

January 18, 2026
The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
(TLM—Second Sunday after Epiphany)

Welcome to Ordinary Time 2026. Scripturally, Ordinary Time focuses on the words and deeds of Jesus as he proclaims the Kingdom of God to the people of Israel and, through them, to the world. During these weeks, we hear Jesus teach with wisdom and creativity, we witness his effectiveness as a preacher, and we marvel at his miracles. In short, Ordinary Time invites us to deepen our relationship with Jesus as we learn more about who he is and what it means to follow him. What do the readings teach us today?

The First Reading is once again from the prophet Isaiah, a constant presence during Advent and Christmas. This passage comes from chapter 49 and is attributed to Deutero-Isaiah, who wrote to reassure God's people during their Babylonian captivity. "You are my servant, Israel, through whom I show my glory... I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth."

Although the people have been released from captivity and are returning home, they are discouraged and uncertain about the future. Deutero-Isaiah presents himself as the *Servant of God*, called from the womb to speak God's word and restore hope. Today's Responsorial Psalm echoes that call perfectly: "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

The Second Reading continues this teaching. Saint Paul writes to the Corinthians as one who has also been called – called to be an apostle, called to holiness, called by the will of God.

All of this comes together in today's Gospel. John the Baptist points to Jesus and declares, "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."

From Deutero-Isaiah to Saint Paul to John the Baptist, the message is clear: It is we who are called – called to speak God's word, to strengthen one another, and to point the way to Jesus Christ.

A college student was pondering what to do with his life, and he decided to vent his frustrations on God. He went into the campus chapel, sat in a pew, looked up to heaven and prayed, "All we have on this earth are problems and a bunch of dummies who will never figure out how to solve them. Even I could make a better world than this one." And somewhere deep inside his heart, the student heard God's answer: "That's what you're supposed to do."

—Refection by Ken Canedo at <https://www.ocp.org/>

MASS INTENTIONS

- Jan. 11 for Charlie Moe — Requested by Jim & Sherry Ruyle**
- Jan. 18 for Charlie Moe — Requested by Doug & Monica Stuart**
- Jan. 20 for Pat Jones — Requested by Doug & Monica Stuart**
- Jan. 23 for Pat Sanco — Requested by Sam Sanco**
- Feb. 1 for Charlie Moe — Requested by Mike & Judy Piggott**

Family Catechesis Classes Today!

After the 8:30 a.m. Mass
 (and on the Third Sunday of each month)

Family Catechesis is designed to engage families in faith formation, providing resources and support for parents to educate their children in the Catholic faith.

The Holy Cross Catholic Charities Mobile Food Pantry



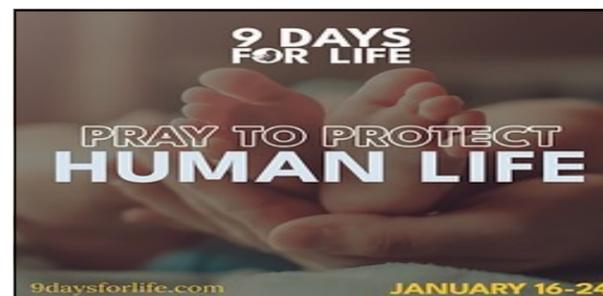
Thursday, Jan. 22nd
9 a.m.—until supplies are gone

Food Boxes Available & Distributed using a drive-through format.

Contact Earlyne, if you can volunteer to help.

Pray for the Repose of the Soul of
Pat Jones,
Long-time Holy Cross Parishioner that died Jan. 11

Dear God, we lift up Pat in prayer as we remember her life and the impact she had on those around her. Please bring comfort and peace to those who mourn her loss, and may they find hope in your loving presence and the promise of eternal life. Amen.



9 DAYS FOR LIFE (January 16-24)
Pray to Protect Human Life!

9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

Sign up to receive the daily prayers via email or text at <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup>

Prayers & Sacrifices for Our Country and Holy Mother Church Project

Want to change the world from your own home? When the apostles asked Jesus why they were not successful in their work among the people, Jesus said that some sins can only be driven out with prayer and sacrifices. In this project, the participants sign up for one day of the month on which they agree to offer extra prayers and sacrifices for the conversion of our nation and for the sanctification and empowerment of Holy Mother Church. The choice of what prayers or sacrifices is left entirely to them, although fasting is suggested as a sacrifice to offer. If fasting isn't possible, another sacrifice, such as going without dessert or coffee, or doing an unpleasant task without complaint, etc. could be considered. We are confident that our small efforts will have a huge impact over time, since God is very generous to magnify the "widow's mite" and the "loaves and fishes".

Adele Healey is the organizer of this project, so contact her if you have questions or want to **sign up for a day at adelehealey@prodigy.net or call 918-850-8862.**

Adult Faith Formation Next Weekend!

