Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church



PARISH STAFF

Rev. Raymond K. Ackerman, Pastor Email: frray@lawtoncatholic.com Rev. Thomas Nallapatti, Assoc. Pastor Email: frthomas@lawtoncatholic.com Deacon Bob Quinnett Deacon Howard Harper

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm Sunday Masses: 8:00 am and 11:30 am Sunday Mass: 9:45 am at our Mission, St. Patrick Catholic Church in Walters Daily Masses: Monday-Saturday 7:30 am Check Mass Schedule for any changes.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm Thursday after 6:30 pm Holy Hour

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

Joanne Linville, Office Manager Michelle Benke, Secretary Jo Ann Landoll, Records

PARISH INFORMATION

Phone: (580)355-2054

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Fri-9:30 am-12:30 pm

Email: secretary@lawtoncatholic.com

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Flocknote: Text Lawton to 84576

December 17, 2023 Pastor, Rev. Raymond K. Ackerman 3rd Sunday of Advent

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th - *The Early Vigil Masses* 5:00 pm - Blessed Sacrament 7:00 pm - St. Patrick, Walters

December 24th - *Late Vigil Mass Blessed Sacrament*11:00 pm - Christmas Carols Begin
12:00 am - Christmas Mass

December 25th - *Christmas Day Mass* 10:00 am - Blessed Sacrament

January 1st - Mary, Mother of God 10:00 am - Blessed Sacrament 10:00 am - St. Patrick, Walters

You can help. Women and men religious have spent their lives serving others in prayer, ministry, education and care for those in need—usually for little or no pay.



This weekend is the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS.

The Parish Office is closed December 25th through January 1st. The office will reopen on January 2nd at 9:30 am.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Deacon Bob Quinnett

Email: DeaconBob@lawtoncatholic.com

CAMERON CATHOLICS

Billy Gonsler Campus Minister

Email: youthdirector@lawtoncatholic.com

ALTAR SOCIETY

Meets the second Monday of the month, September through May only

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, COURT ST. JUDE

Meets the third Saturday of the month

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 in the St. Mary Cafeteria

MARRIAGE

At least six months preparation time is required and one party must be registered in the parish. Please call the parish office to begin this preparation.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Choir rehearsals are the 1st, 3rd and 4th Tuesday From September - May at 6:00 pm in the Church

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Director: Alicia Brierton Email: re@lawtoncatholic.com

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Director: Alicia Brierton

Email: safe@lawtoncatholic.com

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents should call for an appointment at least three months prior to the desired date of Baptism. Parents must be registered parishioners. Please call the parish office for more information.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

(580) 355-7837(Help Line) Meets the first and third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall

THRIFT SHOP

(580) 581-1309

Currently Open Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

YOUTH DIRECTOR

Director: Billy Gonsler

Email: youthdirector@lawtoncatholic.com



There will be no RE classes the next 3 weeks. The next class is January 10th.

Bible Study is meeting on Wednesday,
December 20th from 6:15 pm until 7:30 pm in
the Parish Hall. They are
discussing the Gospel of Mark.

Thrift Shop News

The Thrift Shop is closed from December 20th through January 2nd. They will reopen on January 3rd at 10:00 am.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Thrift Shop Volunteers.

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to everyone who took stars and purchased items for Religious Education. We are so grateful for your support. Thank you for your willingness to help us encourage and guide the children of our parish grow in knowledge and love of Our Lord Jesus Christ.



We are trying to keep our records up to date. If you do not receive a Christmas Card from the parish, then we do not have your current address.

Please email: **secretary@lawtoncatholic.com** with any new contact information.



The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, is a beautiful and meaningful part of our Catholic

tradition. It is customary for the parish to accept from the faithful a stipend in return for remembering a specific intention in the celebrations of a Mass. Through this voluntary offering, usually \$10.00 (unless this presents a hardship) the donor seeks spiritual benefits that God may bestow upon the persons or concerns that are specially held in prayer at the Mass. Specific dates requested will try to be fulfilled, but that is not always possible. If you would like to have a Mass offered please email

secretary@lawtoncatholic.com or drop an envelope with the intention in the offering collection.

JOIN FLOCKNOTE

Join our online messaging. Text **Lawton** to **84576** to sign up for Flocknote and keep informed with bulletins, announcements, volunteer opportunities and upcoming events.

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized? Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of the Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. There are separate sessions for children or youth.

For information please contact

Deacon Bob (580) 583-0271, deaconbob@lawtoncatholic.comCome join us at 3 PM on Sunday in the Parish Hall.

SPONSORS NEEDED!!

If you are a fully initiated Catholic (Baptized, Confirmed, actively participating in the Eucharist) who is at least 18 years of age,

PLEASE contact

Deacon Bob Quinnett (deaconbob@lawtoncatholic.com) to find out how you could be a Sponsor.

