



Our Lady OF THE Prairie

CATHOLIC CHURCH

June 4, 2023

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday | 8:00am - 3:00pm
Friday | Closed

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4:15pm
Sunday | 8:00am, 10:00am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday | 6:30pm
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday | 8:30am

Holy Days & Holidays

Consult bulletin.

Eucharist Adoration

Wednesday | 9:00am - 10:00pm

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Confession

30 mins prior to Mass.

Sacrament of Marriage

Make arrangements with the Parish Office six months prior to proposed wedding date.

Sacrament of Baptism

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 Deacon Mike Daly 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.

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

Please contact 952-992-0140



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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MICHAEL . . .



This weekend we welcome Father Frederick Byaruhanga for our annual Missionary Appeal weekend. He will be speaking about the Kabale Diocese in Uganda. More information about this appeal is included in the bulletin. Thank you for your support!

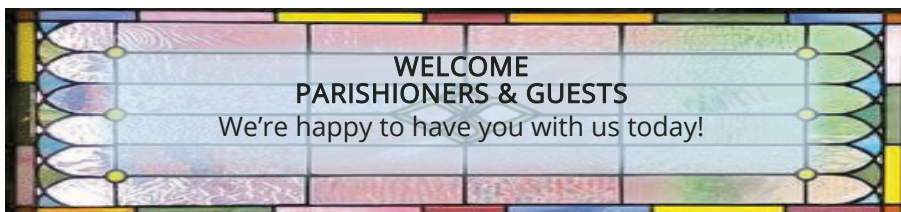
Following Pentecost the Church Calendar brings us back to Ordinary Time. It might be called ordinary, but it is a very important time to be used well to know God, love the Church and allow the Easter faith to blossom into something beautiful. To help us, we have two very important solemn feasts as we re-enter Ordinary Time: The Most Holy Trinity and Corpus Christi!

The celebration of God as Trinity is a way of telling us that God is love and God is alive! The Trinity is the great mystery of our faith, because it is the mystery of God. We know that God is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. As Catholics, we begin each prayer and each liturgy by making the sign of the cross. We remember each of the persons of the Most Holy Trinity each time we pray. We desire to be close to God and God chooses to be near to us.

We know that happiness and unhappiness on earth depend in large part upon the quality of our relationships. The Trinity reveals the secret to good relationships; the secret is love, because God is love. Love, in its different forms, is what makes relationships beautiful, free and gratifying. Here we see how important it is that God be seen primarily as love and not as power: love gives, power dominates. That which poisons a relationship is the will to dominate another person, to possess or use that person instead of welcoming and giving ourselves to him or her.

God's life is a gift to us and God extends the invitation to be like God and make our lives a gift in return. May we allow the love of God to permeate our lives so that the love of God will be made manifest in our lives by being a gift to one another.

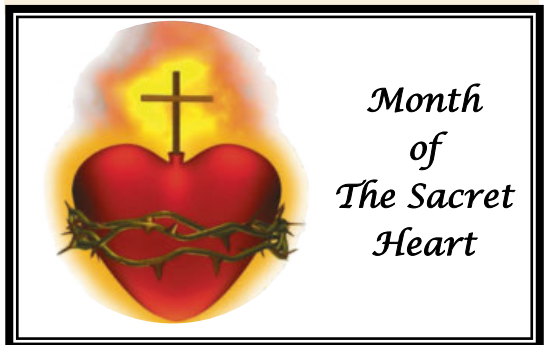
God bless you,
Father Michael Kaluza



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE . . .

Ann Woelfel	Bob Belousek	Carter Pickus
Cindy Coughlen	Carol Mezera	Brad Haynes
Angela Hennen	Carl Gansen	Bob Koenig
Genny Mesenbrink	Rose Donharl	Deacon Bob Raleigh
Loree Heinkel	Lisa Pobuda	Nick Johnson
Richard Beach	Rory Cruser	Kelly Huber

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. Please get the permission of the person you wish to add before calling or emailing.





STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE

For the Week of May 28, 2023

Not available at time of printing.



Church Painting collected as of 5/21/2023:
\$318,231.61

Automatic Contributions

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

Stop by the office to
Request a
MASS INTENTION
2023 openings are available.

Birthright of Mankato
OLP will be collecting baby items during the month of June. Please place donated items in the **wooden cradle** in the back of church. They are currently most in need of the following **NEW** items:

- Diapers
- Sleepers
- Onesies
- Receiving blankets
- Fitted sheets for Pack 'N Plays
- Baby quilts or fleece blankets
- Hooded bath towels (a big need for these!)
- Baby wipes, diaper cream, baby lotion, shampoo, baby wash
- Winter clothing (pants outfits, heavier sleepers) size 3-6 mos.
- Summer clothing (lighter sleepers) size 3-6 mos.
- Jackets/coats 18 months to size 2T
- Baby board books; infant rattles or teethers; washcloth sets

See Bulletin Board for complete listing.
Thank you for helping little ones and their moms!

High School Graduation Mass
6:30 pm
Our Lady of The Prairie
Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Reception
in Roedel Hall

RSVP: Parish Office

Please wear cap & gown and arrive at 6:15 pm for Class of 2023 Photo

Class of 2023

Bulletin Announcements

If your group would like to post in the bulletin, please send an email to: bulletineditor@olp.church by noon on Monday for the following Sunday's bulletin.

Employment Opportunity

Preschool

2023-2024 School Year

Our Lady of the Prairie is seeking a loving and energetic teacher to lead a full-day preschool classroom of 4 's & 5's.

