24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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 8:30 a.m. — 11:30a.m.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday: Noon

CLERGY COLUMN

Here is a little snippet that I encountered this week. Let's take the lesson to heart.

Back in 1988, a Polish railway worker named Jan Grzebski was hit by a train. He lived ... but only barely. For the next 19 years (until the year 2007), Grzebski was in a coma.

He awoke in 2007 to a whole new world.

Nineteen years earlier, Poland was a communist state. Grzebski noted that back then meat was rationed and there were huge lines at nearly every gas station. And, "there was only tea and vinegar in the shops." But 19 years later, he awoke to a free nation where he said there were "people on the streets with cell phones and there are so many goods in the shops it makes my head spin." But something puzzled him. "What amazes me is all these people who walk around with their mobile phones and yet they never stop moaning."

These people had freedom, and food and wealth greater than Poland had had for decades ... and yet Grzebski woke from his coma to find that ALL they seemed to want to do was grumble. If you don't get into the habit of thanking God for what you DO have, you'll soon become ungrateful because of what you DON'T have.

St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee			St. Clement Parish in Grygla			St. Ann Parish in Goodridge			
Mass Times Confessions			Mass Times Confessions			Mass Times Confessions			
Sun: Tues: Wed: Thurs:	8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	7:30 a.m. 7:45 a.m. 7:45 a.m. 7:45 a.m.	Sun: 10	:15 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	Sun:	12:00 p.m.	11:45 a.m.	



The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross celebrates two historical events: the discovery of the True Cross by Saint Helena, the mother of the Emperor Constantine, in 320 under the temple of Venus in Jerusalem, and the dedication in 335 of the basilica and shrine built on Calvary by Constantine, which mark the site of the Crucifixion.

The basilica, named the Martyrium, and the shrine, named the Calvarium, were destroyed by the Persians in 614. The Church of the Holy sepulcher which now stands on the site was built by the crusaders in 1149.

However the feast, more than anything else, is a celebration and commemoration of God's greatest work: his salvific death on the Cross and His Resurrection, through which death was defeated and the doors to Heaven opened.

The entrance antiphon for the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is: "We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection: through him we are saved and made free."

SS. Cornelius and Cyprian



Saint Cornelius was elected Pope in 251 during the persecutions of the Emperor Decius. His first challenge, besides the ever present threat of the Roman authorities, was to bring an end to the schism brought on by his rival, the first anti-pope Novatian. He convened a synod of bishops to confirm him as the rightful successor of Peter.

The great controversy that arose as a result of the Decian persecution was whether or not the Church could pardon and receive back into the Church those who had apostacized in the face of martyrdom.

Against both the bishops who argued that the Church could not welcome back apostates, and those who argued that they should be welcomed back but did not demand a heavy penance of the penitent, Cornelius decreed that they must be welcomed back and insisted that they perform an adequate penance.

In 253 Cornelius was exiled by the emperor Gallus and died of the hardships he endured in exile. He is venerated as a martyr.

Saint Cyprian of Carthage is second in importance only to the great Saint Augustine as a figure and Father of the African church. He was a close friend of Pope Cornelius, and supported him both against the anti-pope Novatian and in his views concerning the re-admittance of apostates into the Church.

Saint Cyprian was born to wealthy pagans around the year 190, and was educated in the classics and in rhetoric. He converted at the age of 56, was ordained a priest a year later, and made bishop two years after that.

His writings are of great importance, especially his treatise on The Unity of the Catholic Church, in which he argues that unity is grounded in the authority of the bishop, and among the bishops, in the primacy of the See of Rome.

In, "The Unity of the Catholic Church," St. Cyprian writes, "You cannot have God for your Father if you do not have the Church for your mother.... God is one and Christ is one, and his Church is one; one is the faith, and one is the people cemented together by harmony into the strong unity of a body.... If we are the heirs of Christ, let us abide in the peace of Christ; if we are the sons of God, let us be lovers of peace."

During the Decian persecutions Cyprian considered it wiser to go into hiding and guide his flock covertly rather than seek the glorious crown of martyrdom, a decision that his enemies attacked him for.

