# Epiphany of the Lord Catholic Church

Love God ~ Serve Others ~ Go Make Disciples

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### Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 31, 2025

Today's Readings: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 ~ Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24 ~ Luke 14:1, 7-14

Faith Question: God asks us to do for others without hope of repayment. Who are the people most in need of your generosity? Next Week's Readings: Wisdom 9:13-18 ~ Philemon 9-10, 12-17 ~ Luke 14:25-33

# Happy Labor Day

Join us this <u>Monday, September 1</u> to celebrate and give thanks at our 8:00am Mass.

*This Sunday, August 31*No Faith Formation Class (Pre K 4-5 grade)

**This Monday, September 1**Parish Office Closed

*This Monday, September 1* Join us for Encounter Jesus at 7:00pm.

## Classics Monthly Lunch is BACK!

Join the Epiphany Classics (55 years and up) *Wednesday*, *September 10*, at 11:30am in Bryce Hall. The theme is the State Fair! Wear red and white check. The speaker will be Father Vic.

Bring: A-M: side dish; N-Z: salad to share (enough for 8-10 people). Fried chicken and rolls will be provided. For more

information contact Judy Larzalere at 405-831-3437 or classics@epiphanyokc.org.

### **Parish Staff**

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#### Lord Jesus,

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We lift these people up to you: The healer of the sick, who raised the dead to life. We praise you for the faith you give us to keep on hoping and praying for those who are ill. Amen.

(adapted from: Living Faith)

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### Please Pray For...

Marcia Brejda, Mary Ann Reherman, Gerald Duke, Lenny Ortiz, Audrey, Michael, and Penny Antkowiak, Bernice Koscielniak, Kemsley Sigala, Michael Micaletti, Nancy Williams, Sylvia Flemming, Mike Peller, Jayden Ercles, Donna Zalonka, Larry Todaro, Diane Starkey, Debra Zietler, Cameron Grell, Melva Carney, Willam Shannon, Don D. Wolfkill, Brenda G. Reinecke, Jennie Marviel Meléndez, Mike Moxley, Joanna LaPorte, Dovie Kaspar, John Green, Mike Stich, Emmie Walkup, Agnes Scholl, Lee Hledik, Bob Heskamp, Glinda Parmley, Alex Davis, Sophie Miye, Emmanuel Tsiambom.

### **Mass Schedule**

Saturday: Vigil, 5:30pm

**Sunday**: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:30pm

**Monday - Friday**: 8:00am

Holy Days of Obligation: 6:30am, 11:30am, 6:30pm

### **Sacraments**

**Reconciliation:** Saturday, 6:30pm

and by appointment

Baptism: Contact Parish Office

during pregnancy

Matrimony: Contact Pastor at least

6-12 months in advance

### **Letters of Good Standing/Sacramental Records**

Request must be made a minimum of 14 days in advance. Contact Geof Archer, 405-722-2110 ext. 110 for a

letter of reference, to be a sponsor or godparent.

Contact Cara Koenig, 405-722-2110 ext. 128 or sacraments@epiphanyokc.org to request a sacramental record. The request for records for anyone 18 and older must be made by the person themselves.

### Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday	10:00am, August	31
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Dan Bohmann.....John & Mary Chester

Monday, September 1

₱Deacon Rich Fahy.....Barbara Rolling

Tuesday, September 2

♥Deacon Armando Cruz-Rodz.....Kate Micaletti

Wednesday, September 3

♥ Timothy Lynch......Carol Lynch-Gaston

Thursday, September 4

♥Barbara Ann Smith......Claudia J. Verstraete

Friday, September 5

♥Gina & Mick Micaletti.....Kate Micaletti

Saturday, September 6

*₱James Peterson.....Marcia Brejda* 

### **Epiphany Boards Chairpersons**

Parish Council	Phyliss Bennett	405-550-8143
Finance	David Brambrink	405-659-7625
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Property	John Norberto	405-412-7079

Welcome to Epiphany Bette Ann de Cardenas.

# THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

will be celebrated at 3:00pm *next Sunday, September 7* in the church.



