



Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church

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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday | 7:30 am - 3:30 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Weekday Masses

Tuesday | 6:30pm
Wed, Thur, Fri | 8:30am

Holy Days & Holidays

Consult bulletin.

Eucharist Adoration

Wednesday | 9:00am - 10:00pm
Available 24 hours / 7 days a week

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

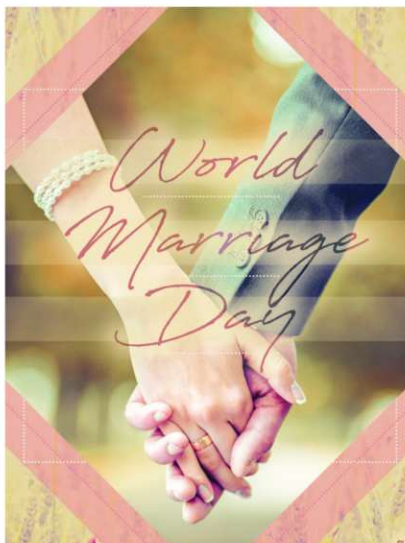
Please contact 952-992-0140

FEBRUARY 08, 2026

I AM THE
LIGHT
OF THE WORLD.

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life.

JOHN 8:12



World Marriage Day is celebrated annually on the second Sunday of February to honor the beauty of marriage and the commitment of husbands and wives.

It is an observance that recognizes the importance of marriage as the foundation of the family and society. It aims to honor the faithfulness, sacrifices, and joys of married life. The day serves as a reminder of the value of marriage and encourages couples to strengthen their relationships.

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MESSAGE FROM FATHER MICHAEL . . .

The Charity and The Annual Catholic Services Appeal

Our readings speak to us this weekend about charity and this year it coincides with the kick-off for the Annual Catholic Services Appeal. It is a good and worthy cause that funds many ministries and our support is vital and crucial. In caring for one another we help to build up God's kingdom.

The Appeal delivers ministries to those seeking to expand their faith and education, as well as provides essential ministries throughout our archdiocese. I want you to know the real difference of what the Catholic Services Appeal is doing and the impact it's making in the lives of others. That is why I endorse the Appeal and why I hope you will as well.

You may have received a letter from Archbishop Hebda about the Catholic Services Appeal, and I ask you to read through it closely and reflect on how we can help him fulfill his mission and, together, put our faith into action. If you did not receive a letter and return envelope in the mail, they are available in the back of church. Thank you for your participation!

God bless you,

Father Michael Kaluza



Ash Wednesday

FEBRUARY 18TH



Prayer
REQUESTS

Bud Steen

Deacon Bob Raleigh

Mona Bentfield

Don Morrison

Dan Flynn

Pat Sexe

Betty Wolf

Briar Fritz

Fred Welsch

Doris Fahey

Kelly Scott

Ron (Franny) Gerres

Annette Schmit Mann

Melissa Kjonaas

Maureen Millard

Barb Wentworth

Elmer Lambrecht

Katie Cates

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 at least four weeks.

Our Lady of the Prairie
Catholic School

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
**PRESCHOOL
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Decorating Party**

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200 E. Church Street Belle Plaine

FEBRUARY 10TH
4:00-6:00 PM

Go into the deep with
UN DIVIDED LOVE
WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

Saturday, February 28, 9am-6pm

A day of inspiring talks by Gina Bauer on our identity and true worth as daughters of God; good food; time for Adoration, Confession, and Mass!

RETREAT WILL BE HELD AT Saint John's: 215 Broadway Street North, Jordan, MN 55352 | Catholic Communities of Saint Patrick of Cedar Lake and Saint Catherine of Spring Lake.

Free will donation
Questions: Text Janice Teal at 952-426-5016
Invite your friends and coworkers!

Anointing Mass
Saturday, February 21 at 11:00 am
Anointing of the Sick
Brunch will be served after Mass by CCW.
All are invited to attend and receive the special blessings of this sacrament.

- faithful -
STEWARD
time - talent - treasure

BASKET COLLECTIONS

Weekly Collection Goal: \$8,344

Date	Amount	(+/-) Goal
Sunday, February 1, 2026	\$5,210	- \$3,134

ATTENDANCE

Saturday, January 31, 2026	4:15 pm	226
Sunday, February 01, 2026	8:00 am	144
	10:00 am	188
Livestreamed		38

Total Registered Active Families 512
Total Registered Active Members 1,301

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.

Birthright of Mankato

We will be collecting baby items during the Lenten season. Please watch future bulletins for suggestions and updates.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Retreat

is an enrichment for married couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller lifetogether. Please join us at **Our Lady of Grace Parish** in Edina

2-day Weekend Retreat on **March 7-8, 2026.**

Go home Saturday evening and return Sunday morning. *Take time to connect with your spouse, work through common themes together and renew your marriage.*

To apply or for info: call 612-334-7440 or WWME.org.

