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

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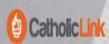
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Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you.

St. Thomas Aguinas



St. Francis Xa	vier Parish in Oklee
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 Mass Times
 Confessions

 Sun:
 8:00 a.m.
 7:30 a.m.

 Mon:
 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 Mass Times Confessions

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

Rotating w/ Goodridge see MASS schedules
Tues: 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

St. Ann Parish in Goodridge Mass Times Confessions

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

Rotating w/ Grygla see MASS schedules
Tues: 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

CLERGY COLUMN

Happy Father's Day to all the fathers among us!

This past Friday we celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. It's one of my favorite days because it's a reminder of the incredible love of Jesus for his people. Obviously, no one has ever seen the actual human heart of Jesus, since it's an internal organ. Even after he was scourged, crucified, and pierced in the side, his heart would not have been visible. Christians throughout history have used their artistic abilities and imaginations to depict the different characteristics of Jesus that he reveals in Scripture. We consider the heart to be the place of love, the place of decision. So, images of the Sacred Heart of Jesus reveal what motivated Jesus to choose to sacrifice his life for us. These are obviously artistic depictions - Jesus doesn't actually have a crown of thorns around his heart or a small cross coming out of the top - so we know they are meant to point us beyond the image to a prayerful encounter with Jesus, the Son of the living God.

Sometimes the images of the Sacred Heart are depicted against an image of Jesus' body and sometimes they are depicted with only the Heart standing alone. Either way, there are always six characteristics of Jesus that are highlighted (not in any particular order):

- 1. Most simply, the fact that he has a heart at all is meant to remind us that God became man in the Incarnation. He draws close to his favorite creature, even to the point of taking on human nature. He becomes an image of the invisible God.
- 2. The flame of God's burning love for his people. We know this from our own experience: when a person is in love, regardless of who the subject of the love is, that love and affection is very warm. The stronger the love and affection, the greater is the flame that ignites it. Jesus' love for us is a blazing fire.
- 3. How does that flame keep burning for so long? It's fed by the wood of the Cross. Because his love for us is a blazing fire, he is eager to sacrifice himself for us. Love leads to sacrifice. Jesus' love leads to the ultimate sacrifice. The eternal Word of God takes on human flesh and, out of love, embraces the humiliating cross and gives himself up for us. Incredible!
- 4. The crown around the heart. We know that Jesus was crowned with thorns prior to his crucifixion. He is the eternal King of the Universe and the crown he receives during his time on earth is not the royal, golden crown that would be most fitting for him, but instead the crown of suffering and mockery. He is a King, as CS Lewis says, under disguise. His disguise leads to utter degradation and humiliation. All for you and for me.
- 5. This next one you sometimes have to look a little harder to find, but it's the wound from his pierced side. The lance goes through his side and all the way into his Heart and out comes every drop of blood and water. He gives everything he has for you. Sometimes you'll still see a drop of blood coming out of the Heart, because his love is still pouring itself out for you.
- 6. Lastly, and most importantly, is the radiance coming from the Sacred Heart. This is most important because it reveals that this Heart is not just any human heart, but it is the Heart of God. His divine radiance shines forth from his Heart, enlightening our understanding of just what this sacrifice means for us and for the world.

I really encourage you to take up a devotion to the Sacred Heart, however great or small. You might even consider investing in an image and placing it in a prominent spot in your house. We know the image is not what we worship, but it points us to the God who loves us, and it can be a great aid for our prayer and our worship.