On September 14, 258, however, he was martyred during the persecutions of the emperor Valerian.

Oklee	Sunday	09/12/21	8:00 a.m.	†Leo Pletschett
Grygla	Sunday	09/12/21	10:15 a.m.	†Irene Kiesow
Goodridge	Sunday	09/12/21	12:00 p.m.	Pro Populo
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Oklee	Tuesday	09/14/21	8:00 a.m.	Harold Cyr
Oklee	Wednesday	09/15/21	8:00 a.m.	Greg Whalen
Oklee	Thursday	09/16/21	NO MASS	NO MASS
Oklee	Friday	09/17/21	8:00 a.m.	†Iona Berry
Oklee	Sunday	09/19/21	8:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
Grygla	Sunday	09/19/21	10:15 a.m.	†Brigitta Dobmeier
Goodridge	Sunday	09/19/21	12:00 p.m.	Betty Johnson

I will never leave you or

Forsake you ... ~ Hebrew 13:5

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November 5-7, 2021

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St Francis Xavier's Oklee, MN

Sunday, September 19, 2021 Lector:: Bob Melby Counters: Anne H. & Dolores G

Sunday, September 26, 2021 Lector:: David Bachand Counters: Virginia W. & Jan D.

Sunday, October 3, 2021 Lector:: Jan Dulka Counters: Bonnie Cote & Deb

Sunday, October 10, 2021 Lector:: Mary Lynn Bachand Counters: Lora & Margaret **St Ann's** Goodridge, MN

Sunday, September 19, 2021 Lector:: Karyl

Sunday, September 26, 2021 Lector:: Carol

Sunday, October 3, 2021 Lector:: Paula

Sunday, October 10, 2021 Lector:: Carol

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St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

<u>September, 5, 2021</u>

Adults Envelopes\$1749.00Flowers for Altar\$41.00Loose Plate\$20.00Total\$1810.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge

September, 5, 2021

\$560.00
<u>\$20.00</u>
\$580.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

September, 5, 2021

Adults Envelopes\$605.00Loose Plate\$21.00Total\$626.00

St Clement's Grygla, MN

Sunday, September 19, 2021 Lector:: Gary

Sunday, September 26, 2021 Lector:: Laurie

Sunday, October 3, 2021 Lector:: Daniel

Sunday, October 10, 2021 Lector:: Dawn

Weekly Reflections

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." MARK 8:34

Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. "Taking up my cross" means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it's convenient for me.



SACRED HEART PARISH OF ROSEAU 403 Main Ave North

ANNUAL TURKEY & MEATBALL SUPPER

Sunday, September 19th, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Meals-\$10.00

(Ages 5 and under FREE)

RED LAKE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON AGING

Invites all Red Lake County senior citizens (55 years and older) to our annual Fall Picnic.

The picnic lunch will be held Tuesday, September 21 at Bethany Lutheran Church in

Red Lake Falls. NO CHARGE! Hope to see you there.



Recently Deceased Loved Ones †Joey Johnson †Allen Paquin †Chris Tougas †Larry O'Neill †Yvonne Boucher †Bonnie Buchmeier †Janet Pearson †David Dessellier †Rita Bonagura Vaughn †Ann Peterson †Irene Dessellier Floyd Neuschwander Ted Lussier †LaVOnne Radniecki †Brigitta Dobmeier Mary Jean Altendorf Mike Bourque Florence Dunham Betty Barsness Floyd Charest †Jim Dulka †Avis Frazer +Lauretta Stucy Tom Toulouse Marlyn Dessellier †Gerald Cote †Phyllis Martell †Theresa "Bergeron" Lucken Herome Hruby [†]Irene Kiesow †Donnie Knutson +Ron Rustan +Joan Carpenter †Leroy Irlbeck †Lowell Smeby Dorothy Plante †Jim Lussier †Tim Whalen +Iona Berry †Kim Johs Elias Abboud +Audrey Martell

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 Marié 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 Darren Tougas Elaine Radniecki Bob Radniecki Rick Dulka Greg Whalen Richard Bourque Tony Weber Jason Moe Cindi Podnar Joe Radniecki Judy Zavoral Judy Hendrickson Harold Cyr