

Bulletin for the Catholic Parishes of Oklee, Grygla, and Goodridge

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Confessions: 15 minutes before Mass
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SAFE ENVIRONMENT

NOTE: If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. Red Lake County Sheriff at 218-253-2996, Pennington County Sheriff at 218-681-6161, Marshall County Sheriff at 218-745-5411. In addition, the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

Oklee	Sunday	12/31/23	8:00 a.m.	Steve Morinville
Grygla	Sunday	12/31/23	10:15 a.m.	For the People
Goodridge	Sunday	12/31/23	12:00 p.m.	Joe Mutnansky
Grygla	Monday	01/01/24	10:00 a.m.	†Joyce Biegler
Oklee	Monday	01/01/24	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention
Grygla	Tuesday	01/02/24	5:30 p.m.	Theresa Sorenson
Oklee	Wednesday	01/03/24	8:00 a.m.	Bishop Strickland
Oklee	Thursday	01/04/24	8:00 a.m.	Wyatt Buer
Oklee	1st Saturday	01/06/24	4:00 p.m.	Fr.'s Intention
Oklee	Sunday	01/07/24	8:00 a.m.	For the People
Goodridge	Sunday	01/07/24	10:00 a.m.	Tim & Paulette Kassa
Grygla	Sunday	01/07/24	11:45 a.m.	Cooper Tietz

CLERGY COLUMN

Merry Christmas, everyone!

Another great year in the books! Between our three parishes we had some great celebrations over the past year, including three high school students receiving the sacrament of Confirmation, six elementary students receiving their first Reconciliation and first Communion, two weddings, three baptisms, a very long sermon series about the Kerygma (Lent/Easter), a shorter sermon series about the Eucharist (October), and some other exciting things. Of course, we had a few funerals, too, and continued to pray for the faithful departed. We also saw our overall Mass attendance increase for the second consecutive year - good news!

I'm excited to tell you about a sermon series coming up in just a couple of weeks. Each year there is a little chunk of Ordinary Time between the Christmas season and Lent, and this year I felt inspired to take the five Sundays and use them for a sermon series on the State of the Church. We all know about the State of the Union Address given by the President most years, intended to speak about the current condition of the United States (whether this ends up being the final focus of the Address is a separate topic that isn't going to be addressed in this bulletin article). I am hoping this series will be a time for us to take a look at the Catholic Church around the country and around the world, to get a good look at the past, current, and future state of affairs.

Maybe this series is inspired by the upcoming election (surely a time when many people will be "on edge" this Fall), maybe it's simply that I see a few different things happening in the Church that deserve our attention, or maybe the Lord inspired me for various reasons - whatever the reason, I hope these five weeks can be a time for us to grow in our understanding of the universality of the Catholic Church. The Church is certainly not limited to just our three little towns or even to our little diocese in northwestern Minnesota, but it expands throughout our country and our world. Sometimes we can get so wrapped up into our own parishes that we might lose sight of the bigger picture, a picture which is sometimes very bright and other times a bit dark. To be sure, some parts of this series will be a bit uncomfortable and unpleasant for all of us because there are real struggles and failures that need to be addressed. I'll always make sure to use appropriate language for the sake of little ears in our congregations, even while mentioning some very difficult things to mention. There will also be, I hope, some pleasant things to share about the current state of the Church, which may provide us with encouragement, hope, and determination for the future.

The series will begin on Sunday, January 14th, and will continue for five Sundays - leading right up to Ash Wednesday and the season of Lent. While the series is still a work in progress, I anticipate not preaching about the Scripture readings during Mass. I'd invite you to check out my Bible Study that I post on YouTube each week, focusing on and explaining the Sunday readings. You can find that by going to this website: youtube.com/@fatherbryankujawa. If you are traveling for a weekend and need to go to Mass at a different church, you can also find my homilies on our parish website: oggcatholic.org/homilies-audio.html or on any podcast app that you might use. (I know some of you don't have the internet - I appreciate that and congratulate you.)

May the Lord give you his peace!
Fr. Bryan

Pray for our parishioners who have been away from the sacraments.

Pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all of us.





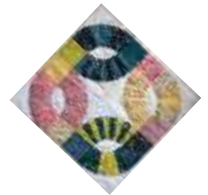
Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Red Lake Falls is inviting you to a Mercy Hour with Bishop Cozzens, Sunday, January 14, 2024, at 3:00 PM. Mercy Hours are services of healing for marriages and families. - married, single, divorced, widowed – every person belongs to a family and has a place in this experience. Mercy Hours include exposition/adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a talk by Bishop Cozzens, prayers and intercessions, music and prayer stations all culminating in an intimate moment of a Eucharistic encounter offered for you as an individual, a couple or as a family. Saint Joseph's is located at 112 Edward St NE, Red Lake Falls, MN.

