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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:15 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday: 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Consult bulletin for special Holy Day and holiday schedules.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Conversion & Reconciliation Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:00 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. Monday: 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Tuesday: 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Wednesday: 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 a.m. First Friday: 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays & Wednesdays: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. *Thursdays:* 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

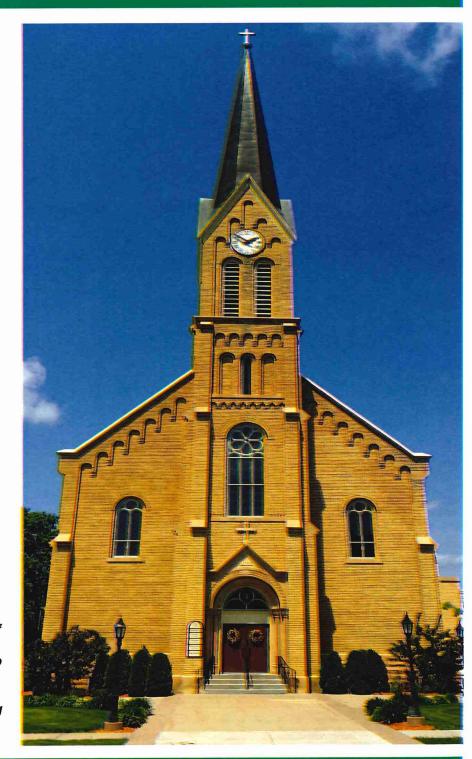
Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE:

Make arrangements with Parish Office six months prior to tentative date.

BAPTISMS:

Congratulations! Thank you for accepting and caring for one of God's greatest gifts. As part of Baptism preparation, expectant parents are required to attend Mass weekly. Please speak to Fr. Brian Lynch after Mass during the second trimester of pregnancy to begin the formal preparation process. We look forward to getting to know you and your baby.



THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR

Kitui Delegation Visit

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of the Prairie:

Since 2005 our own Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis has been in a Global Solidarity Partnership with the Diocese of Kitui in Kenya. Interpersonal relationships are of particular importance in such partnerships, and these relationships are strengthened when people are able to interact face to face.

The first visit to our Archdiocese by a delegation from the Diocese of Kitui happened in 2006; a delegation from the Archdiocese has been able to visit Kitui on four different occasions in 2008, 2011, 2014, and 2017. From Thursday, September 27 - Monday, October 8 of this year, the Archdiocese will be hosting a delegation from Kitui. Our Lady of the Prairie will be one of just a few parishes responsible for hosting individual members of this delegation. We will be hosting Fr. Julius Kiseli Muthamba and Mr. Benedict Muimi Kinuva. Michael and Maureen Daly are our host couple.

I want you to be aware of opportunities to interact with our guests and I encourage you to attend them. Please consider attending the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 30th. It would be wonderful to have a full church and festive celebration of Mass with our guests, and your attendance will help to make that possible. There will be a reception afterwards during which you will be able to meet and greet our guests.

There are also opportunities to interact with our guests at other Archdiocesan events and locations. The Welcome Picnic is at Fort Snelling State Park on Friday, September 28 from 4:30 pm to 7 pm. (There is a \$7 charge for parking at the park.) On Friday, October 5, there is a St. Croix Riverboat Cruise and Luncheon from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. (There is a charge of \$23/adult and \$17/child. You can register online with Kitui group at http://www.stillwaterriverboats.com/public-

cruises/.) Though not absolutely necessary, please contact Maureen Maureen Daly at 952-687-1501 if you hope to attend either the Welcome Picnic or the Riverboat Cruise; she can help you with details and perhaps be of some help in coordination of transportation to and from these events.

All the Best in Christ, Fr. Brian Lynch

PARISH DIRECTORY

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PLEASE JOIN US!

The Catholic Church is the Church founded by Jesus Christ; it is the same Church mentioned in the New Testament of the Christian Bible. The term "Catholic" means "according to the whole;" it was used early in the Church's history to distinguish her from a number of other gatherings whose teachings and practices were not true to the authoritative teachings of Christ's apostles. All human persons are invited and encouraged to accept the salvation offered by Jesus through His one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church by living the sacramental life offered by the Catholic Church. It is the mission of Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church to offer this life to the people of Belle Plaine, Minnesota and its environs.

If you would like to become Catholic, please contact Fr. Brian Lynch in person or by email at Blynch@olp.church.

