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February 28, 2021 Second Sunday of Lent

*Join Our Spiritual Journey in Preparation for
Easter*

Friday during Lent (Feb. 19-Mar. 26)

Mass @ 5:00

Adoration @ 5:30

Stations of the Cross @ 6:00

Light Lenten Meal @ 6:30

**Followed (1st 4 weeks of Lent) by a Short
Presentation/Discussion based on the book
"The Last Week" lead by Mark Sorell
concluding at approx. 7:30**

**First Saturday Mass
Next Saturday, Mar. 6, at 8:30 a.m.**

**Faith & Works Annual Appeal
"One Family United In Christ"**

Your gifts allow the Diocese to unite as one family to bring the mission of Jesus Christ to all. These shared ministries provide resources and services to all parishes — ministries that no single parish could otherwise provide for itself. Envelopes are in the vestibule or you can make an online gift at:

www.dioceseoftulsa.org/annualappeal

2020 Contribution Reports Available
Signup sheet is located in the vestibule for those wanting a 2020 donation summary for tax purposes.

Collections from Feb. 20-21

Weekend Collections	2,377.00
Capital Improvements	275.00
TOTAL	\$2,652.00

Reflection of the Week by Fr. Leo Ahanotu

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Often, when we read the story of the transfiguration and how Jesus told the disciples that they still have to go back to the world and continue their work, our mind tells us that we need to work to merit the kingdom of God. I agree with that, but we could still learn more from the story of the transfiguration.

By telling the four disciples not to share their transfiguration experiences until He has risen, we could ascertain that Christ's crucifixion was getting closer. He needed His favorite environment for prayer and meditation (often the hills) to pray for courage. The Father gave Him the courage and support He needed; hence the words, "You are my beloved son with whom I am well pleased" (as it appeared in other gospels). The assurance gave Him the courage and strength He needed. This teaches us that God does not abandon us in our times of difficulties. He may not take it away, but He will give us the courage and strength we might need. He is present even in our sufferings. St. Paul understands this very well and so asked in the second reading, "If God is with us, who can be against us?" The answer is "nothing." Nobody and no suffering can stop God from ensuring that we fulfill our primary reason for being Christians or for our creation.

If suffering could help us be with God, so be it. St. Vincent de Paul who, understands it better said, "if we only knew the precious treasure hidden in infirmities, we would receive them with the same joy with which we receive the greatest benefits, and we would bear them without ever complaining or showing signs of weariness".

Fr. Leo

**"With a Father's Heart"
Reflections for the Year of St. Joseph**

**Presented by Abbot Lawrence Stasyszen, O.S.B.
Saturday, March 13, 2021, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
at St. Gregory's Abbey, Shawnee**

Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St Joseph," to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. The Pope's Apostolic Letter "With a Father's Heart" will provide the backdrop during this day for reflecting on what we know about St. Joseph from the Gospels and what we can learn from him for the conduct of our lives as Christians.

Due to Covid-19, registration will be limited to 32 attendees. Facial coverings and social distancing are required. Attendees must pre-register by e-mailing retreats@monksok.org or call (405) 878-5656. Cost is \$30 for early bird registration or \$35 if you pay at the door. Lunch is included.

Feed Your Soul with Prayer this Lent!

Dynamic Catholic's BEST LENT EVER journeys through Matthew Kelly's latest book, **I Heard God Laugh: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit.**

Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through all forty days of Lent, you will receive a daily email with a short video to help you reconnect with yourself and your God.

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Daily Lenten Reflections with Dr. Tim Gray are also available on **FORMED.org/Lent**

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

A Shared Moment of Silence Monday, March 1st, at Noon

We have experienced moments in the past year beyond our control— moments of fear, concern, compassion, grief, and longing. You're invited to join others for a moment of silence on Monday to remember those we have lost and as a testament to our collective perseverance. This moment of silence will reflect upon the year that has passed since the first COVID-19 case in OK. In this moment of silence and prayer, words are not necessary; simply listen for whatever you need to hear and know you are not alone.

Weekend Mass Readers

Feb. 27	Mary Harris
Feb. 28	Mark Sorell
Mar. 6	Dorene McMahan
Mar. 7	Mark Mason



TODAY'S READINGS
Breaking Bread Book
Pages 78-79



Daily Mass Readings—Feb 28-Mar 6*

Sunday	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10
Monday	Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday	Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday	Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28
Thursday	Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
Friday	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

*Daily Readings (and link to full biblical text) also available on Holy Cross Website:

www.holycross-wagoner.org

Happy Birthday!

Kathy Gordon	2/2	Kay Rodriguez	2/16
Walt Mazil	2/7	Paul Rodriguez	2/24
Traci Sorell	2/7	John Watson	2/24
Lucille Dickinson	2/10	Marie Herndon	2/27
Amber Wright	2/13		



MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm

Sunday — 8:30 am

Tuesday & Friday — 5:00 pm

Wednesday & Thursday — 8:30 am

First Sat. of Each Month — 8:30 am

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION

Friday following 5:00 pm Mass

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 to 4:50 pm

Sunday 8:00 to 8:20 am

or by appointment/request

Weddings—Please contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to your anticipated date

Baptisms—Please contact the Pastor for Preparation

Youth Religious Education Classes are held each Sunday morning following 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday 8pm

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

FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING

Patty Chandler, parishioner
 Jerry Hickman, brother of Mike Hickman
 Jean Podeyn, sister of Jackie Spieker
 Paula Moore, parishioner
 Lucille Dickinson, parishioner
 Kay Rodriguez, parishioner



WE PRAY TO THE LORD

Holy Cross 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!

	<i>Altar Linens</i>	<i>Altar Flowers</i>
<i>Feb</i>	Karol Watson	Poinsettias Lent (no flowers)
<i>Mar</i>	Elaine Hall	Lent (no flowers)

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

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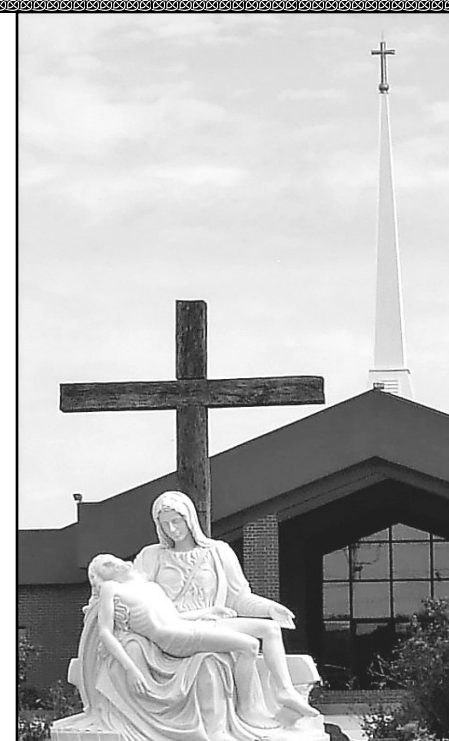


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