



Our Lady OF THE Prairie

CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 11, 2024

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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

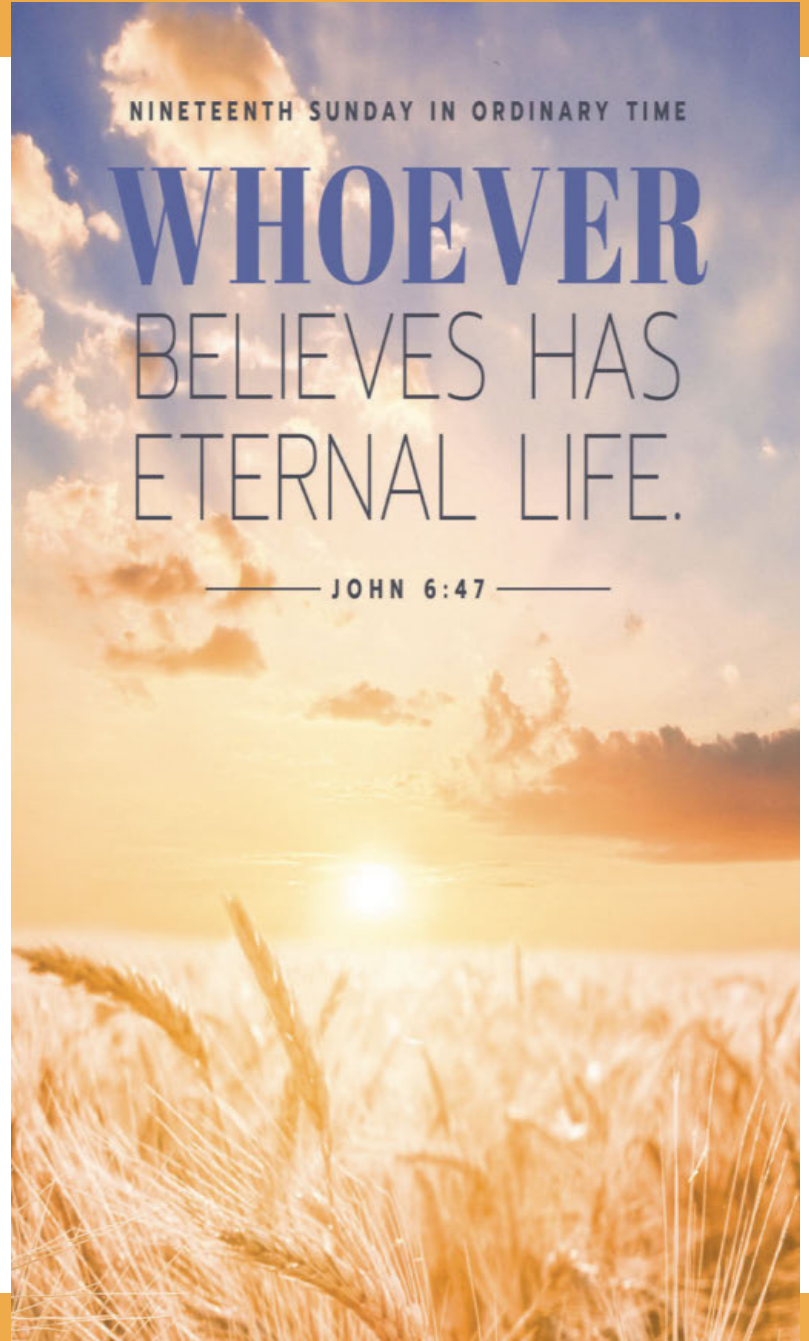
Congratulations! Thank you for accepting and caring for one of God's greatest gifts. As part of Baptism preparation, expectant parents are required to attend Mass weekly. Please contact the Parish Office (952) 873-6564. We look forward to getting to know you and your baby.

Bulletin Announcements

If you would like to post in the bulletin, please send an email to: bulletineditor@olp.church by noon on Monday for the following Sunday. (Holidays may have earlier deadlines)

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

Please contact 952-992-0140



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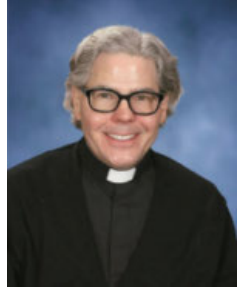
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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MICHAEL . . .

Jesus explains in the Gospel that coming to him and receiving him, body, blood, soul and divinity, accomplishes the great mystical union. If we desire union with God, only when we go to Jesus, do we get to the Father and experience the life of the Holy Spirit. Because the Father draws all of creation through the one who spoke creation (Jesus) and continues to give life to creation (Holy Spirit), we have that unique ability to be united to God in the person of Jesus. These are the mysterious words of our Gospel passage this week.



In our society we can strangely enough become too familiar with the love of God. It is known and expected. Of course God is love and of course God loves me, so it doesn't matter what I do. Well it does matter that we participate in the life of God and it does matter that we desire to give of ourselves, just as God gives to us. The great danger is to become complacent and give into temptation such as "I don't need to go to Mass this week, because I went last week or will go next week." Or to believe that I don't need to give back to God, because I am preoccupied with my own wants and desires. Jesus never gives up on us and we should desire to never give up on Jesus. Our eternal salvation is dependent on our willingness to have union with God. If we focus on that union, we can determine what really matters in this life and in the life to come.

