

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

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

The Christmas Carol, The 12 Days of Christmas, has been a traditional song to celebrate the season for hundreds of years. The cheery tune has been a merry reminder of the joy in our hearts as we celebrate the birth of our Savior. The gifts sound fanciful, but legend has it that each gift represents an aspect of our faith. It has been said that this song was used to teach catechism to children when religious instruction was prohibited.

However the song originated, it is a good reminder that Christmas isn't over after one day, but continues for 12 days of festivities, culminating with the Epiphany, when the three wise men arrive in Bethlehem to pay homage to the child in the manger. After the anticipation of Christ's birth in Advent, it is fitting to dwell with the Lord, our newborn king, and with his family as long as we can.

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:	5:45 p.m.	5:30 p.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:	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.

The Catechism of the Twelve Days of Christmas

- 1) Partridge in a Pear Tree: One Beloved Son of God
For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but shall have everlasting life—John 3:16
- 2) Turtle Doves: The Old and New Testaments
The Bible is opened between the old and new testaments where love springs forth. The Doves are symbols of the Holy Spirit, peace, and unity.
- 3) French Hens: Faith Hope and Charity
These are the three gifts of the Spirit that abide (1 Corinthians 13). They are looking up to love, the one that remains in the end. Faith, Hope, and Love are the Theological Virtues.
- 4) Calling Birds: the Four Gospels
Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
- 5) Golden Rings: The Pentateuch, also known as the Torah
The Five Books of Moses (The First 5 Books of the Bible): Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy
- 6) Geese A-Laying: The Six Days of Creation
Day 1: the sky, the earth, light and darkness
Day 2: Heaven
Day 3: dry land, the seas, and plants
Day 4: the sun, the moon, and the stars
Day 5: living creatures in the water, birds in the air
Day 6: land animals and people
- 7) Swans A-Swimming: the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit
The gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord from Isaiah 11:2-3. It could also refer to the Seven Sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist, Penance, Anointing, Matrimony, and Holy Orders.
- 8) Maids A-Milking: The Eight Beatitudes
Blessed are the poor in spirit.
Blessed are those who mourn.
Blessed are the meek.
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness.
Blessed are the merciful.
Blessed are the pure in heart.
Blessed are the peacemakers.
Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake.
- 9) Ladies Dancing: The Fruits of the Holy Spirit
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control from Galatians 5:22
- 10) Lords A-Leaping: The Ten Commandments
I: I am the Lord thy God, thou shalt not have any strange gods before Me.
II: Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
III: Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day.
IV: Honor thy father and mother.
V: Thou shalt not kill.
VI: Thou shalt not commit adultery.
VII: Thou shalt not steal.
VIII: Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
IX: **Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife.**
X: **Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's goods.**
- 11) Pipers Piping: The Eleven Faithful Apostles
Simon Peter, Andrew, James the Greater, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James the Lesser, Simon the Zealot, and Jude Thaddaeus
- 12) Drummers Drumming: The 12 Main Points of the Apostles Creed
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.



Mass Intentions

Oklee	Sunday	01/05/20	8:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Goodridge	Sunday	01/05/20	10:00 a.m.	†Dorothy Lienski
Grygla	Sunday	01/05/20	11:45 a.m.	Bruce Morrissey
Oklee	Tuesday	01/07/20	8:00 a.m.	†Richard Lambert
Pioneer	Wednesday	01/08/20	10:00 a.m.	†Jim Dulka
Grygla	Wednesday	01/08/20	5:45 p.m.	†Jim Dulka
Oklee	Thursday	01/09/20	8:00 a.m.	Lois & Earl Vraa Family
Grygla	Friday	01/10/20	8:00 a.m.	†Mary Ann Lambert & family
Oklee	Sunday	01/12/20	8:00 a.m.	†Mamie Walton
Goodridge	Sunday	01/12/20	10:00 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Grygla	Sunday	01/12/20	11:45 a.m.	Jaclyn Moe

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St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

December 22, 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$1874.00
Loose Plate	\$143.22
Endowment fr Priests	\$10.00
Christmas Collection	<u>\$200.00</u>
Total	\$2227.22

Christmas Collection

Adults Envelopes	\$1970.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$621.40</u>
Total	\$2591.40

St. Ann's in Goodridge

December 22, 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$571.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$6.00</u>
Total	\$577.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

December 22 2019

Adults Envelopes	\$1060.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$240.00</u>
Total	\$1264.00

~Weekly Reflections~

January 5, 2020 - Epiphany of the Lord

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." (Matthew 2:11)

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to us.

St Francis Xavier's

Sunday, January 5, 2020

Sacristan:	Rick Dulka
Lector:	Jacob Melby
EMHC:	Anne H & Bonnie Cote
Usher:	Don L. & Frank Buer
Greeter:	Karen F & Sue C.
Counter:	Anne H & Delores G.

Sunday, January 12, 2020

Sacristan:	Margaret Buer
Lector:	Jan Dulka
EMHC:	Emily & Bob Bernier.
Usher:	Mitch B & John M.
Greeter:	Don & Annette L.
Counter:	Pat A & Jo Lambert

St. Ann's

Sunday, January 5, 2020

Commentator :	Carol
Lector: :	Gerri
EMHC :	Tony & Marie
Usher:	Russ & Darwin
Counter:	Audrey & Marie

Sunday, January 12, 2020

Commentator:	Gerri
Lector:	Eliza
EMHC:	Eliza & Darwin
Usher:	Darwin & Stanley
Counter:	Maggie & Louann

St. Clement's

Sunday, January 5, 2020

Commentator:	Angie
Lector:	Coleen
EMHC:	Bruce & Ron
Usher:	Bill N & Bob N.

Sunday, January 12, 2020

Commentator:	Angie
Lector:	Kaylani
EMHC:	Ron & Coleen
Usher:	Justin & Tim

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.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| January 12 | St. Francis Xavier -Oklee Sunday School
w/Fellowship Coffee & Roll |
| January 26 | St. Francis Xavier -Oklee Sunday School
w/Fellowship Coffee & Roll |



If you would like any parish activity listed in the Calendar of events please, email parishstaff@oggcatholic.org

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 Braukmann
 †Florence Dunham
 †Msgr. Donald Krebs
 †Betty Barsness
 †Floyd Charest
 †Jim Dulka
 †Avis Frazer
 †Lauretta Stucy
 †Tom Toulouse

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 Vatthauer
 Ambrose Beaudoin
 Steve Sebenaler
 Don LaCoursiere
 Cindy Determan
 David Longtin
 Richard Bronken
 Amy Polansky
 Emerson Polansky
 Marie Adams
 Grace Rundell
 MaryAnn Lambert
 Bailey Herried Drotts
 Cliff Melby
 George Pittman

