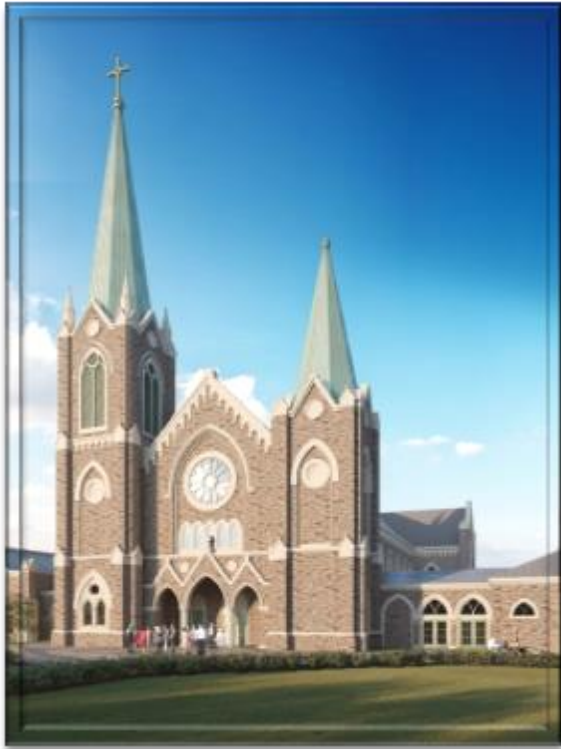


Stillwater Catholic Community

Serving St. Francis Xavier and St. John the Evangelist Parishes
Part of the Diocese of Tulsa and Eastern Oklahoma – Together, Our Faith Goes Further

We seek to spread the word of God and serve our community
and the universal Church through the Pillars of Parish Stewardship:
HOSPITALITY, PRAYER, FORMATION, AND SERVICE.

His Holiness, Pope Francis
Bishop of Tulsa, David Konderla
Fr. Ken Harder, AJV, JCL - St. Francis Pastor
Fr. Emeritus Jim Greiner
Fr. Kerry Wakulich - St. John Pastor
Fr. Lawrence Nwachukwu – Assoc. Pastor
Deacon Bart Brashears
Deacon Glenn Collum
Deacon Paul Govek
Deacon Tom Haan



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time June 25, 2017

Prayer against Depression

O Christ Jesus
When all is darkness
And we feel our weakness and helplessness,
Give us the sense of Your Presence,
Your Love and Your Strength.
Help us to have perfect trust
In Your protecting love
And strengthening power,
So that nothing may frighten or worry us,
For, living close to You,
We shall see Your Hand,
Your Purpose, Your Will through all things.
By St. Ignatius of Loyola

This weekend, the second collection will support Pope Francis' work through the Peter's Pence Collection.

Bulletin submissions should be directed to saintfrancis2@brightok.net by Wednesday at noon prior to the Sunday publication. Submissions are subject to editing. Graphics are appreciated and used if space permits.

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Communion Service June 29th

Worship Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am & 1:00pm (Spanish)
Daily Mass: Tues., Wed. and Thurs. – 8:00am
Friday – 12:10pm
First Saturday of the Month Mass at 9:00am
Holy Days: 7:00am, 5:30pm & 7:30pm (Spanish)
Adoration: Tues. & Wed. – 8:30am &
1st Friday after 12:10pm Mass
Reconciliation: Wed. 5:30 – 7:00pm & Sat. 3:00 – 4:30pm

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Worship Schedule

Sunday 9:30am, 11:30am
Daily Mass: Mon. 12:15pm & Wed. 12:15pm
Tues., Thurs. & Friday – 5:15pm
Holy Days: 12:15pm & 6:30pm
Adoration: Wednesday 1:00 – 5:00pm
1st Friday after the Thursday 5:15pm Mass
Reconciliation: Sunday 9 – 9:30am & 11 - 11:30am

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"Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted. So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows." (Mt 10:29-31)

Catholic Stuff You Should Know

Why Green in Ordinary Time? Ordinary Time, or the season in the liturgical calendar outside of Advent, Lent, and the Christmas and Easter seasons, is a time when the church focuses on the life and ministry of Jesus. The season celebrates the mysteries of Christ's life and death and looks forward to the salvation and eternal life that he brings. Green represents hope—like the hope we feel when we see the first buds in springtime—and it is thus fitting that green is the liturgical color that marks this season.