Mass Intentions in 2026 are filled.
2027 calendar will open in June, 2026.
Limit six per year.

Please notify the Parish Office if your address or phone number has changed since registering, or you no longer use a land line.




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Lenten Fish Dinners

<p>Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church 200 East Church St. Belle Plaine, MN</p> <p>March 6, 13, 20, 27</p> <p>Free will donation.</p> <p>Proceeds will go towards the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus of St. Paul.</p>	<p>Menu</p> <p>Salad</p> <p>Dinner Roll</p> <p>Baked Fish (breaded & unbreaded)</p> <p>Au-Gratin Potatoes</p> <p>Dessert</p> <p>Coffee</p>
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Serving: 4:30 - 6:30 pm | Take out available

 **Weather Policy**

If school is delayed, closes early or is closed due to poor weather conditions the following activities will not meet:

- All meetings (e.g. CCW, Knights of Columbus, Marriage Encounter).

The following activities will continue unless further notification is provided:

- Daily Mass: Mass is always celebrated Tuesday – Sunday
- Religious Education classes and Adoration.



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SAVE the DATE:
2026 Hibernian Founder’s Day Celebration
KC Hall, New Prague
Saturday, April 25, 2026



Evening Schedule


- 5:00 PM Social Hour
– Complimentary beer & wine from 5:00–8:00 PM
- 6:30 PM Chicken & Beef Dinner
- 7:30 PM Live Irish Music by Wild Colonial Bhoys
- Full bar available all evening


Tickets: \$40 per person
Order tickets: hibernianshamrock@gmail.com



Pray with our OLP students
Friday, February 13
at 10:00 am

PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Troop 324 

February 15, 2026
8:00 am-12Noon
Free Will Donation
St. John’s Church
148 S. Chestnut St., Belle Plaine, MN
Gluten Free Options & “Take to Go” boxes available.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
Monday, February 9	
7:00-9:00 pm Catechetical Institute	
Tuesday, February 10	
Father Kaluza out of office - Father Dvorak presiding	
4:00-6:00 pm Preschool Cookie Decorating Event - all preschool age children welcome	
6:30 pm Mass	
Wednesday, February 11	
Our Lady of Lourdes / World Day of the Sick	
Father Kaluza out of office - Father Dvorak presiding	
8:30 am Mass - donuts & coffee after mass	
2:15 & 7:00 pm PTA Meetings in Roedel Hall	
6:20 pm Religious Ed (K-8)	
Thursday, February 12	
Father Kaluza out of office - Father Dvorak presiding	
8:30 am Mass	
6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Group in Roedel Hall	
Friday, February 13	
Father Kaluza out of office - Father Dvorak presiding	
8:30 am Mass	
Saturday, February 14 St. Valentine's Day	
4:15 pm Mass	
Sunday, February 15	
8:00 am Mass	
9:00 am Choir Practice	
10:00 am Mass	



MASS INTENTIONS				
MON	9	FEB	No Mass	
TUE	10	FEB	6:30 pm	† d. Orlando G. Tatel
WED	11	FEB	8:30 am	† d. Mike Fogarty
THU	12	FEB	8:30 am	† d. Teresa Fritz
FRI	13	FEB	8:30 am	† d. Rev. Victor C. Valencia
SAT	14	FEB	4:15 pm	† d. Donald & Mary Jane O'Brien
SUN	15	FEB	8:00 am	† d. Debbie Patroni
			10:00 am	† For the Parish

Saturday, February 14, 4:15 pm	
Greeters	Volunteers
Lector	Joe Shimota
EMHC	Charlotte Mulroy, Betty Weldon, Dan Flynn, Joe Shimota
Ushers	Keith Heitkamp, Randy Schumacher, Brad Schultz, Matt Schultz
Servers	Volunteers (4)
Gift Bearers	Volunteers
Sunday, February 15, 8:00 am	
Greeters	Bob & Dorene Smith
Lector	James Fogarty
EMHC	Susan Cole, Janice Teal, Volunteers (2)
Ushers	Mark Hartman, Calvin Hartman, Volunteers (2)
Servers	Teresa Fogarty, David Fogarty, Jeffrey Teal, David Koehn
Gift Bearers	Volunteers
Sunday, February 15, 10:00 am	
Greeters	Craig & Julie Otto
Lector	Joe Vandermark
EMHC	Edsel Faunillan, Rick Morgan, Sheila Schmitz, Jason Palo
Ushers	Caleb Wermerskirchen, Ben Covington, Max Wermerskirchen, Peter Feddersen
Servers	Stella Scheff, William Scheff, Paisley Scheff, Volunteer
Gift Bearers	Volunteers
EMHC	Carman Meyer (Kingsway) Ty Buesgens (Lutheran Home)

READINGS
Readings for the week of February 8, 2026
Sunday: Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/1 Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16
Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-1

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