

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

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Confessions: 15 minutes before
Mass

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-

Oklee	Sunday	5/31/26	8:00 a.m.	FTP
Goodridge	Sunday	5/31/26	10:00 a.m.	Steve Kiesow
Grygla	Sunday	5/31/26	11:45 a.m.	† Judy Hendrickson
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Oklee	Monday	6/01/26	8:00 a.m.	†Shirley Cyr
Grygla	Tuesday	6/02/26	5:30 p.m.	Fuzz Hammers
Oklee	Wednesday	6/03/26	8:00 a.m.	Steve & Doddie Hammers
Oklee	Thursday	6/04/26	8:00 a.m.	†Anita Gunkel
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Oklee	Sunday	6/07/26	8:00 a.m.	FTP
Goodridge	Sunday	6/07/26	10:00 a.m.	† Betty Troska
Grygla	Sunday	6/07/26	11:45 a.m.	† Brigitta Dobmeier
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Oklee	Monday	6/08/26	8:00 a.m.	†Shirley Cyr
Goodridge	Tuesday	6/09/26	5:30 p.m.	Marge Scheef Family
Oklee	Wednesday	6/10/26	8:00 a.m.	Jim & Karen Hammers
Oklee	Thursday	6/11/26	8:00 a.m.	†Bob Hammers
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Oklee	Sunday	6/14/26	8:00 a.m.	FTP
Goodridge	Sunday	6/14/26	10:00 a.m.	† Betty Troska
Grygla	Sunday	6/14/26	11:45 a.m.	† Richard Dobmeier
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Oklee	Monday	6/15/26	8:00 a.m.	Jaxon Hilleren
Grygla	Tuesday	6/16/26	5:30 p.m.	Dayton Hammers
Oklee	Wednesday	6/17/26	8:00 a.m.	Dave Hammers
Oklee	Thursday	6/18/26	8:00 a.m.	†Shirley Cyr

Pray for those no longer coming to Mass

CLERGY COLUMN

Happy Lord's Day!

We're almost ready to wrap-up our Catholic Masterclass. Unless some more strong ideas come to mind, we'll have this week and next week as our final two classes. This week we're going to talk about deacons. Although we don't have any deacons in our parishes, you may attend Mass where a deacon is assisting the priest or bishop. It's worthwhile to know what that role is all about.

We have to go back to the Old Testament. In the Temple of Jerusalem, God established a clear distinction among His people. Only the priests—descendants of Aaron—could offer sacrifice. Yet they did not act alone. The Levites, drawn from the same tribe but not ordained as priests, were entrusted with assisting in the worship of God. They prepared what was needed, cared for the sacred spaces, and supported the priests in carrying out the liturgy with reverence and order.

There is a similar pattern in the Mass. In the New Covenant, the bishop and priest act in the person of Christ the High Priest, offering the one sacrifice of Christ made present on the altar. Alongside them stands the deacon, ordained not to the priesthood, but to service. The role of the deacon closely resembles that of the Levites. At Mass, the deacon proclaims the Gospel, may preach, prepares the altar, assists the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer, and helps distribute Holy Communion. He does not consecrate the Eucharist, just as the Levites did not offer sacrifice, but his role assists the beauty, order, and integrity of the liturgy.

Alongside his assistance in the liturgy, deacons also add something to the life of the Church. While the Levites were primarily focused on the Temple, the deacon is sent beyond the walls of the church. From the earliest days of the Church, deacons were entrusted with caring for the poor, the neglected, and those in need. Their ministry reminds us that the sacrifice we participate in at the altar must be lived out in love and service in the world. In this way, the deacon becomes a bridge—connecting the worship of God with the needs of His people.

This structure teaches us something important: not everyone has the same role, and that is by God's design. The beauty of the Mass is not found in everyone doing everything, but in each person fulfilling the role entrusted to them. The priest offers the sacrifice. The deacon assists and serves. The faithful unite themselves to Christ's offering. **Together, this ordered harmony reflects the worship of heaven itself—where all is directed toward the glory of God.**

Deacons wear similar, but different vestments as a priest and bishop. Their main vestment is called a dalmatic, which looks similar to a priestly chasuble, but it has sleeves. The stole they wear is diagonal from the right shoulder to the left side. The practicality of these vestments allows them to assist more freely than the flowing vestments of the priest.

May the Lord give you his peace!

Fr. Bryan

Listen to audio sessions: <https://frbryankujawa.podbean.com/>

Prayer for Holy Trinity Sunday

Heavenly Father,
Creator of all that is seen and unseen,
we come before You in awe and gratitude.
You formed the heavens and the earth,
and in Your image, You created us.