# Faith Video and Discussion Series Jesus and the Dead Sea Scrolls

In this video series biblical scholar Dr. John Bergsma and Father Dave Pivonka, TOR, discuss the history and mysteries of the Dead Sea Scrolls, what they reveal about Jesus Christ, the sacraments, and the early Church, and why they matter to believers and non-believers today.

Optional book can be purchased on Amazon.

Tuesdays, September 16 - November 4

from 6:00pm -7:30pm Room 3/4 (new room). Contact Chris Rolling 405-503-3596.

Fridays, September 19 - November 7

from 10:00am -11:30am Room 3/4. Contact Tammy Jacobs 405-229-2553.

### Tai Chi Sessions Return September 9

Sessions are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30am - 10:30am, in the gym. Tai Chi is low-impact, slow motion, mind-body exercise for better balance that focuses on 8 movement forms which can be done seated or standing. People at any level of fitness can participate. For information call the parish office at 405-722-2110.



### **Second Collection**

The Second Collection for this week,

August 30 and 31, is for the

Epiphany St. Vincent de Paul Society and the poor.

### **Looking Ahead in Our Parish**

### Sunday, August 31

9:00am Breaking Open the Word

11:15am I Believe

11:15am Inquiry Session
6:30pm Evening Prayer
6:30pm High School Night

### Monday, September 1

Parish Offices Closed for Labor Day

7:00pm Encounter Jesus

### Wednesday, September 3

9:00am Sunday to Sunday Bible Study

10:00am Sewing Buddies 10:00am Senior Walk

5:45pm Middle School Faith Formation

and Youth Group (6-8th)

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, September 4

9:00am Woodcarvers

4:00pm Youth Scripture Study 6:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Women's Video Study

### Saturday, September 6

9:00am Confirmation 2025 Retreat

# Special Collection for Gaza

The weekend of September 13 and 14 the United State Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has called for a special collection for Gaza.

This collection is to benefit those most directly affected by the ongoing crisis in Gaza. The violence there has resulted in dire conditions for many innocent victims, including children.

They need our help desperately.

You may put your donation in an envelope marked "Gaza" and place it in the collection plate.

### Sacrificial Giving General Support Report Sunday Envelopes: \$17,844.00 ParishSoft: \$25,484.98

Sign up for auto payments with Faith Direct at membership.faithdirect.net/OK806

# Do you like to make music?

Epiphany is looking for you! We are in need of musicians to step forward and to be a part of the Music Ministry at Epiphany. We are looking for singers, instrumentalists (for all Masses), children who like to sing from kindergarten –5 grade, and handbell ringers.

We have choirs and ensembles at 5:30pm Saturday and 10:00am Sunday Masses. We are also in need of cantors. If you are bilingual, that is a plus!

For an instrumentalist, you need to be fairly proficient to handle the level of difficulty of the music used at Mass. No previous experience is needed if you want to

Quý Ông Bà và Anh Chị Em (QÔB&ACE) có thích ca hát không? Nhà Thờ Chúa Hiển Linh đang tìm kiếm những người thích ca hát như QÔB&ACE. Nhà Thờ Chúa Hiển Linh rất cần các nhạc sĩ tham gia và trở thành thành viên của Ban Âm Nhạc Giáo Xứ. Nhà Thờ Chúa Hiển Linh đang tìm kiếm các ca viên, các nhạc công cho tất cả các Thánh Lễ, các em thiếu nhi thích ca hát (ít nhất là lớp 5), và những người rung chuông trong các Thánh Lễ.

Các Ca Đoàn Giáo Xứ sẽ hát Lễ lúc 5:30 chiều thứ 7 và 10 giờ sáng Chúa Nhật. Nhà Thờ Chúa Hiển Linh cũng rất cần các Cantor (ca viên hát độc diễn, hát hoặc xướng nhạc phụng vụ trong Thánh Lễ). Nếu QÔB&ACE hát được cả hai ngôn ngữ thì đó là một lợi thế.

Riêng các nhạc công thì cần phải khá chuyên nghiệp

sing or ring handbells. Reading music is helpful but not required.

If you would like to find out more, call Brent McWilliams, Director of Music, at 405-722-2110 ext. 115. He will get the right director in touch with you.

Those who make music on a regular basis live longer, are healthier, pray twice and have reserved seats for Mass. Join us for a great time of praising God and music making.

