

Third & Fourth Sundays of Easter

April 14 & 21, 2024

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

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Confessions: 15 minutes before Mass
 Tuesday Confessions: 1 hr. post Mass



Oklee	Sunday	04/14/24	8:00 a.m.	†Ryan Melby
Goodridge	Sunday	04/14/24	10:30 a.m.	For the People
Grygla	Sunday	04/14/24	11:45 a.m.	†Conrad Pietruszewski
Oklee	Monday	04/15/24	NO MASS	NO MASS
Grygla	Tuesday	04/16/24	NO MASS	NO MASS
Oklee	Wednesday	04/17/24	NO MASS	NO MASS
Oklee	Thursday	04/18/24	NO MASS	NO MASS
Oklee	Sunday	04/21/24	8:00 a.m.	†Alan Melby
Goodridge	Sunday	04/21/24	10:30 a.m.	For the People
Grygla	Sunday	04/21/24	11:45 a.m.	†Jackie Dobmeier
Oklee	Monday	04/22/24	8:00 a.m.	†Marion & †Walter Lambert
Goodridge	Tuesday	04/23/24	5:30 p.m.	†Dean Hanson
Oklee	Wednesday	04/24/24	8:00 a.m.	MaryAnn Lambert & family
Oklee	Thursday	04/25/24	8:00 a.m.	Marianne Lambert Family
Oklee	Sunday	04/28/24	8:00 a.m.	†Cal Harmoning
Goodridge	Sunday	04/28/24	10:30 a.m.	For the People
Grygla	Sunday	04/28/24	11:45 a.m.	†Conrad Pietruszewski

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).

CLERGY COLUMN

Happy Lord's Day!

This is a little strange to be writing for the April 14th bulletin, but it's our first bulletin of the month, so the focus here will be the monthly devotion and saints for the month of April. This is also a double-bulletin as I'll be away for our annual Clergy Days in Bemidji, Monday evening through Thursday.

The month of April is dedicated to the Holy Spirit, the third Person of the Holy Trinity. In the Gospels Jesus speaks about a new Advocate whom he will send upon his departure from this world. Immediately prior to his Ascension into Heaven, he gives instructions to his disciples that they are to go and prepare for "power from on high" to be given them. Hopefully we know the rest of the story, but they go and pray for nine days before the Holy Spirit is given to them on the day of Pentecost, the fiftieth day after Easter Sunday. It is the Holy Spirit that launches them into the mission to make disciples of all nations, while also empowering them with different spiritual gifts for the sake of a successful mission. These spiritual gifts are called charisms, and we believe that each Christian receives at least one charism upon the reception of Baptism, fortified at Confirmation. These charisms are given by the Holy Spirit, who wants to launch us into the mission of making disciples of all nations. This, of course, includes each one of us in our parishes - the Holy Spirit has empowered you and me to go into our communities of Oklee, Goodridge, and Grygla to announce the Good News of what God has done in the Person of Jesus. We have been empowered to expand the Kingdom of God on earth - are we going to work for the Kingdom? May the Lord grant to us a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit as we seek to spread the Gospel to our three towns and the surrounding area.

There aren't many saints on the calendar for the month of April, at least not for the last half of April. The Church continues to celebrate the Easter season throughout the entire month, concluding with Pentecost on May 19th this year. Still, there are a couple of bigger saints toward the end of April. St. Catherine of Siena (April 29th) played a major role in the life of the Church when she was alive. At the time, the Pope was living in France for mostly political reasons and Catherine went and convinced him to move back to Rome - she must have been quite a force! She also had several mystical, deep encounters with Jesus and had a spiritual stigmata, which are the wounds of Jesus from the Cross. She was truly a great saint and is co-patroness of Europe. St. Mark (April 25th) also comes to us this month, the great Evangelist. He is understood to be a disciple of St. Peter, the first pope. Since he wasn't directly an Apostle of Jesus, he had to receive his information from someone else in order to be able to write his Gospel. While it is not an official teaching, many people suggest that his primary source was Peter - a reasonable thought considering Peter didn't write a Gospel. So, when we read the Gospel of Mark we also get into the mind of Peter a little bit. We'll be spending a lot of time in Mark's Gospel once we return to Ordinary Time.

