesus’ life ignite all families with a spirit of light and love. May the grace that enables the Holy Family wishes to embrace all families. Amen.
What is your most unique/special Christmas ornament?

These are two of my favorite ornaments. I knew $2 bill as an odd purchase, but it has special meaning. Karen, one of my old-
er sister - 16 months older than me, passed away unexpectedly in 2017. She was known for her kindness and she
fresh $2 bills for special occasions. One of my nephews brought her some fresh $2 bills to her funeral. We folded them and made
them into how ties for the males in our family to wear at her funeral. Seeing it at the funeral made me smile thinking of the
joy she always brought to others. A friend made the wood burned ornament for me the first Christmas after Karen had passed. I always hang
the two ornaments next to each other.
"This image of Mary will remind us of the close ties of Mary to Christ and his Church. Let us beseech the Lord’s blessing upon this place,” Archbishop Coakley said before sprinkling holy water on the 12-foot statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe and then blessing the nearby 8-foot statue of a kneeling Saint Juan Diego.

An hour before the Mass, several hundred parishioners and more than 60 Matachines dancers processed down NW 89th Street to the shrine grounds, dancing, praying, drumming and singing. They were escorted by Oklahoma City Police and Oklahoma County Sheriff’s deputies on horseback.

“We’re celebrating the Virgin Mary’s life, and it’s important to gather as a family. We’re all really excited to have it here,” said Sandra Herrada, who was attending with her four children and her husband, Daniel Romero, who was a dancer.

Nearby, Erika Martinez gathered with her husband and friends.

“We’re here to venerate our mother, Mary. It’s part of our love toward our mother and our Lord,” she said. “Tepeyac Hill is a blessing. It’s a gift sent from God.”

Many of the families in attendance at the dedication are parishioners at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oklahoma City. Sacred Heart and Holy Angels Catholic Church will combine to celebrate Masses at the shrine as well as at Sacred Heart’s original location on Shartel Avenue, now known as Historic Sacred Heart.

Father Donald Wolf, pastor of Sacred Heart, rector of the shrine and cousin of Blessed Stanley Rother, delivered a homily in English and Spanish.

“If we can guide the blind, then we become a source of hope for those … who are left behind. If Christ is to become alive, the Word is proclaimed to them where they are. We can’t wait until the Lord breaks the door down to enter where we are. We make our way to where the Lord is,” Father Wolf said from a stage at the foot of Tepeyac Hill.

“We build this shrine to encapsulate the example of Father Rother and the gift of his sacrifice so that when we see what he has done, we are looking through a window of the presence of Christ among us. … We rejoice that it is here that we begin. That we, on these grounds, on this day, carve out a place dedicated to the living presence of Christ.”

Father Wolf concelebrated Mass with Archbishop Coakley, Archbishop Emeritus Beltran, Abbot Lawrence Stasyszen, O.S.B., Father Rusty Heweses and Father Brannon Lepak, vice rectors of the shrine, and other priests and deacons. Also in attendance were Leif Arvidson, executive director of the shrine, shrine and archdiocesan staff, volunteers and the Knights of Columbus.

Learn more about the Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine at rothershrine.org.

Diane Clay is a freelance writer for the Sooner Catholic.
Connie Diaz is the outreach coordinator for the Secretariat for Evangelization and Catechesis. She accompanies and supports outside movements and organizations for the Hispanic community. She has worked at the chancery for three years. In her free time, she enjoys reading, walking, dancing and spending time in nature – especially at Lakes.

Cristo Rey OKC celebrates a QuestBridge College scholarship recipient

Cristo Rey OKC’s Michelle Frias was one of 1,755 chosen students to match with a QuestBridge College Partner and receive a full four-year scholarship to a prestigious university.

OKLAHOMA CITY - Senior Michelle Frias spent five months working on an application for the QuestBridge Scholarship program and it paid off. QuestBridge is a national program that matches high-achieving high school seniors from low-income backgrounds to 48 of the nation’s top colleges—schools like Brown University, Duke University, Dartmouth College and Yale University. The QuestBridge scholarship is a full four-year scholarship, worth more than $200,000. Out of 17,900 applicants, less than 10 percent were chosen to match with one of the 48 colleges. Michelle was one of those recipients.

Frias reflected, “It was intimidating to apply for this program because thousands of students are aiming toward the same goal, I took a chance, and that is what I am proud of. Now I am proud my hard work is paying off.”

Frias has chosen to keep which school she partnered with close to her heart, sharing only with her mom, three close friends, and those who helped her through the application process. She looks forward to sharing her story, her match and her journey.

Frias was required to write multiple essays, get recommendation letters, share test scores and grades and demonstrate that she is a qualified candidate for the scholarship. During her time at Cristo Rey OKC, she has worked in four diverse industries in different departments including research, human resources, marketing and hospitality through the Corporate Work Study Program. Her job placements consisted of The Chickasaw Nation, Integris Health, BOLDT and the Colcord Hotel. She believes these experiences and her education from the school granted her this opportunity.