Or, at least, that's the rationale the modern church gives for the rule about wearing green during Ordinary Time. In reality, however, the reason might have been much more practical. Ordinary Time is the longest liturgical season, and green plant dyes would have been one of the most widely available kinds of dyes. The color brings to mind the tender, new shoots of spring and the lush grasses and summer crops that sustained animals and people throughout the year. This leads naturally to seeing green as a sign of hope and life. See more at:

<http://www.uscatholic.org/articles/201701/why-do-priests-wear-green-ordinary-time-30900#sthash.X3Dzljgd.dpuf>

Readings for the Week of June 25, 2017

Sunday:	Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33
Monday:	Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22/Mt 7:1-5
Tuesday:	Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-4ab, 5/Mt 7:6, 12-14
Wednesday:	Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Mt 7:15-20
Thursday:	Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
Friday:	Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-5/Mt 8:1-4
Saturday:	Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-50, 53-55/Mt 8:5-17
Next Sunday:	2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-19/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

PRAYER

If you would like to add or remove someone, please contact the Parish Office at (405) 372-6886. Due to space limitations, names are removed from the list after 1 month.

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Jayden Andrew, John Belusko, Susie Causley, Pake Mercer Clinesmith, Fred Dick, Ed Eick, Eileen Gasche, Cherry Grey, Joe Haney, Fr. Ken Harder, Bob Kargel, Phyllis Lambert, Kathryn Lovell, Tim Mongin, Deacon Bill & Oleta Moler, Mary Nichelson, John & Jacqueline Palumberi, John Penn, Weston Everett Reynolds, Whitney Reynolds, Danielle Robinson, Garcia Roque, Rey Roque, Paul Schatz, Lynn Schwartz, Pat Sohrwide, Beth Stroud, Teddy & Dick Taylor, Robby Tiedt, Ernest Trojan, Rosanne Trompler, Rosemary Weaver, Keith Willett, Anne and Joe Zinn, Marge Zoellner, and those receiving care from Stephen Ministry. Anonymous



Please remember in your prayers all those currently serving our Country.

Please pray for the repose of all Souls.

Prepare the Way of the Lord – Tell anyone who cannot attend Mass the good news! The St. Francis 8:00am Mass will be broadcast on 94.3FM and 780AM at 9:30am each Sunday.

Come pray the Rosary

The Hispanic Community invites all parishioners to join them at St. Francis to pray a bilingual holy rosary every Thursday at 6:00pm for the recovery of Fr. Ken Harder and all those in need of healing.



Parish Contributions

Fiscal Year: 7/1/2016-6/30/2017

	Weekly	To Date
St. Francis - June 18	\$6,783.00	\$371,954.17
St. John - June 18	\$3,329.80	\$349,371.82

Stillwater Catholic Radio (1/1/17-12/31/17)

Annual Goal: \$4,260 Received to date: \$3,094.72

Thank you for your continued generosity!

