

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

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

Mammon is the closing word of today’s Gospel. What is Mammon? It is commonly thought to mean money, material wealth, or any entity that promises wealth, and is associated with the greedy pursuit of gain. The Gospels of Luke and of Matthew both quote Jesus using the word in a phrase often rendered in English as "You cannot serve both God and mammon." Mammon in Hebrew (מַמּוֹן) means "money," although it may also have meant "that in which one trusts." Christians began to use mammon as a pejorative, a term that was used to describe gluttony, excessive materialism, greed, and unjust worldly gain. Saint Gregory of Nyssa asserted that Mammon was another name for Beelzebub, which is another name for the demonic “god” of the Philistines.

Whatever is meant by mammon, it isn’t good. The similarities between mammon as greed and mammon as an actual demon are fitting. Due to our corrupted human nature and proclivity for sin, we can very easily turn the sins we are committing into false gods (idols) that we worship. There is only a very fine line between all-consuming greed and worshipping a demon who has promised you lots of money and power if you simply will turn your back on the One, True, God and worship him (the false god) instead.

Weekly Schedule

<u>St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee</u>			<u>St. Clement Parish in Grygla</u>		<u>St. Ann Parish in Goodridge</u>	
	<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:	10:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Sun:	12:00 p.m. 11:45 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.				

Weekly Reflections

"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." (Luke 16:13)

Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money. It increases our dependence on God and our trust that God will provide all that we need.

St. Ann's Catholic Church Goodridge, MN

ANNUAL FALL DINNER

Sunday, October 6, 2019

Dinner will be served from 11:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.

MENU:

Roast Beef, Real Mashed potatoes and Gravy, Green beans, Assorted salads and desserts, Rolls, coffee and milk.

PRICE: \$12.00 per person

Ages 6-12: \$5.00

Preschool: Free



Everyone is welcome!

(TAKE OUTS AVAILABLE!!)

Mass Intentions

Oklee	Sunday	09/22/19	8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Grygla	Sunday	09/22/19	10:15 a.m.	† Floyd Neuschwander
Goodridge	Sunday	09/22/19	12:00 p.m.	† Richard Stoltman
Oklee	Tuesday	09/24/19	8:00 a.m.	Joseph Walton
Oklee	Wednesday	09/25/19	8:00 a.m.	†Betty Barsness
Pioneer	Wednesday	09/25/19	10:00 a.m.	†Florence Dunham
Oklee	Thursday	09/26/19	8:00 a.m.	† Ann Peterson
Oklee	Friday	09/27/19	8:00 a.m.	†Joyce Waale
Oklee	Sunday	09/29/19	8:00 a.m.	Holly O'Shea
Grygla	Sunday	09/29/19	10:15 a.m.	† Richard Dobmeier
Goodridge	Sunday	09/29/19	12:00 p.m.	† Rita Bonagura Vaughn

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!!



Oklee Sunday School News



If you have not already registered

Registration forms are located in the back of the church. Please fill out one registration form for each child and return to Janet Halvorson. Classes will be held the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month after Mass. Our first class is September 22, 2019. We would like to start the coffee and rolls following mass at the same time. A sign-up sheet is located in the back of the church.

St Francis Xavier's

Sunday, September 22, 2019

Sacristan: Rick Dulka
 Lector: Mike Bachand
 EMHC: Mitch & Krista Bernstein
 Usher: Jake Martell & Doug Cote
 Greeter: Don & Annette LaCoursiere
 Counter: Pat Asselin & Jo Lambert

Sunday, September 29, 2019

Sacristan: Phyllis Melby
 Lector: Carol Bachand
 EMHC: Mike & Audrey Bachand
 Usher: Mitch Bernstein & John Melby
 Greeter: Ken & Shirley Boucher
 Counter: Lora J. & Margaret B.

