

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

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CLERGY COLUMN

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker:
 Many parishioners have been preparing for the past few weeks for the consecration to St. Joseph. There are two options for them. I will offer a special Mass on Saturday in Goodridge at 10 a.m. with the consecration prayers at the end. Alternatively, you can attend the diocesan-wide consecration to St. Joseph at Mass at the Cathedral in Crookston at 10 am. on Saturday.

The Crozier

The word “pastoral” is an adjective referring to pastures and raising livestock. In the Church, this word has taken on a new definition, being a good Christian leader, deacon, priest, or bishop. A Good bishop is pastoral, meaning he knows how to take care of his flock, as Jesus, the Good Shepherd knew how to care for his flock.

In fact, bishops have signs of their pastoral nature. They carry a crozier, which has its origins in a shepherd’s staff. A Crozier can be plain or simple, but the symbolic meaning is always there. This man carrying it is our shepherd, and he directs us where we should go. The good shepherd uses his crozier in many ways. He grabs straying sheep with its crooked end. He keeps the moving herd in line with it. He uses it as a walking stick to give him strength. He parts the thickets, brambles and tall grass with it, to discover the truth about whether that is a safe way to walk, and he fights off the wolves with his staff.



Consider all of these things, when next you see a bishop carrying his crozier at Mass. We are accompanied by a shepherd!

St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee

Mass Times Confessions

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

Mass Times Confessions

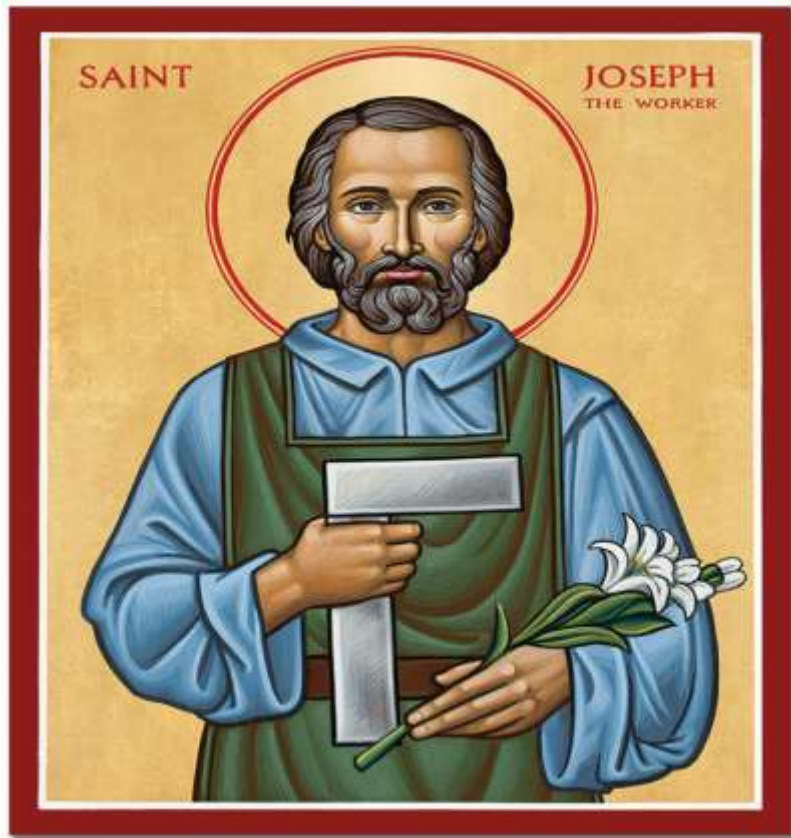
Sun: 11:45 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

St. Ann Parish in Goodridge

Mass Times Confessions

Sun: 10:00 a.m. 9:45 a.m.

St. Joseph the Worker — Saturday, May 1st



May 1st is the feast of St. Joseph the worker. While not the primary celebration of St. Joseph (see below), this feast allows us to celebrate St. Joseph in a way that we can all relate to him —as workers!

We each work—at home, in the world, at school—so we can each draw strength from this humble saint. Here are eleven quick facts about St. Joseph and a prayer specifically to St. Joseph the worker.

1. Patron of a multitude

Joseph is the patron saint of many things, including the universal Church, fathers, the dying, social justice, unborn children, travelers, immigrants, a happy death, families, expectant mothers (pregnant women), travelers, house sellers and buyers, craftsmen, engineers, and working people in general.

2. Pius XII Established the Feast Day

In 1955, Pius XII established the feast day of **St. Joseph the Worker**, explaining that “The spirit flows to you and to all men from the heart of the God-man, Savior of the world, but certainly, no worker was ever more completely and profoundly penetrated by it than

the foster father of Jesus, who lived with Him in closest intimacy and community of family life and work.”

3. He is patron of the Universal Church

In 1870, Pius IX declared St. Joseph patron of the Universal Church.

4. A man of many descriptors

In the Litany of St. Joseph, he is referred to as “the terror of demons,” the “glory of home life,” and “model of artisans” amongst other descriptors.

5. Quoteless in the Bible

There is not one single quote from St. Joseph in the Bible, and only a few details of his life were recorded for us.

6. We have tradition on his death

According to tradition, Joseph died in the arms of Jesus and Mary, which is why he is considered the model of the pious believer who receives grace at the moment of death, in other words, the patron of a happy death.

7. March is his month

The month of March is dedicated to St. Joseph and his primary feast day (Solemnity of St. Joseph, husband of Mary) is March 19th.

8. A possible third feast day

It could be argued that St. Joseph has a third feast day since he is a part of the Holy Family and we honor the Feast of the Holy Family on Dec. 30th.