để xử lý các cấp độ khó về nhạc được dùng trong Thánh Lễ. Không đòi hỏi kinh nghiệm đối với QÔB&ACE muốn trở thành ca viên và người rung chuông. Đọc được nhạc thì càng tốt nhưng không bắt buôc.

Nếu QÔB&ACE muốn biết thêm chi tiết, xin vui lòng liên hệ Brent McWilliams, Trưởng Ban Âm Nhạc, vào số điện thoại 405-722-2110, nhấn thêm 115. Brent McWilliams sẽ trả lời mọi thắc mắc của QÔB&ACE.

Các ca viên thường xuyên đi hát Lễ sẽ sống lâu hơn, có sức khỏe nhiều hơn, hát Lễ là cầu nguyện hai lần và sẽ có chỗ ngồi dành riêng. Xin QÔB&ACE hãy tham gia Ca Đoàn Nhà Thờ Chúa Hiển Linh để dâng lời ca tiếng hát lên Thiên Chúa và để ngợi khen Ngài.

# Parish Picnic

Join us on **Sunday, September 28** for our parish picnic!



The games and bounce houses start at 4:00pm. We will have hamburgers and hot dogs, sides, and fixings beginning at 5:00pm. Bring your blankets and lawn chairs to eat outside.

Additional seating will be available in the Patio Room for senior citizens and disabled parishioners.

This is a great time to build community, see old friends, and make new ones!

# Dã Ngoại Giáo Xứ

Nhà Thờ Chúa Hiển Linh xin trân trọng kính mời QÔB&ACE dân Chúa tham gia buổi Dã Ngoại Giáo Xứ vào Chúa Nhật ngày 28 tháng 9.

Giáo Xứ sẽ bắt đầu có các trò chơi và nhà nhún nảy cho các em nhỏ tuổi lúc 4 giờ chiều. Lúc 5 giờ chiều sẽ có hamburgers, hot dogs, và nhiều món ngon khác nữa. Xin QÔB&ACE hãy mang theo bạt dã ngoại và ghế ngồi để ăn ngoài trời. Tại phòng ngoài hiên của Giáo Xứ sẽ có thêm chỗ ngồi cho những ai lớn tuổi và khó đi lại. Xin QÔB&ACE dân chúa hãy bớt chút thì giờ tham gia buổi Dã Ngoại này để mọi người chúng ta có những giây phút tuyệt vời bên nhau, hàn huyên tâm sự, gặp lại bạn cũ và kết thêm bạn mới, trong tinh thần yêu thương và phát triển cộng đoàn Nhà Thờ Chúa Hiển Linh!

# New Women's Video Study

"The Catholic Table" is a women's video study from the St. Paul Center and is based on the book "The Catholic Table: Finding Joy Where Food and Faith Meet." In this study we will discover a theology of food through the wisdom of Scripture, the Saints, and more. The video study was recorded with the author Emily Stimpson Chapman. The book is not required.

This study will be Thursday nights from *September 4*, *2025* to *January 15*, *2026* from 6:00-8:00pm in room 12, except for the third Thursday of the month when the group attends Summit at the Cathedral. For more information contact Teresa Larson at 405-570-3963.

### Sunday to Sunday Bible Study

Reading the Scriptures can be tough, but you don't need a theology degree. This interactive class provides great tools for anyone looking to go deeper into the Word. Join us Wednesdays starting **September 3**, at 9:00am in the Patio Room. (Enter through the gym entrance.) We meet from September - May. For more information, call John Norberto, 405-412-7079.



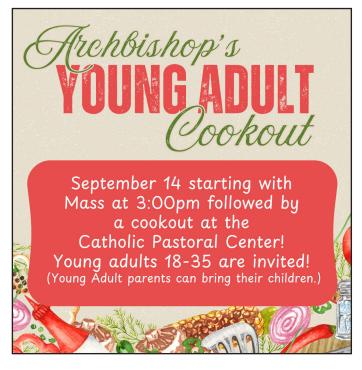
# Inquiry Sessions

Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic faith?

Inquiry sessions are designed to help answer questions about Catholicism. These sessions are held *every Sunday* at 11:15am in Room 2. For more information contact Deborah West at 405-722-0051 or faithformation@epiphanyokc.org.

