

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

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Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday: Noon

C l e r g y C o l u m n

Ephphetha! This is the strange word we hear in today’s Gospel. Jesus says to the deaf and mute man, “Ephphetha!—Open up!” and the man was miraculously healed. He could hear and speak without impediment. The Ephphetha ceremony is one of the smaller rites that most people don’t even notice happening at a Baptism. Before the baby is baptized the priest repeats this gesture first modeled by Christ. It is done after the priest has presented the Easter Candle to the father or godfather so that he may light the Baptismal Candle from it. As the priest touches the ears and mouth of the one who has just been baptized, and says, “The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the dumb speak. May he soon touch your ears to received his word, and your mouth to proclaim his faith, to the praise and glory of God the Father.” It is a beautiful blessing that reminds everyone that the baptized are called to receive the Christian faith and then to pass it on. We are all called to spread our faith to others.

Note about Mass Stipends:

Thank you to all who have Masses offered on behalf of friends and family. I have offered Masses for almost all of the stipends I have received, and now I am running out. This would be an opportune time to have Masses said for those in need. You can simply make a note of who the Mass is for, along with whether he or she is living or deceased, and drop it in the Sunday collection basket.

Weekly Schedule

St. Francis Xavier Parish in Oklee

	<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun:	8:00 a.m.	7:30 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.

St. Clement Parish in Grygla

	<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun:	10:15 a.m.	10:00 a.m.

St. Ann Parish in Goodridge

	<u>Mass Times</u>	<u>Confessions</u>
Sun.	12:00 noon	11:45 p.m.

St. Francis Xavier Church — St. Clement Church — St. Ann Church

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Dear Parents,

7th-12th Grade Religious Education

I have been getting ready for another year of religious education with your children in grades 7-12. Once again, I will be teaching them two Wednesday evenings a month (7:15-8:30) at St. Francis Xavier Church in Oklee. Our first class is on **October 10th**. In our classes last year we worked our way through the Catechism of the Catholic Church as we studied each of the 7 Sacraments in detail. This year we will continue with our focus on the Catechism, as we dive into Morality. There are a number of urgent moral dilemmas that teens face every day, and my aim this year is to prepare your teen to make wise and holy choices in his or her life.

12th Grade Confirmation Preparation

For students in 12th grade, this will be an important year, because they will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, which will impart on them an indelible character, seal them with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and fully initiate them into the Catholic Church. Because of the importance that we place on this Sacrament, extra effort and sacrifices will be required of them this year. There is a mandatory **Parent and Student meeting** for 12th-grade students and their parents on **October 3rd**, at 7:15 p.m. at St. Ann's Church in Goodridge. At this meeting, I will explain the requirements to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and I will give you important dates for the upcoming year.

I look forward to working with all the kids in our parish this year. Once again, our first general R.E. class for all 7th-12th graders is on October 10th in Oklee, where the students will receive a calendar of events, deadlines, and class sessions at that time. The meeting just for 12th graders and their parents is on October 3rd in Goodridge. May God bless you!

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Adam Hamness
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Oklee, MN 56742

Mass Intentions

Oklee	Sunday	09/09/18	8:00 a.m.	†Al Paquin
Grygla	Sunday	09/09/18	10:15 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	09/09/18	12:00 p.m.	†Mary Peterson
Oklee	Tuesday	09/11/18	8:00 a.m.	Michael Bachand
Oklee	Wednesday	09/12/18	8:00 a.m.	†Mike Agnes
Pioneer Home	Wednesday	09/12/18	10:00 a.m.	†Marcella Violette
Oklee	Thursday	09/13/18		NO MASS
Oklee	Friday	09/14/18	8:00 a.m.	Michael Bachand
Oklee	Sunday	09/16/18	8:00 a.m.	†Judith Laniel Ophus
Grygla	Sunday	09/16/18	10:15 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	09/16/18	12:00 p.m.	†Mary Peterson

The Red Lake County Committee on Aging invites all the Red Lake County senior citizens (55 years and older) to the annual fall picnic. The picnic lunch will be held on Tuesday September 11 from 11:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. at the Plummer museum.

Hope to see you there!

MEDITATION OF THE DAY

"However great our efforts, we cannot change ourselves. Only God can get to the bottom of our defects, and our limitations in the field of love; only he has sufficient mastery over our hearts for that.

