3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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

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Bulle	<u>tin Deadline</u>
Tuesday:	Noon

Clergy Column

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near." This is the Entrance Antiphon of today's Mass, and it is the reason we call today Gaudete Sunday, because "rejoice" is "Gaudete" in Latin. We don't usually hear the entrance antiphons because we are singing a hymn, but they exist nevertheless, and we miss so much when we are not attentive to all the texts of the Mass. It is not just the readings that we hear at Mass that are instructive and meaningful. There are many other texts that are unique to every Sunday of the Liturgical Year, and they are referred to as the "Propers." The other texts of the Mass which stay the same every week (Kyrie, Gloria, Creed, Sanctus, and Angus Dei, etc.) are known as the "Ordinary." Propers, like the Entrance Antiphon, the Alleluia Verse, the Offertory Antiphon, and the Communion Antiphon are meant to be sung, just like the Gloria and Sanctus, and they are set to specific Gregorian Chant melodies. In recent years, many eager composers have taken the English translations of these Propers and set them to very simple melodies, in the hope that people will start singing them, and stop ignoring them in favor of the easier option of just singing a hymn in their place. By the way, absolutely no offense is meant to our parish musicians who probably don't even know about any of this. With the rest of this clergy column I will include all of the Propers for today's Mass, with the exception of the readings, because I do not have room for them in the bulletin. I hope this will inspire you to do a little digging and use the Propers in your preparation for Mass in the weeks ahead. We have so much to learn from these rich texts. Continued on page 2

Weekly Schedule

<u>51</u>	t. Francis Xavier Pa	<u>rish in Oklee</u>		St. Clement Parish	<u>n in Grygla</u>		<u>St. Ann Parish in (</u>	<u>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 noon	11:45 p.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.						

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Memorials for	<u>Introit (Entrance Antiphon)</u> Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.
Christmas Flowers	<u>Collect (Opening Prayer)</u> O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity,
Which Parish? Oklee	enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always
Grygla	with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
Goodridge	one God, for ever and ever.
Offered by?	<u>Alleluia Verse</u> The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.
In loving memory of? (suggested offering \$5.00 per name)	<u>Offertorio (Offertory Antiphon)</u> O Lord, you have blessed your land, you have put an end to Jacob's captivity; you have forgiven the guilt of your people.
	Super Oblata (Prayer Over the Offerings) May the sacrifice of our worship, Lord, we pray, be offered to you unceasingly, to complete what was begun in sacred mystery and powerfully accomplish for us your saving work. Through Christ our Lord.
	<u>Communio (Communion Antiphon)</u> Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.
	<i>Postcommunio</i> (Prayer After Communion) We implore your mercy, Lord, that this divine sustenance may cleanse us of our faults and prepare us for the coming feasts. Through Christ our Lord.

Mass Intentions

Oklee	Sunday	12/16/18	8:00 a.m.	† Bill Sevigny Sr.
Grygla	Sunday	12/16/18	10:15 a.m.	Pro Populo
Goodridge	Sunday	12/16/18	12:00 p.m.	† Eunice Hamness
Oklee	Tuesday	12/17/18	8:00 a.m.	Kim Johs
Oklee	Wednesday	12/18/18	8:00 a.m.	Katie Hamness
		NO MASS c	on Thursday	
Oklee	Friday	12/20/18	8:00 a.m.	†Lorna Wicks
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Oklee	Sunday	12/23/18	8:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
Grygla	Sunday	12/23/18	10:15 a.m.	†Michelle Prestebak
Goodridge	Sunday	12/23/18	12:00 p.m.	Al Rogalla

St. Francis Xavier Church Sunday School Christmas Program will be presented December 23, 2018 after Mass.