Frias will head off to school next August and will be the first in her family to attend college.

To learn more about Cristo Rey OKC Catholic High School and Michelle Frias’ story, email rachel.roth@cristoreyokc.org.

Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma

The Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma, established in 1965, is the steward of endowments and charitable funds that provide resources to parishes, schools and other ministries of the Catholic Church in central and western Oklahoma. All the endowments at the Catholic Foundation stem from a desire by faithful Catholics to strengthen the Church for generations to come. Information about existing CFO endowments is available online at cfook.org/endowments. One way to create an endowment and establish a Catholic legacy is through a gift in your will or trust. For assistance with this, call Owen Canfield at (405) 709-2897 or e-mail ocanfield@cfook.org.

New Catholic Foundation Endowments

Two new endowments created at the Catholic Foundation this year include the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City Endowment and the Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma Endowment. The former will provide annual distributions to support the ministry of the Church in the archdiocese. The latter will provide grants to parishes, schools and other Catholic organizations for ministry operations, facility improvements, equipment purposes or other activities that advance the Church in the archdiocese.

Gifts may be made to cfook.org/archdioceseendowment or cfook.org/cfoendowment.

Another new endowment is the Archbishop Eusebius J. Beltran Endowment, which supports Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Camp. The camp’s opening in 2000 was one of the signature projects of Archbishop Beltran’s tenure as archbishop.

The endowment was created through a gift from Deacon Tom Goldsworthy and his wife, Sandy. The endowment will support the physical infrastructure, operation and ministry at Camp OLOG.

Gifts may be made to cfook.org/beltranendowment.

Year-end giving

Why Give?

Because the poor need our help.

Last year, an Oklahoma City couple created an endowment at the Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma to benefit the least among us.

Through the Immaculate Heart of Mary Endowment, grants can be given to parishes and ministries in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City that serve those in need in their local areas.

The couple wants no recognition for their gift, which will be augmented by an estate gift at their passing.

Instead, they are interested in helping Church to be the face of Christ for others. This endowment will do that.

Gifts to the Immaculate Heart of Mary Endowment or other endowments at the Catholic Foundation can be made at www.cfook.org/endowments.
Seminarian Education Appeal

The Archdiocese of Oklahoma City has many men in seminary discerning a call to the priesthood. These seminarians will one day be ordained to the priesthood as the result of the encouragement and financial support of the faithful. The Seminarian Education Appeal helps to defray those costs for the young men and their families. People are encouraged to join the Living Faith Society by making a monthly gift. Members of the Living Faith Society receive regular updates about the seminarians and a subscription to the Living Faith devotional.

Gifts to the Seminarian Education Appeal may be made online at archokc.org/seminarianfund.

Sooner Catholic Communications Appeal

“Sooner Catholic” is mailed bi-weekly to more than 50,000 Catholic homes and churches. It is free in print and online, helping accomplish the mission to “Go Make Disciples.” Support of the Sooner Catholic Communications Appeal makes the newspaper available to those who may not be able to give. These include elderly parishioners on fixed incomes, prisoners and the unemployed. Gifts to the appeal also help support other evangelization tools such as social media platforms, Oklahoma Catholic Radio and the archdiocesan website (archokc.org).

The archdiocese works every day to reach Catholics and those of other faiths. Continued financial support of the Sooner Catholic Communications Appeal helps the archdiocese spread the Good News. Gifts may be made online at archokc.org/soonerappeal.

Oklahoma Catholic Radio

With 12 stations across the state, Oklahoma Catholic Radio spreads the Gospel through high-quality programs produced locally and nationally. Local programs include “The Catholic Man Show,” with Adam Minihan and David Niles, “Make Straight the Way” with Deacon Larry Sousa and “Living Catholic” with Father Don Wolf. The popular EWTN programs “Called to Communion” and “Catholic Answers Live” are among the syndicated offerings. The growth of Oklahoma Catholic Radio through the years has been made possible through gifts to its annual appeal. One way to provide support is to join the Keeper of the Airwaves by making a monthly gift of $48—or $4 for each station. Gifts of any size may be made at okcr.org/give or by calling (405) 255-7348.

Catholic Schools Support

Nearly 5,000 students attend the 16 Catholic grade schools and three Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. Two funds at the Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma help with this important ministry. One is the Saint Katharine Drexel Fund, which provides grants to financially struggling parishes with a school. The goal of the Drexel Fund is to ensure that all students, regardless of financial ability, have access to a Catholic school. High-quality administrators are vital to Catholic schools. The Saint John Baptist de La Salle Fund provides leadership formation opportunities for teachers and principals in the archdiocese. The goal is to elevate the professional capacity of future Catholic school leaders. Gifts to these funds may be made at cfook.org/drexel and cfook.org/delasalle.

