

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

Contact Information

Clergy: Fr. Adam Hamness
frhamness@oggcatholic.org

Bookkeeper/Secretary: Deb Whalen
parishstaff@oggcatholic.org

Address: Post Office Box 126
301 Governor Street
Oklee, MN 56742

Website: www.oggcatholic.org

Telephone: (218) 796-5844

Emergency Line: (218) 209-2686

Office Hours

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 a.m. — 3:30 p.m.

Thursday 8:30 a.m. — 11:30a.m.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday: Noon

CLERGY COLUMN

Happy Father's Day!

**"When I was a boy of 14,
my father was so ignorant,
I could hardly stand to
have the old man around.**

**But when I got to be 21,
I was astonished at how
much the old man had
learned in seven years."**

—MARK TWAIN



- Jack Thomas Scheef was Baptized yesterday afternoon in Grygla! We congratulate Jack, as well as his mom and dad, Kaylani and Cole, and his big brother, James, too!
- Parish Council/Finance Council meetings coming up, please see the dates inside the bulletin. The meetings are at 7:00 pm and Mass will be offered beforehand at 6:30.

St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee

Mass Times Confessions

Sun:	8:00 a.m.	7:30 a.m.
Tues:	8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.
Wed:	8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.
Thurs:	8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.

St. Clement Parish in Grygla

Mass Times Confessions

Sun:	11:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
------	------------	------------

St. Ann Parish in Goodridge

Mass Times Confessions

Sun:	10:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.
------	------------	-----------

St. Joseph, the Father's Day Saint



St. Joseph is the patron saint of fathers, and the ideal saint to feature for Father's Day. As the step father of Jesus, the Messiah, and the husband of Mary, the Blessed Mother, Joseph stands out as the father above all other fathers in the New Testament. It was an indescribable honor for him to stand in for God the Father to bring up the Son of God. In order to respond to such a high calling, Joseph lived an exemplary life, and set the standard for every father who came after him. Fathers who want to live their vocation well should take their cues from Joseph.

St. Matthew paid Joseph a great compliment when he describe him as a "righteous man" (Mt 1:19). A righteous person pays extra special care to observe God's laws. Joseph kept God first at all times. He obeyed the Commandments. He spoke reverently and respectfully about God. He did not curse and swear. He was in the custom of attending the synagogue every Sabbath (Lk 4:16),

and he went to the Temple in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover every year (Lk 2:41). He spoke the truth and was faithful in marriage. Modern-day fathers should strive to imitate Joseph and be righteous and upright in the same ways.

An angel appeared to Joseph several times, first to tell him to take Mary as his wife (Mt 1:20), then to flee to Egypt (Mt 2:13), and finally to return home to Israel (Mt 2:19-20). The angel represented God, so every time the angel spoke it was really God who was speaking. Joseph listened attentively, trusted God's word, and did exactly what God wanted without delay. This is a high standard for the father's of today, but Joseph is living proof that it is possible to listen to God, trust, and obey.

Religious artists frequently portray Joseph holding the child Jesus tenderly in his arms. The spirituality behind these magnificent art pieces presumes that Joseph spent quality time with his son; had a

deep affection for him; and displayed his love with his warm, gentle, respectful physical touch and embrace. Modern dads, please do not be afraid to show your love to your sons and daughters. Hug your children as infants, youngsters, adolescents, and adults. Do not leave any doubt in their minds that you love them. Give them your time and your full attention. Let them know of your deep affection.

Joseph was a carpenter (Mt 13:55), or more likely, a stone mason or construction worker, an industrious person and an extremely diligent worker. Religious artists often depict Jesus and his father Joseph working together in the carpenter's shop. Joseph took the time to teach his son the skills of the trade; he was his teacher, mentor, and role model. Dads, spend time with your children working on projects. Give them good example. Provide sound advice. Teach them what you know. Set them on the right path to be good Christians and make constructive contributions to society. Joseph is the patron saint of fathers. May his holy life and great deeds be an example to inspire the fathers of today.

Father Michael Van Sloun is pastor of St. Stephen in Anoka.



Oklee	Sunday	06/20/21	8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	06/20/21	10:00 a.m.	Steve Novak
Grygla	Sunday	06/20/21	11:45 a.m.	† Lawrence Kiesow
Oklee	Tuesday	06/22/21	8:00 a.m.	†Jim Dulka
Oklee	Wednesday	06/23/21	8:00 a.m.	†Bill Brown
Pioneer	Wednesday	6/23/21	10:00 a.m.	Private
Oklee	Thursday	06/24/21	8:00 a.m.	†Jim Lussier
Oklee	Friday	06/25/21	8:00 a.m.	Tony Weber
Oklee	Sunday	06/27/21	8:00 a.m.	† Dick Bott
Goodridge	Sunday	06/27/21	10:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Grygla	Sunday	06/27/21	11:45 a.m.	† Elias Abboud

Parish & Finance Council Meetings Schedule

St Francis Xavier ~ Oklee	Wednesday	June 30	7:00 p.m.
St. Clement ~ Grygla	Tuesday	July 6	7:00 p.m.
St. Ann ~ Goodridge	Wednesday	July 7	7:00 p.m.