May the Lord give you his peace! Fr. Bryan





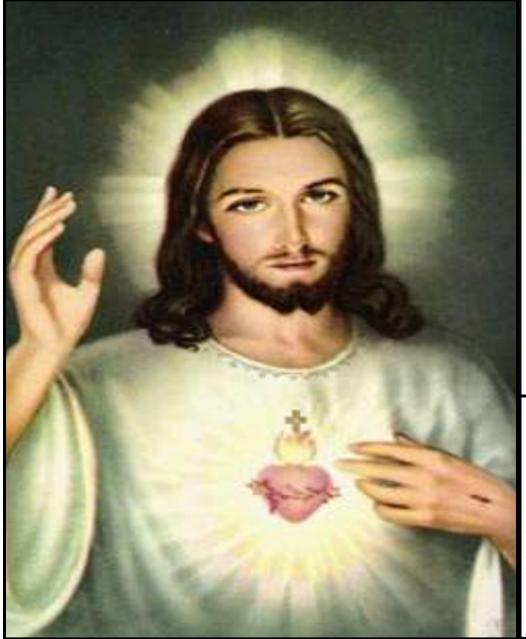


Oklee	Sunday	06/18/23	8:00 a.m.	For the People
Goodridge	Sunday	06/18/23	10:00 a.m.	†Julie Grabowski
Grygla	Sunday	06/18/23	11:45 a.m.	Fallen Away Parishioners
Oklee	Monday	06/19/23	8:00 a.m.	†Ambrose Altstadt
Grygla	Tuesday	06/20/23	5:30 p.m.	†Margaret Altstadt
Oklee	Wednesday	06/21/23	8:00 a.m.	Matthew Hondricky
Oklee	Thursday	06/22/23	8:00 a.m.	†Alyssa Rogalla
Oklee	Sunday	06/25/23	8:00 a.m.	For the People
Goodridge	Sunday	06/25/23	10:00 a.m.	†Julie Grabowski
Grygla	Sunday	06/25/23	11:45 a.m.	Military Veterans

Anyone wishing to have a MASS offered for a loved one you may leave name and the customary donation of \$10.00 in the offering basket in an envelope.

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

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



TITHING

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

June 4, 2023

Adult Envelopes \$1602.00
Retired Priests \$40.00
Loose Plate \$35.00
Total \$1677.00

June 11, 2023

Adult Envelopes \$2773.00
Retired Priests \$5.00
Endowment for Priests \$5.00
Flowers for Altar \$30.00
Loose Plate \$90.00
Total \$2903.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge

June 4, 2023

 Adult Envelopes
 \$611.00

 OND
 \$48.00

 Loose Plate
 \$60.00

 Total
 \$719.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

June 4, 2023

 Adult Envelopes
 \$570.00

 Cemetery
 \$50.00

 OND
 \$36.00

 Loose Plate
 \$22.00

 Total
 \$678.00

June 11, 2023

Adult Envelopes \$415.00 Loose Plate \$162.00 Total \$577.00

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church Prayer Blankets You Matter. We care. You are not aone.

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.

St Francis Xavier's

Oklee, MN

Sunday, June 18, 2023 Sacristan: Margaret Lector:: Paul

Counters: Anne & Dolores

Sunday, June 25, 2023 Sacristan: Emily Lector:: Jacob

Counters: Lora & Margaret

Sunday, July 2, 2023 Sacristan: Mary Lynn Lector:: Mary Lynn Counters: Jo & Deb

Sunday, July 9, 2023 Sacristan: Phyllis Lector:: Bob

Counters: MaryAnn & Jan



St Ann's

Goodridge, MN

Sunday, June 18, 2023

Lector:: Paula

Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Lector:: Eliza

Counters: Marie & Audrey

Sunday, July 2, 2023

Lector:: Carol

Counters: Marie & Audrey

Sunday, July 9, 2023

Lector:: Paula

Counters: Audrey & Marie



St Clement's

Grygla, MN

Sunday, June 18, 2023

Lector:: Jim C

Sunday, June 25, 2023

Lector:: Laurie

Sunday, July 2, 2023

Lector:: Gary

Sunday, July 9, 2023

Lector:: Dawn

Sunday, July 16, 2023

Lector:: Jim C





Thank you!!

A big thank you goes out to all who came and helped clean up the St Francis Xavier Cemetery on June 6th. We were able to accomplish a lot of hard work in a short time. Thank you.

The Cemetery Committee

ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY

July 11

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

at The Pickel Ball Court



Quilter's Retreat

The Holy Rosary Quilt Group invites you to join us for a 3-day Quilter's Retreat at the Crookston Diocese Pastoral Center from Thursday, October 19 to Sunday, October 22, 2023.

Contact Sandy at <u>sfgravelle@hotmail.com</u> or 701-540-2692 for reservation information.



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).