

ST. EUGENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

BLESSED SACRAMENT (THOMAS)

SACRED HEART (HINTON)

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17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.” - Mt 13:44

17^o DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

“El Reino de los cielos se parece a un tesoro escondido en un campo. El que lo encuentra lo vuelve a esconder y, lleno de alegría, va y vende cuanto tiene y compra aquel campo”. - Mt 13, 44

WEEKEND MASSES
W'FORD Saturday 5:00 pm
HINTON Sunday 8:00 am
W'FORD Sunday 10:30 am
THOMAS Sunday 2:30 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES
Temporary Schedule
Tuesday and Wednesday
12:10 (noon) Weatherford
Thursday 12:10 (noon) Hinton

FIRST FRIDAY
Exposition 11:00 am
Adoration 11:00-12:00
Benediction 12:00 pm
Mass 12:10 pm

CONFESSION
Saturday 4:00 pm

THURSDAY (HINTON)
Rosary and evening Mass
Temporarily Suspended

ADULT DISCUSSION
To Be Announced

EVENING ROSARY
To Be Announced

CAMPUS CORNER (CSA)
To Be Announced

BAPTISM CLASS
By Appointment

MARRIAGE CLASSES
Schedule with Priest
6 months before wedding

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July 26, 2020

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We Catholics of Blessed Sacrament, Sacred Heart, and St. Eugene Parishes of Western Oklahoma gather as community to continue the mission of Jesus Christ. We Praise the Lord. We proclaim the Good News. We celebrate the sacramental life of faith. We serve others as Jesus taught us. As disciples we follow the Lord and invite others to come walk with us.

ST. EUGENE CATHOLIC CHURCH
704 N. Bryan, Weatherford, OK 73096

WHAT IS GOD ASKING OF YOU?

What are you willing to give for the sake of the kingdom of God? Often, we begin a discussion like this with a story or a few leading thoughts. However, if we are to be serious about who we claim to be as Christians, there should be no beating around the bush. The question is not only important for each of us and our relationship with our God, but it should be important for the relationship each of us has with the entire Body of Christ. Like any good team or family, I need you to have my back, and I need to have yours. If one of us is going to lay it on the line and be all in for our faith, then we all need to be as well.

If only all the Christians of the world felt the same way. In some parts of the world, Christians are still being martyred for their faith. Others must worship underground and avoid the government-led police. Then there are those who seem to take faith for granted, and because little is asked by their friends or parish, they give nothing. It is quite a contrast of situations.

On this day, it may seem like little is being asked of you and I by God. Is that because we aren't being asked or because we aren't listening? If you are counting on me and I am on you, we should figure this out sooner than later. Of course, I suspect we actually do know the answer, don't we?

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHY DO CATHOLICS LIGHT CANDLES IN CHURCH?

Candles have been part of the Church's worship from the earliest times. In the days before electricity, candles and oil lamps were the ways that people lighted buildings. Even today, we often still depend on candles during power outages, relying on their flickering flames to bring light into the dark.

Like our ancestors, we also light candles on special occasions. Think about a festive family meal or a romantic dinner for two — there will often be candles on the table, special objects for a special event. We light candles on birthday cakes and carry them in processions. We also place candles at makeshift memorials that appear when there has been an accident or act of violence. In these moments, their light casts aside a different kind of darkness — the darkness of grief, fear, and death.

The custom of the early Christians lighting candles and lamps at the tombs of the martyrs gave way to the practice of having candles at Mass, honoring the sacredness of the celebration.

As Christians decorated their worship spaces with statues and icons, they would burn candles in front of sacred images and the relics of the saints, basically "shining a light" on what they held to be

sacred. When pilgrims would visit these shrines, they would often bring candles to light before the image or relic. These candles came to be a symbol of the person, and their prayer and the burning these candles came to be understood as an extension and continuation of the prayer that was offered. What began as a practical way to provide light has come to be a symbol of the hopes, desires, loves, losses, fears, and faith of everyday Christians offering their prayers to God and his saints.



Does my offering reflect my blessings from The Lord?

Parish News/Events



**Don't forget
MASKS FOR MASS**

MINISTRIES SCHEDULE for AUGUST is posted on the church foyer bulletin board. Time to sign up for a Mass ministry if you can.

MOTHER TERESA symbolized goodness and kindness, and always taught doing something beautiful for God. One of her reflections on prayer is "Prayer is necessary as air to breathe, as necessary as the blood in our bodies, as necessary as anything. We think so many things are necessary, but we are wrong. We have been deceived and we deceive ourselves. So few things are necessary, and prayer is one of them."

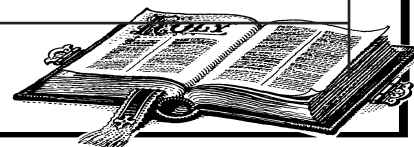
REGISTRATION CHANGES: It has been awhile since we asked for updates for our parish records. Please notify the parish office if there has been any change to your address, phone number, or updated family member(s) information. If you have not yet registered in our parish, contact the office. We are happy to assist you.

LIVE THE LITURGY

There are many things competing for our attention every day. But not all of these things are important. We focus too much energy on the unimportant, superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really make a difference and have the greatest impact. Things (all too easily) become more significant than people, and our agendas become more essential than God's. We do not have to empty our bank accounts and totally detach from everything we have in order to serve God. But we are asked to prioritize our lives and make what matters to God what matters most to us. In doing so, when we rise each day, we will be able to see what really needs our attention and embrace it with great joy!

Book of Life

MONDAY	Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35
TUESDAY	Jer 14:17-22; Mt 13:36-43
WEDNESDAY	Jer 15:10, 16-21; Jn 11:19-27
THURSDAY	Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53
FRIDAY	Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58
WEEKEND	Is 55:1-3; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21



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Mass Intentions

Monday, July 27: No Mass
 Tuesday, July 28: 12:10 Mass (+) Shawn Tucker
 Wednesday, July 29: (+) Selsa Wanek
 Thursday, July 30: 12:10 Mass (Hinton)
 Friday, July 31: No Mass
 Saturday, August 1: Saturday 5:00 (+) Theresa DeLue



July 26—August 1, 2020
 we pray for



Seminarian Joseph Holt
 Joseph's home parish is
Epiphany Catholic Church, OKC
 Seminarian Hold is studying at
Conception Seminary College
P. O. Box 502, Conception MO 64433-0502
 Joseph's birthday is November 5

JULY VOCATION INTERCESSION: That the lived faith of our families may inspire many sons and daughters to dedicate their lives to serving God's people, we pray to the Lord.

"The law of Your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces."

"La ley de Tu boca es para mí más preciosa que miles de piezas de oro y plata."

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Hinton July 19 Envelopes \$1125.00, Loose \$25.00, Catholic Communications \$1.00.

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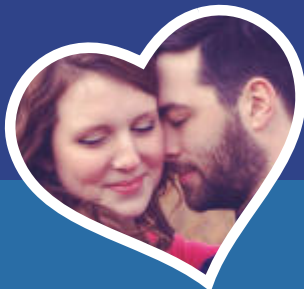
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