My schedule this month is a little different. We have our annual Priest Conference this coming week, so I will be away all week and back by Sunday. Bishop Cozzens asked me to take a spirituality class in Illinois - it's three separate weeks each year for three years - so I will be away April 26th-May 4th. Msgr. Tim McGee will be here to offer Masses April 28th.

May the Lord give you his peace!
Fr. Bryan



Thank you for your generosity with the Diocesan Annual Appeal. To date the diocese has received \$512,766 from 1,583 households. Your gifts to the DAA provide ministries that impact everyone in our Catholic community, especially the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist, who says to each of us **“I am with you always.”**

Parish	Received /Outstanding	Goal	Over (Under)
St. Ann’s	\$1,180.00	\$2,270.00	(\$1,090.00)
St. Clement’s	\$1,799.99	\$3,340.00	(\$1,540.01)
St Francis Xavier	\$6,800.01	\$8,123.00	(\$1,322.99)



St. Francis Xavier
 Congratulations!! To Jamie Johnson and Korby Olson
 Who received the sacrament of First Holy Communion Easter Sunday
 Reception in their honor after Mass at St. Francis Xavier April 21
 Rebecca Circle to serve.

A World Wide Call to Prayer **“RETURN TO OUR LADY”**

On the outskirts of Mexico City, the Virgin Mary appears to a simple indigenous man and makes a humble request. A continent is converted and the course of history is changed forever.

It was during an age much like our own when Our Lady first appeared to Saint Juan Diego some 500 years ago. Again, we are contending with disease, war, and deep spiritual confusion. Again, many poor souls are tempted to fear that all hope is lost.

But Our Lord has not called us to fear. No matter the darkness of our age, men and women of faith are not without the truth and love of Christ, nor the faithful care of His mother. Through Saint Juan Diego’s humble and courageous cooperation with grace, Our Lady’s intercession transformed the world and brought millions of souls to Christ. It is this same maternal care and protection that we seek today—a care and protection that she will grant us, should we earnestly ask for it.

There is real, miraculous, and transformative peace in the protection of Mary’s Mantle. To this end, Cardinal Burke is calling upon all Catholics to join him in a significant Novena seeking Our Lady’s intercession. Those who sign up to accompany the Cardinal in this urgent effort can expect short video reflections from His Eminence each month, in addition to regular written reflections and prayers.

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St Francis Xavier’s

Sunday, April 14, 2024
 Sacristan: Emily
 Lector:: Mary Lynn
 Counters: Deb & JO L

Sunday, April 21, 2024
 Sacristan: Brady
 Lector:: Gerri
 Counters: Mary Ann & Gerri

Sunday, April 28, 2024
 Sacristan: Margaret
 Lector:: Paul
 Counters: Anne & Delores

St Ann’s

Sunday, April 14, 2024
 Lector:: Paul
 Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, April 21, 2024
 Lector:: Karyl
 Counters: Audrey & Marie

Sunday, April 28, 2024
 Lector:: Carol
 Counters: Deb & Maggie

St Clement’s

Sunday, April 14, 2024
 Lector:: Laurie

Sunday, April 21, 2024
 Lector:: Gary

Sunday, April 28, 2024
 Lector:: Robbie

Sunday, May 5, 2024
 Lector: Dawn

To be prayed daily throughout the nine-month novena from March 12 to December 12, 2024.

O Virgin Mother of God, we fly to your protection and beg your intercession against the darkness and sin which ever more envelop the world and menace the Church. Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, gave you to us as our mother as He died on the Cross for our salvation. So too, in 1531, when darkness and sin beset us, He sent you, as Our Lady of Guadalupe, on Tepeyac to lead us to Him Who alone is our light and our salvation.