Support your parish with gifts of stock

Gifts of stock are a wonderful way to support your parish. By giving stock that has appreciated for more than a year, you may avoid paying capital gains taxes and be able to deduct the full, fair-market, value of the stock.

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Catholic Charities Appeal

The Corporal Works of Mercy serve as the cornerstone for the annual appeal of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. Catholic Charities provided services to thousands during the past year. It did so by: Feeding the Hungry — It distributed 200,350 meals per month to those in need. Giving Drink to the Thirsty — The lobby of Catholic Charities includes a water station where clients can fill their own containers, and it provided bottled water to about 40 people per day. Visit the Imprisoned — Several staff members and church leaders visited prisoners regularly. The agency also offers counseling to those “imprisoned” by mental illness and addiction. Visit the Sick — Catholic Charities partnered with SSM Health and Cardinal Community Hoaxe to provide temporary shelter for recently discharged patients who are homeless. Bury the Dead — The agency has gifted burial plots for those without financial means. Give Alms to the Poor — Catholic Charities provides clothing, furniture, household items and other goods to families in need, along with legal aid and rent and utility assistance after natural disasters. Shelter the Homeless — The agency housed an average of two women per week at the Sanctuary Women’s Development Center and helped many others to find a place to live. Gifts to this year’s appeal may be made at catholiccharitiesok.org/donate.

Center of Family Love

The Center of Family Love has been caring for intellectually and physically disabled adults since its founding by the Knights of Columbus in 1981. Through the years, CFL has added a greenhouse, a therapeutic nursing center, two intermediate care residential buildings and a gift shop. Today, Center of Family Love has 130 residents, or “angels.” Executive Director Debbie Espinosa said CFL is guided by five values — teamwork, respect, integrity, compassion and kindness. “By implementing these values in the case we provide, and committing ourselves to serving God, we are answering the call to serve those in need,” she said. Gifts may be made at centeroffamilylove.org.

Give Through Your IRA

If you are 70 1/2 or older and own a traditional IRA, you can use it to help Catholic churches, schools or ministries across the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City.

With a Qualified Charitable Distribution, IRA owners can direct gifts annually to charity without that amount counting as taxable income.

This tool is especially helpful for those 72 and older, who must take a Required Minimum Distribution from their IRA each year.

To learn more about making a Qualified Charitable Distribution to the Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma for the benefit of your favorite ministry, visit www.cfishook.org or contact Owen Canfield at the foundation: 405-721-4115 or ocanfield@cfishook.org.
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Bilingual in English and Spanish is desired, but not required. To apply, please visit archokc.org/jobs-box. Send resume and cover letter to humanresources@archokc.org.

Associate director - OCR

The Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma is seeking an associate director, for Catholic school development, who will also serve as director of the Tax Credit Scholarship program. Seeking a director with a proven track record of fundraising and effective management of a major gift solicitation program who will work with colleagues to implement a comprehensive major gift focused resource development program benefiting Catholic school communities. The associate director will plan, manage and implement cultivation, solicitation and stewardship activities and oversee the Tax Credit Scholarship program – a State of Oklahoma Scholarship Granting Organization receiving gifts from companies and individuals under the Oklahoma Equal Opportunity Scholarship Act. Send resume and cover letter to humanresources@archokc.org.

Director of annual giving - OCR

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City is seeking a director of annual giving to direct and oversee the annual appeal, planned giving, special events and donor giving societies. This team will include donor prospect management and stewardship as well as the development of materials, mailing lists, printing, follow-up and targeted donor interaction. The director should target annual base gifts of $1,000 to $25,000 and be able to manage a portfolio of donors and execute targeted asks with respect to annual and planned giving. Bachelor’s degree in public relations, communications or related field; three years of experience in prospect management, annual gifts, planned giving or donor management; bilingual in Spanish and English preferred; a combination of education and experience may be considered. Send cover letter with resume to Doc. David Ashton at dalpha@archokc.org.

Elementary teacher - Enid

St. Joseph Catholic School in Enid is seeking a qualified, full-time elementary teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. This teacher will maintain a set schedule, collaborate well with colleagues, report to the principal, communicate effectively to parents, manage all aspects of the classroom environment, and convey an orderly, joyful spirit throughout the school. Must be a loving teacher. Perform all duties and responsibilities in alignment with the mission, vision and values of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Oklahoma. Bachelor’s degree in education and suitable degree certification and experience with children. Practicing Catholic in good standing. Send application, cover letter and resume to Fred Martin at fmarthin@stjosephholodaimed.com. Visit stjosephholodaimed.com/school.

