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St. Francis Xavier's in Oklee

Dec. 22, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$1056.00
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Adult Envelopes	\$1036.00
Loose Plate	529.00

Dec. 24, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$3160.00
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Adult Envelopes	\$3160.00
Loose Plate	165.25

Dec. 29, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$218500
Loose Plate	25.00

Adult Envelopes	\$361.00
Junior Envelopes	20.00

Loose Plate	<u>20.00</u>
Total	\$381.00

December 25, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$343.00
Loose Plate	<u>100.00</u>

December 29, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$546.00
Loose Plate	<u>47.00</u>

Adult Envelopes	\$1130.00
Junior Envelopes	53.00

Loose Plate	78.00
Front Rail Donations	150.00

December 25, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$1390.00
Loose Plate	289.00

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†Richard Bronken	Donnie Tougas	Dave Zavoral
†Jerome Carriere	Kenneth LaCoursiere	Bernadette Lambert-
†Gary Paquin	Shirley Dessellier	Daymunde
†Gayle Radniecki Grossman	Michael Bachand	Josie Rodriguez
†Delores Longtin	Debra Olson	Roy Rystad
†Lorraine Cote	Ambrose Beaudoin	Dave Longtin, Shorty
†Lorraine LaCoursiere	Don LaCoursiere	Bonnie Cote
†Tony Weber	Cindy Determan	Joyce Tougas
†Matt Genova	Grace Rundell	Brad Gunderson
†Elaine Radniecki	MaryAnn Lambert	Brian Peterson
†Richard Rolfson	Bailey Herried Drotts	Roger Lambert
†Gary LaCoursiere	George Pittman	Theresa Mutnansky
†Theresa Sorenson	Doris Dessellier	Carolyn Pittman
†Julie Paquin	Danielle Swanson	Jack Miller
†Frankie Cyr	Mark Stromberg	Mike Dessellier
†Cliff Melby	Sylvia Remick Morey	Adam Cwikla
†Jake Martell	Tony Radniecki	Bonnie Paquin
†Greg Eck	Bob Radniecki	Del Determan
†Annette LaCoursiere	Darren Tougas	Bob Carriere
†Larry Fossum	Jude Syvertson	Michelle Morrissey
	Richard Bourque	Debbie Perreault
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Bulletin for the Catholic Parishes of Oklee, Grygla, and Goodridge

Oklee	Sunday	01/05/25	8:00 a.m.	†Louise Lessard
Goodridge	Sunday	01/05/25	10:00 a.m.	FTP
Grygla	Sunday	01/05/25	11:45.m.	Judy Dupree
Oklee	Monday	01/06/25	8:00 a.m.	Tom Hammers
Grygla	Tuesday	01/07/25	5:30 p.m.	†Fr. Joe DeCrans
Oklee	Wednesday	01/08/25	8:00 a.m.	Holly O'Shea
Oklee	Thursday	01/09/25	8:00 a.m..	Al Schumacher
Oklee	Sunday	01/12/25	8:00 a.m.	†Louise Lessard
Goodridge	Sunday	01/12/25	10:00 a.m.	Jack Miller
Grygla	Sunday	01/12/25	11:45.m.	Don Rindahl
Oklee	Monday	01/13/25	No Mass	
Goodridge	Tuesday	01/14/25	No Mass	
Oklee	Wednesday	01/15/25	No Mass	
Oklee	Thursday	01/16/25	No Mass	
Oklee	Sunday	01/19/25	8:00 a.m.	†Louise Lessard
Goodridge	Sunday	01/19/25	10:00 a.m.	FTP
Grygla	Sunday	01/19/25	11:45.m.	Jerry Cwikla
Oklee	Monday	01/20/25	8:00 a.m.	Steve & Carla Moritz Family
Goodridge	Tuesday	01/21/25	5:30 p.m.	Jake Bastyr
Oklee	Wednesday	01/22/25	8:00 a.m..	Conversion of our Country
Oklee	Thursday	01/23/25	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention
Oklee	Sunday	01/26/25	8:00 a.m.	Bob Carrier
Goodridge	Sunday	01/26/25	10:00 a.m.	FTP
Grygla	Sunday	01/26/25	11:45.m.	Mic Morrissey

CLERGY COLUMN

Happy Lord’s Day!