St. Clement's

Sunday, September 22, 2019

Commentary: Angie
 Lector: Jody.
 EMHC: Coleen & Jean
 Usher: Justin & Tim

Sunday, September 29, 2019

Commentary: Coleen
 Lector: Gary
 EMHC: Justin & Laurie
 Usher: Bill Z. & Jim C.

Tithing

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

September 15, 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$1705.00
Loose Plate	\$55.00
Endowment for Priests	<u>\$25.00</u>
Total	\$1446.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge

September 8, 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$440.00
Loose Plate	\$58.00
Ladies Aid	<u>\$300.00</u>
Total	\$798.00

September 15, 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$540.00
Loose Plate	\$39.00
Share the Faith	<u>\$25.00</u>
Total	\$604.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

September 8, 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$615.00
Loose Plate	\$30.00
Latin America	<u>\$180.00</u>
Total	\$825.00

September 15, 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$920.00
Loose Plate	\$170.00
Endowment for Priests	<u>\$116.00</u>
Total	\$1206.00

St. Ann's

Sunday, September, 22 2019

Commentary: Eliza K.
 Lector: Gerri
 EMHC: Deb & Eliza
 Usher: Joe & Russell
 Counter: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, September 29, 2019

Commentator : Karyl
 Lector: : Carol
 EMHC : Tony & Marie
 Usher: Russell & Stanley
 Counter: Marie & Louann

Thanksgiving Day Dinner



We need your help to make this a success

Volunteers needed (please consider volunteering for one, or more) for **The Thanksgiving Day Oklee Community Dinner**

This year we will be serving a sit down/buffet style dinner at the church as well as delivering meals.

Needed are volunteers for:

- to help with the prep work at St. Joseph's in Red Lake Falls (ask Ken Boucher(796-5259) for details on prep work and days)
- picking the food up on Thanksgiving Day morning from Red Lake Falls
- help serve buffet style at St. Francis Xavier/and if possible help with clean up
- deliver meals

Please contact either Jo Lambert at 796-4527 or Shirley & Ken Boucher at 796-5259

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

September 22	Sunday School after Mass Oklee
September 29	St Mary's Dinner & Fall Bazaar Fosston
October 1	Parish Meeting Grygla 7:00 pm
October 3	Parish Meeting Oklee 7:00 pm
October 6	St Ann's Dinner Goodridge
October 13	Sunday School after Mass Oklee
October 15	40 Rosaries for Life
October 17	Middle School Youth Rally
	St Bernard's Thief River Falls
October 20	Sunday School after Mass Oklee
October 22	Rosary, Supper, Movie - Oklee (Luminous Rosary & movie)

If you would like any parish activity listed in the Calendar of events please, email Deb Whalen at parishstaff@oggcatholic.org

Recently Deceased Loved Ones

† Alice Bluemke
 † Mary Peterson
 † Donna Horachek
 † Joey Johnson
 † Allen Paquin
 † Kathleen Amiot
 † Chris Tougas
 † Larry O'Neill
 † Yvonne Boucher
 † Bonnie Buchmeier
 † Janet Pearson
 † David Dessellier
 † Rita Bonagura Vaughn
 † Ann Peterson
 † Irene Dessellier
 † Floyd Neuschwander
 † Annette Magnell
 † Ted Lussier
 † LaVonne Radniecki
 † Brigitta Dobmeier
 † Mary Jean Altendorf
 † Mike Bourque
 † Fr. Don Braukmann
 † Florence Dunham
 † Msgr. Donald Krebs
 † Betty Barsness

Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Delton Sebenaler
 Donnie Tougas
 Kenneth LaCoursiere
 Shirley Dessellier
 Irene Kiesow
 Michael Bachand
 Annette LaCoursiere
 Debra Olson
 Jack Miller
 Kimberly Johs
 Kathy Vathauer
 Ambrose Beaudoin
 Steve Sebenaler
 Don LaCoursiere
 Cindy Determan
 David Longtin
 Richard Bronken
 Amy Polansky
 Emerson Polansky
 Marie Adams

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" and a smile goes a long way.