St. Clement's Ministry

St. Ann's Ministry

Sunday, December 16, 2018

Commentator::	Carol
Lector::	Carol
EMHC:	Tony & Marie
Usher::	Russell & Stanley
Counter:	Audrey & Marie
Sunday Decembe	er 23, 2018
Commentator :	Carol
Lector: :	Eliza
EMHC :	Eliza & Marie
Usher::	Joe & Darwin
Counter;	Louann & Maggie

CHRISTMAS EVE

Sunday, De	ecember 16, 2018
Commentary:	Angie
Lector::	Dawn
EMHC:	Jean & Justin
Usher:	Tim & Chris
Sunday De	cember 23, 2018
Commentator::	Angie
Lector::	Laurie
EMHC:	Chris & Kaylani
Usher:	Justin & Bill N.

CHRIS	STMAS DAY
Commentary:	Melissa & family
Lector::	Daniel
EMHC:	Gary & Laurie
Usher:	Tim & Chris

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY St Ann's Goodridge Tuesday - Dec 18 5:30pm **ALL ARE WELCOME**

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<u>St. Francis Xavier's in</u> December 09, 201	
Adult Envelopes Loose Plate Retired Religous Campaign Human Development Christmas Flowers Flowers Total	\$1485.00 \$34.00 \$240.00 \$20.00 \$65.00 <u>\$65.00</u> \$1909.00
<u>St. Ann's in Goodri</u> December 09, 20	
Adult Envelopes Loose Plate Retired Religious Total	\$421.00 \$6.00 <u>\$115.00</u> \$542.00
<u>St. Clement's in Gr</u> December 09, 201	
Adult Envelopes Retired Religious Christmas Flowers Loose Plate Total	\$540.00 \$300.00 \$40.00 <u>\$45.00</u> \$925.00

Oklee Ministry List

Sunday, December 16, 2018 Rick Dulka Sacristan: Mary Lynn Bachand Lector; EMHC: David Bachand & Phyllis Melby Mitch Bernstein & john Melby Usher: Greeter: Don & Annette LaCoursiere Pat Asselin & Jo Lambert Counter:

Sunday, December 23, 2018 Sacristan: Phyllis Melby Carol Bachand Lector: EMHC: Audrey Bachand & Bonnie Cote Usher: Jake Martell & Dog Cote Greeter: MaryAnn L & Anne Hammer-Counter: Lora Johnson & Margaret Buer

CHRISTMAS EVE Sacristan: See sign-up sheet Lector; EMHC: Usher: Greeter:

Counter:

3:00 p.m. December 16, 2018 St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church Oklee, Minnesota

A Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration, Solemn Vespers, and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament

> This month's prayer intention: For those who are sad or alone at Christmas.

Recently Deceased Loved Ones

Pray For Those Who Are Sick

- \dagger Alice Bluemke
- t Mary Peterson
- t Donna Horachek
- Joey Johnson
- Allen Paquin
- ++++++ Kathleen Amiot
- Chris Tougas
- Larry O'Neill
- Yvonne Boucher
- Bonnie Buchmeier
- † Janet Pearson
- David Dessellier
- † Rita Bonagura Vaughn

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Christmas Eve and Day

Goodridge	Mon.	12/24	5:00 p.m.	Alyssa Partlow
Oklee	Mon.	12/24	9:00 p.m.	+Joey Johnson
Oklee	Tues.	12/25	Midnight	†Jim Walski
Grygla	Tues.	12/25	9:00 a.m.	Pro Populo
New Year's	Eve an	d Day		
<u>New Year's</u> Goodridge	Eve an Mon.	d Day 12/31	5:00 p.m.	Jones Family
			5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m	Jones Family Pro Populo
Goodridge	Mon.	12/31	7:00 p.m	,



OTHER WAYS TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

- Have Masses offered for friends or relatives, deceased or still living. Just drop a note in the collection basket, along with your dona-• tion; the usual amount is \$5.00/Mass. If this would be a financial hardship, please let me know, and I will be happy to offer one without a stipend.
- Offer Memorials in honor of your deceased loved ones to your parish's building and maintenance fund, or to your parish cemetery.