† Mass Intentions †

St. Francis Xavier

June 27	8:00am Fr. Ken – Bobbie Andrew
June 28	8:00am Fr. Ken – Bobbie Andrew
June 29	8:00am Communion Service
June 30	12:10pm †Ellie DeGeorge – S. DeGeorge
July 1	9:00am Mary Ellis Humpal – Family 5:00pm For those in Need
July 2	8:00am Pro Populo 10:00am For the Families of Parishioners 1:00pm For Deceased Family Members and Friends

St. John the Evangelist

June 27	5:15pm Eileen Gasche – S. Kilcrease
June 28	12:15pm †James Ward – Bokorney's
June 29	5:15pm Emma Bisges – B. Perkins
June 30	5:15pm
July 1	No Saturday Mass
July 2	9:30am †Floyd & Helen Baldwin – Hamman's 11:30am Joe Haney – B. Perkins

~~~~~ Live the Liturgy – Inspiration for the Week ~~~~~

Jesus tells us today, "Fear no one." All of us have fears. Some of us may fear the future, change, rejection, being out of control, ridiculed, losing a cherished relationship, failure, and even sickness and death. We have no control over much that we fear. Anxiety and worry become a futile waste of time and serve only to impact the quality of life. Faith, which brings a trust in God's promise that he is with us, allows us to face whatever comes with courage and acceptance. While very difficult to do, this is exactly what we are asked to do.

~~~~~ Book of Innocents at St. Francis ~~~~~

The Catholic Community provides prayerful support for parishioners experiencing the loss of a child in the womb, at birth, or shortly after birth. The "Book of the Innocents", located in Our Lady of Consolation Chapel, is for composing memories, poems or a few words about your child. It is hoped that this book can facilitate healing by offering peace and wholeness in life's challenging sorrows.

HOSPITALITY

Join us for Coffee and Donuts, TODAY! At St. John after the 9:30am Mass

Spanish classes for Adults – Please call Luz Flores (405-742-8985) or Dr. Cida Chase (405-377-0671) for more information or to register for a class.

Beginning Class – Tuesdays from 6:15-7:15pm in Rm 5 at St. Francis/St. John School.
Introductory Class – Tuesdays from 6:15-7:15pm in Rm 6 at St. Francis/St. John School.
Intermediate Class – Mondays from 6:15-7:15pm in Rm 6 at St. Francis/St. John School.

Stillwater Catholic Community Pool Party – Mark your calendar for July 16th from 6pm to 8pm at the City of Stillwater Pool. Lifeguards will be provided and concessions will be open.

Thank you, Knights of Columbus Council #5266 and Stillwater Catholic Community, for helping raise \$5,000 for *The Love Challenge*!! Your support and generosity helps provide quality care for our friend Jon at the Center of Family Love! Please see the bulletin insert for more details.

Congratulations to Tim and Amanda Hoppe's Family! They were the winners of the all-expense paid trip to the 18th Annual Midwest Catholic Family Conference in Wichita, KS August 4th – 6th. This was sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #11135.

FORMATION

Youth Formation - Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Sarah Dorman, RE Coordinator – crepek-5@brightok.net or 405.372.7987
Ashleigh Martin, Youth Minister – catholicyouth@brightok.net or 405.269.3786



Vacation Bible School
Pre-K – 5th graders
June 26 – 29, 2017
9am to 12pm at St. Francis

Registration forms are available in the vestibule and online at stfrancisxavierstillwater.org

VOLUNTEER MEETING

will be TODAY June 25th at 2:30pm.
Please plan to attend this short but important safety meeting and pick up your volunteer t-shirt then stay to decorate.

VBS Celebration

Potluck and Party
Fun for the whole family!
June 29th at 6pm



Stillwater Catholic Youth 1st – 12th graders

July 9 – 14, 2017 at St. Francis

Totus Tuus is a summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. A team from the Diocese of Tulsa will lead this week-long program. **If you would like to host part of the Totus Tuus team or help provide meals for them, please contact Ashleigh Martin.**

1st-6th Grade students will meet Monday through Friday from 9am-3pm.

7th-12th grade students will meet at the Youth House (717 S. Hester) in the evenings.

Watch for registration information!

Preschool News and Activities

Maggie Beckham, Director – (405) 624-3450

SFSJ Preschool is accepting enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year for children 1-5 years of age. For more information, please contact Maggie Beckham at (405) 624-3450.