And Merry Christmas! It was a great couple of weeks to be with each other as we honored and worshiped God as a family. I am always so glad for this time of year when people come home for Christmas and our churches are a little more full than usual. It was a great joy to celebrate with you and your families. Thanks to all who shared a gift with me, whether it was sweets or other food, drinks, gift cards, or money. I’m grateful to be here at these parishes and look forward to another year. I know we’ve had a few people head south for the winter months, with a few more who will be going soon, and we will look forward to their triumphant return with warmer weather.

I’m excited about a new endeavor I intend to try in the next month or so. I know the Mass and the structure of the Mass is quite familiar for many of us who have been faithful Catholics for years and years, which is obviously good, but I’m not so sure how familiar the reasons are for the way that we worship God. In other words, many of us know what we do without necessarily knowing why we do it. Maybe you could think of some examples of things you’ve always wondered about when it comes to Catholic Mass (or anything about our Catholic faith for that matter). The endeavor I intend to take on is to use the first two-three minutes of the Sunday homily to explain something about the Mass. Obviously, two-three minutes is not a long time, so I’ll have to be more precise than I’d like to be, but I look forward to the challenge of helping everyone understand more about Mass, while also being able to preach a normal Sunday homily as well. You can let me know if there is anything you’ve wondered about. I have started a short list. Once it gets a little longer, I’ll begin with the explanations - maybe around the beginning of February. This kind of thing could probably go on for over a year because there is so much depth and goodness to our worship of God.

Lastly, I’ll be away for a week and a half, starting Thursday midday. I’ll be near Chicago for the spirituality class that Bishop Cozzens asked me to take, which is three separate weeks each year for three years. This will be the completion of the first year of the course. Unlike in October, I will be available for emails, calls, etc, but I’ll be quite a drive away. In the event of any emergencies, I’ll be glad to try to help find a priest nearby. Fr. Tom Niehaus will be here for Masses next Sunday, which will be a lovely time for all of you. He was here back in October and I heard many positive reviews of his time with you. I will return on Saturday, the 18th, in the evening.

May the Lord give you his peace!
Fr. Bryan



To those parishioners and visitors who helped prepare the environment for Christmas, for those who gifted us with special music and for those who contributed by purchasing gifts for the tags on the Giving Tree a sincere **Thank You** for your generosity.



Heavenly Father, as we enter a new year, we seek Your divine illumination to light our path. Shine Your light of wisdom, truth, and understanding upon our hearts and minds. May we walk in the brilliance of Your presence, dispelling the darkness around us. Bless us with insight, discernment, and clarity as we navigate the complexities of life. Illuminate our souls with Your love, and may the radiance of Your grace be a guiding force in our journey. As we bask in Your divine light, may we reflect Your glory to those we encounter throughout this year.



Cursillos

The Diocese of Crookston is offering a Men’s Cursillo on the weekend of February 20-23 and a Women’s Cursillo on the weekend of April 3-6 at the Crookston Pastoral Center.

March for Life

Saturday, January 18, 2025

12:00 Noon

Beltrami County Courthouse

St Francis Xavier’s

Sunday, January 5, 2025

Sacristan: Margaret Buer

Lector:: Paul Cyr

Counters: Ann Hammer & Dolores Grimm

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Sacristan: Mary Lynn

Lector:: Jacob Melby

Counters: Lora Johnson & Margaret Buer

Sunday, January 19, 2025

Sacristan: Emily

Lector:: Mary Lynn

Counters: Paul Cyr & Anne Hammer

St Ann’s

Sunday, January 5, 2025

Lector:: Paula

Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Lector:: Karyl

Counters: Marie & Audrey

Sunday, January 19, 2025

Commentator:: Amanda

Lector:: Carol

Counters: Deb & Maggie

St Clement’s

Sunday, January 5, 2025

Lector: Laurie

Sunday, January 12, 2025

Lector: Gary

Sunday, January 19, 2025

Lector: Robbie

Sunday, January 26, 2025

Lector: Dawn