



A Message from the Deacon

Sunday, May 9th is Mother's Day!

Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of the Prairie,

I have very fond memories of my mother. The love she gave to our family ran very deep. She was a great listener, a great teacher of the faith to me and others. She was a nurse by trade and she knew how to make people laugh. She lived her faith by example and touched many hearts. There is not a day that goes by that I do not think of my mother.

We all love our mother's. They gave us life and birthed us into the network of relationships which gives that life meaning, the family. They taught and nurtured us on the way, by offering wisdom, example and practical experience. They picked us up when we fell and unconditionally loved us back when we strayed. There is no-one like a mother, no substitute for her place, no equal to her love and placement in our own formation. Mothering is an ongoing relationship of love and care.

This Sunday, May 9th we celebrate the gift of our Mother's. For those whose mothers and grandmothers are still alive – cherish them today. Hug and kiss them. Honor them. Thank them. For those whose mothers have gone home to the Lord, remember them. For all who bear the name Christian, the name of our eternal family, let us also honor the Mother of the Lord today. Her maternal care for Jesus still embraces all those who are joined to Him, as members of His Body, by that great new birth of Baptism. Let us ask the Lord to open our eyes, and our hearts, to come to more fully understand the great mystery and gift of the Church as our Mother. Let us live our lives as Christians, by living in the heart of Mother Church, for the sake of the world into which we are sent to deliver the Good News.

May God bless all Mother's each and every day!

In Christ,
Deacon Mike



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| Kevin Berger | Lisa May |
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**Mass Attendance For the
Weekend of May 1 & 2, 2021**

4:15 pm—106
8:00 am— 94
10:00 am— 66
11:15 am—165

Livestream views—112

SAVE THE DATE

May 22, 2021 is OLP's 21st Annual Gala!
Join us after the 4:15pm Mass for food, fun, casino, bingo and auction.

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

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| Collection Goal for May | \$ 5,759.00 |
| *5/2/2021 Collection (Week 44) | \$ 4,390.40 |
| CURRENT WEEK DEFICIT | (\$ 1,368.60) |

*Collection week includes envelope and loose total for that weekends collection

Number of Registered Families 470

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 olp.church

Technology Upgrade

Donations for the new technology may be put in an envelope labeled sound system or technology and placed in the collection plate, drop off in the office or the mailbox on Church Street.



PLEASE HOLD IN PRAYER...



Please pray for the following people:

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| Ann Woelfel | Joann Palo |
| Joanne Kenne | Lois Kechely |
| Donny Wolters | |
| Carol Klein | |
| Joe Jendro | |

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.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 15 & 16

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| | 4:15 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 10:00 a.m. |
| USHERS: | K. Heitkamp Dylan S. | J. Edberg J. Soller P. Guertin T. Halloran | T. Feddersen H. Jeurissen J. Klein J. F. Miller |
| LECTORS: | W. Driscoll | S. Schmitz | S. Schroers |
| EMHC: | S. Williams B. Weldon | S. Schmitz B. Fahey | N. Covington P. Covington |

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Tues (11) | 6:30 pm— d. John & Betty Halloran |
| Wed (12) | 8:30 am— d. Rev. John C. Clay |
| | 6:30 pm— liv&d. Members of Matt & Agatha Tholkes Family |
| Thurs (13) | 8:30 am— liv&d. Members of LeRoy & Lorette Solheid Family |
| Fri (14) | 8:30 am— CCW Volunteers |
| Sat (15) | 4:15 pm— d. Mary Jane & Donald O'Brien |
| Sun (16) | 8:00 am— For the Parish |
| | 10:00 am— liv&d. Members of the Jerry & Pat Anderson Family |

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 5/10/2021

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| MONDAY | Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a |
| TUESDAY | Acts 16: 22-34/Jn 16: 5-11 |
| WEDNESDAY | Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15 |
| THURSDAY | Acts 18:1-8/Jn 16:16-20 |
| FRIDAY | Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17 |
| SATURDAY | Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28 |
| SUNDAY | Acts 1:1-11/Eph 4:1-13/Mk 16:15-20 |

Thank you to the following families for their donations to the sound system and technology update project! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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| Karen Brenke | Tony & Helen Bressler | Jim & Paula Covington |
| Jeffrey & Carol Klein | Erick & Sara Linquist | Marlin & Ruth Pint |
| John Watzl | | |

If you have not yet made your donation, please put it in an envelope and label it "Technology" and put it in the Sunday collection basket, drop it in our mailbox on Church Street or at the office.