The Jessenland Irish Festival will be held

Sunday, Aug. 26. The day begins with 10 a.m. Mass at the Oratory of St. Thomas, 31624 Scenic Byway Road, Henderson. Chef Craig catered chicken dinner is from 11-1; pre-order tickets (507.248.3506) for this fan favorite! Wild Colonial Bhoys with Irish Dancers headline the live (and lively!) entertainment. History program with photo gallery begins at 1 p.m. Beer Garden and Food Stand, Silent Auction, Raffle, Zero-K Race, and vendors round out this day of fun! www.jessenland.org or email us at jessenlandirishfestival@gmail.com. Held on the site of Minnesota's first Irish Settlement!

Pro-Life Prayer!

The U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life, August 3—September 28. Participants will receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about *Roe v. Wade to share with others. Sign up at www.usccb.org/pray!*



<u>Prayer For Our Priests:</u> One Hour/One Priest/Each Week

In strengthening the priest we strengthen the Church! *Seven Sister Apostolate* is an apostolate in which a group of seven women join together to pray for a priest holding a particular office within

the diocese. The seven women commit for a year to pray a holy hour every week, each on a different day. The holy hour is solely for that one priest's sanctification and for his deepening devotion to the Blessed Mother. If you feel the Holy Spirit calling you to this ministry please check out the website, sevensistersapostolate.org or call Loree Heinkel - 952-873-6564 for more information.

Welcome Visitors and Guests

If you have just moved into our community, we encourage you to register as members of our parish. To do so, please call the office during normal business hours 952-873-6564 or visit our website at www.ourladyoftheprairie.com and go to *Register on the home page.

OLP Fall Festival Block Party Saturday September 8th, **2018**

Raffle Tickets are available for pick-up after all Masses. This year's top prize is \$3000! Be sure to stop by the Gathering Space after Mass to pick up your packet.

<u>Take Outs</u> – Take Outs for the Fall Festival Dinner will be available again this year. If you are interested in having a take-out dinner delivered to your home please call Dawn at 507-380-5887 or the parish office 952-873-6564 to arrange delivery. Please call by noon on September 5th, 2018.

Volunteers Needed!

Sign up today in the gathering space to help make this year's Fall Festival a success. We need volunteers to help in the following capacities; silent auction, farmer's market, beer garden, beverage ticket sales, hamburger stand, and cleaning.

Donations

Now is the time to put your baskets together! Create a movie night tub: include some popcorn, pop, candy and your favorite DVD. For the adults, perhaps a wine rack with a bottle of wine or gift certificate from a local liquor store. Don't forget game night for the kids; playing cards, board games and candy. Create sports themed baskets, a spa day, even a pet's themed basket with toys or goodies for our four-legged friends. The only limitation is your imagination!

If you don't have the time or resources to create a basket you can donate a single item and we will pair it to make the perfect basket for the Silent-Auction.

In addition to the Silent Auction this year we will be adding a separate Farmer's Market. For the Farmer's Market we welcome all those delicious handmade food items, baked goods, canned goods and fresh produce. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office by Thursday, September 6th. Thank you for helping make the Fall Festival a successful event!

The Fall Festival Committee

FESTIVAL block Party

Schedule of Events

Thursday September 6th

6:00pm - Parish Hall Cleaning

Let's make it sparkle!



Friday September 7th

6:00-8:00pm - Table/Chairs set up

Many hands make light work!



Sunday September 9th

11:00am (after 10:00 Mass)

Take down Table/Chairs

Saturday, September 8th Festival block *Powty* 2-11pm

In the Gathering Space:

2-4pm The "Saint" Children's Games in Heavenly Hall

2-3pm Tori's Precious Pets – come see turtles, hermit crabs, a teapot pig and more!

2-8pm Silent Auction

3-6pm BINGO

4:15pm - MASS



Parish Hall:

5-7pm Chicken Dinner (Catered by Annie's Catering in Belle Plaine, Pies Donated by Minnesota's Largest Candy Store)

<u>Outside:</u>

2-8pm Farmers Market

5-7pm Ernie Stumpf Band

2-6pm Fair Food (Cotton Candy, SnoCones, Popcorn)

2-11pm Beer/Pop Garden

2-11pm Hamburgers/Hot Dogs/French Fries

7-11pm The Shaw Brothers Band

Raffle Drawing at 9:00 PM \$10/ Ticket
Grand Prize \$3000







Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church & School

200 E Church Street Belle Plaine, MN 56011 www.ourladyoftheprairie.com 952-873-6564 Director of Faith Formation: Patrick Schroers

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We need to order supplies and books, please register LAST CHANCE BEFORE THE DEADLINE!