Through your apparitions on Tepeyac and your abiding presence with us on the miraculous mantle of your messenger, Saint Juan Diego, millions of souls converted to faith in your Divine Son. Through this novena and our consecration to you, we humbly implore your intercession for our daily conversion of life to Him and the conversion of millions more who do not yet believe in Him. In our homes and in our nation, lead us to Him Who alone wins the victory over sin and darkness in us and in the world.

Unite our hearts to your Immaculate Heart so that they may find their true and lasting home in the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Ever guide us along the pilgrimage of life to our eternal home with Him. So may our hearts, one with yours, always trust in God's promise of salvation, in His never-failing mercy toward all who turn to Him with a humble and contrite heart. Through this novena and our consecration to you, O Virgin of Guadalupe, lead all souls in America and throughout the world to your Divine Son in Whose name we pray. Amen.

Raymond Leo Cardinal Burk

website [Return to Our Lady \(cardinalburke.com\)](http://Return to Our Lady (cardinalburke.com))

Recently Deceased Loved Ones

†Harold Cyr
 †Judie Hendrickson
 †Alden Morinville
 †Kathleen Erickson
 †Joseph Cullen
 †Laura Nadeau
 †Lucy Christianson
 †Vernon Rogalla
 †Donovan Stoneouse
 †Adelore Plante
 †Richard Perreault
 †Cecelia Christianson
 †Corlan Magnell Kleinschmidt
 †Judy Zavoral
 †Dean Lambert
 †Richard Bronken
 †Jerome Carriere
 †Gary Paquin
 †Gayle Radniecki Grossman
 †Delores Longtin
 †Lorraine Cote
 †Lorraine LaCoursiere
 †Tony Weber
 †Matt Genova
 †Elaine Radniecki
 †Richard Rolfson
 †Gary LaCoursiere
 †Theresa Sorenson

Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Delton Sebenaler
 Donnie Tougas
 Kenneth LaCoursiere
 Shirley Dessellier
 Michael Bachand
 Annette LaCoursiere
 Debra Olson
 Ambrose Beaudoin
 Steve Sebenaler
 Don LaCoursiere
 Cindy Determan
 Marie Adams
 Grace Rundell
 MaryAnn Lambert
 Bailey Herried Drotts
 George Pittman
 Bambi Lambert
 Doris Dessellier
 Danielle Swanson
 Mark Stromberg
 Sylvia Remick Morey
 Penny Kalar
 Jo Lambert
 Tony Radniecki
 Bob Radniecki
 Darren Tougas
 Richard Bourque
 Rick Dulka
 Mary Radniecki
 Dave Zavoral
 Bernadette Lambert-Daymunde
 Josie Rodriguez
 Roy Rystad
 Dave Longtin, Shorty
 Bonnie Cote
 Joyce Tougas
 Brad Gunderson
 Brian Peterson
 Roger Lambert
 Theresa Mutnansky
 Carolyn Pittman
 Shirley Cyr
 Cliff Melby
 Jack Miller
 Mike Dessellier
 Julie Paquin
 Adam Cwikla
 Tyler Larson (deployed)
 John Lessard
 Bonnie Pauin

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

TITHING

St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

March 31 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$805.00
Easter Flowers	\$25.00
Holy Land	\$25.00
Easter	\$1401.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$22.00</u>
Total	\$2278.00

April 7, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$1860.00
Flowers for Altar	\$164.00
Home Missions	\$10.00
Endowment Priests	\$10.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$42.00</u>
Total	\$2086.00

St. Ann's in Goodridge

March 30, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$590.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$85.00</u>
Total	\$675.00

April 7, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$1150.00
Holy Land	\$20.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$109.00</u>
Total	\$1279.00

St. Clement's in Grygla

March 31, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$840.00
Holy Land	\$85.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$52.00</u>
Total	\$977.00

April 7, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$765.00
Loose Plate	<u>\$40.00</u>
Total	\$805.00