

Pastor Fr. Leo Ahanotu
holycrosswagoner@gmail.com
918-201-5225

Deacon Rev. Dcn James Ruyle
jandsruyle@gmail.com
918-485-8228

Secretary Theresa Fosburg
theresagma@fozzweb.com
918-485-6505

Religious Education Mary Feichtinger
maryfeichtinger@yahoo.com
303-519-0605

Parish Council Karol Watson
karol_watson@yahoo.com
918-640-5819

M&M Society Elsa Kuehn
elsakuehn@yahoo.com
918-798-3671

Men's Group Paul Rodriguez
918-260-1304

January 12, 2020

The Baptism of the Lord

The Men's Group will meet
Thurs. Jan. 16th @ 7 pm

Ecumenical March for Life Sunday, January 19

12 p.m. Mass with Fr. Elkin—Holy Family Cathedral
1 p.m. March—from Holy Family to Centennial Green
Followed by Speakers @ the Green

Parish Council Meeting Tues., Jan. 21 @ 5:30 p.m.

Contact a Parish Council member, if you have a suggestion/concern to be addressed by the council

mark your calendar for the next
Theology on Tap
Tuesday, Jan. 28, @ 6 p.m.
Topic and Other Details TBA

Christmas Decorations will be taken down and stored this weekend after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, January 12. Any and all help with this would be greatly appreciated.

MASS INTENTIONS

1/16 +Christy D'Angelo +deceased

Collections from Dec 31—Jan 5

Solemnity of Mary—Dec 31/Jan1	\$ 553.00
General Collection—Jan 4/5	1,430.21
Capital Improvements	325.00
TOTAL	<u>\$2,308.21</u>

Reflection of the Week by Fr. Leo Ahanotu

A guy seeking conversion to the Christian faith asked his friend, "don't you think that the baptism of Jesus Christ is an embarrassment to us." His friend asked him how? He replied, the baptism by John is a baptism of repentance from sin; Jesus never sinned, but He humbled Himself and joined the rank of the sinners he came to save, which He didn't need to do. In other words, He humbled Himself to be in solidarity with the human beings He came to help. Doesn't that challenge our pride and teach us the importance of both baptism and humility? Jesus didn't need to go to the river Jordan to indicate to the people that he has come for them and is with them, which of course, is the symbol of what He did.

The gesture of Jesus (which is a symbolic act) reminds me of the famous Christian sentence that good shepherds smell like their sheep because they identify with them and are always with them to guide and protect them. It does not mean that the shepherds are sheep. They instead prefer to be with their sheep to care for them very well, and for the sheep to know them. Jesus didn't want to stay apart from the people he came to save, and this work driven by compassion was sealed by the Spirit of God that descended upon Him like a dove.

The big question is, what impact does Jesus' identification with sinners have on me? He teaches me the importance of baptism so that the Holy Spirit will mark me as a child of God. His compassion and the salvific mission that followed remind me of the motto of our Christian brothers and sisters in Asia (the church in Asia), "service to life" so that all believers may have a life here and hereafter.

Fr. Leo

The Knippa Interfaith Lecture

Topic: *What is Mormonism?*
4:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 26
Grace Lutheran Church, 2331 E. 5th Pl.,
Tulsa
Free & Open to All

WAGONER AREA NEIGHBORS DONATIONS

Please remember our local families in need by donating food and personal items to the **Wagoner Area Neighbors**. Currently, they are in need of personal items such as, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, etc. Your donations are greatly appreciated. Please place donated items in the box in the vestibule.

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

In conjunction with the
Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 18-25

there will be an
Ecumenical Service of Prayer for Christian Unity

7:00 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 22nd
Joy Lutheran Church, Tulsa



TODAY'S READINGS
Breaking Bread Book
Pages 60-61



Daily Mass Readings—Jan 12-18*

Sunday	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17
Monday	1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17

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

Jan 11	Jan 12		Jan 18	Jan 19
Theresa Fosburg Earlyne Hutchens	Sunny Marsh Jim Marsh Kinley Herndon	USHERS/GIFT BEARERS	Carolyn Greer Mary Harris	Bill Scrimsher Mike Cucchiara Carlos Sorell
	Max Herndon Parker Sullivan Carlos Sorell Kinney Herndon	ALTAR SERVERS		Max Herndon Kinney Herndon Elizabeth Sullivan Kinley Herndon
Judy Helms Richard Helms	Elaine Hall Chris Holland	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Theresa Fosburg Kay Rodriguez	Sunny Marsh Jim Marsh
Laura Rodriguez	Paul Stuart	READERS	Karol Watson	Chris Holland

Happy Birthday!



