# 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# February 11, 2018

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

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# Clergy Column

On Tuesday we have a special day with many different names. The more exuberant and florid cultures in Europe, like the Italians, French, and Spanish, have traditionally known this day as "Carnival," "Fat Tuesday," or "Mardi Gras." This was meant to be a day of celebration and festivity, a day to polish off the last of your Christmas goodies, so that they wouldn't spoil during Lent, or heaven-forbid, tempt you during Lent.

In the more sober-minded places in Europe (like England, Scandinavia, Poland, or Germany) Tuesday is known as "Shrove Tuesday." Shrive is an old-fashioned word for confessing one's sins. It is encouraged to "be shriven" on this day, so as to begin the penitential season with a clean soul, ready and willing to engage in prayer, fasting, and, almsgiving.

On Wednesday, there are two Masses, at which there will be the traditional ceremony of having ashes placed on your forehead as a sign of penitence. These Masses will be in 5:00 p.m. in Oklee and 7:30 p.m. in Grygla. The following day (Thursday) there will be a special Mass with the imposition of ashes at 6:30 p.m. in Goodridge.

### Weekly Schedule

St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee		St. Clement Parish in Grygla			St. Ann Parish in Goodridge			
	<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>		<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>		<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun:	8:00 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	Sun:	11:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.	Sun.	10:00 a.m.	9:45 p.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.						
Fri:	8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.						
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# World Day of the Sick February 11, 2018

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Mater Ecclesiae: "Behold, your son... Behold, your mother. And from that hour the disciple took her into his home" (Jn 19:26-27). Pope John Paul II initiated the day in 1992 to encourage people to pray for those who suffer from illness and for their caregivers. The Pope himself had been diagnosed with Parkinson's a year before, in 1991, and it is considered that his own illness was impetus for his designation of the day.

World Day of the Sick was first observed on February 11, 1993. February 11 is also the Catholic Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, which a name is given to the Virgin Mary in honor of the apparitions that were said to have been seen in and around Lourdes, France, by a young girl called Bernadette Soubirous. The Church canonized Bernadette as a saint several years later.

# Prince of Peace

"If Christ is the Prince of Peace then how do we reconcile these other seemingly contradictory words of Our Lord: 'Do not think that I come to send peace upon earth, I came not to send peace, but the sword' and 'Think you, that I am come to give peace on earth? I tell you, no but separation.' The explanation of these apparent contradictions is to be found in the words he addressed to his apostles the night of the Last Supper in which he made an important distinction between two kinds of peace: 'My peace I give unto you, not as the world gives, do I give unto you' and 'These things I have spoken to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you shall have distress, but have confidence, I have overcome the world.' There is a difference, then, between His Peace and the peace of the world. It is evident from these words that Our Lord offers a peace and a consolation that He alone can confer, a peace that comes from the right ordering of conscience, from justice, charity, love of God and love of neighbor." Archbishop Fulton Sheen (The Cross and the Beatitudes)

POPE FRANCIS FEBRUARY INTENTIONS

# Say "NO" to Corruption

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption. "The fact the enemies of God must face is that modern civilization has conquered the world, but in doing so has lost its soul. And in losing its soul it will lose the very world it gained. Even our own so-called Liberal culture in these United States which has tried to avoid complete secularization by leaving little zones of individual freedom is in danger of forgetting that these zones were preserved only because religion was in their soul. And as religion fades so will freedom, for only where the spirit of God is, is there liberty. Archbishop Fulton Sheen (Characters of Passion)

# Lent Fasting And Abstinence Rules In The Roman Catholic Church: How To Start Penance On Ash Wednesday

Practicing Roman Catholics traditionally sacrifice something for the <u>40 days and 40 nights</u> of Lent, which starts on Ash Wednesday, but they are also instructed to abstain from meat on Fridays during this time. Since who and how this rule applies can be confusing, some of the rules, which comes from the <u>Code of Canon Law</u>, a guide put together by the Vatican, have been shared below:

**Who is expected to participate:** People from the ages of 18-59 are expected to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This means, participants only eat one full meal for the day. Snacks can be had at any time during the day. It doesn't matter when the full meal is consumed.