If we realize that, we will save ourselves a great deal of discouragement and fruitless struggle. We do not have to become saints by our own power; we have to learn how to let God make us into saints. That does not mean, of course, that we don't have to make any effort . . . We should fight, not to attain holiness as a result of our own efforts, but to let God act in us without our putting up any resistance against him; we should fight to open ourselves as fully as possible to his grace, which sanctifies us." — Fr. Jacques Philipp

"A teacher who cannot explain any abstract subject to a child does not himself thoroughly understand his subject; if he does not attempt to break down his knowledge to fit the child's mind, he does not understand teaching."

— [Fulton J. Sheen, Life Is Worth Living](#)

St. Mary's Annual Fall BAZAAR, Fosston, MN>

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018(Mark your Calendars)

TURKEY AND ALL THE TRIMMINGS

SERVING FROM 11:00 A.M.—1:00 P.M.



Tithing

September 2, 2018

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

Adult Envelopes	\$1810.00
Loose Plate	\$95.00
Flowers	<u>\$15.00</u>
Total	\$1920.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge

Adults	\$201.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$47.00</u>
Total	\$248.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

Adult Envelopes	\$535.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$81.00</u>
Total	\$616.00

ST. ANN'S MINISTRY

Sunday September 16, 2018

Commentary::	Gerri
EMHC:	Tony & Marie
Usher:	Darwin & Marvin
Counter:	Marie & Audrey

ST. CLEMENT'S MINISTRY

Sunday September 16, 2018

Commentary:	Angie
Lector::	Daniel
EMHC:	Bruce & Gary
Ushers:	Jason D. & Bryan D.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Latin America (2nd Sunday in September) September 9th, 2018

POPE FRANCIS MONTHLY INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 2018

YOUNG PEOPLE IN AFRICA

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

St. Francis Xavier, Oklee
Lay Contacts

Body *Year of Term—Term Ends (Term #)*

Pastoral Council & Finance Council

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

Parish Trustees

Vacant	1/2—Sept. 2019(2nd)
Shirley Cyr	1/2—Sept. 2019(2nd)

St. Clement, Grygla
Lay Contacts

Body *Year of Term—Term Ends (Term #)*

Joint Pastoral & Finance Council

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)

Parish Trustees

Jody Miller	2/2—Sept. 2018 (2nd)
Jack Miller	2/2—Sept. 2018 (2nd)

St. Ann, Goodridge
Lay Contacts

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Joint Pastoral & Finance Council

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)

Parish Trustees

Patty Skibicki	2/2—Sept. 2018 (1st)
Vernon Rogalla	2/2—Sept. 2018 (1st)

Recently
Deceased Loved
Ones

† Mary Peterson
 † Joe Frog
 † Donna Horachek
 † Joey Johnson
 † Allen Paquin
 † Kathleen Amiot
 † Chris Tougas
 † Larry O'Neill
 † Yvonne Boucher
 † Bonnie Buchmeier
 † Janet Pearson

Pray For Those
Who Are Sick

Delton Sebenaler
 Donnie Tougas
 LaVonne Radniecki
 Kenneth LaCoursiere
 Anne Hammer
 Shirley Dessellier
 Karyl Mayernik
 Irene Kiesow
 Michael Bachand
 Audrey Rogalla
 Annette LaCoursiere
 Bob Carriere
 Debra Olson
 Floyd Neuschwander
 Ann Peterson
 Mark Stromberg
 Frankie Cyr
 Jack Miller

Oklee Ministry List

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Sacristan: Margaret Buer
Lector: Shirley Cyr
EMHC: Jacob Melby & Phyllis Melby
Usher: Ken & Shirley Boucher
Greeter: Shirley Cyr & Mary Ann Lambert
Counter: Shirley Cyr & Jan Dulka

Sunday September 16, 2018

Sacristan: Mary Lynn Bachand
Lector: David Bachand
EMHC: David Bachand & Janet Halvorson
Usher: Don LaCoursiere & Frank Buer
Greeter: Karen Fossum & Sue Carriere
Counter: Anne Hammer & Dolores Grimm

Sunday 23,2018

Sacristan: Rick Dulka
Lector: Bob Melby
EMHC: Mitch & Krista Bernstein
Usher: Mitch Bernstein & John Melby
Greeter: Don & Annette LaCoursiere
Counter: Pat Asselin & Jo Lambert

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 donation; 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.
- 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.