Jessica Soto 1/2
Parker Sullivan 1/4
Seth Yoder 1/5
Jim Harris 1/7
Josh Yoder 1/8
Max Herndon 1/10
Fr. Leo 1/13
Richard Steinheil 1/13
Pat Sanco 1/14

FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING

Richard Hickman	Phyllis Thurman
Janale Harding	Charles Hahn
Rilla Sanco Beudin	Tama Wilson
Walt Mazil	Bertha Ashwood
Joe Rafferty	Mercy Mundadkal
Christine Peake	Vonnie Cullen
Jan Martin	Jean Podeyn
Sam Sanco	Trish Becher
Donna Senner	Sharon Carter
	Harry Hosey



WE PRAY TO THE LORD

Mission Statement/Prayer

Almighty God, the mission of Holy Cross Parish is to bring the love of Jesus Christ to our community and the world. As your disciples, help us to touch the hearts of everyone in a way that enhances human spirituality and will bring all people into the fullness of your Kingdom. Through Christ, our Lord, Amen!

Information Sheets for Outreach to The Sick and Homebound are available in the vestibule

Stay Connected — Stay Informed
 with your Catholic Faith & your Holy Cross Family
Daily Readings, Daily Prayer of the Day, Bulletins,
Catholic & Holy Cross News/Events
www.holycross-wagoner.org &
Holy Cross Catholic Church - Wagoner OK (FB)

Rosary—One-half hour before each Mass
Weddings—Please contact the pastor at least 6 months prior to your anticipated date
Baptisms—Please contact the Pastor for Preparation

BIBLE STUDY is held each Thursday after 8:30 a.m. Mass. Join us for wonderful fellowship and sharing of our Faith as well as learning and understanding the Bible.

JOIN US

Cookies & Coffee are served after Sunday Mass each weekend and a potluck brunch on the last Sunday of the month. Visitors Welcome!

	<i>Altar Linens</i>	<i>Altar Flowers</i>
<i>Jan</i>	Dorene McMahan	Christmas Poinsettias Sherri Moe
<i>Feb</i>	Phyllis Hosey	Phyllis Hosey

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm

Sunday — 8:30 am

Tuesday & Wednesday — 5:00 pm

Thursday & Friday — 8:30 am

First Sat. of Each Month — 8:30 am

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Wednesday following 5:00 pm Mass

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 to 4:50 pm
Sunday 8:00 to 8:20 am
 or by appointment/request

Bulletin Deadline

TUESDAY 8pm

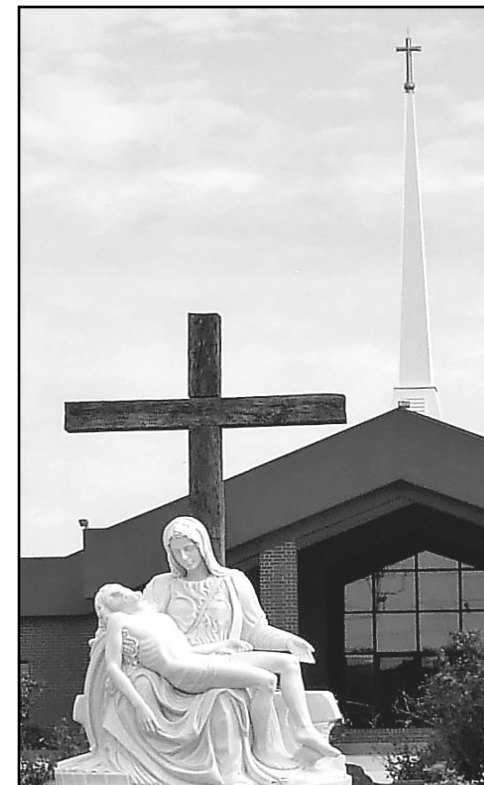
To place information in the bulletin, contact Karol Watson, karol_watson@yahoo.com/918-640-5819

Holy Cross Catholic Church



Holiness - Disciples - Community
Wagoner, Oklahoma

P.O. Box 710 / 708 SW 15TH ST.



918-201-5225

Email: holycrosswagoner@gmail.com

Website: http://www.holycross-wagoner.org

Facebook: Holy Cross Catholic Church—Wagoner, OK