Frassati Society SAVE THE DATES!

YOUNG ADULTS OF LAWTON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7TH THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21ST AT HOLY FAMILY 6-8 PM





DECEMBER 19TH

6:00PM-8:00PM



CAMERON CATHOLICS

Bible Study JOIN US AT THE WESLEY CENTER

MONDAY NIGHTS FROM 7PM-9 PM

SNACKS AND

PROVIDED

Sun. Dec. 3rd @ Blessed Sacrament 6-8 PM in the GYM

(Grades 9-12)

Sun., Dec. 17th @ Holy Family 6-8 PM in the GYM





If you would like to make contributions online, simply scan this QR Code with your smartphone camera. This code will take you directly to our contribution website. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



"Save Time and Donate Online!"

WeShare is an easy and convenient way to save time and support our church. If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit www.lawtoncatholic.com and click the "Give Now" tab.



Welcome, we are glad you are here today! If you are new to our parish, please ask an usher for a registration form or go to lawtoncatholic.com to register online.



BIRTHDAYS

Dec 18 Annette Campbell, Wade Cooper and Valeria Garcia

Dec 19 Thomas Borek, Antonio Contreras, Orin Harroun, Lana Gruber, Renee Lusher, Joseph Thomas and Candelaria Valenzuela

Dec 20 Mark Clark, Jennifer Ozuna,

Mario Ozuna and Noah Pagsisihan

Dec 21 Sophia Carter, Eduardo Martinez,

Nina Strait and Audree Todd

Dec 22 Natalie Brandt, Samantha Buckman, Evan Capuccio, Nicky Chadwell, Ricky Sauseda and Christine Weaver

Dec 23 Elaina Benke and Andrew Moore

Dec 24 Leticia DelaRosa, Haven Monostori,

Charles Ratts and Wiley Sartin

Our Weekend Mass Offerings December 2 and 3, 2023

General Fund—Envelopes and Cash \$8,101.72 Parish Improvement Fund \$2,487.00 Christmas Flowers \$1,697.00 General Fund Online Giving (464646) \$2.044.32 Parish Improvement Fund Online Giving \$37.85

> Special Collection: Christmas Day

We want to extend our deepest thanks for your continued support.

St. Patrick Catholic Church in Walters Weekend Mass Attendance and Offerings

Sunday, December 3, 2023

Thank You!

Operating Fund \$630.00 **Buildina Fund**

\$970.00 Attendance

Rosary...Join in praying the rosary, every Wednesday, at 6:30 pm in the church. Rosario...Todos están invitados a rezar el rosario, cada miércoles a las 6:30 pm en la iglesia.

DECEMBER 17, 2023 WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH



Monday, December 18

7:30 am—Daily Mass (For the

intentions of Sarah Garcia by Keith and Mary Smith) 10:00 am—Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

Tuesday, December 19

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Randy Conner by

Cathleen Conner)

6:00 pm—Choir Practice in the Church

6:00 pm—Youth Group Meeting at Holy Family

6:30 pm—St. Vincent de Paul Meeting in Parish Hall

Wednesday, December 20

7:30 am—Daily Mass (Intentions of Peter J.

Monterroso by Sharon Monterroso-Woodfill)

Thrift Shop is Closed

6:00 pm—Rosary in Church

No RE Classes this Week

6:15 pm—Bible Study in Parish Hall

Thursday, December 21

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Steven Conner by

Cathleen Conner)

6:30 pm—Holy Hour of Adoration, followed by confessions

Friday, December 22

7:30 am—Blessed Sacrament (+Lisa Baker)

Saturday, December 23

7:30 am—Daily Mass (For those suffering from illness)

3:00 pm—Confessions in the Church until 4:30 pm

5:00 pm—Vigil Mass (For the People of the Parish) Sunday, December 24

8:00 am— Mass (+Otilio and +Manuela Pineda by Flora Pineda)

9:45 am—Mass at St. Patrick in Walters (For the Conversion of Hearts)

11:30 am—Bilingual Mass (+George Jung by the Knights of Columbus)

5:00 pm—Early Vigil Christmas Mass (For those who are alone or feeling lonely)

7:00 pm—Early Vigil Christmas Mass, St. Patrick,

Walters (For those incarcerated and their families)

11:00 pm—Christmas Carols Begin

Monday, December 25

12:00 am—Midnight Christmas Mass (For the People of the Parish)

10:00 am—Christmas Day Mass (For the Priests and Seminarians of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City)

Mass Attendance December 2 and 3, 2023

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm had 109 in attendance Sunday Morning at 8:00 am had 135 in attendance Sunday Morning at 11:30 am had 183 in attendance Total Attendance 427