

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

Clergy Column

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Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday: Noon

LOOKING TO HOST A CATHOLIC EXCHANGE STUDENT?

I received the following email this week.

To Whom It May Concern: My name is Laura Stahl, and I am the Special Services Director for OCEAN (Organization for Cultural Exchange Among Nations), which is a non-profit organization that sponsors foreign exchange students, ages 14-18, and places them in volunteer host families and high schools throughout the U.S. for an academic year. We are currently seeking a volunteer host family for a young man from Mexico who is Catholic and enjoys playing basketball and soccer. Might you know of any families in your congregation that would be interested in welcoming this student into their home for the coming 2019/2020 school year? Below is additional information: Student's Name: NATANAEL Age upon Arrival in the U.S.: 16 Home Country: MEXICO Preferred Grade of Enrollment: 11th Interests: Basketball, cycling, hiking, soccer, swimming, running, cooking, drawing, playing chess & video games. Excerpt from the student's letter: I am 16 years old and I live with my mom, my dad and 3 sisters. I also have two dogs, they are beagles, Luke and Dobby. I like to spend time with them. I consider myself a really nice and calm guy, I love to read, watch movies, go to the movie theater and watch some series and talk about them. For example I've read the Hunger Games, shadow hunters and the Chronicles of Narnia, and Harry Potter. I am really committed with all the things that I do, I always work hard for school and try to do my chores on time, I like to learn different languages, right now I speak Spanish, English, French and a Little bit of German, I like to play sports, I like soccer and basketball. I would like to have this Exchange program year because it is a great opportunity to get to know new people, a different culture. My English Will get better as well and it Will open new doors for my future. I am looking forward to this experience that I am sure it will change my life. Thank you for reading my letter and I am looking forward to know about you. Note: Student is allergic to cats. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to e-mail me at L.Stahl@ocean-intl.org or call me at 1-888-996-2326, Ext. 5. You may also wish to visit our website at: www.ocean-intl.org. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Laura Stahl Special Services Director

Weekly Schedule

<u>St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee</u>		<u>St. Clement Parish in Grygla</u>		<u>St. Ann Parish in Goodridge</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.
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.			
			Sun:	12:00 p.m.	11:45 a.m.

Weekly Reflections

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." (Luke 12:51)

Living a stewardship lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today's world we are called to be informed and take a stance for life, marriage and religious liberty.



Father,
you have given us
the mother
of your Son
to be our queen
and mother.
With the support
of her prayers
may we come
to share
the glory
of your children
in the kingdom
of heaven.

Taken from the Mass
of the Queenship of Mary

Mass Intentions

Oklee	Sunday	08/18/19	8:00 a.m.	† Mary Jean Altendorf
Grygla	Sunday	08/18/19	10:15 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	08/18/19	12:00 p.m.	† Richard Stoltman
Oklee	Tuesday	08/20/19	8:00 a.m.	† Mike Bourque
Oklee	Wednesday	08/21/19	8:00 a.m.	† Madonna Asselin
Oklee	Thursday	08/23/19	8:00 a.m.	In Thanksgiving
Oklee	Friday	08/23/19	8:00 a.m.	† Ann Peterson
Oklee	Sunday	08/25/19	8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Grygla	Sunday	08/25/19	10:15 a.m.	† Richard Dobmeier
Goodridge	Sunday	08/25/19	12:00 p.m.	† Mary Jean Altendorf

St. Francis Xavier Parish Market Day bake sale was a big success once again! The profit from the bake sale is \$971.00. Thank you to everyone who participated by donating baked goods or working at the sale. If anyone would still like to make a contribution to the bake sale they may put their donation of \$20.00 per parish family in the offering at mass marked "bake sale" or bring it to Lori Melby at the bank.



Tithing

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee August 11, 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$2042.00
Loose Plate	\$49.00
Flowers for Altar	\$7.00
Total	\$2098.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge August 11, 2019

Adult Envelopes	\$441.00
Loose Plate	\$37.00
Total	\$478.00

St. Clement's in Grygla August 11, 2019

Adult Envelopes	\$530.00
Loose Plate	\$40.00
Total	\$570.00

This weekend we take up the collection for the Summer Appeal! What was once an appeal to the summer guests in our diocese has now become an opportunity to commit in joy and thanksgiving to the local church. If you haven't done so already, this is a great chance to support diocesan efforts to bring the fallen away back to the faith, to offer events for our children and youth, to make sure that our parish has done what it can to support safe environments in our parishes, to support a Tribunal that brings those with broken families back into full communion with the church and to offer our resistance to the work of the secular press. We are one family, sharing our joys, our resilience and strength as well as our deeply felt disappointments. Support green giving by becoming a sustaining donor at www.crookston.org/daa or calling 1-218-281-4533 ext. 432

Let's Honor The Lord With Our Giving

*"Remember this, whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly,
And whoever sows generously will also reap generously."
2 Corinthians 9:6*