Our Lady of the Prairie believes children should . . .

- Be given opportunities to freely explore their interests
- Experience the world using all their senses
- Be immersed in language rich environments with songs, stories, fingerplays, and conversation
- Learn through play to develop social & emotional skills
- Embrace nature and spending time outdoors
- Be supported socially, emotionally, & spiritually

Please submit resume and cover letter to:

Sheila Hendricks shendricks@ourladyoftheprairie.com

FAITH IN ACTION

If you haven't donated yet . . .

**There is still time
to make your gift.**

You are invited to prayerfully consider giving to the Catholic Services Appeal.

You can complete and return your pledge card to the collection basket, or make a secure gift online at: csafspm.org



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We are accepting applications for the position of Director of Religious Education at Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church and School. This is a full time position with flexible hours.

Responsible for planning and implementing the following programs:

1. Faith Formation
 - a. Youth and Adult
 - b. Totus Tuus
 - c. Bible Study
 - d. Book Club
 - e. Social Events (Cana Dinner)



2. Safe Environment Coordinator
3. Computer skills, including Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, Power Point) and Google (Docs, Sheets, Slides).

To apply or for more information, please email your resume to: shendricks@ourladyoftheprairie.com

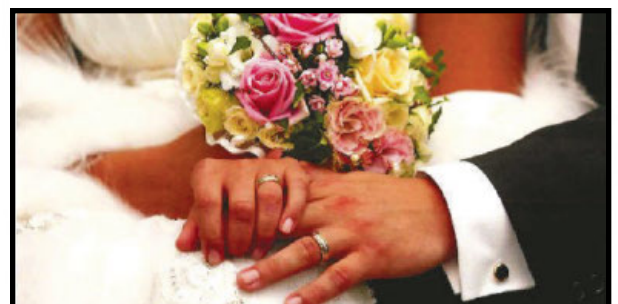
or mail to:

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Cemetery Price Increase Effective July 1, 2023

All cemetery lots purchased after June 30, 2023 will have an additional charge of \$200 (per lot) for perpetual care.

Member: \$700/lot + \$200 for perpetual care
Non-member: \$1,400/lot + \$200 for perpetual care



Date: Saturday, June 10

Time: 10 a.m.

Location: Cathedral of Saint Paul, Saint Paul

Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration

This celebration includes Mass, renewal of vows, and a short reception. Couples celebrating their silver, golden and platinum anniversaries will be honored in a special way. Families and friends of all couples are welcome! Registration is encouraged by contacting 651.291.4488.

Couples married one year or more may request a commemorative certificate signed by Archbishop Hebda. To request a certificate, please contact the Office of Marriage, Family & Life by June 5 at 651-291-4488 or mfl@archspm.org.



**School
Registration**

**2023-2024
School Year**

Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic School

PreK to 6th grades

*Tuition
assistance is
available.*

Website: school.ourladyoftheprairie.com

Phone: (952) 873-6564

Weekly Calendar with Readings	
Monday 5 June	<i>Tobit 1:1, 2; 2:1-9 / Psalms 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 / Mark 12:1-12</i>
Tuesday 6 June	<i>Tobit 2:9-14 / Psalms 112:1-2, 7-8, 9 / Mark 12:13-17</i> 6:30 pm I Mass † d. Emmet & Helen McCue High School Graduation Mass <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:00 pm I Graduation Reception in Roedel Hall • 7:00 pm I KC meeting in Parish Hall
Wednesday 7 June	<i>Tobit 3:1-11, 16 / Psalms 25:2-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 / Mark 12:18-27</i> 8:30 am I Mass † d. Tom Sick <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9:00 am - 10:00 pm Adoration • Coffee & donuts after Mass 10:30 am I Funeral Mass d. Donald Schultz
Thursday 8 June	<i>Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16 / Psalms 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 / John 6:51-58 / First Corinthians 10:16-17</i> 8:30 am I Mass † d. Felix Klehr and Steve Klehr
Friday 9 June	<i>Tobit 11:5-15 / Psalms 146:2, 7, 8-9, 9-10 / Mark 12:35-37</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:30 am I Mass † d. Albina Kajer • Parish Office Closed
Saturday 10 June	<i>Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20 / Tobit 13:2, 6 / Mark 12:38-44</i> 4:15 pm I Mass † For the Parish Lector: Sue Schultz EMHC: Betty Weldon, Volunteer, Volunteer Ushers: Jim Fogarty, Joe Hartmann, Volunteer, Volunteer Servers: Quinnlyn Gleason, Liam Gleason, MJ Kurvers Greeters: Volunteer
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Sunday 11 June	<i>Hosea 6:3-6 / Psalms 50:1, 8, 12-13, 14-15 / Matthew 9:9-13 / Romans 4:18-25</i> 8:00 am I Mass † d. Jeffrey Beach Lector: Janice Teal EMHC: Sharon Schmitz, Susan Cole, Bob Fahey Ushers: John Edberg, Paul Guertin, Dr. Tim Halloran, Tim Murphy Servers: Austin Traxler, Teresa Fogarty, Jeffrey Teal Greeters: Volunteer 10:00 am I Mass † d. Donald and Mary Jane O'Brien Lector: Sheila Schmitz EMHC: Karen Vandermark, Joe Vandermark, Jean Murphy Ushers: Jim Gerres, Emmett Gerres, Jim Covington, Ben Covington Servers: Kaiden Palo, Jaxson Palo Greeters: Volunteer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corpus Cristi Procession after 10 am Mass followed by Treats & Fellowship in Roedel Hall • Marriage Encounter meeting off campus



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