

## September 28: SILENT AUCTION WITH WINE & CHEESE

The women of St. John's Episcopal Church (522 W. Canadian, Vinita) invite you to their Silent Auction With Wine & Cheese fundraiser on Thursday, Sept. 28 from 5-7 pm. Proceeds support Boys & Girls Club-Vinita, Craig County Neighbors Helping Neighbors, Vinita Day Center, Community Crisis Center, South Grand Meals on Wheels and more! Tickets are \$10 purchased ahead or at the door. Call 918.323.1261 for info.



### Your gift. Grover's *future.*

"This is a dream come true," Grover remarked at graduation, a dream he often thought might never happen after his difficult journey of moving to the U.S. from Mexico. Thanks to his resilience and the dedication of our Adult Education teachers, he doesn't just have his high school equivalency (GED), he now has hopes and dreams for a solid future.



### Your gift. Keisha's *path.*

Just months ago, Keisha was living in a tent. After finding out she was pregnant, Keisha knew she needed a new path and found her way to Madonna House. "I love the staff at Madonna House. They are teaching me tools for a new way of life for myself and my baby."



With 15 programs, 7 locations, and 15 mobile food pantries across Eastern Oklahoma, Catholic Charities is uniquely positioned to help our neighbors in need.

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PREGNANCY CARE  
REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT  
ST. ELIZABETH LODGE

### Your gift. Gerald's *restoration.*

After a fire recently destroyed his home, Turley resident Gerald sought help. "Catholic Charities has pulled together resources to help us live more comfortably while we figure out our next steps in restoring our life. The emotional support in love means everything to my wife and me too."



Donations from individuals like you fuel our mission to be Christ's merciful love to those who suffer. We ask that you prayerfully consider how you can help serve the poor and vulnerable in Eastern Oklahoma.

Donate to the 2024 Annual Appeal  
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# HOLY GHOST CATHOLIC CHURCH



120 W. Sequoyah Avenue  
Vinita, Oklahoma  
Mass: Sunday 10:00 am  
Wednesday 6:00 pm

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## COVID PRECAUTIONS

The pew section directly in front of the ambo is reserved for socially distanced seating.

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# THE HOLY POST

**25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 24, 2023**

## TODAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING: The ways and thoughts of God are above our own.  
*(Isaiah 55:6-9)*

PSALM: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him."  
*(Psalm 145)*

SECOND READING: Saint Paul rejoices that to live is Christ and to die is to gain.  
*(Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a)*

GOSPEL: "The last will be first, and the first will be last."  
*(Matthew 20:1-16)*

When something terrible happens in our lives, we may conclude that God doesn't care, that He has abandoned us, or that there is no God. This is natural, for we cannot see our world as God sees our world. Isaiah tries to impress upon his listeners that God's thoughts and actions are so far above our own that we will never understand them. As Christians, we believe that God so loves us that He sent the Son, who suffered and died to save us. We trust that no matter what, God is with us. May we be assured by that truth as we gather today in His name.  
*- Pastoral Patterns*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CALENDAR (1st 3 months)

SEPTEMBER 2023							OCTOBER 2023							NOVEMBER 2023						
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- **Snack Signup Sheets** are posted for parishioners who wish to provide snacks for our Religious Education classes.

*Thank You!*



## SACRAMENTS

Confession: By appointment only. To schedule, call 918.256.2281.

Baptism: Contact Father several weeks in advance.

Marriage: Contact Father 6 months prior to wedding. Do not schedule a date before talking with Father.

## HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND?

Contact Father or the parish office to continue receiving pastoral care.

## PARISH SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY** Sept 24  
25th Sunday Ordinary Time 10 am  
*- RE Classes in CCD Center*

**WEDNESDAY** Sept 27  
Weekday Mass 6 pm

**SUNDAY** Oct 1  
26th Sunday Ordinary Time 10 am  
*- RE Classes in CCD Center*

**WEDNESDAY** Oct 4  
Weekday Mass 6 pm

**SUNDAY** Oct 8  
27th Sunday Ordinary Time 10 am  
*- No RE Classes*

**WEDNESDAY** Oct 11  
No Mass

## PRAYER LIST

Jeanette Crowell, Roben Carter, Gail Curley, Desiree & Caleb Curry, Mae Davis, Ann Geyer, Karen Janssen, Nancy Keene, Tate Riney, Roseline Brown Sparks, Alice Nolen-Walston, Debbie Page, Jimmie Sooter, Lynnda Sooter, Jimmy Sweeney, Leonard Taylor



Navy: Jason Williams  
Marines: Gage Gardner  
Air Force: Zerek Albarez, Eric Wilks, Adam Crane, Cale Schumacher, Michael Ecterhoff, Tiffany Calabasa

## OKTOBERFEST - Saturday, Oct. 14 9:30am - 4:00pm

- Please pick up raffle tickets to sell (\$1 each or 6 for \$5).
- Indoor vendor spaces are **SOLD OUT**.
- Outdoor vendor spaces are still available for \$25 each. Vendor registration ends Friday, September 28. Please invite quality crafts vendors to contact the Parish Office at 918.256.2281.
- Sign up to **VOLUNTEER** one or two shifts. Help needed most in: **Decorating Booths** **Kitchen/Restrooms** **Coffee/Tea/Lemonade**  
**Silent Auction** **CCW Bake Sale**
- We still need all sizes of baskets for Silent Auction items, and a few paper sacks for ticket counting.
- Start bringing in Silent Auction items, wrapped or unwrapped.
- Each person/family should sign up to bring 2-3 bake sale items.
- Plan to join us on Sunday, October 15 after 8 am Mass for event tear-down, ticket counting, and Pizza Party afterwards!
- Oktoberfest information is located at: [holyghostvinita.org](http://holyghostvinita.org) website and on [Facebook.com/VinitaOktoberfest](https://www.facebook.com/VinitaOktoberfest).