Who is allowed to skip the "no meat" rule on Fridays: Catholics who are 13 and under do not have to participate. However, those 14 and older should abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays in Lent and especially Good Friday, which is the last Friday before Easter.

What counts as "meat": While poultry, beef, pork and more are not allowed to be consumed, Dairy products are allowed. This includes eggs and condiments and dressings that are made from animal fat. That means butter lard and margarine are permitted too. If meat drippings make their way into a source, it's OK to eat them.

What should be given up: While most people assume they must sacrifice during this time, Lent doesn't have to be about going without. Instead, people can do community service, like volunteering at a local soup kitchen, or even help an overworked mother with some babysitting.

**Lent is not just about food**. Even though there are many rules about fasting, the most important part of Lent is for Catholics to forgive each other and demonstrate their love. During this time, followers are recommended to go to mass daily or several times a week.

# Mass Intentions

Oklee	Sunday	02/11/18	8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	02/11/18	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	†Veneda Skibicki
Grygla	<b>Sunday</b>	02/11/18	<b>11:45 a.m.</b>	†Janet Pearson
Oklee Pioneer Home Oklee Grygla Oklee Goodridge Oklee	Tuesday Wednesday Wednesday Thursday Thursday Friday	02/13/18 02/14/18 02/14/18 02/14/18 02/15/18 02/15/18 02/15/18	8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m.	†Isabelle Boucher Service †Mike Keleher †Lawrence Kiesow NO MASS †DeWein Lappegard <i>†Pro DeFumits</i>
Oklee	Sunday	02/18/18	8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	02/18/18	10:00 a.m.	Alysse Rogalla
Grygla	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>02/18/18</b>	<b>11:45 a.m.</b>	<b>†Janet Pearson</b>

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There is a box in the back of the church to bring old palms, broken religious articles like Rosaries, Statues or any items that have been blessed.

## 2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Today we heard Bishop Hoeppner's Diocesan Annual Appeal letter read from the ambo by your Pastor or DAA Chairperson. We ask that you prayerfully consider making a gift to the 2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal. Your gifts support the education of our seminarians and thirteen diocesan offices and ministries. These ministries include our lively Youth Ministry, the offices of Marriage, Family and Life, New Evangelization and Justice, Worship, Vocations and many more. Your support is critical to the Bishop being able to offer ministries throughout the Diocese of Crookston. You may pick up an in-pew envelope here at your Parish or make a gift by using the mailing you will receive at home. If you choose to make an online or sustaining gift with a credit card or checking account, just scan the icon below and it will take you to our donation web page. Thank you for all you do to support your parish and the 2018 Diocesan Annual Appeal. www.crookston.org/ daa

ST. CLEMENT'S MINISTRY WEBSITE : Did you know the weekly Litur- St. Francis Xavier Catholic church gy Schedule and Weekly Bulletin is on our **Prayer Blankets** Sunday February 18, 2018 website for your convenience? Check it out You Matter. We care. You are not alone. There are Angie Commentator: today www.oggcatholic.org prayer blankets in the back of the church for those Jim C. Lector: whom are sick, suffering or dying. Dead line for an-**Bulletin Deadline :** EMHC: Bruce & Ron Please sign the book to whom it is given to so we nouncements to get into the bulletin each Bill N. & Bob N. Usher: know who the prayers are for. Thank you week is12:00 p.m. (noon), on Wednesdays.

"Every child is an arrow shot out of the bow of its mother, but its target is God. Children have come through mothers, but they do not belong to them. Mary acknowledges this claim of divinity on her Child by presenting Him back again to God, as she offers the temple of His Body in the temple made by hands.

Mary here anticipated the joy of every mother who brings her child to the baptismal font, where God may claim His own. But in the case of Mary the Child was claimed for sacrifice, as the aged Simeon said that He was a sign to be contradicted, and the cross is the contradiction.

