

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

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## 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, Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential num-

Pray for our students

Goodridge	Saturday	4/04/26	8:30 p.m.	FTP
<b>Oklee</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/05/26</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>†Shirley Cyr</b>
Grygla	Sunday	4/05/26	10:30 a.m.	Rolland Verbout
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Oklee	Monday	4/06/26	8:00 a.m.	All Seminarians
Grygla	Tuesday	4/07/26	5:30 p.m.	†Lawrence Nycholat Sr.
Oklee	Wednesday	4/08/26	8:00 a.m.	Brittany Blickenstaff
Oklee	Thursday	4/09/26	8:00 a.m.	†Shirley Cyr
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<b>Oklee</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/12/26</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>†Mona Lessard</b>
Goodridge	Sunday	4/12/26	10:00 a.m.	Tim Henning
Grygla	Sunday	4/12/26	11:45 a.m.	FTP
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Oklee	Monday	4/13/26	8:00 a.m.	Nycholat family
Goodridge	Tuesday	4/14/26	5:30 p.m.	Jake Bastyr.
Oklee	Thursday	4/16/26	8:00 a.m.	Rick Dulka
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<b>Oklee</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/19/26</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>†Robert Peterson</b>
<b>Goodridge</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4/19/26</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>†George Pittman</b>
Grygla	Sunday	4/19/26	11:45 a.m.	FTP



**Happy Lord's Day!**

Happy Easter!

I want to write today about the most studied artifact in human history, which is the Shroud of Turin. You can find out more by searching online for it. There has been a lot of debate about it, but the scientific research points toward some remarkable claims. Revered by many as the burial cloth of Jesus Christ, it bears the faint image of a crucified man whose wounds correspond strikingly to the Gospel accounts of the Passion. While the Church does not require belief in its authenticity, the Shroud offers a compelling meditation on the mystery of the Resurrection—precisely because of its unique and unexplained characteristics.

First, the image itself is unlike any known form of art. It is not painted, dyed, or burned into the cloth in any conventional way. Scientific studies have shown that the image resides only on the very top fibers of the linen, penetrating no deeper than a fraction of a millimeter. Even more fascinating, the image contains three-dimensional information. When analyzed using modern imaging technology, the shading corresponds to the distance between the body and the cloth, as if the image were formed by a kind of radiant projection. This has led some scientists to speculate about a brief but intense burst of energy—something that intriguingly aligns with the idea of the Resurrection as a moment of divine transformation.

Second, the Shroud shows no signs of bodily decomposition. A body wrapped in linen for even a short time would typically leave evidence of decay. Yet the image on the Shroud lacks such indicators. Instead, it suggests that the body was present only briefly—long enough to leave an imprint, but not long enough to decay. This corresponds remarkably with the Gospel testimony that Christ rose on the third day, leaving the tomb behind before corruption could take hold.

Third, the bloodstains on the Shroud are consistent with real human blood and match the wounds described in Scripture: the scourging, the crowning with thorns, the nail wounds in the wrists and feet, and the wound in the side. Notably, the blood appears to have transferred to the cloth before the image was formed, indicating that the image was created after the body had already been wrapped. Even more striking, there is no evidence of the cloth being removed in a way that would disturb the bloodstains. It is as if the body simply passed through the cloth, leaving it undisturbed—**echoing the mysterious, glorified state of Christ's risen body, which could pass through locked doors** (cf. John 20:19).

Finally, the very “negativity” of the image is itself a kind of sign. When photographed, the negative reveals a more detailed and lifelike positive image. This inversion—where what appears faint becomes clear, and what seems obscure becomes radiant—offers a powerful symbol of the Resurrection itself: death giving way to life, darkness to light, and defeat to glory.

Whether one approaches the Shroud as a historical artifact, a scientific enigma, or a devotional aid, it invites **deep reflection. It does not “prove” the Resurrection in a strict scientific sense, but it points toward it in ways** that are difficult to dismiss. Like the empty tomb, the Shroud stands as a silent witness—one that seems to whisper of a moment when death itself was overcome, and the body of Christ was transformed in glory.

May the Lord give you his peace!  
Fr. Bryan

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Heavenly Father,

On this glorious Easter morning, we rejoice in the victory of Your Son, Jesus Christ, over sin and death.