Baptism Preparation Class

If you are a parent or god-parent, Baptism classes are offered once a month and conducted by a Deacon at the St. Francis School (602 S. West St.).

To register, please call the parish office at (405) 372-6886.

Welcome to all! Thank you for celebrating Mass with the Stillwater Catholic Community today! If you would like to register as a new member or you need to make updates to your contact information, please contact the Parish Office at 405-372-6886.

New Baby Ministry – Please call the parish office if you are expecting or have recently had a baby. We have a special gift for your little one and would like to bring your family a meal shortly after the baby arrives.

Adult Formation

Faith, Froth & Catholic Stuff you Should Know
Tuesdays Once a Month at St. John
5:15 Mass, 6:00pm Social, 6:30 Talk

July 11 – Confirmation
Catholic Bar Mitzvah or Trinitarian Life
August 1 – Eucharist
Just a wafer OR Flesh & Blood

Ireland Pilgrimage

Fr. Stuart Crevcoure will be leading a pilgrimage to Ireland from Sept. 24 - Oct. 4, 2017. For details, visit www.catholictraveltoday.com, or contact Alison Stookey at 918-237-5373.

Retreat in Daily Life

Attaining a personal relationship with Jesus and finding God in all things are just two of the many gifts possible from experiencing the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. Inquiries are being accepted for the 7-month Retreat by Marilyn Seiler, a trained Spiritual Director and Retreat facilitator.

Contact information: 405-334-1630 or email marilynseiler72@gmail.com.

FORMED - The Catholic Faith on Demand

Extensive online formation opportunities for you and your family. Logon to FORMED.org with our parish membership code: e4623f.

This Summer on FORMED.org rediscover your Catholic Faith through the collection of Faith Formation series, Movies, Documentaries, Bible Studies, books and much more.

Now on Netflix

Liberating a Continent: John Paul II and the Fall of Communism, the Emmy award-winning documentary film, is now available to stream on Netflix. For film details, visit jp2film.com. A guide to the documentary can be found at kofc.org/college.

SERVICE

Liturgical Ministers— Thank you for your time and service at the celebration of Mass. We truly appreciate each of you!

The St. Francis Liturgical Ministry schedule will be available in the vestibule or online. The St. John Liturgical Ministry schedule will be available in the lobby. If you need more information, please contact your Parish Office.

Parish Council- During Fr. Ken's absence, the members of the council will continue to meet once a month to discuss parish business. The next meeting is July 13th at 7pm at St. John.

QEV, Life Awareness Project

Thinking about life or curious as to what life as a priest, sister, brother, or married life would be like? Come to the **QEV, Life Awareness Project**, a weekend of intentional discernment about what God is calling you to do with your life. This will be open to Catholic SINGLES, **ages 17 to 45**, and will be held at the Newman Center at TU, on the weekend of **June 30 – July 2, 2017**. *There is no fee for attending.* For more information, contact tulsavocations@gmail.com or register online at dioceseoftulsa.org/vocations.



Director of Maintenance and Grounds

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church is currently seeking a Director of Maintenance and Grounds to serve the Catholic community of Stillwater, Oklahoma. S/he will oversee the maintenance and upkeep of all buildings, equipment, facilities, and grounds on the new parish campus. This position is a working position, but will also require assigning work and supervision of other workers, whether paid or volunteer. This position will work closely with the Director of Formation and Operations to recruit other paid and volunteer workers. Qualifications and a complete job description can be found in the full posting on the parish website at stfrancisxavierstillwater.org. Applicants will be required to submit a resume with a cover letter explaining their qualifications and why they desire the position. Resumes should include three personal and three professional references. Resumes and cover letters should be sent to St Francis parish office by fax at (405) 533-1728 or by email to saintfrancisdf@brightok.net. Applications received before June 30, 2017 will be given priority.

