

OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE CATHOLIC CHURCH

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 4:15 p.m.

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

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

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: 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. &

7:00 p.m. - 8 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday: 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Tuesday & Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m. Thursday: 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:00 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 the 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.



26th Sunday in Ord. Time September 30, 2018



Fr. Brian 's Office Hours

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of the Prairie:

It it my responsibility to be available to you, so in this column I would like to explain options you have for speaking with me or making appointments to do so.

I am certainly happy to speak with you after any Mass for as long as my schedule allows. Please do use the time after Mass to speak with me. You may need to wait a few minutes for me to say goodbye to others, but I generally have some time to speak after Mass. After Mass can be an especially good time to schedule a future meeting at which we will have sufficient time for a longer conversation. My calendar is on my phone, so it is easily done that way.

Email is another excellent way to request a meeting with me. My email address is blynch@olp.church. I prefer email to phone messages as there is a hard copy to which I can respond. Since I am often away from my desk and unable to answer the phone, I find email less cumbersome than the inevitable "phone tag" that seems to occur regularly when phone messages are left and left and left. That said, I will certainly respond to phone messages. As you probably know, the parish phone number is 873-6564.

I also have regular office hours. While there are some exceptions and exceptional circumstances that prevent me from being in the office at these times, my office hours are as follows:

Mondays 3-4 p.m. Wednesdays 9 - 11 a.m. Fridays 10 a.m. - noon

You should feel free to call or stop by during those hours and expect that I will be available on a first come first serve basis. Of course vacations, emergencies, and unexpected events may cause me to be absent, but it is my intention to be available to you at those times, whether in person or on the phone. You can call the parish office and check with Kelly or other staff members to ensure that I am available.

All the Best in Christ, Fr. Brian Lynch

PARISH DIRECTORY

Pastor, Rev. Brian Lynch - blynch@olp.church Robert Raleigh - Deacon - 952-873-6688

PARISH OFFICE, 952-873-6564

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 - 3:00pm

Kris Koehler - Business Administrator Kelly Pumper - Administrative Assistant

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952-873-6564

Wendi Alessio - Principal of Parish School, Preschool Director

FAITH FORMATION, 952-873-6564

Patrick Schroers - Youth/Religious Education Coord. Loree Heinkel - Religious Education Assistant

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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.

Celebration of Baptism

Welcome to the Catholic Church!

Leo James Casey, son of Kyle and Sara Casey on June 10, 2018

Nora Rosemary Kroehler, daughter of Robert and Amanda Kroehler on August 12, 2018

Evelyn Mary Simon, daughter of Gregory and Jennifer Simon on September 9, 2018

Shea Jane O'Brien, daughter of Greg and Theresa O'Brien on September 15, 2018



Craft Fair and Garage Sale

Our Lady of Good Counsel 170 Good Counsel Drive Mankato, MN 56001

The School Sisters of Notre Dame Craft Fair and Garage Sale will be on Saturday, October 13 from 8:30 AM to 2 PM. Prizes will be given away throughout the day!

Bakery/Jams & Jellies/Salsa & Soup/ Fair Trade coffee/Plants/Ceramics/Crafts/Quilts/Soaps/Fused glass/ Jewelry/Wood carving studio

Stop by and greet former OLP principal Sister Bernelle Taube who will be selling pie slices at the Apple Pie Café!

For more info: Call (507) 389-4231

or visit www.ssndcp.org/craftfair

CSAF APPEAL UPDATE

We are still \$2,000 below our 2018 Catholic Services Appeal Foundation (CSAF) goal. If you would like to help with this annual appeal, there are envelopes at the back of the church and at the parish business offices. If we reach our 2018 goal, then 25% of the total amount donated on behalf of OLP comes back to us in the form or a refund.

If you would like to learn more about the 18 ministries the CSAF supports, please log on to www.csafspm.org

R.O.M.E.O.'s

(Retired Old Men Eating Out)
Will Meet at Andy's on Tuesday,
October 2 at 10:30 am

LIVE VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION "PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN"

OLP will be hosting a live Virtus "Protecting God's Children" training session on Monday, October 15th from 6:00 - 9:00PM in the Gathering Space. Attendance at this session will fulfill one of the requirements of the Essential 3 training needed for select volunteer ministries.

To enroll, simply log on to the <u>virtusonline.org</u> web site and select from the list of available sessions. If you need assistance registering online, please stop in to the parish offices and we will be happy to help you.

Space is limited, so be sure to sign up today!

Looking for Prayer Chain Leader

Much thanks to **Helen Bressler** for her years of service as our Prayer Chain Leader!! She is looking for someone to fill her role as she has taken on additional duties (maybe you've heard—she is our "parish ambassador" for relevant radio) and time just doesn't allow for it all.

