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

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### SAFF 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).

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Goodridge	Holy Saturday	03/30/24	8:00 p.m	Howard McGowan
Oklee	Easter Sunday	03/31/24	8:30 a.m.	Julie Paquin
Grygla	Easter Sunday	03/31/24	10:30 a.m.	For the People
Oklee	Monday	04/01/24	5:30 p.m.	George Altstadt
Grygla	Tuesday	04/02/24	5:30 p.m.	†Conrad Pietruszewski
Oklee	Wednesday	04/03/24	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention
Oklee	Thursday	04/04/24	8:00 a.m.	NO MASS
Oklee	Sunday	04/07/24	8:00 a.m.	†Paul Mebly
Goodridge	Sunday	04/07/24	10:30 a.m.	For the People
Grygla	Sunday	04/07/24	11:45 a.m.	Phyllis Neuschwander
Oklee	Monday	04/08/24	8:00 a.m.	†Larry O'Neill
Goodridige	Tuesday	04/09/24	5:30 p.m	Pope Francis
Oklee	Wednesday	04/10/24	8:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving
Oklee	Thursday	04/11/24	8:00 a.m.	Brittany Blickenstaff
Oklee	Sunday	04/14/24	8:00 a.m.	†Ryan Melby
Goodridge	Sunday	04/14/24	10:30 a.m.	For the People
Grygla	Sunday	04/14/24	11:45 a.m.	†Conrad Pietruszewski

### **CLERGY COLUMN**

### Happy Easter!

For us as Catholic-Christians, we celebrate Easter in a big way - not only for one day, but for eight consecutive days we celebrate. It's called the Octave of Easter: each day for eight consecutive days, it is Easter Sunday! What a gift! So, even though this is a double-bulletin, the greeting can remain the same for both weekends.

Then, of course, we have the Easter season, which is 50 days and finishes with another great celebration at Pentecost. Another great Holy Day for us to remember the incredible gift of the Holy Spirit - the third Person of the Holy Trinity. Praise the Lord!

This week I have a reflection from St. Cyril of Jerusalem. Here it is:

Take care that you do not underrate the efficacy of repentance. Would you know the power of repentance? Would you understand this strong weapon of Salvation and the might of confession? by confession Hezekiah routed 185,000 of the enemy. That was important, but it was little compared to what shall be told. The same King's repentance won the repeal of the sentence God had passed on him.... Now if even Hezekiah could revoke God's decree, shall not Jesus grant the remission of sins? Turn and lament, shut your door, and beg for pardon, that God may remove from you the scorching flames. For confession has the power to quench even fire; it can tame even lions....

I shall go to a different example of repentance. What think you of Nebuchadnezzar? Have you not heard from Scripture that he was bloodthirsty, fierce, with the disposition of a lion? ... What punishment did he not deserve for slaying kings, for burning holy objects, for reducing people to captivity, for putting sacred vessels in the temples of idols? Did he not deserve ten thousand deaths? You have seen the enormity of his crimes... When therefore he acknowledged the Most High, and uttered words of thanksgiving to God, and repented of his past wickedness, and recognized his own weakness, in that hour God restored to him his royal dignity (Daniel 4). If God granted pardon and a kingdom to Nebuchadnezzar after such terrible crimes, when he had made confession, will he not grant you the remission of your sins if you repent, and the kingdom of heaven if you live worthily? God is merciful and quick to forgiveness, but slow to vengeance. Therefore let no man despair of salvation. Peter, the chief and foremost of the apostles, denied the Lord; but, moved to repentance, he wept bitterly. His weeping revealed his heartfelt repentance, and for that reason not only did he receive pardon for his denial, but retained his apostolic prerogative.

Therefore, brethren, having before you many examples of sinners who repented and were saved, be you also earnest in confessing to the Lord, that you may receive pardon for past sins, be made worthy of the heavenly gift, and inherit the kingdom of heaven with all the saints.

Have a great Easter! May the Lord give us all the grace of conversion to repent of our sins. May the Lord give you his peace! Fr. Bryan



Thank you for your generosity with the Diocesan Annual Appeal. To date the diocese has received \$512,766 from 1,583 households. Your gifts to the DAA provide ministries that impact everyone in our Catholic community, especially the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist, who says to each of us "I am with you always."

<u>Parish</u>	Received / Outstanding	Goal	Over (Under)
St. Ann's	\$1,180.00	\$2,270.00	(\$1,090.00)
St. Clement's	\$1,799.99	\$3,340.00	(\$1,540.01)
St Francis Xavier	\$6,800.01	\$8,123.00	(\$1,322.99)



### St. Francis Xavier

Congratulations!! To Jamie Johnson and Korby Olson
Who received the sacrament of First Holy Communion today
Easter Sunday at the 8:30 am Mass at St. Francis Xavier.