*St. Michael, the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our safeguard against
the wickedness and snares
of the devil.
May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray;
and do you,
O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God
cast into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits
who wander through the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.*

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
Prayer Blankets
You Matter. We care. You are not alone.

There are prayer blankets in the back of the church for those whom are sick, suffering or dying. Please sign the book to whom it is given to so we know who the prayers are for.

Thank you!!



St Francis Xavier's

Sunday, December 31, 2023
Sacristan: Brady
Lector:: Gerri
Counters: Margaret & Linda

Sunday, January 7, 2024
Sacristan: Margaret Buer
Lector:: Paul Cyr
Counters: Anne & Dolores

Sunday, January 14, 2024
Sacristan: Mary Lynn
Lector:: Jacob
Counters: Margaret & Lora



St Ann's

Sunday, December 31, 2023
Lector:: Carol
Counters: Audrey & Marie

Sunday, January 7, 2024
Lector:: Paula
Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, January 14, 2024
Lector:: Carol
Counters: Audrey & Marie

Sunday, January 21, 2024
Lector:: Paula
Counters: Deb & Maggie



St Clement's

Sunday, December 31, 2023
Lector:: Laurie

Sunday, January 7, 2024
Lector:: Gary

Sunday, January 14, 2024
Lector:: Robbie

Sunday, January 21, 2024
Lector:: Dawn

Sunday, January 28, 2024
Lector:: Jim C.





Christmas Flowers Memorials

David & MaryLynn Bachand

Onezime & Mae Bachand
Tut & Mary Marvin
Buzz Marvin
Charles Bachand

Mike & Audrey Bachand

Therese (LaPlante) Maxson
Mike LaPlante
Lois Jahnke
Charles Bachand
Onezime Bachand
Mae Bachand
Richard Rolfson
Ernest LaPlante

Recently Deceased Loved Ones

†Iona Berry
†Kim Johs
†Elias Abboud
†Audrey Martell
†Harold Cyr
†Judie Hendrickson
†Alden Morinville
†Kathleen Erickson
†Joseph Cullen
†Laura Nadeau
†Lucy Christianson
†Vernon Rogalla
†Donovan Stoneouse
†Adelore Plante
†Richard Perreault
†Cecelia Christianson
†Corlan Magnell Klein-
schmidt
†Judy Zavoral
†Dean Lambert
†Richard Bronken
†Jerome Carriere
†Gary Paquin
†Gayle Radniecki Grossman
†Delores Longtin
†Lorraine Cote
†Lorraine LaCoursiere
†Tony Weber
†Matt Genova
†Elaine Radniecki
†Richard Rolfson
†Gary LaCoursiere

Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Delton Sebenaler
Donnie Tougas
Kenneth LaCoursiere
Shirley Dessellier
Michael Bachand
Annette LaCoursiere
Debra Olson
Ambrose Beaudoin
Steve Sebenaler
Don LaCoursiere
Cindy Deterrman
Marie Adams
Grace Rundell
MaryAnn Lambert
Bailey Herried Drotts
George Pittman
Bambi Lambert
Doris Dessellier
Danielle Swanson
Mark Stromberg
Sylvia Remick Morey
Penny Kalar
Jo Lambert
Tony Radniecki
Bob Radniecki
Darren Tougas
Rick Dulka
Richard Bourque
Jude Syvertson
Mary Radniecki
Dave Zavoral
Bernadette Lambert-
Daymunde
Josie Rodriguez
Jake Martell
Roy Rystad
Dave Longtin, Shorty
Bonnie Cote
Joyce Tougas
Brad Gunderson
Brian Peterson
Jim Carriere
Antoinette Holtusen
Roger Lambert
Theresa Mutnansky
Carolyn Pittman
Shirley Cyr
Cliff Melby
Jack Miller
Mike Dessellier
Joel Schmitz
Lacy Knott
Jim Knott
Julie Paquin
Adam Cwikla
Tyler Larson (deployed)
Theresa Sorenson

Anyone wishing to have a MASS offered for a loved one, living or deceased, you may leave name and the customary donation of \$10.00 in the offering basket in an envelope.

TITHING

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

Dec 23, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$ 3455.00
Christmas Flowers	\$40.00
Christmas Collection	\$425.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$148.00</u>
Total	\$ 4068.00

Dec 24, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$709.00
Christmas Collection	\$3057.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$1207.00</u>
Total	\$ 4973.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge

Dec 24, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$445.00
Christmas Mass	\$315.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$20.00</u>
Total	\$780.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

Dec 25, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$.00
Christmas Flowers	\$.00
Endowment for Priests	\$.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$.00</u>
Total	\$.00

Say Hello!