# Order of Christian Initiation

Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA) is the process of formation that leads to becoming a Catholic. You are invited to start this process by attending Inquiry sessions each Sunday following the 10:00am Mass in Room 2. September 7, we will begin our Catholic Catechism sessions from 11:15am to 12:15pm in the Patio Room with Dismissal beginning a few weeks later during the 10:00 am Mass. For more information contact Deborah West at 405-722-0051 or faithformation@epiphanyokc.org.



# Young Adults of Epiphany

(Ages 18-35 years)

The Young Adults will meet

Thursday, September 11 at 6:30pm in the Youth
Room. They will be meeting monthly, on the
second Thursday of the month. For more
information contact Sarah Holt at 405-721-1137
or youth@epiphanyokc.org.

### **Epiphany Children's Day Out**

Now Enrolling for Fall!
Our classes are offered
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30am-2:30pm,
starting September 2.

Ages 1 to 4 years old are welcome!
Our Children's Day Out kids thrive in a
Christian learning environment where they
experience playing with other children while
being away from their parents in a safe and fun
environment! We have fun dress up days and
themed activity days. Drop-ins are welcome.

Call Bernadette Tilton
405-722-2110 x129 or
cdodirector@epiphanyokc.org.
We would love to have your child
come learn and play with us!



Register and pay online with the QR code.

### Minister Schedule for September 6 and 7 **5:30PM MASS MINISTERS**

Altar Servers - Vayda Cardenas, Daniel Corbett, Seamus Corbett

Communion Ministers - Mary Beth Goldberger (WW), Ray Janik (W), Judy Hilovsky (WC), Judy Reilly (EC), Phillip Reilly (E), Mary Fahy (B)

Greeters - Greg Clyde, Ellen Janik, Debbie Story, Keri Warren

Lectors - Melanie Corbett, Sean Corbett

Ushers - Carol Chimahusky\*, Bob Hlubin, Ken Sullivan, Nigin Varughese

#### 8:00AM MASS MINISTERS

Altar Servers - Cheryl Childers, Preston Austin, Isabel Rosas

Communion Ministers - Vickie Rivas (WW), Hermann Koffi (W), Hilda Sconzo (WC), Melena Keeth (EC), Jim Michaelis (E), John Heinen (B)

Greeters - Nancy Fitzpatrick, Glenda Manley

Lectors - Nancy Annett\*, Matt Thomason

Ushers - Ellis Annett, Gary Brooks, Jim Fitzpatrick, Harley Hintergardt

### 10:00AM MASS MINISTERS

Altar Servers - Lauren Connelly, Aubree Miller, Arianna Shirallie

Communion Ministers - Joanne Stafford (WW), Elena McVey (W), Vickie Lofgren (WC), Jennifer Vardaro (WC), Andrew McQuade (EC), Brian McQuade (EC), Jodie McKleroy (E), John McKleroy (EE), Teresa Larson\* (B)

Greeters - Sandy Acton, Kim Anderson, Pat Anderson, Melanie Connelly

**Lectors** - Lenny Ortiz, Alex Ortiz

Ushers - Brian Connelly, Eric Meador, Norma Meador, Athen Rosales

### 12:30PM MASS MINISTERS

Altar Servers - Ugo Iheanacho, Bernard Miye, Pat Petersen

Communion Ministers - Luis Torres\* (W), Teresa Lewis (WC), Jolly Poulo (EC), Peggy Marlar (E), Ronny Lewis (B)

Greeters - Bill Wittrock, Mary Jane Wittrock

Lectors - Audrey Antkowiak, Emmanuel Iheanacho

Ushers - George Fulco, Shaji Poulo, Wendell Shannon

#### WELCOME TABLE

Health Ministry

#### **MONEY COUNTERS**

9:00am - Bob Mills, Gene Gray \*Mass Coordinator

## **High School Nights**

(Grades 9th - 12th)

### Sundays from 6:30-8:00pm

Enter through the Mary Garden between the rectory and the office doors on the east side of the church.

### High School Scripture Study

(Grades 9th - 12th)

Thursdays at 4:00pm in the Youth Room. Join as we read and discuss the readings for the upcoming Sunday Mass. Contact Sarah Holt at 405-721-1137 or youth@epiphanyokc.org.

