

**ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**324 W. Bridge Avenue, PO Box 578, Blackwell, OK 74631**  
**310 W. North Avenue, PO Box 525, Tonkawa, OK 74653**

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**December 6/7, 2025**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; 3:1-12**



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**CONFESSIONS**

Blackwell: On Saturdays at 4:30 pm or any time by appointment.

Tonkawa: On Sundays 15-20 minutes before Mass or after.

**ADORATION**

Blackwell: Weekly on Thursdays

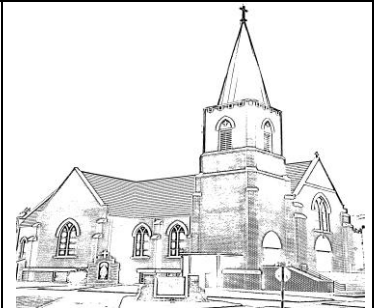
9:00 am - 10:30 am.

Tonkawa: Weekly on Tuesdays

8:30-9:30 am.

**ROSARY**

25 Minutes before all the Masses.



St. Joseph Church, Tonkawa  
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<b>Blackwell</b>	
<b>Sat., Dec. 6, 5:30 pm</b>	<b>Julia Stuever Family – For their health</b>
<b>Sun., Dec. 7, 9:00 am</b>	<b>For the Parish</b>
<b>Mon., Dec.8, 9.00 am</b>	<b>FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>
<b>Wed., Dec. 10, 5:30 pm</b>	<b>†Joseph Mohr</b>
<b>Thu., Dec. 11, 9:00 am</b>	<b>†Maxine Franz</b>
<b>Sat., Dec. 13, 5:30 pm</b>	<b>OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE</b>
<b>Sun., Dec. 14, 9:00 am</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tonkawa</b>	
<b>Sun., Dec. 7, 11:00 am</b>	<b>Sword Family - Blessings</b>
<b>Mon., Dec. 8, 5:30 pm</b>	<b>FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY-Tarrant Family-Blessings</b>
<b>Tues., Dec. 9, 8:15 am</b>	<b>Vazquez Family-Blessings</b>
<b>Wed., Dec. 10, 8:15 am</b>	<b>Vowell Family-Blessings</b>
<b>Sun., Dec. 14, 11:00 am</b>	<b>For the Parish</b>

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:** Is Monday, Dec. 8, 2025. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a Mass in Blackwell at 9.00 am and Mass in Tonkawa at 5.30 pm celebrating this feast.

**OFFERINGS: Blackwell:** Sunday Collection - \$1,382.00; Building Fund – \$147.00; St. Vincent - \$.  
**Tonkawa:** Weekly Collection - \$595.00; Building Fund - \$130.00; Centennial – \$175.00; St.Vincent De Paul - \$. Thank you for your generosity to our parishes.

**TONKAWA PARISH CHRISTMAS POTLUCK & BINGO:** Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> for our annual St. Joseph Parish Christmas Potluck & Bingo. We will gather after Mass to enjoy a meal together as a parish family and then play a few games of bingo. Bingo cards will be \$1.00 each and all proceeds go to the Tonkawa Food Bank. Please bring a dish to share and join us for a fun afternoon.

**POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER:** For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seed of peace, reconciliation and hope.

#### **CHRISTMAS WEEK SCHEDULE**

<b>Monday, Dec. 22, 2025</b> <b>@6:00 pm</b>	<b>Blackwell</b>	<b>Advent Penance Rite</b>
<b>Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2025</b> <b>@7:30 pm</b>	<b>Tonkawa</b>	<b>Christmas Concert followed by Christmas Night Mass</b>
<b>Thursday, Dec, 25, 2025</b> <b>@ 9.00 am</b>	<b>Blackwell</b>	<b>Christmas Day Mass</b>
<b>Thursday, Dec, 25, 2025</b> <b>@ 11.00 am</b>	<b>Tonkawa</b>	<b>Christmas Day Mass</b>

**ADVENT ADULT FAITH FORMATION**-Embark on an Advent Journey through Darkness to the Light of Christ. *Illuminate: A Guided Advent Journal for Prayer and Meditation*, leads you on a four-week journey through darkness to light. Beginning with the prologue of St. John's gospel, he reveals the profound hope found in the Word made flesh—the sacred mystery of the Incarnation. Through daily meditations, reflection questions, prayer, and beautiful artwork, you'll move beyond abstract ideas to discover practical, life-changing ways to recognize and share Christ's light in your everyday life. We will begin in **Tonkawa on Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30PM**. All are welcome. Please let Robyn know if you are interested. Cost of the book is \$8.25. This Advent, step into the light—and let it lead you to deeper hope, faith, and joy.

**CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS:** October 2026 will mark the Centennial of our church building. 1). In preparation for our celebration, we will begin having a 2nd collection every second Sunday of the month. This money will be used to fund centennial projects including, but not limited to, dinners, beautification projects, and expenses for planning. Please keep this in mind as you budget your giving each month. 2). We will need everyone to help out in some capacity to make this celebration great. You will find sign-up sheets at the entrance of the church for committees that need help. Please sign-up for at least one committee. If you have any questions, please call Robyn at (580) 761-6937.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Let us wish Happy Birthday to all who celebrate their birthday during the month of **DECEMBER: (Blackwell)** Dorothy Buellesfeld (12), Alejandro Hernandez (21), Kathy Thomas (18), Guadalupe M., (12), Ken Glass, Frank Moreland, Grace Sawyer, Justin Favela, Fr.Bala (23) and Matt North (29). **(Tonkawa)** Addison Bellinghausen (1); Mary Lou Fath (3); Alyssa Pando (5); Fermin Blackwell (8); Regan Mulligan (9); Roberto Zeledon (9); Karla Guardiola (13); Tim Denning (14); Silvia Pando (14); Evelyn Gottman (15); Tony Guardiola (21); Josette Swanson (22); Fr.Bala (23); Jd Lenzen (30); Ryan Davis (31).