A reception in celebration of this sacrament for Jamie and Korby will be held Sunday, April 21st after Mass.

# A World Wide Call to Prayer "RETURN TO OUR LADY"

On the outskirts of Mexico City, the Virgin Mary appears to a simple indigenous man and makes a humble request. A continent is converted and the course of history is changed forever.

It was during an age much like our own when Our Lady first appeared to Saint Juan Diego some 500 years ago. Again, we are contending with disease, war, and deep spiritual confusion. Again, many poor souls are tempted to fear that all hope is lost.

But Our Lord has not called us to fear. No matter the darkness of our age, men and women of faith are not without the truth and love of Christ, nor the faithful care of His mother. Through Saint Juan Diego's humble and courageous cooperation with grace, Our Lady's intercession transformed the world and brought millions of souls to Christ. It is this same maternal care and protection that we seek today—a care and protection that she will grant us, should we earnestly ask for it.

There is real, miraculous, and transformative peace in the protection of Mary's Mantle. To this end, Cardinal Burke is calling upon all Catholics to join him in a significant Novena seeking Our Lady's intercession. Those who sign up to accompany the Cardinal in this urgent effort can expect short video reflections from His Eminence each month, in addition to regular written reflections and prayers.

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St Francis Xavier's	St Ann's	St Clement's
Sunday, April 7, 2024 Sacristan: Brady	Sunday, April 7, 2024 Lector:: Carol	Sunday, April 7, 2024 Lector:: Jim C
Lector:: Jan Counters: Lora J & Linda W.	Counters: Audrey & Marie Sunday, April 14, 2024	Sunday, April 14, 2024 Lector:: Laurie
Sunday, April 14, 2024 Sacristan: Emily Lector:: Mary Lynn	Lector:: Paul Counters: Deb & Maggie	Sunday, April 21, 2024 Lector:: Gary
Counters: Deb & JO L  Sunday, April 21, 2024	Sunday, April 21, 2024 Lector:: Karyl Counters: Audrey & Marie	Sunday, April 28, 2024 Lector:: Robbie
Sacristan: Brady Lector:: Gerri Counters: Anne & Delores	Sunday, April 28, 2024 Lector:: Carol	Sunday, May 5, 2024
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To be prayed daily throughout the nine-month novena from March 12 to December 12, 2024.

O Virgin Mother of God, we fly to your protection and beg your intercession against the darkness and sin which ever more envelop the world and menace the Church. Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, gave you to us as our mother as He died on the Cross for our salvation. So too, in 1531, when darkness and sin beset us, He sent you, as Our Lady of Guadalupe, on Tepeyac to lead us to Him Who alone is our light and our salvation.

Through your apparitions on Tepeyac and your abiding presence with us on the miraculous mantle of your messenger, Saint Juan Diego, millions of souls converted to faith in your Divine Son. Through this novena and our consecration to you, we humbly implore your intercession for our daily conversion of life to Him and the conversion of millions more who do not yet believe in Him. In our homes and in our nation, lead us to Him Who alone wins the victory over sin and darkness in us and in the world.

Unite our hearts to your Immaculate Heart so that they may find their true and lasting home in the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Ever guide us along the pilgrimage of life to our eternal home with Him. So may our hearts, one with yours, always trust in God's promise of salvation, in His never-failing mercy toward all who turn to Him with a humble and contrite heart. Through this novena and our consecration to you, O Virgin of Guadalupe, lead all souls in America and throughout the world to your Divine Son in Whose name we pray. Amen.

Pray For Those Who

Are Sick

Raymond Leo Cardinal Burk

website Return to Our Lady (cardinalburke.com)

### Recently **Deceased Loved Ones** †Harold Cyr †Judie Hendrickson †Alden Morinville †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

†Richard Rolfson

†Gary LaCoursiere

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 Richard Bourque

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 Julie Paguin Adam Cwikla Tyler Larson (deployed) Theresa Sorenson

Rick Dulka

Jude Syvertson

Anyone wishing to have a MASS offered for a loved one, living or deceased, you may leave name and the customary donation of \$10.00 in the offering bas ket in an envelope.

# TITHING

### St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

March 24 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$1095.00
Endowment for Priests	\$20.00
Easter Flowers	\$135.00
Holy Land	\$60.00
Easter	\$50.00
Loose Plate	\$22.00
Total	\$1382.00

# St. Ann's in Goodridge

March 24, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$485.00
Loose Plate	\$68.00
Total	\$553.00

# St. Clement's in Grygla

March 24, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$465.00
Loose Plate	\$35.00
Total	\$500.00

St. Michael, the Archangel,
defend us in battle.
Be our safeguard against
the wickedness and snares
of the devil.
May God rebuke him,
we humbly pray;
and do you,
O Prince of the heavenly host,
by the power of God
cast into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits
who wander through the world
seeking the ruin of souls.
Amen.