Preschool Teacher Needed - SFSJ Preschool is looking for a dedicated and passionate teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. Job requirements: must comply with DHS regulations, preferably hold a CDA, Child Development Associates/Bachelors, Early Childhood Associates/Bachelors or related field. Experience is desired, but not required. Expect to work 20 – 28 hours per week. If you love working with children and enjoy sharing your Catholic faith, please contact the Parish Office at (405) 372-6886 and email resumes to saintfrancis@brightok.net.



Stephen Ministry - A Great Way You Can Help a Hurting Friend.

Do you have a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative who has suffered a loss or is going through a difficult time? Here's a great way you can help them--tell them about our Stephen Ministry! Stephen Ministers are members of St Francis Parish who have received special training to provide high quality, confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to hurting people. Stephen Ministers meet weekly with their care receivers to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. (Males are matched with males, and females are matched with females.) The caring relationship lasts for as long as the person needs care. It's free, and it's a powerful way you can help a hurting friend. To learn how to connect someone you know with a Stephen Minister please contact Angela Pradia at (405)762-9405 or Mary Ellen Holley at (405)762-9357 or stephenministryw@yahoo.com

Health and Wellness Ministry

Brandi Bishop, RN 405-269-2252

Top 7 Reasons to Shop at the Farmers Market



1. Fruits and vegetables are freshly picked at their peak flavor and full of antioxidants.
2. It's a great way to get your kids involved. Let them pick out something new to try, then they can help prepare a meal or snack at home.
3. Supporting your local farmers market strengthens your community.

Meet your local farmers, learn about foods grown in your area and catch up with friends and neighbors while stocking up with local goods.

4. Farmers markets offer foods that align with MyPlate nutritional guidelines.

Buy foods and see how they fit with ChooseMyPlate. Visit different booths to pick up seasonal fruits and vegetables, as well as local dairy, grain and protein products so you can build your healthy plate.

5. Farmers often have recommendations for preparing their products. Visit [Fruits and Veggies More Matters.org](http://FruitsandVeggiesMoreMatters.org)

to see recipes that use fresh fruits and vegetables.

6. You can try a new fruit or vegetable! Have you ever tasted gooseberries or rhubarb? Many farmers markets offer lesser known fruits and vegetables, providing a variety that can be both tasty and nutritious.

7. Stillwater Farmers Market Strickland Park 309 N. Main Street 8am-1pm Wednesdays and Saturdays and at Stillwater Medical Center Plaza 12th and Adams Mondays 2-5:30 pm

www.nutrition.gov

Interested in learning more about Natural Family Planning?

Contact Daryl and Kathy Krehbiel at (405) 612-2005 or email at StillwaterNFP@aol.com.

Everyday Stewardship

When I was a teenager, after a homecoming dance one year I took my date for a walk on the Potomac in downtown Alexandria. The moon was out and I was struck by how the light shimmered on the water. I remember focusing to try to see all the details of the dancing rays on the ripples. My date didn't see it and didn't really get it. She thought it was no big deal. It was a great date and a fun night, but for that one moment we saw the world from two completely different vantage points.

Two of the greatest gifts from God to each of us are life and time. Without taking care, we can easily miss the grandeur and beauty of both. Being mindful as an everyday steward means pausing to see the detail in all that exists around us. God's creation is not something created with a broad brush, but instead with the intricacies of a master painter.

God created all things with purpose and a complexity only the divine could fully comprehend. Every single hair on our head has been counted! But when we take a moment to reflect on the beauty that is created by that complexity, we allow ourselves to revel in God's generosity. There is so much to give thanks for in this life. But you and I can't give thanks to God unless we really stop to take notice. When was the last time you stared in awe at the moon?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Evangelization Team- Join us in our efforts to continue Pope Francis' evangelization program. If you have any names of people for the evangelization team to visit, place their name in the Drop Box on the table in the vestibule. Please email stillwatercatholicsreturn@gmail.com for more information.