

Dear St. John's Family,

A brief reflection from your teacherly priest as the school year begins:

7:15am – "Does everyone have a water bottle? Ian and Ez, grab two snacks. No, you can't have Olive's gluten-free snacks. Esther—do you have your volleyball jersey? Whose shoes are on the floor? Boys, go brush your teeth! You better finish that breakfast or you're taking it with you, friend. Who's turn is it to sweep the floor? Esther, go start the car and load backpacks. Wait...Ez, you still have a worksheet you haven't done?!???"

7:28am – "Does everyone have a water bottle? Ian and Ez, grab two snacks. No, you can't have Olive's gluten-free snacks. Esther—do you have your volleyball jersey? Who's shoes are in the floor? Boys, go brush your teeth! You better finish that breakfast, or you're taking it with you, friend. Who's turn is it to sweep the floor? Esther, go start the car and load backpacks. Wait...Ez, you still have a worksheet you haven't done?!???"

7:31am – Third time. Except now we're in the car having the same convo with *High School Musical* playing in the background.

Welcome to the Carr family breakfast, friends. Somewhere in there we've hopefully said a prayer, read half a verse of Scripture, and checked the driveway for dropped lunchboxes before tearing off down Classen Boulevard. School has officially returned! #livingthedream #maybewinning

It's hard to capture the whole of my hopes for education, and maybe hard to apply to breakfast banter, but it's import covers everything in life like a nighttime snow envelops a city in its unique silence of the next morning. If we could just slow it all down and revel a minute. As an optimist bordering on utopist, I'd like our mornings together as a family to be something like a Julie Andrews moment—Nate, Sarah, and children running up a beautiful hill in Salzberg singing something like, "Our studies are alive with the sound of unfailing joy!!!!"

I fear that the daily reality is much closer to my opening comments. But therein lies joy as well, quite honestly. God meets us at every step of the way.

Here's to another year of Sunday School, outreach, and joy at St. John's, whether you have kids in school or not.

May God continue to bless our church,

Nate+

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT: We have moved into the 21st Century! Starting on Sunday, September 4, (THIS PAST SUNDAY) we began broadcasting our Live Stream video services on the St. John's website. THE SERVICES WILL NO LONGER BE AVAILABLE ON FACEBOOK. Here are your instructions to connect to and watch the Live Streaming of all services on the St. John's website.



Step 1: Go to the St. John's Church Homepage at <u>stjohnsokc.org</u>.

Step 2: As circled here in red, hover your cursor over the word "Resources" in the top right corner of the tabs and a drop-down menu will appear.



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Step 3: On the drop-down menu, find "Watch Live" on the list and click on it. It will open the live video page for you.

Step 4: The "Watch Live" page will open and look like this. Scroll down to the lower portion of the page to see the video.





Step 5: This is what the page will look like if the live streaming has not started. If the service has started, you will be connected to the video in real time. On the video screen, you will be able to adjust to full screen as in any other video.

**NOTE:** You can try this process at any time. It won't hurt a thing. Note that on the "Watch Live" page, you will see a ticker that indicates how much time until the next service (or upcoming event that may be live streamed) starts. You will also see that you can scroll further down on this page, pull up a Bible verse by selecting the Book, chapter, then version of the Bible you prefer.

Also NOTE: the Welcome video you see in Step 5 will continue to rotate at all times. This is normal so you will know that the service hasn't started when you find the Welcome video scrolling.

We will be learning more about this asset so that we can use this website feature in a number of ways. Stay tuned as we continue to refine our technical skills.





Construction on the Dog Park started on August 30, 2022

Mark your calendar for the Grand Opening, 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 9

Blessing of the Animals Blessing of the New Park Ribbon Cutting

Enjoy food trucks, dog treat and stuff truck(s), obedience training demos, and a walk in the park!

# September and October Evening Services and Events

Beginning in September, we will have a service on each Wednesday night, beginning with the First Wednesday Evening Eucharist on the first Wednesday of each month, and including Feast Days and Evening Prayer on all other Wednesdays. Please review the list below for all dates in September and October.

NOTE: Please remember that all services and activities are listed on the St. John's OKC "Calendar" (under "Connect") at Events Calendar | St. John's Oklahoma City (stjohnsokc.org)



#### **Recurring Events - Summer Schedule**

Second Sunday of Month - following service - Daughters of the King Healing Service with Holy Unction - Nave

Second Sunday of Month - 11:30 am Daughters of the King Meeting - Parlor
Fourth Sunday of Month - 11:30 am Bishop's Committee Meeting - Parlor
Mondays and Wednesdays - 11:00 to 4:00 CAIR Refugee Resource Center - School Annex
Tuesdays and Thursdays - 9:30 to 3:30 Hickman Music School in session - School Annex
Wednesday Evenings - 5:30 pm Wednesday Eucharists and Evening Prayer

# Wednesday Evenings - 7:00 pm Choir Practice Thursday Evenings - 6:30 pm Tai Chi

Second Saturday of Month - 8:00 am Brotherhood of St. Andrew - Parlor

#### **Office Hours**

## Tuesday through Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 3:00

(or by appointment)

(If you have a recurring event that you would like added to this posting, please contact Nancy at stjohnsokc@yahoo.com or 405-943-8548.)

### **September Birthdays and Anniversaries**

#### **Birthdays**

- 1 Doug Rogez
- 2 Carol Wolf
- 2 Kyle Chai
- 2 Birch Kolb
- 9 Debra Martin-Barber
  - 11 David Kolb
- 12 Robert Ferguson III
  - 13 Bob Wynn
  - 14 Sarah Greenley
  - 16 Caroline Tant
  - 19 Austin Greaves
  - 19 Liam Faircloth
  - 22 Trish Morgan
  - 22 Eli Mooney
  - 23 Jay Johnson
  - 24 Paul Dolese
- 30 Adeline Hanneman
  - 30 Ernest Brewer

#### **Anniversaries**

21 - Steve & Dana Orwig

#### **COVID Protocols**

The Bishop's Committee, in keeping with the recommendations of the CDC and the Diocese of Oklahoma, has returned all services and activities to pre-COVID status. We are continuing to live-stream for those still viewing at home, but we would love to see you back in the pews now that all is better. We have returned to coffee hour in Wade-Dalton Hall and are serving wine at Eucharist. We heartily welcome those who wish to continue wearing masks inside the church, but we will leave that choice to each individual/family.

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