9. Long history of devotion

Devotion for St. Joseph goes back to at least the 9th century, when he was commonly referred to as “*nutritor Domini*” meaning “guardian of the Lord.”

10. Patron of several countries

He’s also the patron of the Americas, Canada, China, Croatia, Mexico, Korea, Austria, Belgium, Peru, the Philippines and Vietnam.

Prayer to St. Joseph:

Joseph, by the work of your hands and the sweat of your brow, you supported Jesus and Mary, and had the Son of God as your fellow worker.

Teach me to work as you did, with patience and perseverance, for God and for those whom God has given me to support.

Teach me to see in my fellow workers the Christ who desires to be in them, that I may always be charitable and forbearing towards all.

Grant me to look upon work with the eyes of faith, so that I shall recognize in it **my share in God’s own creative activity and in Christ’s work of our redemption**, and so take pride in it.

When it is pleasant and productive, remind me to give thanks to God for it. And when it is burdensome, teach me to offer it to God, in reparation for my sins and the sins of the world.

By : Jenna Kandas

Oklee	Sunday	4/25/21	8:00 a.m.	Bonnie Paquin
Goodridge	Sunday	4/25/21	10:00 a.m.	†Maryls Drangstveit
Grygla	Sunday	4/25/21	11:45 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Oklee	Tuesday	4/27/21	8:00 a.m.	†Kim Johs
Oklee	Wednesday	4/28/21	8:00 a.m.	†LeRoy Carriere
Oklee	Thursday	4/29/21	8:00 a.m.	Laurie Hamness
Oklee	Friday	4/30/21	NO MASS	NO MASS
Goodridge	Saturday	5/01/21	10:00 a.m.	†Fr. Valerian
Latin Mass	Saturday	5/01/21	4:00 p.m.	Anna Kalhagen
Oklee	Sunday	5/02/21	8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	5/02/21	10:00 a.m.	Paula Mutnansky
Grygla	Sunday	5/02/21	11:45 a.m.	†Floyd Neuschwander

Tithing

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

April 11, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$1680.00
Loose Plate	\$300.00
Holy Land	\$35.00
Easter	\$140.00
Flowers for Altar	<u>\$15.00</u>
Total	\$2170.00

April 18, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$1687.00
Loose Plate	\$20.00
Endowment for Priests	\$15.00
Catholic Relief	<u>\$100.00</u>
Total	\$1822.00

*Congratulations to our graduating Seniors
and Confirmation Candidates*



<u>Oklee</u>	<u>Grygla</u>
Dominica Bernstein	Hailey Knutson
Wakely Bryll	
Andrew Gryskiewicz	
Lauren Melby	



St. Ann's in Goodridge

April 11, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$472.00
Men's Club	\$300.00
Total	\$772.00

April 18, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$601.00
Men's Club	<u>\$30.00</u>
Total	\$631.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

April 4, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$1110.00
Flowers	180.00
Catholic Relief	\$500.00
Holy Land	\$180.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$55.00</u>
Total	\$1845.00

St. Francis Xavier 1st Communion Reception: The Ladies Guild will host a reception following 1st Communion at 8:00 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Parish on April 25th. Rebecca Circle will serve, and Pat Asselin will be contacting members of that Circle about serving. Congratulations and God Bless our FIRST Communicants.

April 11, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$500.00
Catholic Relief	\$10.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$30.00</u>
Total	\$540.00

April 18, 2021

Adults Envelopes	\$320.00
Endowment for Priests	\$65.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$31.00</u>
Total	\$416.00



Special Mass - May 1
St. Joseph the Worker
At St. Ann's, Goodridge
10:00 a.m.

Thank You!

We are grateful to Lois Plante for her generous gift to the St. Francis Xavier Parish. Lois now lives in Winger but has fond memories of her home town and wanted to offer a gift in thanksgiving. May God bless her.

St Francis Xavier's Oklee, MN

Sunday, April 25, 2021
Lector: Michael Bachand

Sunday, May 2, 2021
Lector: Paul Cyr

Sunday, May 9, 2021
Lector: Bob Melby

St Ann's Goodridge, MN

Sunday, April 25, 2021
Lector: Carol

Sunday, May 2, 2021
Lector: Gerri

Sunday, May 9, 2021
Lector: Eliza

St Clement's Grygla, MN

Sunday, April 25, 2021
Lector: Laurie

Sunday, May 2, 2021
Lector: Daniel

Sunday, May 9, 2021
Lector: Dawn

Weekly Reflections

"I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice." - JOHN 10:14-16

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Him what He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.



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!!

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" goes a long way.



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
†Fr. Don Braukmann
†Florence Dunham
†Msgr. Donald Krebs
†Betty Barsness
†Floyd Charest
†Jim Dulka
†Avis Frazer
†Lauretta Stucy
†Tom Toulouse
†Marlyn Dessellier
†Gerald Cote
†Phyllis Martell
†Theresa "Bergeron" Lucken
†Jerome Hruby
†Irene Kiesow
†Msgr. Michael Patnode
†Donnie Knutson
†Jerry Johnson
†Ron Rustan
†Joan Carpenter
†Leroy Irlbeck
†Lowell Smeby
†Dorothy Plante
†Jim Lussier
†Tim Whalen
†Iona Berry
†Kim Johs

Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Delton Sebenaler
Donnie Tougas
Kenneth LaCoursiere
Shirley Dessellier
Michael Bachand
Annette LaCoursiere
Debra Olson
Jack Miller
Kimberly Johs
Ambrose Beaudoin
Steve Sebenaler
Don LaCoursiere
Cindy Deterrman
David Longtin
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
Darren Tougas
Elaine Radniecki
Gary Polansky
Bob Radniecki
Rick Dulka
Greg Whalen

