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Daily Mass Readings—Feb 28-Mar 6* Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom Sunday 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10 Monday Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38 Tuesday Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12 Wednesday Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28 Thursday Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31 Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-Friday 43, 45-46 Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Saturday

*Daily Readings (and link to full biblical text) also available on Holy Cross Website:

www.holycross-wagoner.org

February 28, 2021 Second Sunday of Lent

<u>Join Our Spiritual Journey in Preparation for</u> Easter

Fridays during Lent (Feb. 19-Mar. 26)

Mass @ 5:00

Adoration @ 5:30

Stations of the Cross @ 6:00

Light Lenten Meal @ 6:30

Followed (1st 4 weeks of Lent) by a Short Presentation/Discussion based on the book "The Last Week" lead by Mark Sorell concluding at approx. 7:30

> First Saturday Mass Next Saturday, Mar. 6, at 8:30 a.m.

Faith & Works Annual Appeal "One Family United In Christ"

Your gifts allow the Diocese to unite as one family to bring the mission of Jesus Christ to all. These shared ministries provide resources and services to all parishes — ministries that no single parish could otherwise provide for itself. Envelopes are in the vestibule or you can make an online gift at:

www.dioceseoftulsa.org/annualappeal

2020 Contribution Reports Available
Signup sheet is located in the vestibule for those wanting a 2020 donation summary for tax purposes.

Collections from Feb. 20-21		
Weekend Collections	2,377.00	
Capital Improvements	<u>275.00</u>	
TOTAL	\$2,652.00	

Reflection of the Week by Fr. Leo Ahanotu

2nd Sunday of Lent, B

Often, when we read the story of the transfiguration and how Jesus told the disciples that they still have to go back to the world and continue their work, our mind tells us that we need to work to merit the kingdom of God. I agree with that, but we could still learn more from the story of the transfiguration.

By telling the four disciples not to share their transfiguration experiences until He has risen, we could ascertain that Christ's crucifixion was getting closer. He needed His favorite environment for prayer and meditation (often the hills) to pray for courage. The Father gave Him the courage and support He needed; hence the words, "You are my beloved son with whom I am well pleased" (as it appeared in other gospels). The assurance gave Him the courage and strength He needed. This teaches us that God does not abandon us in our times of difficulties. He may not take it away, but He will give us the courage and strength we might need. He is present even in our sufferings. St. Paul understands this very well and so asked in the second reading, "If God is with us, who can be against us?" The answer is "nothing." Nobody and no suffering can stop God from ensuring that we fulfill our primary reason for being Christians or for our creation.

If suffering could help us be with God, so be it. St. Vincent de Paul who, understands it better said, "if we only knew the precious treasure hidden in infirmities, we would receive them with the same joy with which we receive the greatest benefits, and we would bear them without ever complaining or showing signs of weariness".

Fr. Leo

"<u>With a Father's Heart</u>" Reflections for the Year of St. Joseph

Presented by Abbot Lawrence Stasyszen, O.S.B. Saturday, March 13, 2021, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at St. Gregory's Abbey, Shawnee

Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St Joseph," to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The Pope's Apostolic Letter "With a Father's Heart" will provide the backdrop during this day for reflecting on what we know about St. Joseph from the Gospels and what we can learn from him for the conduct of our lives as Christians.

Due to Covid-19, registration will be limited to 32 attendees.
Facial coverings and social distancing are required. Attendees must pre-register by e-mailing retreats@monksok.org or call (405) 878-5656. Cost is \$30 for early bird registration or \$35 if you pay at the door. Lunch is included.

Feed Your Soul with Prayer this Lent!

Dynamic Catholic's BEST LENT EVER journeys through Matthew Kelly's latest book, *I Heard God Laugh*: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through all forty days of Lent, you will receive a daily email with a short video to help you reconnect with yourself and your God.

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Daily Lenten Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray are also available on FORMED.org/Lent

Please continue to pray for an end to abortion and the protection and sanctity of all human life.

A Shared Moment of Silence Monday, March 1st, at Noon

We have experienced moments in the past year beyond our control moments of fear, concern, compassion, grief, and longing. You're invited to join others for a moment of silence on Monday to remember those we have lost and as a testament to our collective perseverance. This moment of silence will reflect upon the year that has passed since the first COVID-19 case in OK. In this moment of silence and prayer, words are not necessary; simply listen for whatever you need to hear and know you are not alone.

Weekend Mass Readers		
Feb. 27	Mary Harris	
Feb. 28	Mark Sorell	
Mar. 6	Dorene McMahan	
Mar. 7	Mark Mason	

Happy Birthday!

Kathy Gordon 2/2 Kay Rodriguez 2/16 Walt Mazil Paul Rodriguez 2/24 John Watson Traci Sorell 2/24 Lucille Dickinson 2/10 Marie Herndon 2/27 Amber Wright 2/13

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm

Sunday — 8:30 am

Tuesday & Friday - 5:00 pm

Wednesday & Thursday — 8:30 am

First Sat. of Each Month - 8:30 am

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Friday following 5:00 pm Mass

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 to 4:50 pm 8:00 to 8:20 am Sunday or by appointment/request

Weddings—Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to your anticipated date

Baptisms - Please contact the Pastor for Prepara-

Youth Religious Education Classes

are held each Sunday morning following 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Bulletin Deadline Wednesday 8pm

To place information in the bulletin, contact Karol Watson, karol watson@yahoo.com or 918-640-5819

FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING

Patty Chandler, parishioner Jerry Hickman, brother of Mike Hickman Jean Podeyn, sister of Jackie Spieker Paula Moore, parishioner Lucille Dickinson, parishioner Kay Rodriguez, parishioner



WE PRAY TO THE LORD

Holy Cross Mission Statement/Prayer

Almighty God, the mission of Holy Cross Parish is to bring the love of Jesus Christ to our community and the world. As your disciples, help us to touch the hearts of everyone in a way that enhances human spirituality and will bring all people into the fullness of your Kingdom. Through Christ, our Lord, Amen!

	<u>Altar Línens</u>	Altar Flowers
Feb	Karol Watson	Poinsettias Lent (no flowers)
Mar	Elaine Hall	Lent (no flowers)

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www.holycross-wagoner.org & Holy Cross Catholic Church - Wagoner OK (FB)

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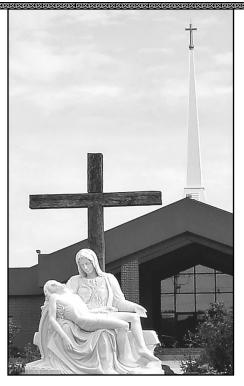
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