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

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SAFF 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).



CLERGY COLUMN

Happy Lord's Day!

It seems like bulletins have been more infrequent the past month or so, with different traveling and scheduling going on. As I look at my calendar, things appear to be in the process of slowing down quite a bit. Of course, you can always feel free to add a meal or a visit to my schedule. :) I know I didn't quite make it to every house for a blessing during Lent.

We have completed faith formation for the year for all students in our parishes! A big "Thank You" to all those who have helped to provide formation for our students. Of course, hopefully we all know that the parents of each child have the very large responsibility of being the first catechist for their children in the faith and I sure hope our parents are taking that role seriously. It's a tall task to have children in this world, but surely the Lord will supply for our needs if only we rely on Him. We have four students between Oklee and Grygla who received the Sacrament of Confirmation yesterday, Saturday, the 11th, in Red Lake Falls. Please pray for them.

The month of May is dedicated to the honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, as so many months are. I'm currently considering the time of the year we have in the northern part of the northern hemisphere - a time for people set aside to tidy up their yards and make everything look beautiful: April showers bring May flowers, as the saying goes. Anyway, I also think of the many statues of Mary that people have in a prominent place in their yards - this could be a good time of the year to clean the statue and the surrounding area, to really let these statues be displayed with greater elegance and beauty, in honor of the Blessed Mother. And as we anticipate celebrating Mothers' Day, wouldn't it also be most fitting to celebrate by praying a rosary on that day in honor of the Mother of our Savior?

We also have the two great Solemnities at the end of the Easter Season, the Ascension and Pentecost. The Ascension should be celebrated on Thursday, the 9th, but is instead moved by our bishop to today, Sunday the 12th, so that we don't end up with an extra Holy Day of Obligation. Pentecost is called by some the birthday of the Church, for it is only when the Holy Spirit descends that the Apostles and others are emboldened to go and preach and teach in the name of Jesus, something like birthing the Church into the public world. I think it's a great day for us to reflect on the action of God in our lives, whether we have been transformed by grace - more on this next week in the homily.

Speaking of Pentecost, the Dioceses of Crookston and Duluth are having a joint event in Bemidji next weekend for the Eucharistic Revival. There are going to be great speakers at the Sanford Center, starting on Friday and going all day on Saturday. More than 2000 people are registered and more are invited. If you'd like to go, let me know and I'll help you register (I think you can also register at the door). The event concludes with Pentecost Mass at Itasca State Park on Sunday and a Eucharistic Procession that will eventually make its way all the way to Indianapolis in July - wild! You just may want to be part of that Mass and Procession.

May the Lord give you his peace! Fr. Bryan



How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.



St. Francis Xavier will be honoring Jennifer Johnson and Tatum Melby, on May 19, who were recently confirmed, and there will also be a baccalaureate blessing for Jennifer Johnson, RLCC graduating Senior.

<u>Coffee and rolls</u> celebrating these young women will be served following Mass <u>on Sunday,</u> <u>May 19th.</u> All are welcome.





St Francis Xavier's

Sunday, May 12, 2024 Sacristan: Phyllis Lector:: Bob

Counters: Mary Anne & Jan

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Sacristan: Margaret Lector:: Jan Dulka

Counters: Anne H Delores G

Sunday, May 26, 2024 Sacristan: Mary Lynn Lector:: Paul Cyr

Counters: Linda & Margaret

St Ann's

Sunday, May 12, 2024

Lector: Karyl

Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Lector:: Carol

Counters: Marie & Audrey

Sunday, May 26, 2024

Lector:: Paula

Counters: Deb & Maggie

St Clement's

Sunday, May 12, 2024

Lector: Jim C

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Lector: Laurie

Sunday, May 19, 2024

Lector: Gary

Sunday, May 26, 2024

Lector: Robbie

Sunday, June 2, 2024

Lector: Dawn

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.





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.

Pray For Those Who

Are Sick

Recently Deceased Loved Ones †Lucy Christianson †Vernon Rogalla †Donovan Stoneouse †Adelore Plante †Richard Perreault †Cecelia Christianson †Corlan Magnell Kleinschmidt †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 †Theresa Sorenson †Julie Paquin

†Frankie Cyr

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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 bas ket in an envelope.

Darren Tougas Richard Bourque Rick Dulka

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St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

April 28, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$655.00
Endowment Priests	\$10.00
Home Missions	\$35.00
Loose Plate	\$20.00
Total	\$1046.00

May 5, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$2565.00
Endowment Priests	\$28.00
Flowers for Altar	\$10.00
Catholic University	\$10.00
Loose Plate	\$40.00
Total	\$2653.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge

April 28, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$406.00
Loose Plate	\$30.00
Total	\$436.00

May 5, 2024

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St. Clement's in Grygla

April 28, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$285.00
Home Missions	\$55.00
Loose Plate	\$145.00
Total	\$485.00

May 5, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$625.00
Endowment Priests	\$.00
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Total	\$665.00