

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

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Confessions: 15 minutes before Mass
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Our Lady of Sorrows ~ September 15



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	09/10/23	8:00 a.m.	†Dean Lambert
Grygla	Sunday	09/10/23	10:15 a.m.	†Howard McGowan
Goodridge	Sunday	09/10/23	12:00 p.m.	For the People
Oklee	Monday	09/11/23	8:00 a.m.	†Tony Weber
Grygla	Tuesday	09/12/23	5:30 p.m.	†Eugene Polansky
Oklee	Wednesday	09/13/23	8:00 a.m.	†David Borseth
Oklee	Thursday	09/14/23	8:00 a.m.	†Mildred Scambler
Oklee	Sunday	09/17/23	8:00 a.m.	For the People
Grygla	Sunday	09/17/23	10:15 a.m.	Gary Polansky Family
Goodridge	Sunday	09/17/23	12:00 p.m.	Ardith Altstadt

CLERGY COLUMN

Happy Lord's Day!

I thought this week that I would offer some options for you if you're interested in learning more about our Faith. Most of these involve the internet, so I understand they may not all be options for you if you don't have internet, but there are also some good books. If you need help with any of these, I'd be glad to be of assistance. This is not meant to be an exhaustive list.

Bible Studies:

- Catholic Bible Study: My Youtube Bible study that looks at the upcoming Sunday readings: three videos weekly, about 15 minutes each: youtube.com/@fatherbryankujawa
- The Bible in a Year w/ Fr. Mike Schmitz on Youtube (<https://www.youtube.com/@TheBibleinaYear>) or any podcast app that you use: daily episode, 20 minutes on average
- Understanding the Scriptures podcast (found on any podcast app): 30 episodes, over an hour each
- Catholic Productions (youtube.com/@catholicproductions) - This guy, Brant Pitre, is awesome. He's got a variety of Bible study content. (There is some other paid content on their website, but this is all free and good.)
- St. Paul Center: run by Scott Hahn, a convert to Catholicism; really excellent. (stpaulcenter.com)

Catholic Podcasts:

- Abiding Together (found on podcast app or on Youtube) - Sister Miriam James Heidland is awesome
- Among the Lilies (podcast) and/or Cameron Fradd (Youtube) - she's married to another very popular podcaster/Youtuber, Matt Fradd (Pints with Aquinas)
- Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz: daily episode, averaging about 15 minutes each
- Catholic Answers Live: 10 episodes each week, about an hour each; people call in and ask real questions about the Catholic faith

Catholic YouTube Content:

- Ascension Presents (youtube.com/@ascensionpresents) - They have a lot of good, short videos. They usually release 3 or so each week by different people who are all very good. The videos are typically around or less than 10 minutes.
- Counsel of Trent: Trent Horn is a Catholic apologist; he makes a living on defending and explaining the Catholic faith.

Homilies:

- Gopher Catholic (youtube.com/@gophercatholic5284) - my good friend, Fr. Jake Anderson, is on the campus of the University of Minnesota in the Twin Cities. He preaches good homilies (uploaded on Tuesday mornings)
- bulldogCatholic (found on any podcast app) - Fr. Mike Schmitz is on the campus of UMD in Duluth. He's one of the top two most famous priests in the country.
- Bishop Robert Barron (found on YouTube or podcast) - He is the bishop of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester in southern Minnesota. He's the other of the two most famous priests in the country.

Books:

- Rome Sweet Home - by Scott Hahn, a former Protestant pastor tells of his conversion to Catholicism
- The Case for Catholicism - by Trent Horn; he confronts many Protestant objections to Catholicism
- Crossing the Tiber - by Steve Ray, a former anti-Catholic Lutheran tells of his conversion to Catholicism
- Into Your Hands, Father - by Wilfred Stinsson; great book about surrendering everything to the Father
- The Jewish Roots of the Eucharist - by Brant Pitre; anything by Dr. Pitre is going to be rock-solid
- Introduction to the Devout Life - by St. Francis De Sales; an all-time spiritual classic
- The Imitation of Christ - by Thomas A Kempis; another all-time classic
- Stunned By Scripture: How the Bible Made Me Catholic - by John Bergsma, another former Protestant
- You and Me Forever: Marriage In Light of Eternity - by Francis and Lisa Chan, two Protestants, who give a good perspective on staying mission-focused while married

There are so many good books! Anything by a canonized Saint is going to be solid content. There are some excellent spiritual classics out there.

