

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

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CLERGY COLUMN



**The Golden Nights of Advent**

Dec. 17— O Wisdom that comest out of the mouth of the Most High, that reachest from one end to another, and orderest all things mightily and sweetly, come to teach us the way of prudence!

Dec. 18—O Adonai, and Ruler of the house of Israel, Who didst appear unto Moses in the burning bush, and gavest him the law in Sinai, come to redeem us with an outstretched arm!

Dec.19—O Root of Jesse, which standest for an ensign of the people, at Whom the kings shall shut their mouths, Whom the Gentiles shall seek, come to deliver us, do not tarry.

Dec. 20—O Key of David, and Sceptre of the house of Israel, that openeth and no man shutteth, and shutteth and no man openeth, come to liberate the prisoner from the prison, and them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death.

Dec. 21—O Dayspring, Brightness of the everlasting light, Sun of justice, come to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death!

Dec. 22—O King of the Gentiles, yea, and desire thereof! O Corner-stone, that makest of two one, come to save man, whom Thou hast made out of the dust of the earth!

Dec. 23—O Emmanuel, our King and our Law-giver, Longing of the Gentiles, yea, and salvation thereof, come to save us, O Lord our God!

**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 p.m.        | 11:45 a.m.         |

## BLESSING OF A CHRISTMAS TREE AT HOME

*When all have gathered, a suitable song may be sung. The leader makes the sign of the cross, and all reply "Amen." The leader may greet those present in the following words:*

Let us glorify Christ our light, who brings salvation and peace into our midst, now and forever.  
R/. Amen.

*In the following or similar words, the leader prepares those present for the blessing:*

My brothers and sisters, amidst signs and wonders Christ Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea: his birth brings joy to our hearts and enlightenment to our minds. With this tree, decorated and adorned, may we welcome Christ among us; may its lights guide us to the perfect light.

*The intercessions are then said. The leader says:*

Let us ask God to send his blessing upon us and upon this sign of our faith in the Lord.

R/. Lord, give light to our hearts.

That this tree of lights may remind us of the tree of glory on which Christ accomplished our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. R/.

That the joy of Christmas may always be in our homes, let us pray to the Lord. R/.

That the peace of Christ may dwell in our hearts and in the world, let us pray to the Lord. R/.

*After the intercessions the leader invites all present to say*

### The Lord's Prayer.

*The leader says the prayer with hands joined:*

Lord God,  
let your blessing come upon us  
as we illumine this tree.  
May the light and cheer it gives  
be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts.  
May all who delight in this tree  
come to the knowledge and joy of salvation.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
R/. Amen.

*The lights of the tree are then illuminated. The leader concludes the rite by signing himself or herself with the sign of the cross and saying:*

May the God of glory fill our hearts with peace and joy, now and forever.  
R/. Amen.

*The blessing concludes with a verse from "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel":*

O come, thou dayspring, come and cheer  
our spirits by thine advent here;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
and death's dark shadow put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
shall come to thee, O Israel.

## Christmas Flowers in Memorandum



Mike & Audrey Bachand

Cliff & Barb Melby

Frank & Margie Buer

Sue & Bob Carriere

Bob & Phyllis Melby

Jake Martell

Larry & Karen Fossum

Rick & Jan Dulka

David & Mary Lynn Bachand

Therese Maxson

Lois Jahnke

Mike LaPlante

Ernest LaPlante

Onezime Bachand

Mae Bachand

Marv & Joan Bronken

Tom, Betty, & Tommy Melby

Viola Walton

Thad Walton

Mamie Walton

Ruth Walton

Louis & Marcella Violette

Leroy Carriere

All deceased Relatives

Ryan Melby

Paul Melby

Emmitt Morinville

Theresa Morinville

Vi Bergh

Orrin Melby

Pokie Martell

Francis Martell

Cis Martell

all deceased family members

Jim Dulka

Mary Peterson

Onezine Bachand

Mae Bachand

Dennis Bachand

Tut Marvin

Mary M. Marvin



|               |           |            |            |                                     |
|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Oklee         | Sunday    | 12/20/20   | 8:00 a.m.  | <i>Pro Populo</i>                   |
| Grygla        | Sunday    | 12/20/20   | 10:15 a.m. | † <b>Leroy Irlbeck</b>              |
| Goodridge     | Sunday    | 12/20/20   | 12:00 p.m. | † <b>Irene Kiesow</b>               |
| Oklee         | Tuesday   | 12/22/20   | 8:00 a.m.  | †Joan Carpenter                     |
| Oklee         | Wednesday | 12/23/20   | NO MASS    | NO MASS                             |
| CHRISTMAS EVE |           |            |            |                                     |
| Grygla        | Thursday  | 12/24/20   | 4:30 p.m.  | † <b>Lawrence Kiesow</b>            |
| Goodridge     | Thursday  | 12/24/20   | 6:00 p.m.  | Bob Paulson                         |
| Oklee         | Thursday  | 12/24/20   | 7:30 p.m.  | † <b>Cob &amp; †Wylma Radniecki</b> |
| CHRISTMAS DAY |           |            |            |                                     |
| Latin Mass    | Friday    | 12/25/2020 | Midnight   | † <b>Joan Carpenter</b>             |
| Oklee         | Friday    | 12/25/2020 | 8:00 a.m.  | <i>Pro Populo</i>                   |
| Goodridge     | Friday    | 12/25/2020 | 9:30 a.m.  | Shelby Lesser                       |
| Grygla        | Friday    | 12/25/2020 | 11:00 a.m. | † <b>Irene Kiesow</b>               |
| Oklee         | Sunday    | 12/27/20   | 8:00 a.m.  | <i>Pro Populo</i>                   |
| Grygla        | Sunday    | 12/27/20   | 10:15 a.m. | Irlbeck Family                      |
| Goodridge     | Sunday    | 12/27/20   | 12:00 p.m. | Private Intention                   |