Mary was even told that a sword her own soul would pierce. That would happen when her Son on the cross would have His heart pierced with a lance. Through His Body and her soul would go that one stroke of the sword. She was the only mother who ever brought a life into the world to die.

It is not so much our presents that God wants from us, as it is our presence, as we offer our life to Him." Archbishop Fulton Sheen (The Fifteen Mysteries of the Rosary)

Tithing February 4, 2018

# St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

Adults	\$2676.20
Loose Plate	\$20.00
Flowers	\$35.00
Endowment for Priest	<u>\$10.00</u>
Total:	\$2741.20

# St. Ann's in Goodridge

Adults	\$361.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$18.00</u>
Total:	\$379.00

# St. Clement's in Grygla

Adults	\$580.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$48.00</u>
Total:	\$628.00

# ST. ANN'S MINISTRY

Sunday February 18, 2018

Gerri
Carol
Darwin & Tony
Russell & Marlin
Audrey & Marie

Lay Contacts Body <u>Year of Term—Term Ends (Term #)</u> Body	2/3—June 2018 (1st) 2/3—June 2018 (2nd) 1/3—June 2019 (1st) 1/3—June 2019 (1st)	St. Ann, Goodridge Lay ContactsBadyYear of Tam_Tam Ends (Tam #)Joint Pastoral & Finance CouncilDarwin Eidelbes3/3—June 2017 (2nd)Gerri Rustan3/3—June 2017 (1st)Audrey Rogalla2/3—June 2018 (1st)Cindi Kotrba2/3—June 2018 (1st)Marlin Kotrba1/3—June 2019 (1st)Karyl Mayernik1/3—June 2019 (1st)Parish TrusteesPatty Skibicki1/2—Sept. 2018 (1st)Veron Rogalla1/2—Sept. 2018 (1st)
<ul> <li>Recently Deceased Loved One</li> <li>Janet Pearson</li> <li>Imelda Carin</li> <li>Richard Radniecki</li> <li>Carol Haugen</li> <li>Tom Karakash</li> <li>Steven McPherson</li> <li>Geraldine Weber</li> </ul>	Sacristan: Lector: EMHC: Usher: Greeter: Counter:	klee Ministry List Sunday, February 11, 2018 Margaret Buer Dorothy Sebenaler Rick & Jan Dulka Ken & Shirley Boucher Don & Annette LaCoursiere Pat Asselin & Jo Lambert Sunday, February 18, 2018
<ul> <li>Pray For Those Who Are Sick</li> <li>Susan Sunberg</li> <li>Bob Carriere</li> <li>Carter Torgerson</li> <li>Debra Olson</li> <li>Floyd Neuschwander</li> <li>Dorothy Plante</li> <li>Alice Bluemke</li> </ul>	Sacristan: Lector: EMHC: Usher: Greeter: Counter:	Rick Dulka Paul Cyr Bob & Emily Bernier Don LaCoursiere & Al Paquin Ken & Shirley Boucher Lora Johnson & Margaret Buer Sunday, February 25, 2018
<ul> <li>Ann Peterson</li> <li>Tom Radniecki</li> <li>Del Determan</li> <li>Joey Johnson</li> <li>Cindy Stoneouse</li> <li>Kathleen Amiot</li> </ul>	Sacristan: Lector: EMHC: Usher: Greeter: Counter:	Margaret Buer Shirley Cyr Carolyn Rystad & Janet Halvorson Mitch Bernstein & John Melby Mary Ann Lambert & Anne Hammer- Shirley Cyr & Jan Dulka

- Have Masses offered for friends or relatives, deceased or still living. Just drop a note in the collection basket, along with your donation, the usual amount is \$5.00/Mass. If this would be a financial hardship, please let me know.
- Offer Memorials in honor of your deceased loved ones to your parish's building and maintenance fund, or to your parish cemetery.
- Leave a legacy gift to the parish in your will, or name the parish as the beneficiary of your retirement policy or life insurance plan.