May the Lord give you his peace!

Fr. Bryan



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.

The Story of Our Lady of Sorrows

For a while there were two feasts in honor of the Sorrowful Mother: one going back to the 15th century, the other to the 17th century. For a while both were celebrated by the universal Church: one on the Friday before Palm Sunday, the other in September.

The principal biblical references to Mary's sorrows are in Luke 2:35 and John 19:26-27. The Lucan passage is Simeon's prediction about a sword piercing Mary's soul; the Johannine passage relates Jesus' words from the cross to Mary and to the beloved disciple.

Many early Church writers interpret the sword as Mary's sorrows, especially as she saw Jesus die on the cross. Thus, the two passages are brought together as prediction and fulfillment.

Saint Ambrose in particular sees Mary as a sorrowful yet powerful figure at the cross. Mary stood fearlessly at the cross while others fled. Mary looked on her Son's wounds with pity, but saw in them the salvation of the world. As Jesus hung on the cross, Mary did not fear to be killed, but offered herself to her persecutors.

Reflection

John's account of Jesus' death is highly symbolic. When Jesus gives the beloved disciple to Mary, we are invited to appreciate Mary's role in the Church: She symbolizes the Church; the beloved disciple represents all believers. As Mary mothered Jesus, she is now mother to all his followers. Furthermore, as Jesus died, he handed over his Spirit. Mary and the Spirit cooperate in begetting new children of God—almost an echo of Luke's account of Jesus' conception. Christians can trust that they will continue to experience the caring presence of Mary and Jesus' Spirit throughout their lives and throughout history.

REFLECT

When we're sad or lonely, who better to turn to than our universal mother? Mary can feel the ripples of pain in our hearts and is ready to guide us to her son. Pray

Dear Mary,
Like a woeful child,
I am in need
of your motherly care.
Wrap your arms around me for comfort,
dry my tears,
take me by the hand,
and lead me to your Son,
the source of
all that is good.
For only he
can cast out the shadows
of my troubled heart.
Amen.

TITHING

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

Sept 3, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$1790.00
Flowers for Altar	\$5.00
Loose Plate	\$60.00
Total	\$ 1855.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge

Sept 3, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$300.00
Loose Plate	\$40.00
Total	\$ 340.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

Sept 3, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$490.00
Endowment for Priests	\$20.00
Loose Plate	\$85.00
Total	\$ 595.00

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.

Say Hello!



St Francis Xavier's

Sunday, September 10, 2023
Sacristan: Phyllis
Lector:: Mary Lynn
Counters: Anne & Delores

Sunday, September 17, 2023
Sacristan: Emily
Lector:: Bob M.
Counters: Margaret & Linda

Sunday, September 24, 2023
Sacristan: Mary Lynn
Lector:: Jacob
Counters: Jo & Deb

Sunday, October 1, 2023
Sacristan: Phyllis
Lector:: Brady
Counters: MaryAnn & Jan



St Ann's

Sunday, September 10, 2023
Lector:: Carol
Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, September 17, 2023
Lector:: Paula
Counters: Marie & Audrey

Sunday, September 24, 2023
Lector:: Carol
Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, October 1, 2023
Lector:: Paula
Counters: Marie & Audrey



St Clement's

Sunday, September 10, 2023
Lector:: Dawn

Sunday, September 17, 2023
Lector:: Jim C.

Sunday, September 24, 2023
Lector:: Laurie

Sunday, October 1, 2023
Lector:: Gary

Sunday, October 8, 2023
Lector:: Robbie



Recently Deceased Loved Ones

†Iona Berry
†Kim Johs
†Elias Abboud
†Audrey Martell
†Harold Cyr
†Judie Hendrickson
†Alden Morinvillie
†Kathleen Erickson
†Joseph Cullen
†Laura Nadeau
†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

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



Cursillos

Have you heard about Cursillo? It is a wonderful way to develop a closer relationship with God. It will change how you look at your family, work and friendships. The Diocese of Crookston is offering a Women's Cursillo on September 21-24 and a Men's Cursillo on the weekend of October 26-29 at Mount St. Benedict Monastery in Crookston. Applications are available at:

crookstoncursillo.weebly.com.

PRAYER
is the link
THAT
connects us
WITH GOD
A.B. SIMPSON

