

Tri-Parish Catholic Community

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church
220 N "A" Ave, Sterling, OK 73567

St. Ann Church
8492 State HWY 17, Elgin, OK 73538

Mother of Sorrows Church
521 E Wallace, Apache, OK 73006

Mass Times:

Saturday: 5:00pm, Mother of Sorrows
Sunday: 8:30am, St. Ann
 10:30am, Our Lady
Tuesday: 5:00pm, Mother of Sorrows
Wednesday: 6:30pm, St. Ann
Thursday: 9:15am, Our Lady
Friday: 9:15am, St. Ann

Adoration Times:

Wednesday: 7:00pm—8:00pm, St. Ann
First Friday: 9:45am—10:45am, St. Ann

January 28, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle B

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Confession Times:

Saturday: 4:30pm, Mother of Sorrows
Sunday: 8:00am, St. Ann
 10:00am, Our Lady
(or by appointment)

Rosary Times:

Saturday: 4:30pm, Mother of Sorrows
Sunday: 8:00am, St. Ann
Sunday: 10:00am, Our Lady

Tax Statements

Please call the office if you would like a copy of your end of year tax statement for your church donations.

Blessing of Throats

Celebrating the feast of St. Blaise, we will have the Blessing of Throats at all three Parishes February 3&4.

Please bring your old Palms from last year, and leave at the back of each church. We will be burning them for Ash Wednesday.

Wedding Shower

Please join us for a High Tea Wedding Shower at OLPH for Mallory Rankin (Monica Mindemann's daughter) and Braden Stradley on Sunday, January 28 at 2pm in the parish hall. <https://www.zola.com/wedding/malloryandbraden/registry>

First Friday Mass and Adoration

February 2, Mass 9:15am followed by Adoration at St. Ann's. Beginning with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and ending with Benediction. Please come and spend some quiet time with the Lord.

St. Ann Boy Scout Troop Breakfast

The St Ann's Boy Scout Troop will host a breakfast fundraiser February 4, after the 8:30am Mass in the St Ann Parish Hall, donations will be greatly appreciated.

Scout Sunday

Scout Sunday will be celebrated at St Ann on February 11 at the 8:30am Mass. All BSA and GS Scouts and Scouters are encouraged to wear their uniforms.

Tri-Parish Offertory (1/15/24-1/21/24)

	Regular	Special	Building	Insurance	Poor Box	Other
St. Ann	\$1,124.00	\$240.00 Respect Life	\$10.00	\$60.00		
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	\$1,082.00	\$188.00 Respect Life	\$50.00 \$50.00 NPH	\$75.00		
Mother of Sorrows	\$600.00	\$111.00 Respect Life				\$10.00 Mass Intentions

Thank you for your generosity. Fr. Linh

**Mass Intentions
for the Week of January 28, 2024**

Saturday, January 27

5:00pm, AP For the People of Our Tri-Parish

Sunday, January 28

8:30am, EL †Anna Xuan Nguyen
by Hat Bach and Tien Bach

10:30am, ST †Anna Xuan Nguyen
by Hat Bach and Tien Bach

Tuesday, January 30

5:00pm, AP †Giuse Pham Dinh Duong by Ba Co Think

Wednesday, January 31

6:30pm, EL †Giuse Pham Quoc Van by Lan Nguyen

Thursday, February 1

9:15am, ST Special Intentions

Friday, February 2

9:15am, EL Healing for Britni Billingsley by Teresa Billingsley

Saturday, February 3

5:00pm, AP For the People of Our Tri-Parish

Sunday, February 4

8:30am, EL †Terry Wooldridge by Sherri Wooldridge

10:30am, ST †Deacon Pete Dulcamera by The Moore Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20, Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9, 1 Cor 7:32-35, Mk 1:21-28
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13, Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, Mk 5:1-2
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a; 18:30-19:3, Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17, Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7, Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12, 1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd, Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Mal 3:1-4, Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10, Heb 2:14-18, Lk 2:22-40
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13, Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, Mk 6:30-34

ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Council Chairpersons:

AP—Dennis Porter
EL—Leonard Baker
ST—Eddie King

Ladies Organizations:

EL—Mary Kilgore
ST—Anita Huitt

Youth Groups:

EL—Sarah Sminkey
ST—Monica Mindemann, Helen Mansel

**Please Remember These People
in Your Prayers:**

Britni Billingsley, Mileena Zafra, Clarice Telford, Penny Moore, Patricia Bread, Gene Hernandez, Jenny King, Kyle Dixon, JT King, Thomas Shafer, Martin Jantsch, Lee Kurk, Cody Ensley, Dennis Brandt, Diana Emmert, Katie Larson, James Lindsey, Mary Prowell, Debbie Benton, Debra Shaw, Elizabeth Sanders, Meta Tate, Aaron Warner, Tim Cunningham, Ms. Variner, Shane Clarkson, Mya Shafer, Helen Mansel, Annette Rhodes, Chris Cunningham

Nursing home or homebound:

Locetta Harrelson

Prayer Line: ST—Clarice Pierce

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the most difficult duties of a disciple is to follow the command of Jesus to spread the gospel to all nations. (Lk 24:47, Mk 1:16-15, Mt 28:19) One reason may be that we don't feel we have the authority to tell someone else what to believe. Most of us don't think we know the gospel well enough to preach it. The gospel this Sunday mentions twice that Jesus taught with more authority than any of religious leaders of Israel. So how can we get such authority?

First, Jesus didn't threaten people with thunderbolts and lightning. He certainly didn't impress people by saying what they wanted to hear. He spoke the truth that he heard from his Father. His two main actions in his ministry were curing and forgiving people. Since the Jews thought sickness was a punishment for sins, by curing the sick and forgiving sins, Jesus showed that he got authority from his Father.

How do we get that authority?" We get it from the Holy Spirit, in Baptism and Confirmation. And like an athlete who has to work-out and practice to be any good, we still need to grow in that authority. One way is to read the scriptures and pray with them, so that we get to know God through his Word and begin to listen to him in our prayers. We can consciously decide to see God in other people, not just those we love, but everyone, even the ones who annoy us. And of course, the Eucharist and other sacraments strengthen God's life in us. You'll know you have that authority when you can talk about your faith with confidence instead of hesitation, because you will be speaking from experience, not second hand knowledge.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Kdg—HS: AP / EL: Sunday, 9:30am, DRE Sarah Sminkey
ST: Wednesday, 6:00pm, DREs Mallory Geiger, Janet Hanza

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults):

Inquiry of Catholic Faith: Deacon Tom Biles

Confirmation: David James

Marriage Preparation Classes: Deacon Tom Biles, Anne Biles

Safe Environment: Sherri Wooldridge