The Earliest Known Prayer to St. Joseph (Circa 50 A.D.)

O St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.
O St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers.
O St. Joseph, I never tire of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss his fine head for me, and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath.
St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.

Tithing St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee June 13, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$1340.00
Flowers for Altar	\$5.00
Retired Priests	\$5.00
Endowment Priests	\$5.00
Loose Plate	\$67.00
Total	\$1422.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge June 06, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$435.00
Ladies Aid	\$300.00
Loose Plate	\$84.00
Total	\$819.00

June 13, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$600.00
Loose Plate	\$10.00
Total	\$610.00

St. Clement's in Grygla June 13, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$400.00
Retired Priests	\$25.00
Total	\$425.00



St Francis Xavier's Oklee, MN

Sunday, June 20, 2021
Lector: David Bachand

Sunday, June 27, 2021
Lector: Bob Melby

Sunday, July 4, 2021
Lector: Paul Cyr

St Ann's Goodridge, MN

Sunday, June 20, 2021
Lector: Eliza

Sunday, June 27, 2021
Lector: Carol

Sunday, July 4, 2021
Lector: Eliza

St Clement's Grygla, MN

Sunday, June 20, 2021
Lector: Laurie

Sunday, June 27, 2021
Lector: Daniel

Sunday, July 4, 2021
Lector: Dawn

Weekly Reflections

“He asked them, *Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?*” – MARK 4:40

Do you really trust God? Is God your first choice or last resort? Is your faith something you just do on Sunday or do you live the Gospel message every day of the week? Many of us know about God. How many of us have a personal relationship with Him? Start now, open your heart to receive our Lord. Talk and listen to Him throughout the day, in all circumstances.



PICNIC IN THE PARK

Middle River/Thief Lake Living at Home Invites you to a picnic June 24th 12:00 (noon) - 3:00 p.m. at

Middle River City Park (Hwy 32 by the Goose sign)

Entertainment by Cathy Erickson

Burgers, Brats, & Salads



Let's have a great big get together picnic party!

RSVP by June 18th by calling MR/TL at Home 222-4466

We are the Hands of Christ

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, a new neighbor, a new work colleague, a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home?

Many of us probably do a much better job at this. When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded.

A simple “hello” goes a long way.



Recently Deceased Loved Ones

†Joey Johnson
†Allen Paquin
†Chris Tougas
†Larry O'Neill
†Yvonne Boucher
†Bonnie Buchmeier
†Janet Pearson
†David Dessellier
†Rita Bonagura Vaughn
†Ann Peterson
†Irene Dessellier
†Floyd Neuschwander
†Ted Lussier
†LaVonne Radniecki
†Brigitta Dobmeier
†Mary Jean Altendorf
†Mike Bourque
†Florence Dunham
†Betty Barsness
†Floyd Charest
†Jim Dulka
†Avis Frazer
†Loretta Stucy
†Tom Toulouse
†Marlyn Dessellier
†Gerald Cote
†Phyllis Martell
†Theresa “Bergeron” Lucken
†Jerome Hruby
†Irene Kiesow
†Donnie Knutson
†Ron Rustan
†Joan Carpenter
†Leroy Irlbeck
†Lowell Smeby
†Dorothy Plante
†Jim Lussier
†Tim Whalen
†Iona Berry
†Kim Johs

Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Delton Sebenaler
Donnie Tougas
Kenneth LaCoursiere
Shirley Dessellier
Michael Bachand
Annette LaCoursiere
Debra Olson
Jack Miller
Ambrose Beaudoin
Steve Sebenaler
Don LaCoursiere
Cindy Deterrman
Marie Adams
Grace Rundell
MaryAnn Lambert
Bailey Herried Drotts
George Pittman
Bambi Lambert
Lucille Christianson
Doris Dessellier
Danielle Swanson
Mark Stromberg
Sylvia Remick Morey
Penny Kalar
Jo Lambert
Richard Perreault
Tony Radniecki
Darren Tougas
Elaine Radniecki
Bob Radniecki
Rick Dulka
Greg Whalen
Richard Bourque
Tony Weber