Please see Helen's message below and prayerfully consider taking on this important role in our parish life:

In a couple of months, I will no longer be taking or making phone calls or sending emails for the OLP Prayer Chain since I'm moving on to some other activities, both at home and for OLP Church

We are in need of a parishioner (or parishioners) to take over the prayer chain starting November 1st. I've found praying for parishioners and others to be very rewarding! I have enjoyed being a part of the OLP Prayer Chain and would be glad to pass along the contact information needed for the prayer chain list. Please call me (Helen Bressler) at 952.873.6856 if interested.

Thank you and God bless you!

SERVER TRAINING AVAILABLE

Server training has been re-scheduled for Saturday October 6 at 9 am. All current servers and anyone who wishes to serve should attend. If you have questions please speak to Pat Schroers in the Parish office.

Holiday Boutique

Sunday Nov 4th

9am - 1pm

Our Lady of the Prairie Church and School

Get your Christmas shopping done early this year and help our school raise money for class field trips!

Join us in the Our Lady of the Prairie gathering space for vendors, crafts and doughnuts.

Vendors and crafters who would like to participate, please contact:

Eve Hennen at evehennen@frontiernet.net or

Gosia McGowen at mcgowens2003@hotmail.com

The OLP School HSA



Scrambled Eggs & Ham Breakfast

Who: Everyone is welcome!

What: Scrambled Eggs, Ham, Potatoes, and Applesauce

When: October 7, 2018 from 8:30 a.m-Noon

Where: Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church

FREE WILL DONATION

Come Join Us For Breakfast (on Fr. Brian's Birthday!)

Proceeds to Benefit the Our Lady of the Prairie

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Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church & School

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FAMILY PROGRAM

AT HOME TODAY

Read the story about St. Therese of Lisieux October 1st is her Feast Day!

FAMILY PRAYER CORNERS

How is your prayer corner coming along? Has your family decided on a special place?

PARENT WORKSHOP

October 3, 2018; 6:15 Gathering Space We will have time at 7:30 pm to have a "HOW

7th - 8th GRADE PREP

TO" Session for those who want to stay.

REMINDER NO PREP FOR 7th/8th GRADE ON OCTOBER 3

Keep attending Mass and working on your journal! See below, thanks!

MASS JOURNALS

Remember to bring your Mass Journal to class

We really want to focus on the Mass this year and Mass is a great way to participate in the LIFE OF THE CHURCH. Attending Mass is crucial to your faith and relationship with Jesus. It is the FOUNDATION along with the other SACRAMENTS.

Director of Faith Formation: Patrick Schroers

pschroers@ourladyoftheprairie.com

Assistant: Loree Heinkel

lheinkel@ourladyoftheprairie.com

Fax # 952-873-6717

FAMILY PROGRAM

We had a great turnout for the

FIRST FAMILY DAY of 2018-2019!

Thank you to all who came for Mass and a Meal.

It was fun to visit with so many of you!

Also thank you to those who attended the **PCYI Lesson on Sept 22.** We will have another date in
January to catch the few who were unable to attend this time.

Adult Faith Formation G.I.F.T.

LADIES:

FREE Stretching and Strengthening Exercise Classes

(Pietra Fitness) for October (free because these are *practice training classes* for my certification. Thanks!)

October 1, 4, 9 and 11

Meet in the Gathering Space and bring a mat.

If interested in learning more or have any questions, please contact Loree Heinkel 873-6564 or lheinkel@ourladyoftheprairie.com

FUNDRAISER

OCTOBER 7, 2018



PREP FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST

Volunteer sign up sheet on Time To Sign Up

ttsu.me/prepbreakfast2018

Need families from the 7-10th grades to help with this event



Southwest Deanery CCW Mission Event

October 25, 2018

Hosted by:

St John the Baptist Catholic Church, Jordan

ADMISSION: Diapers or Wet Ones

Raffle Tickets go on sale at 5:30 p.m. A light meal will be served.

Speaker at 7:00 p.m. Heidi Ernste-Rice

She started a small project called Earnest Effort Christmas Wish. They coordinate Christmas surprises for families who are going through a difficult time and just need a little help with getting through the holiday season.

ALSO BRING GIFTS FOR APPALACHIA MISSIONS



Our Lady of the Prairie

Catholic Church and School October, 2018

Mass Schedule Saturday, 4:15 pm, Sunday, 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 6:00 pm Monday, 11:00 am, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 8:30 am First Saturday of the month (only), 8:30 am

Confession Schedule

Saturday, 3:00-4:00 pm. Sunday, 7:00-7:45 am, Monday, 11:30 am-12:15 pm Tuesday, 7:30-8:30 am, Wednesday, 6:00-7:00 am First Friday, 3:00-8:00 pm,