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## St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee December 13, 2020

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| Adults Envelopes         | \$1113.00        |
| Loose Plate              | \$20.00          |
| <b>St Mary's Mission</b> | \$200.00         |
| Retired Religious        | \$310.00         |
| Camp Human Devel         | \$50.00          |
| Christmas Flowers        | \$35.00          |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>\$1728.00</b> |

## St. Ann's in Goodridge December 13, 2020

|                   |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Adults Envelopes  | \$276.00        |
| Ladies Aid        | \$300.00        |
| Retired Religious | \$5.00          |
| Loose Plate       | \$40.00         |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>\$621.00</b> |

## St. Clement's in Grygla December 13, 2020

|                   |                  |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Adults Envelopes  | \$975.00         |
| Loose Plate       | \$75.00          |
| Retired Religious | \$140.00         |
| Christmas Flowers | \$20.00          |
| <b>Total</b>      | <b>\$1210.00</b> |

### *Weekly Reflections* **4th Sunday of Advent**



"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" – Luke 1:28

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity.

### **St Francis Xavier's** Oklee, MN

Sunday, December 20, 2020  
Lector: Paul Cyr

Christmas Eve  
Lector: Paul Cyr

Christmas Day  
Lector: Jan Dulka

Sunday, December 27, 2020  
Lector: Mary Ann Lambert

### **St Ann's** Goodridge, MN

Sunday, December 20, 2020  
Lector: Carol

Christmas Eve  
Lector: Karyl

Christmas Day  
Lector: Carol

Sunday, December 27, 2020  
Lector: Gerri

### **St Clement's** Grygla, MN

Sunday, December 20, 2020  
Lector: Jim C.

Christmas Eve  
Lector: Laurie

Christmas Day  
Lector: Dawn

Sunday, December 27, 2020  
Lector: Jody

## Christmas Schedule

Normally the maximum number of Masses a priest is permitted to offer are two on the evening before a Solemnity and three on the day of the Solemnity itself. In light of the present pandemic, the Holy Father has given a one time permission to offer four Masses on Christmas Eve and four Masses on Christmas Day. I know that most people prefer to come on Christmas Eve, but please consider coming on Christmas Day to spread out the attendance more evenly.

### Christmas Eve

4:30 p.m. Grygla  
6:00 p.m. Goodridge  
7:30 p.m. Oklee

### Christmas Day

Midnight Latin Mass in Oklee  
8:00 a.m. Oklee  
9:30 a.m. Goodridge  
11:00 a.m. Grygla



## *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.

Oklee Parishioners: Next time you see Derek Cross, tell him thank you for coming to set-up and install the automatic dispenser of hand sanitizer in the Entry, which was provided by the City of Oklee.



Red Lake County Social Service has an Advent Giving Tree in the entry of the Church in Oklee. Please return wrapped gifts with their tag by December 20<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please call Lori Melby at work at (218) 683-7966 or on her cellphone at (218) 686-5375.

### Recently Deceased Loved Ones

†Joey Johnson  
†Allen Paquin  
†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  
†Marlyn Dessellier  
†Gerald Cote  
†Phyllis Martell  
†Theresa "Bergeron" Lucken  
†Jerome Hruby  
†Irene Kiesow  
†Msgr. Michael Patnode  
†Donnie Knutson  
†Jerry Johnson  
†Ron Rustan  
†Joan Carpenter  
†Leroy Irlbeck

### Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Delton Sebenaler  
Donnie Tougas  
Kenneth LaCoursiere  
Shirley Dessellier  
Michael Bachand  
Annette LaCoursiere  
Debra Olson  
Jack Miller  
Kimberly Johs  
Ambrose Beaudoin  
Steve Sebenaler  
Don LaCoursiere  
Cindy Deterrman  
David Longtin  
Marie Adams  
Grace Rundell  
MaryAnn Lambert  
Bailey Herried Drotts  
George Pittman  
Bambi Lambert  
Lucille Christianson  
Doris Dessellier  
Danielle Swanson  
Mark Stromberg  
Sylvia Remick Morey  
Penny Kalar  
Jo Lambert  
Richard Perreault  
Tony Radniecki  
Lowell Smeby  
Darren Tougas  
Elaine Radniecki

