

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

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Look at your heart!

It is not perfect in shape & contour like a *Valentine heart*. There seems to be a small piece missing out of the side of every human heart.

I think that when God made your human heart, He found it *so good & so loveable* that He kept a small sample of it in Heaven.

He sent the rest of it into this world to enjoy His gifts, & to use them as *stepping stones back to Him*, but to be ever mindful that you can never love anything in this world with your whole heart because *you have not a whole heart* with which to love.

In order to be really whole-hearted *you must go back again to God*.

Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

### St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee

<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun: 8:00 a.m.	7:30 a.m.
Mon: 8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.
Tues: 8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.
Wed: 8:00 p.m.	7:45 a.m.
Thurs: 8:00 a.m.	7:45 a.m.

### St. Clement Parish in Grygla

<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun: 11:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.

### St. Ann Parish in Goodridge

<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun: 10:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.

## CLERGY COLUMN

Happy Lord's Day!

The topic for today is one that we are all very familiar with: Matrimony. This is the final Sacrament in our discussions and the second of two Sacraments of Service.

St. Paul gives us the best image of what marriage is meant to show to others, namely the love of Christ for his Church and vice versa. He writes about this in Ephesians chapter 5, which is a chapter some consider to be controversial if read on a surface level. We know the Church was instituted by Jesus and so she does everything in service to him, while Jesus literally dies for the life of the Church. He loves her to the end of his life, while she gives herself to his mission to the end of time. The union of the man and woman is meant to be a sign of this reality, which of course is a great challenge on the part of both the husband and the wife. I wonder whether all of our married couples were told of this great responsibility in their marriage preparation.

We all know the institution of marriage took place way back in the beginning when God made the man and the woman and told them to be fruitful and multiply. Thus a man shall leave his father and mother and he shall cling to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This is the most foundational institution of the Bible and of humanity. In the Gospels, Jesus affirms the goodness of marriage on a number of occasions by quoting the Book of Genesis and by his presence at the Wedding of Cana. In fact, his very first public miracle took place at this marriage banquet at Cana (John 2:1-11). The Church has always understood this fact to be his way of elevating the natural order of marriage to the supernatural order of the Sacrament of Matrimony.

**When a man and a woman enter into a valid marriage, the Lord supplies an invisible bond between them, “which by its very nature is perpetual and exclusive; furthermore, in a Christian marriage the spouses are strengthened and, as it were, consecrated for the duties and the dignity of their state by a special sacrament” (Code of Canon Law, 1134). The bond is established by God and can only be dissolved by the death of one of the spouses. “What God has joined, let not man put asunder.”**

Within the marriage itself, each person has his/her own special gifts within the People of God, which are meant to be used for the building up of the Church. The grace of this Sacrament is meant to perfect the couple's love and strengthen their bond of unity. By this grace they are able to help each other attain holiness in their married life and in welcoming and educating their children. Jesus takes their natural love and supernaturalizes it. Of course, anyone living in this world knows how necessary it is for anyone to have the grace of Jesus active in our lives if we are to attain “the holiness without which no one can see God” (Heb. 12). It seems like Jesus knew what he was doing when he applied grace to the most natural human institution. He's always looking out for us, creating ways to help us along the way to Heaven.

May the Lord give you his peace!  
Fr. Bryan



Oklee	Sunday	02/12/23	8:00 a.m.	For the People
Goodridge	Sunday	02/12/23	10:00 a.m.	Bishop Cozzens
Grygla	Sunday	02/12/23	11:45 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Oklee	Monday	02/13/23	8:00 a.m.	Ethan & Katelyn Buer
Oklee	Tuesday	02/14/23	8:00 a.m.	End to Abortion
Oklee	Wednesday	02/15/23	8:00 a.m.	Faith Formation Students
Oklee	Thursday	02/16/23	8:00 a.m.	†Charles Bachand
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ROLLS & COFFEE—FELLOWSHIP  
AFTER MASS at ST. FRANCIS  
February 19

Free will offering to support  
REACH OUT FOR WARMTH

If you would like to help serve there will be a signup sheet in the entry on the table.

