

# *Our Lady of Sorrows & St. Louis Catholic Churches*

Sept 23, 2018 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



WHOEVER WELCOMES A  
CHILD WELCOMES ME ✠  
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Sunday:  
Sept 23                    Stroud 8:40 a.m. Rosary    9 a.m. Mass  
                                 Chandler:            9:45 Choir practice  
                                 9 – 10:30 RCIA  
                                 10:30 a.m. Rosary      11 a.m. Mass

Wednesday:  
Sept 26                    6 p.m. Youth Choir  
                                 7 p.m. CCD classes for 7-12 grades

Sunday:  
Sept 30                    Stroud 8:40 a.m. Rosary    9 a.m. Mass  
                                 Chandler:            9:45 Choir practice  
                                 9 – 10:30 RCIA  
                                 10:30 a.m. Rosary      11 a.m. Mass

Offertory:  
Sunday Offering & Tithes \$1,400.00    Candle Offerings \$15.00  
Hall Pledge Payments \$50.00    For the Poor \$12.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection–Not Taken due to Catholic Charities Appeal



**Birthdays:** Sept 23 – Tim Helm, 24 – Kim Tarver, John Miller, 25 – Beth Nichols, Jennifer Dingman, 26 – Lillie Smith, Caralyne Meza, Madalynne Meza, 28 – Holly Altebaumer, 28 – Gary Bledsoe, 29 – Shelley Lyon, 30 – Caleb Sawatski

## **JOURNEY IN FAITH: THE CATHOLIC APPROACH (RCIA - *Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*) -**

You, or a loved one you may know, are invited to participate in a course of instruction and discussion about the Catholic faith beginning Sunday, September 9, 2018, at 9:00am at Our Lady of Sorrows Church. A personal invitation to a friend or family member always works the best. The first couple of sessions will primarily be for general questions and discussion about this Journey in Faith, which is scheduled to continue until next April. For information call Shirley Holleman (405-258-7147) or Allen Smith (405-249-7705).

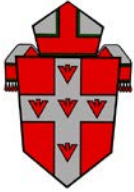


**A SUPPORT** list can be found on the bulletin board in the back of the church:

**Mental Health** – Edmond Support Group for depression, bipolar & related conditions meets every Saturday. 3 – 4 p.m. in the Edmond Public Library at 10 S Boulevard.

**The Archdiocese has launched a new website for easier use and navigation. [www.archokc.org](http://www.archokc.org)**

## Catholic Charities 2018 annual appeal



In today's second reading St. James says, "All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights." Help Catholic Charities continue the "good giving" and provide help and hope to all through the Catholic tradition of service. Consider a gift to Catholic Charities at [givetocc.org](http://givetocc.org) to support the annual appeal.



## First Day of Autumn



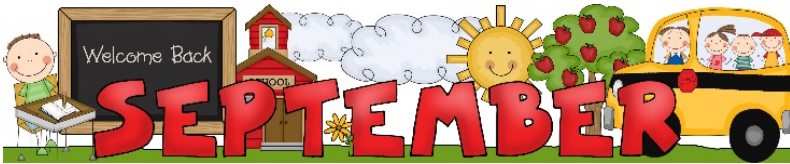
Sept 23 Greeter – Ray & Linda Smith

Refreshments	Ladonna Siler, Martha Rogers, Wanda Wells
<b>Gift Store</b>	Marfreda Christy
Sacristan	Barbara Smith
Altar Servers	Bryson & Jennifer Dingman, Abbi & Kristi Avers
Lectors	1st– Kerry Folsom 2nd– Karin Meza
Responsorial	Pat Hoban
Ushers	James Grim & Chuck Schumacher
Gift Family	Randolph Family
Eucharist	Vickie Shea, Raymond Smith, Manuel Anthony
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	For the Poor



## Sept 30 Greeter – Grim Family

Refreshments	Ray & Linda Smith, Kim Wade, Jeanette Haley
<b>Gift Store</b>	Betty Keating
Sacristan	Tita Little
Altar Servers	Sam Miles, Lillie Smith, Barbara Smith
Lectors	1st– Vincent Nowaczewski 2nd– Bob Debbie
Responsorial	Shirley Broderson
Ushers	John Miller & Allen Smith
Gift Family	Rexford Family
Eucharist	Raymond Smith, Manuel Anthony, Gary Bledsoe
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	For the Poor



### **Catholic application recommendation for iPhones located in you Apple Store application:**

**Laudate** combines a large number of Catholic religious resources into a single **app**, giving you instant access to everything you could need, from a copy of multiple versions of the Bible, to prayers, confession prompts, and more.

