Christ the King

November 26, 2017

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

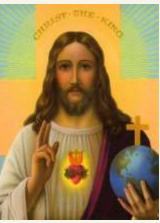
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Wednesday:

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Clergy Column



Christ is King! This feast day is rather new to our liturgical calendar. It was invented in 1925 by Pius XI because of the waves of Communism spreading across Europe, particularly in Italy. Originally it was celebrated on the last Sunday of October, but has since been moved to the last Sunday of the liturgical year. The point of this special feast day is to remind us that all of the world answers to God, no matter what the government looks like in the country where you live. All presidents and prime ministers, all

kings and rulers, all dictators, all legislators, all people must answer to Almighty God for the way they've lived their lives. This is the capstone of the liturgical year because it reminds us yet again, that the end of time is approaching, and we know neither the day nor the hour.

You will find in the bulletin an insert that shows the Mass times for the 4th Sunday of Advent, Christmas, and New Years' Day. The schedule is a bit hectic because two Holy Days of obligation (the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas) fall back to back. Still, it will be kind of fun to see you all at Mass on two days in a row, or twice in one day.

Weekly Schedule

| St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee | | | <u>St. Clement Parish in Grygla</u> | | | <u>St. Ann Parish in Goodridge</u> | | |
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| Tues: | 8:00 a.m. | 7:45 a.m. | | | | | | |
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<u>Pope's monthly Intentions</u> November 2017 Christians in Asia

That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, May promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

WEBSITE

Did you know the weekly Liturgy Schedule and Weekly Bulletin is on our website for your convenience? Check it out todaywww.oggcatholic.org

Bulletin Deadline

Deadline for announcements to get into the bulletin each week is 12:00 p.m. (noon), on Wednesdays.

Pleasure or Joy

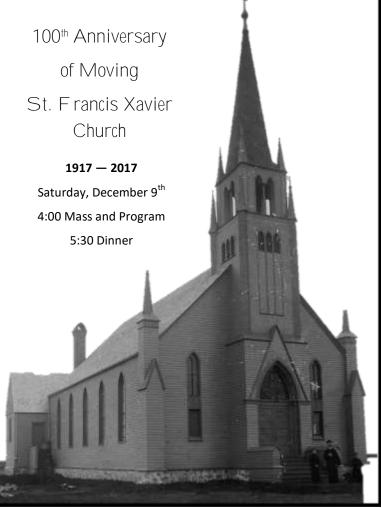
"Pleasure is of the body; joy is of the mind and heart. Lobster Newberg gives pleasure to certain people, but not even the most avid lobster fans would ever say that it made them joyful. You can quickly become tired of pleasures, but you can never tire of joys." Archbishop Fulton Sheen (You)

VICTIM ASSISTANCE STATEMENT OF THE DIOCESE OF CROOKSTON

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, please contact Cindy Hulst, LSW, the diocesan Victim's Assistance Coordinator at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

Feeling lost? Need Direction? The Diocese of Crookston has openings for spiritual direction and mentorship! If you are interested, contact Jessica at the Chancery by calling 218-281-4533. Your confidential request will be received and you will get a call back from coordinator, Deacon Steve Thomas, who will make arrangements for you. Visit <u>www.crookston.org</u>(Choose "Diocese" -> Then click "Spiritual Direction") to learn more about spiritual direction offerings in the Diocese of Crookston. Know that we are here to serve you so please don't hesitate to give us a call!

NOW HIRING! *Our Northland Diocese* newspaper is seeking freelance journalists! Freelancers will attend diocesan and parish events, conduct research, and write articles as assigned. High resolution photos will be expected to accompany written articles. Work will be submitted to *Our Northland Diocese* via e-mail by preestablished deadlines. Freelancers will work for the newspaper as independent contractors. Possession of a valid driver's license and the ability to travel independent-ly in the diocese is a must. Visit <u>www.crookston.org/employment</u> for full details or contact Janelle Gergen with inquiries at jgergen@crookston.org or 218-281-4533.



Thy Kingdom Come!

The kingdom of God, in the words of our Lord and Savior, does not come for all to see; nor shall they say: Behold, here it is, or behold, there it is, but the kingdom of God is within us (cf Luke 17:20-21), for the word of God is very near, in our mouth and in our heart (cf Deuteronomy 30:14). Thus it is clear that he who prays for the coming of God's kingdom prays rightly to have it within himself, that there it may grow and bear fruit and become perfect. For God reigns in each of his holy ones. Anyone who is holy obeys the spiritual laws of God, who dwells in him as in a well-ordered city. The Father is present in the perfect soul, and with him, Christ reigns, according to the words: We shall come to him and make our home with him (cf John 14:23). Thus the kingdom of God within us, as we continue to make progress, will reach its highest point when the Apostle's words are fulfilled, and Christ, having subjected all his enemies to himself, will hand over his kingdom to God the Father (cf 1 Corinthians 15:24), that God may be all in all (1 Corinthians 15:28). Therefore, let us pray unceasingly with that disposition of soul which the Word may make divine, saying to our Father who is in heaven: Hallowed by thy name; thy kingdom come (Matthew 6:10).

Note this too about the kingdom of God. It is not a sharing of justice with iniquity, nor a society of light with darkness, nor a meeting of Christ with <u>Beli-al</u> (cf 2 Corinthians 6:14-15). The kingdom of God cannot exist alongside the reign of sin.

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me" - MATTHEW 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's schedule.

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- Have Masses offered for friends or relatives, deceased or still living. Just drop a note in the collection basket, along with your donation, the usual amount is \$5.00/Mass. If this would be a financial hardship, please let me know.
- Offer Memorials in honor of your deceased loved ones to your parish's building and maintenance fund, or to your parish cemetery.
- Leave a legacy gift to the parish in your will, or name the parish as the beneficiary of your retirement policy or life insurance plan.