

*February 1, 2026
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
(TLM—Septuagesima Sunday)*

Beatitudes

In today's Gospel, Jesus is still at the beginning of his public ministry as he gathers around himself those who are curious, searching, and open to God. To them, he offers nothing less than a charter for the Kingdom of God.

The First Reading introduces us to the prophet Zephaniah, whose words are heard only occasionally in the Sunday liturgy. He preached around 640 BC during the reign of King Josiah, a time when Israel was forming dangerous alliances with the surrounding godless nations. These alliances brought with them idolatry, including the worship of the sun, moon, and stars. Zephaniah warned that such unfaithfulness would lead to destruction, yet he also proclaimed hope – found in a small group who remained loyal to the Lord.

“Seek the Lord, all you humble of the earth... Seek justice, seek humility . . . I will leave a remnant in your midst, a people humble and lowly.”

Scripture scholars often refer to this faithful remnant as the *anawim* – the poor and humble who place their trust in God alone. As we shall see, these are precisely the people who are closest to the heart of Jesus and central to his message.

The Second Reading from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians echoes this teaching beautifully. Paul reminds the community that God's call does not depend on worldly wisdom, power, or noble birth. Instead, God chooses what the world considers foolish, weak, and insignificant to reveal divine wisdom and strength.

This paradox prepares us for today's Gospel: the Beatitudes from Matthew chapter 5. From the mountain, Jesus proclaims blessings that overturn every conventional measure of success. The poor, the mourners, the meek, the merciful, the persecuted – those whom society often overlooks – are called “blessed,” truly happy.

This teaching must have startled Jesus' original listeners, and it continues to challenge us today. The Beatitudes reveal the heart of God, who draws close to the humble and afflicted. Jesus invites us not only to care for the poor but to become poor ourselves. “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

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

MASS INTENTIONS
Feb. 6 for Pat Sanco – Requested by Sam Sanco

All Welcome for Breakfast and Birthday Cake!

to celebrate the birthdays of February



Today Sunday, Feb. 1, after 8:30 a.m. Mass

& the first Sunday of each month.
(Volunteer Helpers-Bille & Sherry R.)

Martha & Mary (M&M) Society Meeting

Mon., Feb. 2nd, at 6:00 p.m.

M&M is a great opportunity for the women of the parish to share and enjoy fellowship, while serving the altar society ministry of Holy Cross.

All Women of the Parish Welcome!

(Hostesses: Sherri M. & Dorene)

Memorial of St. Blaise
(Blessing of Throats)

Feb. 3, at the 5:30 p.m. Daily Mass

Catholicism 101

For anyone that wants to learn more about the Catholic faith!

Each Tues. after 5:30 pm Mass

Come and Bring a Friend!

A Night of Encounter & Mercy
Adoration on Wed., Feb 4th, 6-7pm

Come Spend Some Time with Jesus!

Confessions also available

Oklahoma March for Life (Rose Day at the Capitol), Feb. 4th, State Capitol, 7:30 am - 1 pm

All are invited to the **Mass for the Sanctity of Life** at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 1616 N. Kelly Ave., in downtown Oklahoma City at 7:30 a.m. and then to the **March around the State Capitol** at 9 a.m. The Rose Day events will be held inside the Capitol building, 2300 N. Lincoln Blvd., in Oklahoma City **Speeches on the House Floor** begin at 11:30 a.m. followed by **Benediction by Archbishop Paul Coakley** at 1 p.m.

NOTE: New Date/Time

Young Adults (18-35) of Holy Cross Invited!

Carnival Dance

Sunday, Feb. 15th, 4-6:30 p.m.
105 E. Main St., Locust Grove

Optional After-Party to Follow @ Downing Brewery



Free Dance (donations accepted to pay the venue rental); Semi-formal attire; No dancing experience required – a simple lesson will be given at the beginning of the event.

Questions? Contact Anthony Schuckel at aschuck12@pm.me

You are invited to join the Confraternity of Our Lady of Fatima and Fr. Joao Silveira on a **Traditional Latin Mass pilgrimage to Fatima, Avila, Loyola and Lourdes**. Highlights include the Eucharistic Miracle of Santarem, Shrines of Fatima and Lourdes, the Chapel of Conversion where St. Ignatius of Loyola had his conversion, the Convent of St Teresa of Avila and more! **June 10-20, 2026**. \$5248/per person based on double occupancy from JFK airport in NYC. Other departure cities available. For more information, please visit www.QoHTours.com or call 800-213-4295.

First Saturday Mass Resumes at Holy Cross

Saturday, February 7th, 8:30 a.m.

Lenten Schedule

Ash Wednesday
Mass, Adoration, & Confessions

February 18, 5:30 Mass

followed by Adoration/Confessions

Fridays during Lent

Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Stations of the Cross at 5:30 p.m.

Adoration from 6–7 p.m.

Light Lenten Meal at 7 p.m.

Mass Ministers

	<i>Ushers</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Servers</i>
2/1	Grant Edwards Gary Edwards	Emily Downum	Carlos, Liam, Amelia
2/8	Mike Hickman Mike Cucchiara	Kay Rodriguez	Carlos, Liam, Kaygan

Welcome New Parishioners!

María Chavez
Ashley Bertalot

We're happy to have you as part of our Holy Cross Family

2025 Contribution Reports

A Signup Sheet is located in the foyer for those wanting a 2025 donation summary for tax purposes.

Happy Birthday to the February Birthdays!



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The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
Tickets are on Sale Now

You are invited to a wonderful, family-friendly event put on by our local Classical Catholic Drama Club

Matinees: Feb. 1, 7, & Feb. 8 @ 2pm
Evenings: Feb. 6 & 7 @ 7:30 pm



Broken Arrow Community Playhouse
www.ClassicalCatholicDrama.org

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Offerings from January 25, 2026

General Weekend Collections **\$915.00**
Capital Improvement Fund **350.00**
TOTAL \$1,265.00

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This Week's Readings—Feb 1-7

Sunday	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a
Monday	Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Tuesday	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13
Friday	Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday	1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34

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

February M&M Volunteers

<i>Altar Flowers</i>	Kathy Hickman (until Lent)
<i>Altar Linens</i>	Bille Cummings
<i>Sunday Hostess</i>	2/1-Bille & Sherry R. 2/8-Kathy Hickman 2/15-Katzy Hale

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



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

Pray for Those Currently Serving in the Military

Andrew Higginbottom Kendall Woodard
Craig Dorsey Anthony Guariglia



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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

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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

TODAY'S READINGS

ENGLISH
Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a
Breaking Bread Book—Pages 65-67

TLM
Epistle: 1 Cor 9:24-27; 10:1-5 **Gospel:** Mt 20:1-16

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 & Bob Healey at bhealey@prodigy.net or 918-269-3786 for 10:30 am