

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

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CLERGY COLUMN

Dear Parishioners,

This is farewell. I've done the calculations, and since I began my assignment in Oklee, Grygla, and Goodridge on July 1, 2015 and until I say my last Mass here on June 30th I will have offered 2,874 Masses for you and your loved ones. What an honor! I am not the gushy type, so let me just say that you will be remembered fondly and missed dearly. Thank you. Thank you for praying me through COVID; it was a miracle. Thank you for keeping the Faith.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Adam Hamness

- ◇ Take note that the Mass times change for Grygla and Goodridge next Sunday.
- ◇ We congratulate William Larson on receiving his First Holy Communion in Oklee today. May God bless him!
- ◇ Furthermore, we rejoice in the wonderful news of the Supreme Court's decision to refer decisions about abortion back to each individual State, which means that this terrible practice will be totally illegal in certain states, such as North Dakota. Now we have to concentrate our efforts on changing hearts and minds in Minnesota. Because of this change, it is likely that the Planned Parenthood, where abortions happen in Fargo, will just relocate across the river to Moorhead, which means we must suffer the disgrace of abortions happening in our own diocese. It's now our job to take up the reins and pray outside this wicked clinic for its closure. It is time to pray for the women who feel they cannot carry their child, and it's time to pray that our society will be more loving, so they don't feel this way.

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.

St. Clement Parish in Grygla

	<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun:	10:15a.m.	10:00 a.m.

St. Ann Parish in Goodridge

	<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun:	12:00 p.m.	11:45 a.m.

Soon we will celebrate the most important day in American history. On this supremely significant day 240 years ago, fifty-six British land-owning men signed a watershed document, the Declaration of Independence, in a little-known Pennsylvania colony. And this document would pave the future of what would arguably become the greatest nation in the world, the United States of America.

How are we as Catholic Christians and Americans supposed to celebrate this great day? John Adams, one of the Founding Fathers of our country, wrote this about how to celebrate the fourth of July:

“It ought to be commemorated as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with shews, games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more.”

Well, let's see how we're doing in celebrating the fourth of July the way one of the greatest Founders envisioned. Parades? Check. Pomp? Check. Sports? Backyard games count, right? Check. Bonfires? Check. Illuminations? Double check. Solemn Acts of Devotions to God Almighty? Um . . . I don't know about you, but I don't typically live up to that calling on the Fourth of July.

But John Adams set an example for us. After everything's said and done, we owe God more than anyone else for what occurred 240 years ago. In fact, the most famous part of the Declaration of Independence explicitly points to God as the source of our freedom:

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.”

Not our parents, or politicians, or government, is the source of our most important rights. Only God. As the source of our rights, he deserves the highest praise, honor, and glory on Independence Day (and every day).

There are many ways to honor God on this special day. Perhaps you can read a passage from the Catholic Bible with your family to kick off the festivities, or pray a family rosary with the special intention for our political

leaders and our country's future.

Or you could pray this simple prayer for our nation written by George Washington, our first President:

“Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech you that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favor and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way.

Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to your law, we may show forth your praise among the nations of the earth.

In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness and in the day of trouble, do not allow our trust in you to fall; all this we ask through Jesus Christ our **Lord.” AMEN!**

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Oklee	Sunday	06/26/22 8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	06/26/22 10:00 a.m.	†Frances Aandal
Grygla	Sunday	06/26/22 11:45 a.m.	†Irene Kiesow
Oklee	Tuesday	06/28/22 8:00 a.m.	†Kim Johs
Oklee	Wednesday	06/29/22 5:15 p.m.	†Francis Bradley
Oklee	Thursday	06/30/22 8:00 a.m.	†Harold Cyr
Oklee	Friday	07/01/22 NO MASS	NO MASS
Latin Mass	Saturday	07/02/22 4:00 p.m.	†Donald Asselin
Oklee	Sunday	07/03/22 8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Grygla	Sunday	07/03/22 10:15 a.m.	†Lawrence Kiesow
Goodridge	Sunday	07/03/22 12:00 p.m.	†Joseph Cullen
Oklee	Tuesday	07/05/22 8:00 a.m.	†Harold Cyr
Oklee	Wednesday	07/06/22 5:15 p.m.	†Kathleen Erickson
Oklee	Thursday	07/07/22 8:00 a.m.	†Jim Dulka
Oklee	Friday	07/08/22 8:00 a.m.	†Donald Asselin
Oklee	Sunday	07/10/22 8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Grygla	Sunday	07/10/22 10:15 a.m.	†Irene Kiesow
Goodridge	Sunday	07/10/22 12:00 p.m.	†Joseph Cullen