*Thank you!!*

Thank yous have been received from the various organizations we have sent the “FREE WILL DONATIONS” from fellowship Rolls and Coffee. They are hanging on the bulletin board as you go into the basement. Your donations are appreciated. THANK YOU!!



BUILD MY CHURCH! is the theme of this year’s Diocesan Annual Appeal. We have much to be joyful about in the Diocese of Crookston! We just moved in last July, but our new Pastoral Center has quickly become a hub of encounter, evangelization, formation, prayer, retreat, and worship where we can build Christ’s Church through our diocese’s many parish, school, and diocesan ministries. Please be generous in supporting our bright future! Be on the lookout for a mailing sent to your home. Or you can fill out the in-pew envelope here in the parish or make a gift online by going to [www.crookston.org/DAA](http://www.crookston.org/DAA) by using the QR code to the left.



## TITHING

### St. Francis Xavier’s in Oklee

February 5, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$2015.00
Loose Plate	\$40.00
Total	\$ 2055.00

### St. Ann’s in Goodridge

January 29, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$636.00
Loose Plate	\$65.00
Total	\$701.00

### St. Ann’s in Goodridge

February 5, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$410.00
Loose Plate	\$40.00
Total	\$450.00

### St. Clement’s in Grygla

February 5, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$590.00
Loose Plate	\$50.00
Total	\$ 640.00

## 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!!

## Men’s Cursillo

Are you looking for a way to walk more closely with God? Cursillo may be what you’re looking for. The Diocese of Crookston is offering a Men’s Cursillo on the weekend of February 23-26, 2023 at Mount St. Benedict Monastery in Crookston. Applications are also available at your parish office or at [crookstonscursillo.weebly.com](http://crookstonscursillo.weebly.com)

## St Francis Xavier's

Oklee, MN

Sunday, February 12, 2023

Sacristan: Emily

Lector:: Jan

Counters: Deb & Jo

Sunday, February 19, 2023

Sacristan: Rick

Lector:: Jan

Counters: Jan & Deb

Sunday, February 26, 2023

Sacristan: Margaret

Lector:: Paul Cyr

Counters: Anne & Dolores

Sunday, March 5, 2023

Sacristan: Margaret

Lector:: Jacob

Counters: Lora & Margaret



## St Ann's

Goodridge, MN

Sunday, February 12, 2023

Lector:: Carol

Counters: Audrey & Marie

Sunday, February 19, 2023

Lector:: Paul

Counters: Maggie & Deb

Sunday, February 26, 2023

Lector:: Carol

Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, March 5, 2023

Lector:: Paula

Counters: Marie & Audrey



## St Clement's

Grygla, MN

Sunday, February 12, 2023

Lector:: Gary

Sunday, February 19, 2023

Lector:: Dawn

Sunday, February 26, 2023

Lector:: Jim C.

Sunday, March 5, 2023

Lector:: Laurie



### Recently Deceased Loved Ones

†Irene Kiesow

†Joan Carpenter

†Leroy Irlbeck

†Lowell Smeby

†Dorothy Plante

†Jim Lussier

†Tim Whalen

†Iona Berry

†Kim Johs

†Elias Abboud

†Audrey Martell

†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

### 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 Determan

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

Elaine Radniecki

Rick Dulka

Greg Whalen

Richard Bourque

Jason Moe

Carolyn Pittman

Jude Syvertson

Mary Radniecki

Dave Zavoral

Bernadette Lambert-

Daymunde

Josie Rodriguez

Jake Martell

Roy Rystad

Virginia Larson

Gary Paquin

Dave Longtin, Shorty

Bonnie Cote

Joyce Tougas

Brad Gunderson

Tim Lundeen



Pray for our parishioners who have been away from the sacraments.

Pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all of us.

### 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.

*Say Hello!*



### SAFE 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).