The Eucharist is a great gift to the life of the world and assures us that Jesus is always with us and continues to teach us about being one with God. We also achieve this in prayer, reading Sacred Scripture, and assisting others with their physical and material needs. Let us never become complacent and always actively seek the union with God that Jesus offers! We are the body of Christ in Belle Plaine and we need the Body of Christ to keep us with the Father and the Holy Spirit!

God bless you!

Father Michael Kaluza



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| Bud Steen | Rajen Sidhu |
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| Bob Koenig | Irene Castor |
| Matt Hennen | Mike Duffy |
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If you know of someone you would like added to the prayer list, please notify the bulletin editor or Parish Office. Obtain the permission of the person you wish to add before calling or emailing. Names will remain on the list for four weeks.



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Weekly Collection Goal for Month	\$8,873.00
8/04/2024 Collection (Week 5)*	\$6,452.90
Current Week Deficit	(-) \$2,420.10
Missionary Collection	\$3,240.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday, August 4 at 4:15 pm	184
Sunday, August 4 at 8:00 am	160
Sunday, August 4 at 10:00 am	196
Livestream views	15
Total Registered Active Families	486
Total Registered Active Members	1,293

*Collection week includes envelopes and loose total for that weekend collection.

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.



Raffle tickets are available for pick-up in Roedel Hall!

Each family is asked to sell or purchase one book of ten tickets.
Each ticket costs \$10, so the total cost of a book of 10 tickets is \$100.
All raffle ticket winnings will be CASH, with the top prize of \$3,000!

You must be 18 and older to purchase a ticket or win a prize.

Please turn in raffle ticket stubs by Wednesday, September 4th.

All unsold tickets must be returned to the parish office prior to Friday, September 6th.

Additional tickets are available through the Parish Office.



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FALL

FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

5:00-9:00

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Monday, August 12

No Mass

Tuesday, August 13

6:30 pm Mass
 1:30 pm Kingsway († liv. Matt Hennen)
 7:00 pm Liturgy Planning

Wednesday, August 14

8:30 am Mass
 Coffee & donuts after Mass
 5:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal for Alyssa Neisen & Toney Weber

Thursday, August 15

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Holy Day of Obligation

8:30 am Mass
 6:30 pm Mass

Friday, August 16

8:30 am Mass
 2:00 pm Wedding for Alyssa Neisen & Toney Weber

Saturday, August 17

4:15 pm Mass

Sunday, August 18

8:00 am Mass
 10:00 am Mass
 Treats & Fellowship following Masses - sponsored by Catholic United Financial

Thursday, August 15, 8:30am & 6:30pm

All: Volunteers

Saturday, August 17, 4:15 pm

Greeters: Dan Flynn
 Lector: Charlotte Mulroy
 EMHC: Charlotte Mulroy, Betty Weldon, Volunteer, Volunteer
 Ushers: Keith Heitkamp, Randy Schumacher, Brad Schultz, Matt Schultz
 Servers: Andrew Schmidt, Evan Schmidt

Gift Bearers: Volunteers

Sunday, August 18, 8:00 am

Greeters: Bob & Dorene Smith
 Lector: John Walsh
 EMHC: Janice Teal, Sharon Beach, Sheila Hendricks, Volunteer
 Ushers: Tim Murphy, Tim Halloran, Allen Schmitz, Ray Soller
 Servers: Teresa Fogarty, David Fogarty, Jeffrey Teal

Gift Bearers: Volunteers

Sunday, August 18, 10:00 a.m

Greeters: Joe & Kristen Lajeunesse
 Lector: Sandy Schroers
 EMHC: Mary Randklev, Edsel Faunillan, Paula Covington, Rick Morgan
 Ushers: Caleb Wermerskirchen, Ben Covington, Max Wermerskirchen, Peter Feddersen
 Servers: Hannah Wermerskirchen, Kaiden Palo, Jaxson Palo
 Gift Bearers: Volunteers
 EMHC: Mike Buchanan (Kingsway), Ty Buesgens (Lutheran Home)

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon 12 Aug		† No Mass
Tue 13 Aug	1:30 pm	† liv. Matt Hennen
	6:30 pm	† liv. Jerry & Jackie Smith
Wed 14 Aug	8:30 am	† d. Elizabeth Beach
Thur 15 Aug	8:30 am	† d. Brent Meyer
	6:30 pm	† Special Intention
Fri 16 Aug	8:30 am	† d. Elizabeth & Susan Miron
Sat 17 Aug	4:15 pm	† d. Dick Hayden
Sun 18 Aug	8:00 am	† d. For the Parish
	10:00 am	† liv. Florentina Faunillan

READINGS

Readings for the week of August 11, 2024

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (9a)/Eph 4:30—5:2/ Jn 6:41-51
Monday: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27
Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13 -14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/ Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/ 1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 19:13-1

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