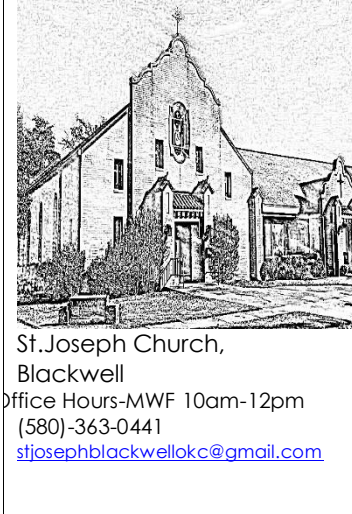


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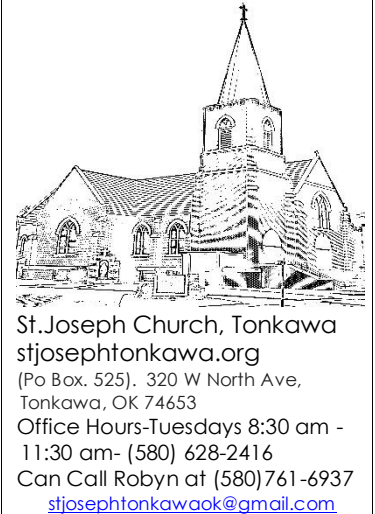
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May 9/10, 2026
The Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1: 17-23; Mt 28:16-20



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.



Blackwell	
Sat., May 9, 5:30 pm	†Frank Moreland
Sun., May 10, 9:00 am	SENIOR SUNDAY & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
Wed., May 13, 5:30 pm	Gary & JoAnn Seeton - Blessings
Thu., May 14, 9:00 am	Easley/Kesinger Family
Sat., May 16, 5:30 pm	†Mary Miller
Sun., May 17, 9:00 am	GR & Julie Anderson Family - Blessings
Tonkawa	
Sun., May 10, 11:00 am	All the Souls in Purgatory
Mon., May 11, 8:15 am	Swords Family-Blessings
Tue., May 12, 8:15 am	Tarrant Family-Blessings
Wed., May 13, 8:15 am	Manny Vazquez Family-Blessings
Sun., May 17, 11:00 am	For the Parish

OFFERINGS: Blackwell: Sunday Collection - \$1,301.00; Building Fund – \$125.00; St. Vincent - \$39.00.**Tonkawa:** Weekly Collection - \$1039; Building Fund \$; Centennial –\$10.00; St.Vincent De Paul - \$. Thank you for your generosity to our parishes.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD: Celebrates the rising of Christ to heaven after his Resurrection, witnessed by the Apostles. His return marked the exaltation of Christ to the right hand of God, where Jesus' supremacy over all creation was revealed. Formally celebrated on the sixth Thursday after Easter, it has been moved to the Sixth Sunday of Easter. It is one of the principal feast days of the Christian year and is for Catholics, a Holy Day of Obligation.

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations to Julian Zeledon who received the Sacrament of Confirmation at St. Mary's last week. May the Holy Spirit continue to work and dwell with him in all he does.

CENTENNIAL MASS MISSALETTE COVER: We welcome ideas from parishioners of all ages for the front cover of the Centennial Mass missalette. You do not have to be an artist to participate. Please see the full notice in the vestibule for details.

CENTENNIAL COOKBOOK: Lori Evans is putting together a Centennial Cookbook. So gather those yummy recipes that have been a staple in your families for generations and share them with us.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: We are currently awaiting to be assigned one more day for pictures for the pictorial directory. If you wish to be included in the directory, please contact Leslie Young, 405-880-5973 or Robin Caughlin in Tonkawa. Just for participating, you will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a church directory. You will view your images immediately after having your picture taken away and will have the opportunity to purchase additional photos.

ST. JOSEPH YOUTH GROUP: All Youth, grades 5-12 are invited to attend the St. Joseph Youth Group. The group meets every Wednesday from 6:30-8:00 pm. We begin each night with dinner. If you would like to help with a dinner, please contact Robyn.

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.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION 2026 GROUP: The Bible timeline: The Story of Salvation. The Bible Study group is taking a two-week break. The next study group will be Sunday, May 31st, at 5:30 pm.

POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTION: That everyone might have food. Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

MAY BIRTHDAYS: (BLACKWELL) Liliana O. (18), JoAnna O. (18), Laura Ramirez, Julia Stuever, Leslie Young (20), Kitty Fisher, Jim Zink (20), Samantha Hill (30), Elaine Hooper (21), Kaitlyn Rios (8), Kevin Rios (8), Jacob Jackson (13), Katina North, (24), Lydia Glass (27), Mike Jackson, Vicki Ingram (26). **(TONKAWA)** Melinda Glasgow (1); Amber Jarrett (7); Mark Tarrant (10); Kevin Rothgeb (15); Evan Glasgow (17); Gloria Reyes (17); Cody Rothgeb (17); Kennedy Stanford (19); Jimmy Zink (20); Kevin Jarrett (21); James Rothgeb (26); Kira Pendleton (27); Juaquin Pando (30).

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: (From Blackwell) Mary Burns, Charles Stuever, Adrian Marra, Robert & Kitty Fisher, Samantha Ware, Meredith Sookbang, Kimberly Sookbang, Betty Evans, Eddie Zimmerschied, Jacob Marra, Emma Sanchez, Elaine Hooper, Jorje Miranda, Kenneth Cookson, Geraldine Phillips, Mike & Kathy Thomas, Jo Edmisson, Bill Stone, Maan Amaronte, Sharon Lanie, Julia Stuever, Lorraine McKain, & Richard Thomas. **(From Tonkawa)** Mike Jordan, Dineo Heilmann, AnnMarie Stanford, Malakai Boucherie, 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, Abby Davis, Tyra Gleason, Mary Poskey, Robin McElroy, Candace Brown, Beverly Mazurier Hinrichs, Barry Kausler, 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.