

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

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Prayers of St. Benedict Feast day July 11

Let Saint Benedict be your partner in prayer as you say one of the prayers below or as part of your rosary devotion. Find Saint Benedict Rosary Beads [here](#).

Prayer to St. Benedict

Admirable Saint and Doctor of Humility, you practiced what you taught, assiduously **praying for God's glory and lovingly fulfilling** all work for God and the benefit of all human beings. You know the many physical dangers that surround us today often caused or occasioned by human inventions. Guard us against poisoning of the body as well as of mind and soul, and thus be truly a "Blessed" one for us. Amen.

Prayer to St. Benedict

Dear St. Benedict, you are a "blessing" indeed, as your name indicates. Practicing what you preached, you founded the monastic tradition of the West by joining prayer to labor for God—both liturgical and private prayer. Help all religious to follow their Rule and be true to their vocation. May they labor and pray for the world to the greater glory of God. Amen.

St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee

<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun: 8:00 a.m.	7:30 a.m.
Mon: 8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.
Tues: 8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.
Wed: 5:15 p.m.	5:00 p.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.

CLERGY COLUMN

Hello, everyone! Happy Lord's Day.

As I have mentioned on the website and in the statement published last week, I'm very glad to be here in Oklee, Goodridge, and Grygla. It's been a bit of a transition coming from the busy city life in the Twin Cities up to our small towns here, but I think I'm starting to get into a bit of a routine. Of course, if you ever want to break that routine by way of a meeting request or an invitation to eat, I'll be happy to be interrupted.

Keep an eye on this column moving forward. One thing I love doing is getting back to the basics of our Catholic-Christian Faith. I have it in mind to use this space to write about some of the foundational beliefs we have as Christians. Some of the ideas are general Christian principles, while others will be specific for us as Catholics. It could be the case that much of this will be a simple review for you, or it could be the case that some of it will be presented to you in a new way. Either way, I think it will be good for us to be clear in our understanding of the fundamentals we hold as Catholic-Christians. The topics will include a series on the overall Gospel message, the Sacraments, what it means to be a disciple of Jesus, the Bible, different devotional practices that you may or may not hold, some explanations of different parts of the Mass, and much more. If you have any topics you'd like to read/hear about, by all means let me know.

Lastly, keep an eye on the parish website and/or Facebook page. It's in my mind to produce some more material in various online forums (videos, literature, audio). I'm not sure when that will start, but hopefully it will be soon. If you'd like to listen to my homilies online or share them with family or friends, you can find them at soundcloud.com/frbryankujawa.

May the Lord give you his peace!
Fr. Bryan



St. Kateri Tekakwitha ~ Feast Day July 14

St. Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American to be recognized as a saint by the Catholic Church. She was born in 1656, in the Mohawk village of Ossernenon. Her mother was an Algonquin, who was captured by the Mohawks and who took a Mohawk chief for her husband.

She contracted smallpox as a four-year-old child which scarred her skin. The scars were a source of humiliation in her youth. She was commonly seen wearing a blanket to hide her face. Worse, her entire family died during the outbreak. Kateri Tekakwitha was subsequently raised by her uncle, who was the chief of a Mohawk clan.

Kateri was known as a skilled worker, who was diligent and patient. However, she refused to marry. When her adoptive parents proposed a suitor to her, she refused to entertain the proposal. They punished her by giving her more work to do, but she did not give in. Instead, she remained quiet and diligent. Eventually they were forced to relent and accept that she had no interest in marriage.

At age 19, Kateri Tekakwitha converted to Catholicism, taking a vow of chastity and pledging to marry only Jesus Christ. Her decision was very unpopular with her adoptive parents and their neighbors. Some of her neighbors started rumors of sorcery. To avoid persecution, she traveled to a Christian native community south of Montreal.

According to legend, Kateri was very devout and would put thorns on her sleeping mat. She often prayed for the conversion of her fellow Mohawks. According to the Jesuit missionaries that served the community where Kateri lived, she often fasted and when she would eat, she would taint her food to diminish its flavor. On at least one occasion, she burned herself. Such self-mortification was common among the Mohawk.

Kateri was very devout and was known for her steadfast devotion. She was also very sickly. Her practices of self-mortification and denial may not have helped her health. Sadly, just five years after her conversion to Catholicism, she became ill and passed away at age 24, on April 17, 1680.

Her name, Kateri, is the Mohawk form of Catherine, which she took from St. Catherine of Siena.

St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on Oct. 21, 2012. She is the patroness of ecology and the environment, people in exile and Native Americans.

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

Oklee	Monday	07/11/22 8:00 a.m.	†Jim Dulka
Oklee	Tuesday	07/12/22 8:00 a.m.	†Harold Cyr
Oklee	Wednesday	07/13/22 5:15 p.m.	†Kim Johs
Oklee	Thursday	07/14/22 8:00 a.m.	†Laura Nadeau

Oklee	Sunday	07/17/22 8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Grygla	Sunday	07/17/22 10:15 a.m.	†Lawrence Kiesow
Goodridge	Sunday	07/17/22 12:00 p.m.	†Joseph Cullen

Weekly Reflections

“Jesus said to him, ‘Go and do likewise.’” Luke 10:37

This was Jesus’ command at the end of the Good Samaritan story. Did you know that the Samaritans and Jews despised each other? The moral of the story is to love our neighbor. That means loving someone you may not know, or someone that looks different than you, or someone that has different beliefs than you, or someone that you don’t like. All without expecting anything in return.

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.

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St. Francis Xavier’s in Oklee



June 26, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$1712.00
Retired Priests	\$134.00
Loose Plate	\$65.00
Total	\$1911.00

July 3, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$218000
Endowment Priests	\$20.00
Retired Priests	\$30.00
Flowers Altar	\$77.00
Loose Plate	\$20.00
Total	\$2327.00

St. Ann’s in Goodridge



June 26, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$300.00
Loose Plate	\$20.00
Total	\$320.00

July 3, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$46500
Loose Plate	\$20.00
Total	\$485.00

St. Clement’s in Grygla



June 26, 2022

Adult Envelopes	\$1335.00
Retired Priests	\$20.00
Loose Plate	\$165.00
Total	\$ 1520.00

July 3, 2022

N/A

St Francis Xavier's

Oklee, MN

Sunday, July 10, 2022

Sacristan:

Lector:: Mary Lynn

Counters: Mary Anne & Jan

Sunday, July 17, 2022

Sacristan: Margaret Buer

Lector:: Jacob Melby

Counters: Anne & Dolores

Sunday, July 24, 2022

Sacristan: Phyllis Melby

Lector:: Bob Melby

Counters: Lora & Margaret

Sunday, July 31, 2022

Sacristan: Rick Dulka

Lector:: Paul Cyr

Counters: Jo L & Deb

**St Ann's**

Goodridge, MN

Sunday, July 10, 2022 (NOON)

Lector:: Paula

Sunday, July 17, 2022 (NOON)

Lector:: Eliza

Sunday, July 24, 2022 (NOON)

Lector:: Carol

Sunday, July 31, 2022

Lector:: Eliza

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Lector:: Paula

**St Clement's**

Grygla, MN

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

Lector:: Dawn

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

Lector:: Gary

Sunday, July 24, 2022 (10:15 a.m)

Lector:: Jim C.

Sunday, July 31, 2022

Lector:: Laurie

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Lector:: Dawn

**Recently
Deceased Loved Ones**

†Jim Dulka
 †Avis Frazer
 †Lauretta Stucy
 †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.