Lord Jesus Christ,
Eternal Word made flesh,
You revealed the Father's love through Your life,
Your sacrifice on the Cross,
and Your victory over death.
You are our Redeemer, our Shepherd, our Friend.

Holy Spirit,
Breath of God and Giver of Life,
You dwell within us,
guiding, comforting, and strengthening our hearts.
You lead us into truth,
and set our souls aflame with divine love.

Most Holy Trinity — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit —
Three Persons in One God,
perfect in unity, boundless in mercy,
we adore You, we glorify You, we give You thanks.

Grant us the grace to live in Your image:
to love without measure,
to serve without hesitation,
and to forgive without counting the cost.

Draw us ever deeper into the mystery of Your divine life,
until we see You face to face in eternal glory.
Blessed Trinity,
be our refuge, our strength, and our joy,
now and forever.
Amen.

Registration is now open for the **Diocese of Crookston Youth Conference**. The conference will be held on **Sunday, September 27 in Bemidji!** Open to students in **grades 6–12**, this day will be filled with faith, friendship, worship, and powerful encounters with Christ you won't want to miss.

We can't wait to see you there!

To register go to :

[Diocese of Crookston Youth Conference - Diocese of Crookston - Crookston, Minnesota](#)

Who was this Bishop?

This bishop of Milan helped convert St. Augustine. He said: "The rich man who gives to the poor does not bestow charity but pays a debt."

a) John b) Joseph c) Leo the Great d) Ambrose

Answer on back page

Diocese News:

In an effort to strengthen communication across the diocese and ensure the faithful stay informed about events, updates, and opportunities the diocese has partnered with **Flocknote** as their preferred method of communication. Stay connected to Bishop Cozzens and the Diocese of Crookston through the Northland Catholic weekly e-newsletter!

Sign up at Diocrookston.flocknote.com

Oklee: Catholic Women's group meets Tuesday, June 2nd at 9 am. See you there!



St Francis Xavier's

Sunday, May 31, 2026
Sacristan: Rick Dulka
Lector: Jan
Counters: Jo L & Paul C.

Sunday, June 7, 2026
Sacristan: Phyllis
Lector: Bob
Counters: Margaret & Linda

Sunday, June 14, 2026
Sacristan: Margaret
Lector: Jan
Counters: Jan & Gerri

St Ann's

Sunday, May 31, 2026
Lector: Amanda
Counters: Deb & Maggie

Sunday, June 7, 2026
Lector: Karyl
Counters: Audrey & Marie

Sunday, June 14, 2026
Lector: Paula
Counters: Deb & Maggie

St Clement's

Sunday, May 31, 2026
Lector: Gary

Sunday, June 7, 2026
Lector: Robbie

Sunday, June 14, 2026
Lector: Dawn

Sunday, June 21, 2026
Lector: Jim C.

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
- Cindy Determan
- Grace Rundell
- Bailey Herried Drotts
- Doris Dessellier
- Jude Syvertson
- Rick Dulka
- Roy Rystad
- Carolyn Pittman
- Jack Miller
- Adam Cwikla
- Bonnie Paquin
- Del Determan
- Bob Carriere
- Debbie Perreault
- Jake Bastyr
- Julia Neubert
- Dick Kalar
- John Lessard
- Emily Bernier
- Joyce Tougas

Glory be to the Father,
Who by His almighty power and
love created me, making me in
the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, Who
by His Precious Blood delivered
me from hell, and opened for
me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
Who has sanctified me in the
sacrament of Baptism, and con-
tinues to sanctify me by the
graces I receive daily from His
bounty.

Glory be to the Three adora-
ble Persons of the Holy Trinity,
now and forever.
Amen.

TITHING

St. Francis Xavier's, Oklee

May 24, 2026

Adult Envelopes	\$ 1400.00
Loose Plate	105.00
Catholic Communication	50.00
Endowment for Priests	50.00
Flowers for Alter	<u>10.00</u>
Total	\$ 1556.00

St. Ann's, Goodridge

May 24, 2026

Adult Envelopes	\$ 415.00
Loose Plate	<u>15.00</u>
Total	\$ 430.00

St. Clement's, Grygla

May 24, 2026

Adult Envelopes	\$
Loose Plate	
Total	\$

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.

The Most Holy Trinity

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son..." JOHN 3:16

Is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love and forgiveness? Are you generous with your time, skills, money and possessions? If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you "fit it in" when it's convenient for you? God desires a personal relationship with us so much that He gave us His Son, unconditionally! Pray for a grateful and generous heart.

Answer:

St. Ambrose preached that God gave to all equally: If the poor had too little, it meant someone had taken too much and must return it. He is a patron saint of bishops and police, with a feast day on December 7.