### Adult Faith Formation Opportunities

**Breaking Open the Word Sunday** 9:00-10:00am in the West Meeting Room

Melanie Corbett

mcorbett76@gmail.com

11:15am-Noon I Believe

in the West Meeting Room

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**Faith Discussion Session Tuesday** 

6:00-7:00pm in the Patio Room

Chris Rolling 405-503-3596

**Wednesday** "Sunday-to-Sunday"

9:00-10:00am **Bible Study** (Returning in the Patio Room

September 3) John Norberto 405-412-7079

**Thursday** "The Catholic Table" 6:00-8:00pm Women's Video Study

(Starting in Classroom 12

September 4) Teresa Larson 405-570-3963

#### **Second Thursday**

6:30-8:30pm **Young Adults of Epiphany** 

(Ages 18-35) in the Youth Room

Sarah Holt 405-721-1137

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# Thank you!

With your generous donations to the back-to-school drive, the Community Service Board was able to help three public schools

with supplies! Hilldale, Apollo and Windsor Hills Elementary Schools are so thankful for all the wonderful school supplies. Thank you, Epiphany, for your support and donations!

# A New Marriage Ministry starts *Friday, September 26*

There is no group to join, just sign up for the Date Nights that interest you. Each Date Night will consist of dinner and a program to help enrich your marriage in some aspect. Childcare is available, but you must register your child(ren) when you register for the Date Night. There is no cost, donations are appreciated to help cover expenses.

Register for the inaugural Marriage Ministry Date Night by *Tuesday, September 5* using the QR code. *There will be no spaces available the night of.* 

Marriage Ministry

Join us for the first Date Night of Epiphany's new marriage ministry!

Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>
6:30pm Dinner
7:00 - 8:30pm "Marriage
in the Jubilee
Year"

Connect, communicate, and strengthen your relationship, whether you've been married 5 minutes or 50 years or anything in between!



For more information email Melanie and Sean Corbett at mcorbett76@gmail.com

### Register for the 2025 Milestone Anniversary Mass by September 19

Archbishop Coakley invites all married couples to attend the annual Anniversary Mass at 3:00pm, *Sunday, October 5,* at Our Lady's Cathedral.

Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (25, 40, 50+) in 2025 will be honored. Register by *Friday, September 19* to receive a certificate. To register call Lisa at 405-709-2709 or Lcarrasco@archokc.org or Lesli at 405-438-0294 or Lguzman@archokc.org.

### Around the Archdiocese

### St. Kateri Tekakwitha Honor Dance

A Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Honor Dance will be held *Saturday, September 6*, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 47943 Abbey Rd. in Konawa. Mass will be celebrated at 2:00pm, Gourd dance is 3:00-5:30pm, supper is at 6:00pm, and grand entry is at 7:00pm.

### **Mass of Remembrance**

A Mass of Remembrance in memory of people lost to suicide will be held *Friday, September 12* at 6:00pm at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 1891 N.W. 18 St. in Oklahoma City.

This Mass will be live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube @StFrancisOKC. For more information contact stfrancisokc.com or 506-528-0485.

### Tulsa Catholic Women's Conference

The Tulsa Catholic Women's Conference is *September 26 and 27* at the Renaissance Hotel in Tulsa. Guests include Sr. Josephine Garrett, Lisa Cotter, Kate Capato and Jill Simons. Cost \$79. Register at tulsacatholicwomen.com.

### **Special Mass**

The annual **Mass for Medical Professionals** is on *Friday, September 5* at 5:00pm, with guest speaker Fr. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, Ph.D. archokc.org/medicalmass

The annual **Blue Mass** for law enforcement officials and first responders on *Saturday, September 27* at 5:00pm. archokc.org/bluemass

# Epiphany Women's Club

# Next Meeting is September 15 at 6:30pm

Join us for the Rosary in the church at 6:00pm

All Women of Epiphany 18 and older are invited!

Come participate in this vibrant organization!

Throughout the year we will build fellowship and friendship.

We will also have opportunities for spiritual growth, education, and service activities.

For more information contact
Mary Jane Wittrock at 405-640-1025
or womensclub@epiphanyokc.org.