Congratulations!!
First Communicant
William Larson
St Francis Xavier

Coffee & Rolls will be served after Mass

St. Francis Xavier:

The Diocese of Crookston has requested quilts for the new retreat center as noted in the recent OND. Our parish would like to contribute a quilt sewn to the specifications that have been determined by the group organizing this project. Phyllis Melby will sew a quilt with fabric selected at Oklee Quilting, and Oklee Quilting will be asked to finish the project. Anyone wishing to donate to offset the quilt expense for the new retreat center may place their contribution in the offering basket indicating it's for the retreat center quilt. Margie & Frank Buer have also volunteered and are making a quilt.

Thank you for helping to minister by providing beauty and comfort to those who will be on retreat at the center.



TITHING

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee



June 19, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$1842.00
Endowment Priests	\$27.00
Retired Priests	\$270.00
Loose Plate	\$40.00
Total	\$2179.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge



June 19, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$520.00
Retired Priests	\$130.00
Endowment Priests	\$20.00
Loose Plate	\$14.00
Total	\$684.00

St. Clement's in Grygla



June 19, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$215.00
Retired Priests	\$65.00
Endowment Priests	\$25.00
Loose Plate	\$1.00
Total	\$ 306.00

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Worship the Lord in Giving



St Francis Xavier's

Oklee, MN

Sunday, June 26, 2022
 Lector:: Bob Melby
 Counters: Lora & Margaret

Sunday, July 3, 2022
 Lector:: Jan D.
 Counters: Jo L. & Deb

Sunday, July 10, 2022
 Lector:: Mary Lynn
 Counters: Mary Anne & Jan

Sunday, July 17, 2022
 Lector:: Jacob Melby
 Counters: Anne & Dolores

**St Ann's**

Goodridge, MN

Sunday, June 26, 2022
 Lector:: Karyl

Sunday, July 3, 2022 (NOON)
 Lector:: Carol

Sunday, July 10, 2022 (NOON)
 Lector:: Paula

Sunday, July 17, 2022 (NOON)
 Lector:: Eliza

Sunday, July 24, 2022 (NOON)
 Lector:: Carol

**St Clement's**

Grygla, MN

Sunday, June 26, 2022
 Lector:: Jody

Sunday, July 3, 2022 (10:15 a.m.)
 Lector:: Laurie

Sunday, July 10, 2022 (10:15 a.m.)
 Lector:: Dawn

Sunday, July 17, 2022 (10:15 a.m.)
 Lector:: Gary

Sunday, July 17, 2022 (10:15 a.m.)
 Lector:: Jim C.



Recently Deceased Loved Ones

†Jim Dulka
 †Avis Frazer
 †Lauretta Stacy
 †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
 †Tona Berry
 †Kim Johs
 †Elias Abboud
 †Audrey Martell
 †Harold Cyr
 †Judie Hendrickson
 †Alden Morinville
 †Kathleen Erickson
 †Joseph Cullen
 †Laura Nadeau

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
 Bob Radniecki



Employment Ad

The Diocese of Crookston has a number of positions available for its new Pastoral and Retreat Center. The following positions are available:

- Operations Manager: This person will oversee the day-to-day operations of the physical structure. This position is a part-time position with approximately 20 hours per week.
- Cook: This person will prepare and serve meals to the Sisters of Mount Saint Benedict who are living at the Center as well as to people who are involved in retreats and meetings at the facility. This position is a full-time position and includes a full benefit package including health and dental insurance, pension, and paid time off.
- Housekeeper: This person will be working with another Housekeeper to clean the entire facility, including the chapel, offices, meeting rooms, bedrooms, and bathrooms. This position is a full-time position and includes a full benefit package including health and dental insurance, pension, and paid time off.
- Food Service Workers: This person will be serving prepared meals to the Sisters of Mount Saint Benedict who are living at the Center as well as to people who are involved in weekend retreats. This position will work 8 hours per day, Saturday and Sunday on alternating weekends.

Additional information on these positions can be found at www.crookston.org/employment.

Applications should include a resume and cover letter. Applications or inquiries for more information should be e-mailed to Chad Ryan at cryan@crookston.org or mailed to Diocese of Crookston, PO Box 610, Crookston MN 56716.