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## August 1, 2021

### Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Memorial Mass and Feast Day of Bl. Stanley Rother (July 28) is being celebrated this weekend*

#### Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Stanley Rother

O God, fount of all holiness, make us each walk worthily in our vocation, through the intercession of your Saints, on whom you bestowed a great variety of graces on earth.

Having graced your Church with the life of your priest and martyr, Blessed Stanley Rother, grant that by his intercession this humble flock may reach where the brave shepherd has gone.

Grant that your Church may proclaim him a saint living in your presence and interceding for us.

Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

#### Faith Formation Conference: "Reason, Science and Divine Revelation" August 20-21, 2021

featuring Bp. Daniel Mueggenborg, Dr. Stacy Trasancos, Fr. Robert Spitzer, and more. The conference will take place in person at the Tulsa Renaissance Hotel. Virtual tickets will also be available. Friday evening's events are specific to rural parish life. Saturday's events are open to all parishes. For more information, contact the Faith Formation office at [religiousformation@dioceseoftulsa.org](mailto:religiousformation@dioceseoftulsa.org).

**First Saturday Mass**  
**Next Saturday, August 7, at 8:30 a.m.**

#### Weekend Collections from July 24-25

Regular Collections	\$2,282.00
Capital Improvement Fund	<u>200.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$2,482.00</u></b>

#### I Am The Bread of Life

Beginning with Adam and Eve, humans have been at best dissatisfied with their lot in life. Circumstances of life differ from dreams and aspirations, leading to grasping for only fleeting satisfaction by gratifying the flesh. Discontent and dissatisfaction were the state both of the Israelites who had received manna in the desert and of those whom Jesus had fed with the five loaves and two fish. They wanted more than the great miracles they had experienced—more than what they had. Paul exhorts us to move beyond such desires to seek "righteousness and holiness". Jesus tells us that true satisfaction is found only in Him. "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." No matter what we hunger or thirst for, Jesus is the genuine, permanent answer; all else is an illusion.

The crowds were pursuing Jesus as the answer to their basic physical needs. They sought Him "not because you saw signs [and were converted] but because you ate the loaves and were filled—only wanting, like the Israelites in the desert, physical desires satisfied. Jesus tells them, "Do not work for food that perishes, but for food that endures for eternal life." Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and you labor for that which does not satisfy? Hearken diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in fatness." (Is 55:1-2) "Put away the old self of your former way of life, corrupted through deceitful desires, and put on the new self". "Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect." (Rm 12:2)

Hearing Jesus' and Paul's words is one thing; believing and living them is another. Because "the bread of life" is the spiritual nourishment that God consistently gives to everyone, and because Jesus is the word who connects our father to us, it is Jesus who is the "bread of life" and whose relationship with you and me empowers us never to experience spiritual hunger or thirst. Pray for and accept God's grace that enables us to see the whole truth. As doing so empowers us to choose God's way forward.

\*\*Excerpt from a Reflection by Gene Wilhelm

**Coffee and Cookies**  
after Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass  
**All Welcome!**

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> Pat Sanco

*Lord, look upon Pat with eyes of mercy.  
May Your healing hand rest upon her,  
may Your life-giving powers flow into the  
depths of her body and soul.*

#### Wagoner County DHS & Oklahoma Fosters Need Your Help!

In Wagoner County, there are currently 88 children in foster care. Of these children, 59 had to be placed outside Wagoner County and 19 couldn't be placed with their siblings, due to the lack of foster homes. They are asking for your prayers and help in finding the homes these children need. Also, please consider becoming a foster parent. For more information, contact Denise Tyrell, Foster Care and Adoption Recruiter for Wagoner County DHS at 918-623-8943 or [Denise.tyrell@okdhs.org](mailto:Denise.tyrell@okdhs.org)

**Every child deserves a safe and loving home, everyday!**

#### Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August 2021 The Church

*Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.*



#### TODAY'S READINGS

**Breaking Bread Book**  
**Pages 193-194**




#### Daily Mass Readings—Aug 1-7\*

Sunday	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35
Monday	Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday	Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday	Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday	Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23
Friday	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mk 9:2-10
Saturday	Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20

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

**[www.holycross-wagoner.org](http://www.holycross-wagoner.org)**

July 31	Aug 1	USHERS/GIFT BEARERS	Aug 7	Aug 8
Kay Rodriguez Mary Feichtinger	Bill Scrimsher Mike Cucchiara	<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Judy Helms Richard Helms	Mike Cucchiara Mike Hickman
	Liam Wright Carlos Sorell			Kinney Herndon Kinley Herndon Liam Wright
Dorene McMahan	Mark Sorell	<b>READERS</b>	Dorene McMahan	Paul Stuart

*Happy Birthday!* 

Sherry Moe	8/2
Elsa Kuehn	8/7
Sam Sanco	8/9
Mark Mason	8/13
Mike McMahan	8/16
Pat Jones	8/20
Rachelle Rodriguez	8/20
Kinley Herndon	8/26
Liz Guadagno	8/28

**MASS TIMES**

**Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm**

**Sunday — 8:30 am**

**2nd & 4th Sundays (Latin Mass) — 10:30 a.m.**

**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

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

**FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING**

Jerry Hickman, brother of Mike Hickman  
Jean Podeyn, sister of Jackie Spieker  
Pat Sanco, parishioner   
Charles Wright, parishioner  
Kyla Cummings, sister-in-law of Joe C.  
Raymond Bandy, father of Raydean Yoder

**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>Aug</i>	Kay Rodriguez	Patti Chandler
<i>Sept</i>	Karol Watson	Elsa Kuehn

**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)**

**Finding solutions for your financial need.**



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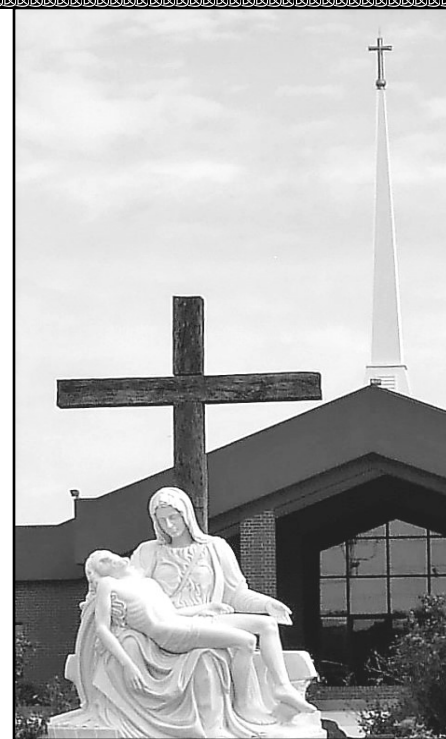
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