

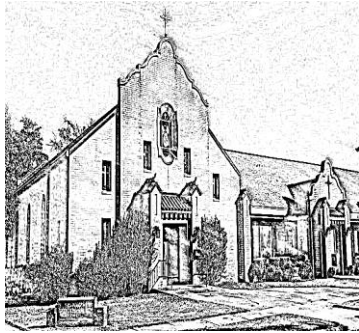
## ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

324 W. Bridge Avenue, PO Box 578, Blackwell, OK 74631  
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December 20/21, 2025  
4th Sunday of Advent

Is 7:10-14; Ro 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24



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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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Blackwell	
Sat., Dec. 20, 5:30 pm	†Cassie Leatherman
Sun., Dec. 21, 9:00 am	†Ken Wilkey
Wed., Dec. 24,	NO MASS
Thu., Dec. 25, 9:00 am	Christmas Day
Sat., Dec. 27, 5:30 pm	†Deacon Bart Brashears
Sun., Dec. 28, 9:00 am	The Holy Family
Tonkawa	
Sun., Dec. 21, 11:00 am	Arlington Family Blessings
Mon., Dec. 22, 8:15 am	Bellinghausen Family - Blessings
Tues., Dec. 23, 8:15 am	Father Bala – Birthday Blessings
Wed., Dec. 24, 7:30 pm	Concert and Christmas Eve Mass
Thu., Dec. 25, 11:00 am	Christmas Day Mass
Sun., Dec. 28, 11:00 am	The Holy Family – For the Parish

**OFFERINGS: Blackwell:** Our Lady of Guadalupe Collection - \$1,021.00; Building Fund – \$149.00; St. Vincent - \$200.00. **Tonkawa:** Weekly Collection - \$1,199.70; Building Fund - \$279.00; Centennial – \$245.00; St. Vincent De Paul - \$50.00. Thank you for your generosity to our parishes.

**ADVENT PENANCE RITE:** Is on Monday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm in Blackwell for all Blackwell & Tonkawa parishioners. Prepare yourself for the birth of Jesus by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**ST JOSEPH'S YOUTH GROUP:** All Tonkawa and Blackwell youth, grades 5-12, are invited to join the St. Joseph Youth Group. The group meets every Wednesday, from 6:30-8:00 pm in the parish hall in Tonkawa. Each meeting begins with a meal. Contact Leslie or Robyn if you can help with a meal for 22.

**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>

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** As we begin to prepare for our church's centennial, we will be updating our Parish Registration records. All parishioners are asked to pick up and fill out a registration form from the table at the back of the church.

**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).

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: (From Blackwell)** Debbie Lehman, Adrian Marra, Katrina Hess, Anthony Bahm, Robert & Kitty Fisher, Samantha Ware, Meredith Sookbang, Kimberly Sookbang, David Bradley, Brandon Ward, Frank Evans, Betty Evans, Danny Cassidy MD, Eddie Zimmerschied, Cindy Yinger, Jacob Marra, Emma Sanchez, Elaine Hooper, Jorje Miranda, Kenneth Cookson, Geraldine Phillips, Mike Thomas, Jo Edmisson, Bill Stone, Maan Amaronte, Steve & Sharon Lanie, Julia Stuever, Lorraine McKain, & Richard Thomas. **(From Tonkawa)** Suzy Lenhart, Tony Janssen, Bill Martin, Alan Reed, Mike Jordan, Dineo Heilmann, AnnMarie Stanford, Malakai Boucherie, Daryl Wayne Scheirman, Travis O'Dell, Teresa Zink, Josette Mimbela, Blake Brown, Travis Parker, David L. Martin, Virginia Combrink, Janelle Elfvin, Charla and Rich Allan, Helen Rogers, Dan Pracht, Ann Thornburgh, Alva Mitchell, Sandra Mitchell, Abby Davis, Tyra Gleason, Mary Poskey, Robin McElroy, Candace Brown, Beverly Mazurier Hinrichs, Barry Kausler, Jill Muegge, Monica Ochoa, and Kristi Neighbors, Paula Jones, Barb Overland, Dorothy Davis, Marilyn Pendleton, Jeff, Madea, Connor, Tanner, Makenzie, Ozzie Davis and all military men and women.

***MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR 2026***