### **March 20 – 30 Pilgrimage to Greece**

Join Fr. Rex Arnold on a 10-day excursion to Greece: In the Footsteps of Paul the Apostle, featuring a three-night Greek island and Turkey cruise March 20-30. Contact Jill Fidelie at (405) 802-4573 or [jfidelie@gmail.com](mailto:jfidelie@gmail.com).

## An Oklahoma miracle

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**September 13, 2018**

*by Judy Hilovsky, from the Sooner Catholic*

In Saint Ann Retirement Center's grand theater, a crowd of more than 75 gathered on Aug. 13 to hear the story of a modern miracle.

Father Marvin Leven, an Oklahoma retired priest, and Sandra Rother McGougan, related the 1992 story of Father Stanley Rother's healing intercession. McGougan said on that July 3, she was stricken by a mysterious brain ailment; her mother, Kay Rother, received a call that Sandra had suddenly fallen ill and was taken to a nearby hospital.

When Kay Rother arrived, the situation was dire – Sandra had suffered a massive hemorrhagic stroke. Medical personnel had pronounced her daughter brain dead, placed her on life support and were discussing organ donation.

McGougan's family had her transferred to Saint Anthony Hospital in Oklahoma City, where an internist found brain activity. The doctors agreed to do surgery with only a 10 percent chance of survival and, if she survived, the family said, she would be unable to talk or walk or have children. As the family gathered for a final farewell, her father phoned the family's parish priest, Father Marvin Leven.

When Father Leven arrived, McGougan was in a dark corner with a nun supervisor. Father Leven anointed McGougan and said to her father: "It is time to turn this over to Father Rother – it's time for a miracle!"

Father Leven drove to Holy Trinity Catholic Cemetery where Father Rother was buried. He prayed and prayed and wept. When

he returned to Saint Anthony, Dr. Stanley Pelofsky , the neurosurgeon, told Father Leven it was a miracle when Sandra opened her eyes on the third day.

Sandra was in therapy with the same nun supervisor, who asked: "What is the name of that saint you prayed to?" Father Leven answered, "It is Stanley Rother." Father Rother wasn't yet a blessed. He was killed in July 1981 in Guatemala, declared a martyr on Dec. 1, 2016, and was beatified on Sept. 23, 2017.

"I had a stroke 26 years ago," McGougan said, "and so it's an honor to finally be talking about this miracle. I want people to know "Father Stan was a selfless man, he would give the shirt off his back. Nothing about himself – no me, me, me. It was always 'what can I do for you?' I also need to thank Father Leven. If it wasn't for him I wouldn't be here."

Father Leven told the group he was with Father Rother when Stan said he was dropped from the seminary and going home. Father Leven urged him to immediately phone Bishop Victor Reed. Father Rother and Father Leven gathered change for the telephone call and called Bishop Reed, who advised him to come to see him immediately. When Father Rother and his father, Franz, visited, the bishop asked, "Do you want to be a priest, Stanley?" Rother said, "Yes, but it's all over for me, isn't it?" The bishop said, "No, it isn't; we'll send you to another seminary."

Bishop Reed kept his word and arranged for Rother to go to Mount Saint Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg, Md. Father Stanley Rother was ordained to the priesthood on May 25, 1963.

Today, Sandra is a wife and mother with a fulfilling career and a heart brimming with gratefulness. She attributes her healing to God and the intercession of Blessed Stanley Rother. Father Leven resides in the independent living at Saint Ann Retirement Center and still celebrates Mass two days a week.

Even though McGougan's miracle can't be used as the verified miracle for sainthood since it occurred prior to Dec. 1, 2016, she and her family have no doubt that Blessed Stanley eventually will be declared a saint by the Catholic Church.

*Judy Hilovsky is a freelance writer for the Sooner Catholic.*

Sept 2018 *Our Lady of Sorrows Church* Rectory: 258-1239 Church Office & Hall 258-0010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 9 a.m. Our Lady of Fatima universal prayer for peace.
2 10 a.m. Adoration 11 a.m. Mass Labor Day Weekend	3 Eucharistic Adoration	4  Labor Day	5 6 p.m. Youth Choir 7 p.m. CCD 7-12 K-6 Parents meet while their kids do Sacred Music	6 	7	8
9 9 a.m. RCIA meets 11 a.m. Mass <b>Altar Society Mtg after Mass</b> Parish Council Mtg	10 6:30 p.m. The One Church, Many Disciples team will meet	11	12 6 p.m. Youth Choir 7 p.m. CCD 7-12 	13	14	15 Feast Day of Our Lady of Sorrows
16 9 a.m. RCIA meets 9:15 - 10:45 K-6 CCD Family mtg 10:30 a.m. Chaplet of OLOS 11 a.m. Mass Youth Sunday <b>Pot Luck lunch after Mass to celebrate Feast Day of OLOS</b> Youth Group Mtg. 5 - 7 p.m.	17 6:30 p.m. The One Church, Many Disciples team will meet	18	19 6 p.m. Youth Choir 7 p.m. CCD 7-12 	20 	21	22
23 9 a.m. RCIA meets 11 a.m. Mass <b>First day of Fall</b>	24:30 p.m. The One Church, Many Disciples team will meet	25 	26 6 p.m. Youth Choir 7 p.m. CCD 7-12	27 	28	29
30 9 a.m. RCIA meets 11 a.m. Mass						