Fill our hearts with the light of His Resurrection, renew our faith, and strengthen our hope.

May we live as witnesses to His love, sharing the joy of new life with all we meet.

Through Christ our Risen Lord. Amen



**Aurora Resource Center (Life Care Center) Annual Banquet**

**St. Frances Ladies Guild, Oklee, is sponsoring a table for eight people (no charge to you)**

**Friday, April 17th, 2026 at the Legacy Event Center**

**Doors open at 5:15PM, with dinner and program to start at 6:00PM.**

To be served: salad before meal with chicken, garlic mashed potatoes, & green bean. Dessert to follow.

Keynote Speaker. Silent Auction. Testimonies  
**sign up sheet in the entrance of the church.**



Pray for Peace!

Catholic Women's group meets  
Tuesday, April 7th,  
9 am in the Church kitchen.

Join us!

### St Francis Xavier's

Sunday, April 5, 2026  
 Sacristan: Rick  
 Lector: Jan  
 Counters: Ann & Dolores

Sunday, April 12, 2026  
 Sacristan: Margaret  
 Lector: Gerri  
 Counters: Margaret & Lora

Sunday, April 19, 2026  
 Sacristan: Emily  
 Lector: Jacob  
 Counters: Jo & Paul

### St Ann's

Sunday, April 5, 2026  
 Lector: Carol  
 Counters: Audrey & Marie

Sunday, April 12, 2026  
 Lector: Amanda  
 Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, April 19, 2026  
 Lector: Karyl  
 Counters: Audrey & Marie

### St Clement's

Sunday, April 5, 2026  
 Lector: Dawn

Sunday, April 12, 2026  
 Lector: Jim C

Sunday, April 19, 2026  
 Lector: Laurie

Sunday, April 26, 2026  
 Lector: Gary

#### Recently Deceased Loved

†Cliff Melby  
 †Jake Martell  
 †Greg Eck  
 †Annette LaCoursiere  
 †Larry Fossum  
 †JoAnn Hamm  
 †Gail (Lambert) Bowlin  
 †Ambrose Bergeron  
 †Richard Bourque  
 †Delton Sebenaler  
 †Reinold Lambert  
 †Donna Bergeron  
 †Bernard "Pete" Plante  
 †Odette Abboud  
 †Doug Cullen  
 †Bud Zavoral  
 †Charlie Kiesow  
 †Theresa Mutnansky  
 †Tony Kiesow  
 †Mike Paquin  
 †Daniel Cullen  
 †George Pittman  
 †Brian Peterson  
 †Ellie Horachek  
 †Shirley Cyr  
 †Betty Troska

#### Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Michael Bachand  
 Debra Olson  
 Ambrose Beaudoin  
 Don LaCoursiere  
 Cindy Determan  
 Grace Rundell  
 Bailey Herried Drotts  
 Doris Dessellier  
 Danielle Swanson  
 Tony Radniecki  
 Darren Tougas  
 Jude Syvertson  
 Rick Dulka  
 Roy Rystad  
 Roger Lambert  
 Carolyn Pittman  
 Jack Miller

#### Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Adam Cwikla  
 Bonnie Paquin  
 Del Determan  
 Bob Carriere  
 Michelle Morrissey  
 Debbie Perreault  
 Arnie Paradis  
 Jake Bastyr  
 Julia Neubert  
 Dick Kalar  
 John Lessard  
 Emily Bernier



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.

**Almighty God, we lift our voices in joyous praise, singing 'Alleluia' with all our being. We celebrate the Risen Lord and His unending love and power that conquered death. Fill our hearts with such fervent praise that we may truly honor Your majesty and Your glorious victory. May our lives be a continuous song of thanksgiving for Your boundless grace. Amen.**



## TITHING

### St. Francis Xavier's, Okle

March 29, 2026  
 Adult Envelopes \$ 555.00  
 Loose Plate 34.00  
 Easter Flowers 140.00  
 Votive Candles 140.00  
 Total \$ 869.00

### St. Ann's, Goodridge

March 29, 2026  
 Adult Envelopes \$335.00  
 Loose Plate 55.00  
 Total \$390.00

### St. Clement's, Grygla

March 29, 2026  
 Adult Envelopes \$825.00  
 Loose Plate 95.00  
 Total \$920.00