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Holy Hour (in the Church) I 11:30 am—12:30 pm	Adoration 9 am—11 pm 2	1	Adoration 6 pm—11 pm 4 Blessing of Pets	S	Server Training 9am—10 am
	Pietra Fitness - 6:30 pm	OLP School Pictures K of C Meeting—7:00 pm	PREP Parent Workshop 6:15 pm	Cats @ 4:00 pm Pietra Fitness—6:30 pm		Fr. Steve La Canne Catholic Cross Outreadh 4:15 pm Mass
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o.00 and & 10 and Masses PREP Breakfast 8:30 am—noon	Baptism Class, 6:30 pm Gathering Space Marian Apostolate 7-8:30 pm—Parish Hall	Pietra Fitness—6:30 pm		Pietra Fitness—6:30 pm		Date Night Movie & Meal 5:30 pm meal 6:15 pm movie
OLP School Mass, 10 am School Prayer Marathon, 11 am PREP 2nd Grade Sacramental Workshop, 10 am Mass 1st Confirmation Class Mtgs. 6 pm	Holy Hour (in the Church) 15 11:30 am—12:30 pm Virtus Training—6pm—9pm Baptism Class, 6:30 pm	Adoration 9 am—11 pm 16 Pietra Fitness—6:30 pm	Adoration 9 am—11 pm 17	Adoration 6 pm—11 pm 18 Pietra Fitness—6:30 pm	61	20
Marriage Encounter—7 pm				* * * * No School	-MEA * * * * *	
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	Pietra Filmess—6:30 pm	Church Night Mtgs 6 pm		Pietra Fitness—6:30 pm		Archdiocese Youth Day Grades 9/10
PREP K-6 Family Day, 11 am No PREP Confirmation Mtg.	Holy Hour (in the Church) 29 11:30 am—12:30 pm	Adoration 9 am—11 pm 30 Pietra Fitness—6:30 pm	Adoration 9 am—11 pm 31 No PREP			

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Our Gifts to the Lord

Weekly Collection Goal for September 2018	\$7,568.75
9/23/18 Collection Week 13	\$5,300.85
Contribution Goal for July 2018 – to date	\$93,005.00
Total Contributions July 2018 – to date	\$86,296.65
Budget Deficit	(\$ 6,708.35)
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

Tuesday, October 2, 2018

• Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00pm

Wednesday, October 3, 2018

PREP Parent Workshop

Thursday, October 4, 2018

- Blessing of Pets, Dogs at 3:30pm, Cats at 4:00pm
- CCW Meeting 7:00pm

Sunday, October 7, 2018

• PREP Breakfast, 8:30 to noon

Saturday, October 13, 2018

- Date Night Movie & Meal, 5:30 meal, 6:15 meal *Sunday, October 14, 2018*
- PREP 2nd Grade Sacramental Workshop, 10 am
- OLP School Mass, 10 am
- School Prayer Marathon, 11 am
- 1st Confirmation Class Mtgs., 6 pm
- Marriage Encounter, 7 pm

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

• Church Night Meetings, 6 pm

Thursday, October 25, 2018

• Southwest Deanery CCW Mission Event

Saturday, October 27, 2018

Archdiocese Youth Day, grades 9/10

Sunday, October 28, 2018

• Family Day—Prep after 10:00 am Mass



OLP Prayer Chain:

May we pray for your intentions? Please call Helen Bressler at (952) 873-6846.

Ministry Schedule

Oct. 6-7

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

SERVERS: Server Crew J. Teal M. Daly Aiden T. Alex V.

Zach V.

USHERS: N. Schumacher P. Guertin H. Jeurissen

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EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Deacon Bob	Deacon Bob	Deacon Bob
J. Hartmann	S. Cole	M. Daly
B. Weldon	B. Fahey	T. Witt
R. Klehr	K. Aslakson	T. Feddersen
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		A. Bartolomei

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER FOR SHUT-INS:

Georgine Gansen, 952.873.6324

Jean Hayden, Janice Teal, Lisa Schatz

Greeter Ministry

October 7, 2018

8 AM - Tom and Ann Woelfel 10 AM - Al and Dot Bartolomei

Mass Intentions

Mon. (1) 11:00 am - d. Ronald Hennen

Tue. (2) 8:30 am - d. Betty Halloran

Wed. (3) 8:30 am - d. Fern Simons

Fri. (5) 8:30 am - d. Rose Blake

Sat. (6) 4:15 pm - liv. & d. members of the Larry Wolf Family

Sun. (7) 8:00 am - liv. & d. members of the Dan & MaryPat Murphy Family

10:00 am - d. For the Parish

6:00 pm - d. Alice Savage

Readings for the week of October 1, 2018

MONDAY
TUESDAY
Job 1:6-22;/Luke 9:46-50
Job 3:1-3;/Matt. 18:1-5
WEDNESDAY
Job 9:1-12;/Luke 9:57-62
THURSDAY
Job 19:21-27;/Luke 10:1-12
FRIDAY
Job 38:1, 12-21;/Luke 10:13-16
SATURDAY
Job 42:1-3;/Luke 10:17-24
SUNDAY
Gen. 2:18-24;/Heb. 2:9-11/
Mark 10:2-16 or 10:2-12



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