



Visitation Catholic Church 2014-15 Overview



Religious Education

This year we were blessed with an Outstanding Assistant Director, 7 Exceptional Teachers, 2 Amazing Assistants and a number of Fabulous Substitutes committed to the care and nurturing the faith of **70 children** in our PreK-8th Grade RE classes. Highlights included our annual Ice Cream Social, singing in the mass in the Christmas Season and ending with the reception after First Holy Communion. It has been a fantastic year!

Sacramental Prep

- Baptism: **17 Infants & children** under 7 years of age were received into the Body of Christ through the waters of Baptism
- First Communion: **28 Children** (from both Religious Ed and VCSA) prepared for their First Holy Communion through regular classes and three retreats led by their teachers and attended with their parents.
- Confirmation: **7 Teens and 2 Adults** prepared for and received the completion of their Sacraments of Initiation (begun in Baptism) with the prayer and anointing of the Holy Spirit by Bishop Elizondo.

RCIA/RCIC

- 4 Adults and 2 Children received all 3 Sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation & Holy Eucharist
- 2 Adults Professed their Faith becoming Catholics, receiving: Confirmation & Holy Eucharist
- 1 Adult previously Baptized Catholic received: Confirmation & Holy Eucharist
- 1 Adult completed Sacraments of Initiation receiving: Confirmation

Youth Group

This is the first year for our Youth Group and we have had a great year! **25 Teens and 5 Adults** strong, meeting once a week, having fun and learning more about our faith. We sang at nursing homes and helped the Knights with their Spaghetti Dinner. 8 Teens and 3 Adults attended Ignite Your Torch (July 2014) and we're looking forward to going again this summer!

Parish Events

- 2 Music in the Park with Seminarian Tyler Johnson and Kristen Mellis (about 30-40 attended each)
- Eucharistic Hour of Prayer in Solidarity with Oklahoma Archdiocese (about 50 attended)
- 6 Talks by Mark Shea (3 in Sept, 3 in December: Between 12-75 attended)
- 3-Day Mission with the Angel Priests (Opus Sanctum Angelorum: about 40 attended each)
- Parish Day of Reflection (about 45 attended); "Immaculee Video Testimony" (about 150 attended)

For this year of incredible blessing and growth, the following scripture rings true for our Parish:

The one who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God, for the administration of this public service is not only supplying the needs of the holy ones but is also overflowing in many acts of thanksgiving to God. Through the evidence of this service, you are glorifying God for your obedient confession of the gospel of Christ and the generosity of your contribution to them and to all others, while in prayer on your behalf they long for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Thank you to all in the Parish
For your generosity of time, talent, treasure and prayer
Thanks be to God!