OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE CATHOLIC CHURCH

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday: 4:15 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.

Friday: 4:15 p.m.

Consult bulletin for special Holy Day and holiday schedules.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:15 a.m. - 7:45 a.m.
Tuesday: 7:45 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.
Friday: 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.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 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.

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A Message from the Pastor...

Divine Mercy Sunday

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of the Prairie:

This weekend we celebrate Divine Mercy. As you may have heard me say, mercy is the robust and demanding type of love that we are called to live in imitation of Jesus, who is Mercy itself. Mercy is wanting and working for the good of someone who has or is hurting us, the very love that Jesus modelled when he said of his executioners, and of us, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Given the stay-at-home order, Masses will continue to be live streamed at their regular Saturday at 4:15 p.m. and Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. times. I will hear Confessions on the front porch of the rectory (212 N. Chestnut Street) from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and 7:15- 7:45 a.m. on Sunday.

In addition to regular Masses, we will live stream our Divine Mercy celebration on Sunday afternoon. This will begin at 2 p.m. and will include exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the recitation of the Rosary, and at 3 p.m. the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung. I intend to hear confessions on the front porch of the rectory for as much of this program as possible, beginning at or slightly after 2 p.m. Confessions are significant this weekend as they allow one to fulfill the conditions for many of the plenary indulgences being offered at this time of pandemic and Divine Mercy.

Please challenge yourself this weekend to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation by confessing your sins to a Catholic priest to whom Jesus granted the power to forgive sins in his name when on that first Easter Sunday he said to the apostles: "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them [...]."

All the Best in Christ,

Fr. Brian Lynch

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Lay Leadership Positions

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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.

Our Gifts to the Lord

Collection Goal for EASTER	$	11,050.00
4/12/2020 Collection Week 42	**$**	**11,555.00**
Contribution Goal YTD	$	330,048.33
Total Contributions YTD	$	330,502.58
Budget Surplus	**$**	**454.25**

Holy Land Collection: $399.00
Seminarian Fund Collection: $313.00

Number of Registered Families 479

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PICK OF THE WEEK

Divine Mercy
with Father Michael Gaitley

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OLP SCHOOL GALA & RAFFLE

The gala and raffle have been postponed, but we intend to hold both at a later date. Please continue to purchase your raffle tickets for the ever popular OLP School Raffle! There is a **GRAND PRIZE** of $5,000 waiting to be won with 2nd place $3,000; 3rd place $2,000, 4th and 5th place $1,000 prizes too! Call the office M-Th between the hours of 9am-12pm @ 952.873.6564 to coordinate a time to purchase a ticket. Watch for further information to come out with a new date for the gala and drawing!

LIVE STREAMED MASSES AT OLP

Join Father Brian for "Live Stream" Masses. Go to www.ourladyoftheprairie.com and click on the Live Stream icon. Weekend Masses will be **Saturday, 4:15 pm, Sunday 8:00 am and 10:00 am** and weekday Masses will be **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday at 8:30 am** and **Friday at 4:15 pm**

Please Hold in Prayer...

Please pray for the following people:

Aggie Wawzryniak	Joann Palo
Jean Dockter	Bud Steen
Myles Genelin	Ann Woelfel
Kerry Koepp	Mike Fogarty
Dick Schmit	Norman Liesener

If you know of someone who would like to have their name added to the prayer list, please notify the bulletin editor. A name will be listed for four weeks. Before calling or emailing the name, please seek the permission of the person.

TEMPORARY PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Thu: 9:00 AM - NOON
Fri: CLOSED

Mass Intentions

For those of you that have scheduled a Mass Intention for a loved one, please know that Father Brian is offering his daily Mass for the intention scheduled that day.

Mon	(20)	8:30 am - d. Kevin Gaffney
Tues	(21)	8:30 am - d. Wayne Bohlke
Wed	(22)	8:30 am - d. Amie Fogarty
Fri	(24)	6:30 pm - d. Joseph H. Ott
Sat	(25)	8:30 pm - d. Kevin O'Brien
Sun	(26)	8:00 am - d. Jack Smith
		10:00 am - For the Parish

Readings for the week of 4/20/2020

MONDAY	Acts 4:23-31/Jn 3:1-8
TUESDAY	Acts 4:32-37/Jn 3:7b-15
WEDNESDAY	Acts 5:17-26/Jn 3:16-21
THURSDAY	Acts 5:27-33/Jn 3:31-36
FRIDAY	Acts 5:34-42/Jn 6:1-15
SATURDAY	1 Pt 5:5b-14/Mk 16:15-20
SUNDAY	Acts 2:14, 22-33/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

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