St. Francis Xavier's

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Sacristan: Mary Lynn Bachand
Lector: Paul Cyr
EMHC: Bob & Emily Bernier
Usher: Don L. & Jake Martell
Greeter: Don & Annette LaCoursiere
Counter: Anne H & Delores Grimm

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Sacristan: Rick Dulka
Lector: Mary Ann Lambert
EMHC: Don L. & Carolyn R.
Usher: Mitch B. & John M.
Greeter: Ken & Shirley Boucher
Counter: Pat Asselin & Jo Lambert

St. Clement's

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Commentary: Angie
Lector: Daniel
EMHC: Laurie & Coleen
Usher: Tim & Chris

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Commentary: Angie
Lector: Dawn
EMHC: Ron & Bill Z
Usher: Jason D & Aaron

St. Ann's

Sunday, August 18, 2019

Commentator: Carol
Lector: Karyl
EMHC: Darwin & Marie
Usher: Russell & Joe
Counter: Louann & Marie

Sunday, August 25, 2019

Commentator: Gerri
Lector: Eliza
EMHC: Eliza & Deb
Usher: Russell & Joe
Counter: Louann & Marie

St. Francis Xavier, Oklee
Lay Contacts

<u>Body</u>	<u>Year of Term—Term Ends (Term #)</u>	
<u>Pastoral Council & Finance Council</u>		
Don LaCoursiere	3/3—June 2018 (2nd)	P
Phyllis Melby	3/3—June 2018 (1st)	P
Mitch Bernstein	3/3—June 2018 (1st)	F
Margaret Buer	2/3—June 2019 (1st)	P
Rick Dulka	2/3—June 2019 (1st)	P
Janet Halvorson	2/3—June 2019 (1st)	F
Virginia Weber	1/3—June 2020 (3rd)	P
David Bachand	1/3—June 2020 (2nd)	P
Jacob Melby	1/3—June 2020 (2nd)	F
<u>Parish Trustees</u>		
Joyce Paquin	2/2—Sept. 2019(2nd)	
Shirley Cyr	2/2—Sept. 2019(2nd)	

St. Ann, Goodridge
Lay Contacts

<u>Body</u>	<u>Year of Term—Term Ends (Term #)</u>	
<u>Joint Pastoral & Finance Council</u>		
Audrey Rogalla	3/3—June 2018 (1st)	
Cindi Kotrba	3/3—June 2018 (1st)	
Marlin Kotrba	2/3—June 2019 (1st)	
Karyl Mayernik	2/3—June 2019 (1st)	
Darwin Eidelbes	1/3—June 2020 (2nd)	
Gerri Rustan	1/3—June 2020 (1st)	
<u>Parish Trustees</u>		
Patty Skibicki	1/2—Sept. 2020 (2nd)	
Anthony Carin	1/2—Sept. 2020 (1st)	

St. Clement, Grygla
Lay Contacts

<u>Body</u>	<u>Year of Term—Term Ends (Term #)</u>	
<u>Joint Pastoral & Finance Council</u>		
Jim Carriere	3/3—June 2018 (1st)	
Gary Polansky	3/3—June 2018 (2nd)	
Bill Zavoral	2/3—June 2019 (1st)	
Angie Kiesow	2/3—June 2019 (1st)	
Jean Schulz	1/3—June 2020 (1st)	
Bill Neuschwander	1/3—June 2020 (1st)	
<u>Parish Trustees</u>		
Jody Miller	1/2—Sept. 2020 (3rd)	
Jack Miller	1/2—Sept. 2020 (3rd)	

God's love has produced many miracles,

large and small. One of these is the life-sustaining power of blood. We have the ability to share this miracle of life; to pass it along to others. The opportunity to share your healthy blood with those less fortunate will be on Wednesday, August 28 from 12:15 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Community Center in Grygla. Please call Ralph at 294-6177 to make an appointment



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" and a smile goes a long way.



Recently
Deceased Loved
Ones

- † Alice Bluemke
- † Mary Peterson
- † Donna Horachek
- † Joey Johnson
- † Allen Paquin
- † Kathleen Amiot
- † Chris Tougas
- † Larry O'Neill
- † Yvonne Boucher
- † Bonnie Buchmeier
- † Janet Pearson
- † David Dessellier
- † Rita Bonagura Vaughn
- † Ann Peterson
- † Irene Dessellier
- † Floyd Neuschwander
- † Annette Magnell
- † Ted Lussier
- † LaVonne Radniecki
- † Brigitta Dobmeier
- † Mary Jean Altendorf
- † Mike Bourque
- † Fr Don Brauckmann
- † Florence Dunham

Pray For Those
Who Are Sick

- Delton Sebenaler
- Donnie Tougas
- Kenneth LaCoursiere
- Shirley Dessellier
- Irene Kiesow
- Michael Bachand
- Annette LaCoursiere
- Debra Olson
- Jack Miller
- Kimberly Johs
- Kathy Vathauer
- Ambrose Beaudoin
- Steve Sebenaler
- Don LaCoursiere
- Cindy Determan
- David Longtin
- Richard Bronken
- Amy Polansky
- Emerson Polansky