Late Fee (\$25) will apply after the 20th.

FAMILY FORMATION K-6

Save the Date: Class for children in K-6

Protecting Children and Youth Initiative (PCYI) will be held on

Saturday, September 22 10 am for the children.

Watch for more details to come.

This is required by the Archdiocese.

REGISTRATION FORMS online:

www.ourladyoftheprairie.com (look under the Faith Formation tab)

Also on the website, check out the Google Calendar with all Church and PREP dates!

Ask how you can get these calendars on your Google Calendar.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Retreats

September 30th (in-house)

October 27th (Archdiocesan Youth Day in St. Paul)

Sign up for parent/student interviews Sept. 16, 18, and 23.

Go to Time to Sign Up: prepsignup

ttsu.me/confirmationinterview

7-8 PREP

Starts Sunday, Sept. 16 (10 am Kick-off Mass)

Sign up for parent/student orientation interviews August 21, 22, & 28

Go to Time to Sign Up: prepsignup

ttsu.me/orientationinterview

Volunteer Crew

Looking for volunteers to help with the PREP program. In exchange for your time, we will waive PREP fees (only required payment would be for retreats and other Sacrament year fees)

Email pschroers@ourladyoftheprairie.com if you have any questions regarding these programs.

Our Gifts to the Lord

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	Weekly Collection Goal for August 2018	\$6,892.50
	8/12/18 Collection Week 7	\$5,204.07
	Total Contributions July 2018 – to date	\$45,391.17
	Contribution Goal for July 2018 – to date	\$47,460.00
	Budget Deficit	\$2,068.83
	Number of registered Families	
	552	

Did you know your contributions can be automatically deducted from your checking, saving or credit card account? For more information call the parish office 952-873-6564 or check out our website ourladyoftheprairie.com

Please remember Our Lady of the Prairie in your will & other estate planning.

Calendar of Events

Monday, August 20, 2018

- Baptism Class 6:30pm, Gathering Space
- Prep Registration Deadline

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

Back to school picnic 5:00pm

Monday, September 3, 2018

Labor day, Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

First Day of School

Friday, September 7, 2018

First Friday, 3:00-8:00 Confessions, 3:00pm Chaplet, 6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, September 8, 2018

Fall Festival/Block Party

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Marriage Encounter Meeting 7:00pm

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

PREP Parent Workshop

Sunday, September 16, 2018

- KC Pancake Breakfast
- 7/8 Grade Mass at 10:00am

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

7/8 Grade Prep 6:00pm

IN CHRIST WE LIVE FOREVER

Please remember in your prayers....

John F. Weldon, DOB: January 6, 1954,

DOD: August 10, 2018

We extend our sincere sympathy to his family, friends, and loved ones, and pray for his soul's eternal peace.

Ministry Schedule

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4:15 p.m. 8:00 am. 10:00 am.

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Greeter Ministry

August 26

8 AM - Allen & Sharon Schmitz 10 AM - Pam Cates & Katie Cates

Mass Intentions

Mon. (20) 11:00 am - liv. & d. Mem of the Bill Kliefoth Family

Tue. (21) 8:30 am - d. Gert Neisen-Meger DOB

Wed. (22) 8:30 am - liv. & d. mem of

Lena & Ernest Amberg Family

Fri. (24) 8:30 am - d. Scott Schoknecht

Sat. (25) 4:15 pm - d. Kenneth O'Brien

Sun. (26) 8:00 am - d. Gary Glisczinski 10:00 am - For the Parish

6:00 pm - d. Ralph Weiers

Readings For The Week Of August 20, 2018

MONDAY 2 Thess. 1:1-5;/Matt. 23:13-22 2 Thess. 2:1-3a;/Matt. 23:23-26 TUESDAY WEDNESDAY 2 Thess. 3:6-10;/Mark 6:17-29 THURSDAY 1 Cor. 1:1-9;/Matt. 24:42-51 **FRIDAY** 1 Cor. 1:17-25;/Matt. 25:1-13 **SATURDAY** 1 Cor. 1:26-31;/Matt. 25:14-30 **SUNDAY** Josh. 24:1-2a;/Eph. 5:21-32;/ John 6:60-69

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