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### **Please Pray for:**

#### ***September***

Geoff Clark

Paul Edgemon

Tom James

Megan & Koen

Little (Walker)

Joey Meeker

Gene Pyle

Garrett Wolf

#### ***August***

Thomas Heartily

Fred Imhoff

Elizabeth Womack

#### ***July***

Warren Knight

Darlene Stanek

Stanz Family

#### ***June***

Mike Christy

Mary Ford

Pat Hoban

Fr. Mickus

Please contact Marfreda Christy at cell 405-509-1081 or home 405-258-2513 to be added or removed from our prayer list.

### **Stewardship Thought**

Today's second reading warns that a heart consumed with avarice and envy leads to jealousy, strife, conflicts, and disputes. A giving heart, in contrast, can sing instead with the psalmist, "*Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness.*" See Psalm 54 (Our Sunday Visitor, *ibid.*, page 21).

### **March 12 – 15 Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**

Join Fr. Krittenbrink on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land March 3-12. Cost \$4,219 pp. Roundtrip airfare from OKC or Dallas.

Optional post tour to Rome \$1,099 March 12-15. Visit

[www.pilgrimages.com/frkrittenbrink](http://www.pilgrimages.com/frkrittenbrink). Contact Bill Schutte at (580) 763-7665 or [Schutte@cableone.net](mailto:Schutte@cableone.net).



### **Nov 5 – 16 Pilgrimage to Italy, Sicily**

Fr. Carl Janocha and Fr. Daniel Grover will lead a pilgrimage to Italy and Sicily, Nov. 5-16, 2018. The trip is \$3,779 pp, including airfare from OKC, four-star hotels, most meals and more. Sites include Palermo, Agrigento, Siracusa, Taormina, Sorrento, Pompeii and Rome. Traveling north to the Eternal City of Rome, stops at many examples of Ancient Greek and Roman Architecture at the remains of some of wonderful temples, amphitheaters and villas. Will ascend still-active Mt. Etna. Before reaching Rome, there will be an opportunity to visit the famous ruins of Pompeii. \$400 deposit is required. Contact Fr. Carl Janocha at (580) 395-2148 or cwjanocha@kanokla.net.

### **Sept 21 – Oct 2 Pilgrimage to Berlin, Prague and Austria**

Fr. Carl William Janocha and Fr. Daniel Grover will lead a pilgrimage to Berlin, Prague and Austria; also featuring the Passion Play of Oberammergau, Sept. 21- Oct. 2, 2020. The trip is \$4,599 pp, including airfare from OKC, four-star hotels, most meals and more. Sites include Berlin, Dresden, Prague, Cesky Krumlov, Salzburg, Munich; Oberammergau featuring the Passion Play produced only every ten years and Frankfurt. The people of Oberammergau have put on the Passion Play since the time of the plague when it passed over their valley and they have been giving thanks to God. Join us for this truly beautiful, historic, faith filled journey to the areas of the Bavarian countryside of Europe. We will have opportunities to visit the Berlin Cathedral, the remains of the Berlin Wall, old town in Prague, the birth place of Mozart, and the fairy tale Neuschwanstein Castle. Contact Fr. Carl Janocha at (580) 395-2148 or cwjanocha@kanokla.net for brochure and more information.



OLOS Video Library is in the overflow room. To check out a video, take the cover to the gift store. If you want to add videos or donate videos – please contact David or Tita Little 258-2073



### **Chaplet of Our Lady of Sorrows**

Beginning the third Sunday in September, (the 16<sup>th</sup>), and every third Sunday of each month, we will be praying the Chaplet of Our Lady of Sorrows. The prayer will begin at 10:30 a.m. This prayer dates back to the Middle ages & honors Our Lady of Sorrows, Patroness of our parish.

There will be flyers at the entrance to the church. We can use these to follow the prayer. Also, Chaplets of Our Lady of Sorrows can be purchased at the parish gift shop.