



Our Lady OF THE Prairie

CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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

September 1, 2024



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MICHAEL . . .

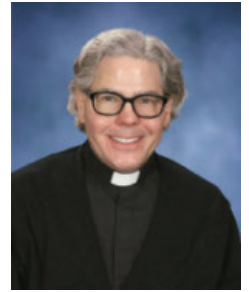
Our Psalm tells us that the one who does justice will live in God's presence. That should be at the heart of our faith. The greatest desire in our hearts should be to live with God and in order to live with God we must be trained in righteousness and then act with justice. The Scriptures help us to conform our lives to this message by reminding us of God's ways and inviting us to the fullness of freedom by choosing God's ways above all else. The law of God helps us to flourish as human beings and allows us to experience the reality that God is close to us and assists us in giving us instruction.

The Gospel is a strong admonition to avoid hypocrisy and only give lip service to God. The best judge of our strongest desires is our own actions. The Christian witness is all about backing up what we believe by revealing what we do. As Christians, we are called to true charity by learning to live in communion with God and reflecting that knowledge in our daily lives. Our faith is something that needs to be incorporated into who we are. If we are God's sons and daughters, then we need to follow God's ways.

Next weekend is our fall festival! We are still looking for people to make the event great. Help us to distribute all raffle ticket packets! I appreciate all of the good work in planning and executing this great event. It is not only a fundraiser for our parish, but also an opportunity for us to gather as a parish family and invite the community to share our festivities. I am grateful to the leadership team coordinating the many efforts it takes for us to prepare for the festival.

God bless you!

Father Michael Kaluza



Coordinator of Faith Formation Position Opening

The **Church of the Guardian Angels** in Chaska is seeking a full-time Coordinator of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry to lead faith formation grades 1-10 for a small, but growing program.

Please consult our parish website, www.gachaska.org (under About Us → Employment), for a more complete summary, a job description, and application instructions. Thank you!



PRAYER LIST

Bud Steen	Rajen Sidhu
Sara Meyer	Betty Wolf
Bob Koenig	Mike Duffy
Matt Hennen	Chuck Kroells
Mary Pat Murphy	David Clark
Cara Miller	

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.

Happy
Labor Day
Weekend



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*International Pilgrim
Virgin Statue of Fatima*

Coming to Our Lady of the Prairie!

Wednesday, September 25

Watch for details being planned now.

After being blessed by the Bishop of Leiria-Fatima, on October 13, 1947, the statue left Fatima and was flown to America to begin its tours. The bishop prayed that Our Lady's presence would travel with it wherever she went. It was blessed again in 1952 by Pope Pius XII, who had crowned the original statue in Fatima as Queen of the World just a few years earlier.

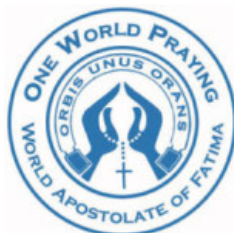
The mission of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima is to bring the message of Fatima—the Peace Plan from Heaven—to a world in need. Our Lord told Sister Lucia, the oldest of the three seers at Fatima, that he had entrusted the peace of the world to the Immaculate Heart.

The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue has visited more than 100 countries, bringing Mary's powerful message of salvation and hope to millions. Countless favors and graces have been reported wherever the Virgin Statue has traveled.

We hope you will come and experience the blessings of Our Lady during this special statue visitation.

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Weekly Collection Goal for Month	\$8,873.00
8/25/2024 Collection (Week 8)*	\$6,519.60
Current Week Deficit	(-) \$2,353.40
Cemetery Fund	\$1,054.00

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday, August 24 at 4:15 pm	165
Sunday, August 25 at 8:00 am	162
Sunday, August 25 at 10:00 am	152
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

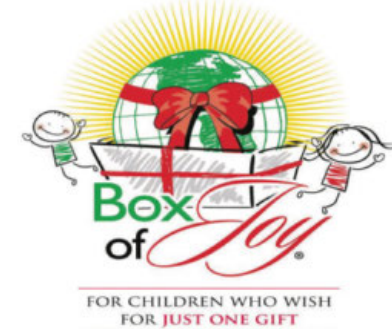
Did you know your contributions can be automatically deducted from your checking, savings, or credit card account? For more information call the parish office at 952-873-6564 or check out our website.

**Brian & Julie Morrison
and Cade**

Joseph & Mary Ann Berger

**Jarod & Carly Werner
and Milo, Merlyn, Martin**

Please make them feel at home in their new parish community.



A special reminder of the up coming **Box of Joy Project** here at Our Lady of the Prairie. Celebrating Christmas love and joy with children, who without your generosity would not be celebrating Christmas.

Please stop by our table at the Fall Festival to pick up information and get answers to questions you may have.

Looking forward to visiting with you!

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.

OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

FALL FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

5:00-9:00

200 East Church St
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, September 2 Labor Day

Parish Office Closed
No Mass

Tuesday, September 3

Father Kaluza out of office
Father Hessian presiding
OLP - 1st Day of School

6:30 pm Mass

7:00 pm KC meeting in Parish Hall

Wednesday, September 4

Father Kaluza out of office
Father Hessian presiding

8:30 am Mass

Coffee & donuts after Mass

Thursday, September 5

Father Kaluza out of office
Father Hessian presiding

8:30 am Mass

Friday, September 6

Father Kaluza out of office
Father Hessian presiding

8:30 am Mass

Saturday, September 7

4:15 pm Mass

5:00-9:00 pm Fall Festival

Sunday, September 8

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, September 7, 4:15 pm

Greeters: Patrick & Charlotte Mulroy

Lector: Sue Schultz

EMHC: Sue Schultz, Keith Heitkamp, Volunteers (2)

Ushers: Jim Fogarty, Joe Hartman, Scott Williams,
Chris Weldon

Servers: Andrew Schmidt, Evan Schmidt

Gift Bearers: Volunteers

Sunday, September 8, 8:00 am

Greeters: Dr. Tim & Sue Halloran

Lector: James Fogarty

EMHC: Rita Halquist, Sharon Schmitz, Susan Cole,
Bob Fahey

Ushers: Mark Hartman, Calvin Hartman,
John Edberg, Paul Guertin

Servers: Henry Hennen, Luke Hennen,
Peter Hennen

Gift Bearers: Volunteers

Sunday, September 8, 10:00 am

Greeters: Craig & Julie Otto

Lector: Mary Randklev

EMHC: Nora Wermerskirchen, Terry Feddersen,
Jason Palo, Karen Vandermark

Ushers: Jim Gerres, Jim Covington, Jeff Klein,
Johan Miller

Servers: Cole Chessen, Emmett Straus

Gift Bearers: Volunteers

EMHC: Mary Moriarty (Kingsway)
Lisa Schatz (Lutheran Home)

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon 2 Sept † No Mass

Tue 3 Sept 6:30 pm † d. Emmett & Helen McCue

Wed 4 Sept 8:30 am † liv. Jerry & Irene Kirsch

Thur 5 Sept 8:30 pm † liv. & d. Members of Steve
Anderson Family

Fri 6 Sept 8:30 am † d. Paul & Pat Keup

Sat 7 Sept 4:15 pm † d. Jeanette Gloege

Sun 8 Sept 8:00 am † d. Carl Gansen
10:00 am † For the Parish

READINGS

Readings for the week of September 1, 2024

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas
1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/Lk
4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab,
13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/Lk
4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/Lk 6:1-5

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