

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

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Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday: Noon

C l e r g y C o l u m n

This week I received in the mail an invitation to the annual banquet for the LifeCare Pregnancy Center in Thief River Falls. This year’s fundraising banquet will be held on Thursday, April 26th. The LifeCare center has an important ministry in Northwest Minnesota. Their most cherished ministry is providing services to help pregnant women choose life, to help them in any way possible so that they will not abort their unborn children. In addition to prolife counseling services, there are a range of other pre-natal services to help women struggling with their pregnancies for other reasons.

I would love it if someone from each of our parishes could sponsor a table, and then recruit fellow parishioners to come to the banquet! Please, let’s make this happen! You can find the full invitation printed inside this week’s bulletin. Call them for more information about sponsoring a table for this critically-important event. The money raised goes to one of the most worthy charitable causes, because it goes to save those who are most innocent, and help their mother find healing and happiness.

Weekly Schedule

St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee

| | <u>Mass Times</u> | <u>Confessions</u> |
|--------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 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. |
| Fri: | 8:00 a.m. | 7:45 a.m. |

St. Clement Parish in Grygla

| | <u>Mass Times</u> | <u>Confessions</u> |
|------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Sun: | 11:45 a.m. | 11:30 a.m. |

St. Ann Parish in Goodridge

| | <u>Mass Times</u> | <u>Confessions</u> |
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| Sun. | 10:00 a.m. | 9:45 p.m. |

Come
grow
with us

This is what love looks like.

LIFECARE PREGNANCY CENTER

Invites you to our 14th Annual Fundraising Banquet
with Featured Speaker Renee Rongen

Thursday, April 26, 2018

Huck Olson Memorial Civic Center
501 Brooks Ave • Thief River Falls, MN

Social & Seating begins at 6:00 p.m.

Dinner & Program 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

An opportunity to make a financial gift will be extended.

Please contact the LCPC at 218-681-1279 for purchasing tickets.

Adults only please, as seating is limited.

(Semi-formal attire)

What Love Looks Like

Love looks different to many people. For Renee Rongen, international speaker, author, business consultant and most importantly wife to Tom and mom to Alexander, Elizabeth and Grace, love came in the choice of choosing life. Renee and her husband Tom are pioneers in open adoption and were some of the first adoptive parents paving the way when they were chosen to be Alexander's parents 26 years ago. They went on to become parents to Elizabeth and Grace in the same way.

What does love look like? For the Rongen's, love is big! It encompasses six biological families melded to become one big family that together loves three children. "Each of the biological parents made a choice to choose life and entrust those lives to us to nurture and care for" says Rongen. "They gave us the greatest gift that we could not give ourselves. That is what love looks like!"

Join Renee and her husband Tom, their three children and their birth families as they share their journey of choosing love.



ATTENTION! Engaged and Married Couples
Couple to Couple League
Natural Family Planning
Spring 2018
Class Schedule

St. Joseph's Catholic Church,
Red Lake Falls, MN
Saturdays, 2:00pm – 4:30pm
March 17
April 21
May 12

Please pre-register early ONLINE!
www.ccli.org

Search for classes by state (Minnesota)
Local contact: Lee Walski 218-283-6640
A course fee of \$135.00 will be requested during the online registration process.
Once registration is completed, materials will be mailed directly to students.
** Engaged and married couples of all faiths welcome.
** Each class is approximately 2 1/2 hours long.

Mass Intentions

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|--------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Oklee | Sunday | 02/25/18 | 8:00 a.m. | †Bill Sevigny |
| Goodridge | Sunday | 02/25/18 | 10:00 a.m. | Patrick Mayernick |
| Grygla | Sunday | 02/25/18 | 11:45 a.m. | <i>Pro Populo</i> |
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| Oklee | Tuesday | 02/27/18 | 8:00 a.m. | †Dennis Bachand |
| Oklee | Wednesday | 02/28/18 | 8:00 a.m. | Mike Bachand Family |
| Pioneer Home | Wednesday | 02/28/18 | 10:00 a.m. | Jim Schafer |
| Oklee | Thursday | 03/01/18 | 8:00 a.m. | †Tom Marty |
| Grygla | Friday | 03/02/18 | 11:00 a.m. | †Lawrence Kiesow |
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| Oklee | Sunday | 03/04/18 | 8:00 a.m. | For Those with Cancer |
| Goodridge | Sunday | 03/04/18 | 10:00 a.m. | Grace Jones |
| Grygla | Sunday | 03/04/18 | 11:45 a.m. | <i>Pro Populo</i> |

