Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church



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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

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PARISH INFORMATION

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August 13, 2023

Pastor, Rev. Raymond K. Ackerman

A man at my parish was struggling to overcome a habitual sin. He said to me, "Father, I know the chance that I will commit sin again is really high. Why should I keep confessing my sins? Isn't that dishonest?" Anyone who has felt the tyrannical power of sin — and who hasn't? — has pondered this kind of question.

I responded to him, "What was the probability Peter would walk on the stormy water?" After some silence, he said, "Zero. But when Jesus called, he did it." I could tell my penitent friend was re-framing the question from his own weakness to the greatness of the Lord's love for him. The question for us should not be one of human probabilities about our sin, but rather whether or not we will trust the Lord's grace in our lives.

This week the Lord is calling you and me to do the impossible: overcome sin with love. The only way to do that is to trust he is calling, and then to walk with the eyes of faith locked on him. And if we sink, he will raise us up again and again. Of that, we can be 100% sure.

— Father John Muir



Do you want to be more involved in the Parish or just have questions about the different ministries at Blessed Sacrament?

Join us for the **Annual Ministry Fair** on **August 26 and 27, 2023** in the Parish Hall after all Masses. Meet and talk with volunteers from the different ministries at Blessed Sacrament to see how you can use your talents to help others.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Director: Alicia Brierton

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YOUTH DIRECTOR

Director: Billy Gonsler

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SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Director: Alicia Brierton

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ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Deacon Bob Quinnett

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KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Meets the second Tuesday of the month

ALTAR SOCIETY

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

THRIFT SHOP

(580) 581-1309

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

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS, COURT ST. JUDE

Jolene Schonchin (580) 583-7556 Meets the third Saturday of the month

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

(580) 355-7837(Help Line) Meets the first and third Tuesday of the month

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.

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.



Holy Day of Obligation

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is August 15th

Mass Times are:

Blessed Sacrament: 7:30 am and 7:00 pm

St. Patrick, Walters: 6:00 pm

Safe Environment

ALL VOLUNTEERS...thank you for giving your time to the many ministries of our parish. If you are in the following organization: Choir, Homebound Minister of the Eucharistic, RE, Sacristan, SVdP, Thrift Shop, Totus Tuus, and Usher you will need to update your Safe Environment training beginning August 1st. All volunteers will expire **July 31st**. All current volunteers need to complete the training by August 31st. If you need help with the training the following training dates are available: Aug 14th 9:30 am, Aug 16th 9:30 am, Aug 18th 8:30 am and 7:15 pm, **Aug 21st** 9:30 am and 7:15 pm, **Aug 23rd** 9:30 am, Aug 25th 9:30 am and 7:15 pm, **Aug 26th 8:00** am, and **Aug 31st 9:30** am. All training takes place in the Parish Hall. Please email safe@lawtoncatholic.com

to reserve a laptop before attending





If you would like to send a card or letter to our seminarian, his address is:
Mr. Robert Blaschke
Mount St. Mary's Seminary
16300 Old Emmitsburg Road
Emmitsburg, MD 21727

August SPECIAL COLLECTION



Catholic University & Campus Ministries

Gifts collected this month will be allocated to both the Catholic University of America and local campus ministries within the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City.



Collection date is August 19 and 20, 2023. By giving to this collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education.

Frassati Society

YOUNG ADULTS OF LAWTON THURSDAY, AUGUST 17TH

SPEAKER: FR. PHIL - THE LIFE OF BLESSED PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM IN KIRK HALI



A BSA SCOUT NEEDS YOUR HELP

My name is Marina Harris and I'm working on my Eagle Project for Blessed Sacrament. My project is to refurbish the sacristy creden, in order for it to efficiently function.

I'm in need of donations to help carry out this project. Any help is much appreciated. God bless you all.

Contact me at marinaeagleproject@gmail.com



If you are new to our parish please ask an usher for a registration form or go to

lawtoncatholic.com to register online.

August BIRTHDAYS

Aug 14 Sally Cote, Erika Martinez, Esther Salinas, Marcus Taylor, and Wilson Ware, Jr.

Aug 15 Susan Adam, Hailey Caldwell, Bailey Gilbert, Gail Martinson, Maximiliano Molina, Brian Morris and Gerard Ventayen

Aug 16 Jose Andrade, David Baker, Anthony Immenschuh, Romelo Jackson, James McLinden, Candelaria Mejia, Jacqueline Myers, Lauren Noriega, Anavelia San Miguel, Brian Weaver and Asher Whitcomb

Aug 17 Donald Bourque, Jr., Chris Emenhiser, Gianna Hubbard, Lincoln Melvin, Michelle Myers, Phillip Puckett, and Jaylen Tanner

Aug 18 Ninfa Brandt, Lily Cabelka, Martha Martin, Christopher Rehkop, Danna Sarmiento, Joseph Smith, Ellen Venniro and Nayelle Wright

Aug 19 Ernesto Endaya

Aug 20 Erika Aguayo, Michelle Benke, Christina Bourque, Chrysta Daebler, Ailany Ibarra, Issac Molina, Jack Prescott and Christopher J. Wetzel

Our Weekend Mass Offerings July 29 and 30, 2023

General Fund—Envelopes and Cash \$7,045.69
St. Vincent de Paul \$2,222.70
General Fund Online Giving(464646) \$2,113.63
Parish Improvement Fund Online Giving \$18.45

Second Collection Next Week: The Catholic University of America

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

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

Sunday, July 30, 2023

Operating Fund \$422.00 Building Fund \$1,550.00 Attendance 26

AUGUST 13, 2023

WELCOME TO BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

We are glad you are here today!



Monday, August 14

7:30 am—Daily Mass (For the healing of Mario Antonio Ramirez by Sandy Reyes)
10:00 am—Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

Tuesday, August 15

7:30 am—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (+Stephen Conner by Cathleen Conner) 5:30 pm—St. Vincent de Paul Meeting in Parish Hall

6:00 pm Walters—The Assumption of the

Blessed Virgin Mary (For the People of the Parish)

7:00 pm—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

Mary (+Elizabeth A. Scheirer by Her Family)

Wednesday, August 16

7:30 am—Daily Mass (**+**Jeannine Labbe by Robert W. Labbe)

10:00 am—Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm 6:30 pm—Rosary in Church

Thursday, August 17

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Larry Benke by His Family) 6:30 pm—Holy Hour followed by confessions

Friday, August 18

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Pat and **+**AEileen Conway by Their Children)

Saturday, August 19

7:30 am—Daily Mass (+Bill Gratten by His Family)
3:00 pm—Confessions in the Church until 4:30 pm
5:00 pm—Vigil Mass (Healing of Ryan M. Lehnert by Ralf Lehnert)

Sunday, August 20

8:00 am— Mass (People of the Parish)

9:45 am—Mass at St. Patrick in Walters

(For the Ministries of Our Parish)

11:30 am—Bilingual Mass

(+Julie Burgess by Lisa Baker)

Mass Attendance July 29 and 30, 2023

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm had 172 in attendance. Sunday Morning at 8:00 am had 158 in attendance. Sunday Morning at 11:30 am had 194 in attendance.