Please Plan to Attend —Holy Cross' Adult Faith Formation with Fr. Donovan
next Sunday after both 8:30 & 11 a.m. Masses

Thank You to the Youth Group that took down the Christmas Decorations last Sunday!

Catholicism 101

For anyone that wants to learn more about the Catholic faith!
Each Tues. after 5:30 pm Mass

This Week's Topic: God's Mercy: Penance & Anointing of Sick

Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer.
 —Romans 12:12

We're grateful for our parish community and the power of our prayers for our parish, family, and friends.

Please share your prayer requests with us so we can pray for you. Use the QR code below to request prayer using the Flocknote Prayer Request page.



Prayer requests are sent out to our Flocknote Prayer Team that supports our prayer chain. Also, you can sign up in Flocknotes to be a part of that Prayer Team group so that you can pray for others as well.

Mass Ministers			
	<i>Ushers</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Servers</i>
1/18	Skip Gordon	Seth Yoder	Carlos, Liam,
	Richard Helms		Aceah
1/25	Mike Cucchiara	Gary Edwards	Carlos, Liam,
	Mike Hickman		Kaygan

Thursday, January 22nd is the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.

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

*Loving Creator,
 You know each life before it begins.
 Protect the unborn, strengthen parents,
 and guide us to defend life with compassion and courage.
 May our words and actions reflect Your mercy. Amen.*

Classical Catholic Drama Club of Eastern Oklahoma
 Presents
Mark Twain
THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER
 Story Adapted and Directed by Kenneth Henderson

Adventure is Comin' to Town!

Fri, Jan 30 - 7:30 PM
 Sat, Jan 31 - 2 PM & 7:30 PM
 Sun, Feb 1 - 2 PM

Fri, Feb 6 - 7:30 PM
 Sat, Feb 7 - 2 PM & 7:30 PM
 Sun, Feb 8 - 2 PM

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To Request Mass Intentions

- 1) Fill out info. on a Mass Intention Request envelope provided in foyer,
- 2) Place donation inside,
- 3) Place envelope in the offertory basket.

Upcoming Diocesan Events

Oklahoma March for Life (Rose Day at the Capitol), Feb. 4th at the State Capitol in OKC

(includes Sanctity of Life Mass, Capital March, Speeches on the Floor of the House, Benediction by the Archbishop from 7:30 am to 1 pm)

Together in Holiness Conference Feb. 21st at St. Pius X Church

(this is a marriage conference designed to inspire spouses to grow in holiness and empower parents to form their children in the Catholic faith.)

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Offerings from January 11, 2026

General Weekend Collections	\$1,661.00
Capital Improvement Fund	<u>650.00</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$2,311.00</u>

Your Generosity & Support is Always Appreciated!



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This Week's Readings—Jan 18-24

Sunday	Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34
Monday	1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
Friday	1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21

*Daily Readings (and link to full biblical text) also available on Holy Cross Website:
www.holycross-wagoner.org

<i>January M&M Volunteers</i>	
<i>Altar Linens</i>	Kathy Gordon
<i>Sunday Hostess</i>	1/18-Kay Rodriguez 1/25-Kristan Edwards

FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING

Jean Podeyn, sister of Jackie Spieker
Judy Wright, parishioner
Becky Harding, parishioner
Hope Watson, parishioner
John Spieker, husband of Jackie Spieker
Marie Herndon, parishioner
Laura Rodriguez, parishioner
Bill Scrimsher, parishioner



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MASS TIMES

Sunday
8:30 a.m. (English)
11:00 a.m. (Latin)

Weekdays

Tuesday & Wednesday — 5:30 p.m.
Thursday & Friday — 8:30 a.m.
First Sat. of Each Month — 8:30 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays from 6:00—7:00 p.m.
(following 5:30 p.m. Mass)

CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before Masses
or by appointment/request

TODAY'S READINGS

ENGLISH

Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/John 1:29-34

Breaking Bread Book—Pages 61-62

TLM

Is 49:1-7; I Cor 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

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Holy Cross Faith Formation Classes

High School Bible Study & Youth Group—Each Sunday at 5 p.m.

Family Catechesis Classes—Third Sunday of each month after 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Adult Faith Formation—Fourth Sunday of each month after both 8:30 & 11 a.m. Masses.

Bible Study—Friday mornings at 9 a.m.

Catholicism 101—Each Tuesday after 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass

Pray the Rosary with us!

Rosary on Sundays 30 min. before both Masses (8 am & 10:30 am)

To volunteer to lead the rosary, contact Dcn. Steve Creed for 8 am time & Bob Healey at bhealey@prodigy.net or call 918-269-3786 for 10:30 am

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