Tithing

February 18, 2018

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

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| Adults | \$900.00 |
| Loose Plate | \$23.00 |
| Home Mission | \$95.00 |
| Priest Endowment | <u>\$ 25.00</u> |
| Total: | \$1043.00 |

St. Ann's in Goodridge

No Report

St. Clement's in Grygla

No Report

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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St. Francis Xavier's Church—Oklee

Tuesday Evenings

| | |
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| 5:30 p.m. | Stations of the Cross |
| 6:00 p.m. | Soup and Sandwich Supper |
| 6:00 p.m. | Confessions |
| 6:30 p.m. | Video and Discussion |

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| Feb. 27th | Continued "Biography of Blessed Solanus Casey" |
| Mar. 6th | Defeating the Devil: An Exorcist Tells His Tale |
| Mar. 13th | The Lost Gospels or the False Gospels? |
| Mar. 20th | Biography of Fr. Michael McGivney |

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St. Clement's Church—Grygla

Thursday Evenings

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|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 6:00 p.m. | Confessions |
| 6:30 P.M. | Stations of the Cross |
| 7:00 p.m. | Bible Study: Gospel of Mark |

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| March 1 | March 8 | March 15 | March 22 |
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St. Ann's Church —Goodridge

Friday Evenings

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| 4:30 p.m.— 7:30 p.m. | Fish Fry |
| 6:00 p.m. —6:30 p.m. | Confessions |

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| March 2 | March 9 | March 16 | March 23 |
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ST. ANN'S MINISTRY

Sunday March 4, 2018

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| Commentator: | Gerri |
| Lector: | Carol |
| EMHC: | Darwin & Deb |
| Ushers: | Russell & Joe |
| Counter: | Deb & Maggie |

ST. CLEMENT'S MINISTRY

Sunday March 4, 2018

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| Commentator: | Angie |
| Lector: | Kaylani |
| EMHC: | Ron & Coleen |
| Usher: | Justin & Tim |

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

Breakers of the Law

"The new compassion that has crept into our courts and into our literature and drama is the compassion for the breakers of the law, for the thieves, the dope fiends, the murderers, the rapists. This false compassion for the criminal and the readiness to blame the law and the police, has passed from the 'sob-sisters' to black-robed justices who, fearful of restraining a liberty turned into license, pardon the mugger and ignore the mugged." Archbishop Fulton Sheen (Guide to Contentment)

3:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 25, 2018
St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
Oklee, Minnesota

**A Holy Hour with
Eucharistic Adoration,
Solemn Vespers, and
Benediction of the
Most Blessed Sacrament**

**This month's prayer intention:
*For the Sick***

Recently Deceased Loved Ones

- † Yvonne Boucher
- † Bonnie Buchmeier
- † Janet Pearson
- † Imelda Carin
- † Richard Radniecki
- † Geraldine Weber

Pray For Those Who Are Sick

- Bob Carriere
- Debra Olson
- Floyd Neuschwander
- Ann Peterson
- Joey Johnson
- Kathleen Amiot
- Mark Stromberg
- Frankie Cyr
- Jack Miller

Oklee Ministry List

Sunday, February 25, 2018

Sacristan: Margaret Buer
Lector: Shirley Cyr
EMHC: Carolyn Rystad & Janet Halvorson
Usher: Mitch Bernstein & John Melby
Greeter: Mary Ann Lambert & Anne Hammer-
Counter: Shirley Cyr & Jan Dulka

Sunday, March 04, 2018

Sacristan: Rick Dulka
Lector: Jan Dulka
EMHC: Jacob Melby & Donald LaCoursiere
Usher: Doug Cote & Jake Martell
Greeter: Shirley Cyr & Delores Longtin
Counter: Anne Hammer & Dolores Grimm

Sunday, March 11, 2018

Sacristan: Margaret Buer
Lector: Krista Bernstein
EMHC: Mitch & Krista Bernstein
Usher: Ken & Shirley Boucher
Greeter: Karen Fossum & Sue Carrier
Counter: Pat Asselin & Jo Lambert

OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

- 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.