Soccer coach - OCR

Cristo Rey OCR Catholic High School is looking for a soccer coach for their girls’ and boys’ teams. The season begins in January and concludes at the end of April. Practices will be 3-4 days/week after school. Driving a van will be necessary for away games. Experience is preferred and a stipend is involved. Contact the athletic director at jkrescek@archokc.org.

Sometimes people will contact the National Catholic Bioethics Center (NCBC) wondering if the decisions they made on behalf of a dying family member were the right ones. The NCBC provides a free Ethics Consultation Service where individuals can ask questions and seek guidance about ethics and medical decisions.

Some who call are interested in reviewing the details of how a loved one died, along with the advice they were given by doctors, nurses, hospice workers, family members and friends. While their loved one may have died months or even years earlier, they now want to cast aside any uncertainty or unshared information about the treatment decisions they made.

End-of-life situations are not easy to sort out. Important practical details and medical facts may no longer be available or may have been forgotten with the passage of time. Sometimes family members want to discuss their wishes with each other or were fearful about how best to proceed or may not have wanted to seek out expert advice or guidance, so the decisions they made might have been hasty or under duress.

A friend once spoke to me about a young man who had shared with her some details about his father’s death. He told her that as he looked back on it, he had doubts that he had made the right decisions as his dad became more debilitated. He felt he had failed his dad because he had not taken the time to understand all the concerns he had raised. On further reflection, he acknowledged that her first inclination would, we could presume, want to see that kind of healing for his son as well.

Our efforts to lovingly support our family members through the dying process and to make careful and morally correct decisions on their behalf as they decline in health are incredibly important. Those committed efforts are signs of our desire to be faithful to the beautiful bonds of love connecting us to our dear ones and to our desire to be faithful to the beautiful bonds of love connecting us to our dear ones and to our desire to be faithful to the beautiful bonds of love connecting us to our dear ones and to our desire to be faithful to the beautiful bonds of love connecting us to our dear ones and to our desire to be faithful to the beautiful bonds of love connecting us to our dear ones.

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Lánzate a lo más Profundo
Luke 3:4

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Hemos concluido el tiempo de preparación del Adviento y ahora celebramos el gozoso tiempo de Navidad. ¡Feliz Navidad a todas y a sus seres queridos! 

Más que ningún otro tiempo, el tiempo de Navidad es uno de gozo y maravilla, y no solo para los niños, sino para todos los que aún tienen un corazón de niños. La Iglesia ha sido por mucho tiempo cautivada por el misterio católico de la encarnación que celebramos en la Navidad. El hecho de que el Hijo eterno de Dios haya tomado la carne humana a través de la Santísima Virgen María es objeto de maravillas místicas y devociones populares en todas las culturas.

En la Sagrada Liturgia, normalmente reverenciamos la encarnación con una genuflexión. De manera similar, cuando rezamos el Ave María, normalmente doblamos una rodilla al escuchar ese pasaje del Evangelio de San Juan (Jn 1,1-4).

Cuando se proclama ese pasaje del Evangelio, tanto el sacerdote como el resto de la congregación hacían una genuflexión al escuchar las palabras “Y el Verbo se hizo carne”. 

Nuestro tiempo actualizado mundo olvida pensar en la Navidad como una realidad viva y profundamente teológica. La cultura secular ha tratado de separar la Navidad en un tiempo fuera de invierno. Muchas de las tradiciones de Navidad y las decoraciones no tienen nada que ver con la venida de Dios en la carne. Sin embargo, si hemos observado bien el Adviento y nos hemos preparado para la Navidad con agradecimiento y paciente espera, entonces comprenderemos que necesitamos el amor generoso y la misericordia que solo Dios nos puede dar.

Para los católicos, y para todos que aquello que se aferran a una visión cristiana del mundo que busca primero nuestro propio bienestar y nos lleve a una mayor reverencia hacia la carne humana. Todos los que celebramos la Navidad son parte de la familia de Dios y ofrecemos nuestro amor y bendic Peace, B.F. y connie diaz.


El 4 de diciembre, el Arzobispo de la Inmaculada Concepción, mujeres de la parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción en Oklahoma City, se reunieron para realizar la exorcismo por la paz en el mundo. La conversión de los peregrinos y los sacerdotes de la Inmaculada Concepción en Oklahoma City, los feligreses de la Iglesia Católica de la Sagrada Cena en Oklahoma City, realizaron una procesión y recibieron a mujeres de todas las parroquias de la arquidiócesis. Fotos proporcionadas.

El 9 de diciembre, después de una intensa activación, el arzobispo Paul Coakley se reunió con el Beato Stanley Rother, ¡ruega por nosotros! 

Los feligreses de la Iglesia Católica St. James the Greater en Oklahoma recibieron diferentes bendiciones, incluyendo los votos matrimoniales el 6 de diciembre del Diácono. Rodrigo Montelongo, de Saltillo, México, el Padre Raúl Barrientos y el Oblato Arnoldo Moreno. 

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