



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

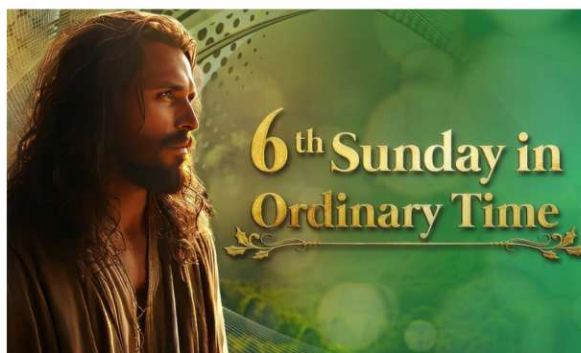
Congratulations! Thank you for accepting and caring for one of God's greatest gifts. As part of Baptism preparation, expectant parents are required to attend Mass weekly. Please contact the Parish Office (952) 873-6564. We look forward to getting to know you and your baby.

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



This year the first half of the month of February falls during the liturgical season known as Tempus per Annum or Ordinary Time (formerly Time After Epiphany), which is represented by the liturgical color green.

Green is a symbol of hope, as it is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. The liturgical color green is worn during prayer of Offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

The remaining days of February are the beginning of Lent. The liturgical color changes to violet or purple — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart.

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER . . .

The Gospel speaks of the law and Jesus underscores the importance of obedience to the law. His new law of love of God and neighbor, does not abolish the covenant established between God and the chosen people Israel. Since the readings lend themselves to the law, it is probably providential that the precepts are listed in our bulletin this week:



The Seven Precepts of the Church

1. To attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, and resting from servile works.
2. To observe the days of abstinence and fasting.
3. To confess our sins to a priest, at least once a year.
4. To receive Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist at least once a year during Easter Season.
5. To contribute to the support of the Church.
6. To obey the laws of the Church concerning Matrimony.
7. To participate in the Church's mission of Evangelization of Souls.

I hope that all of us will be familiar and realize the bare minimum that we need to call ourselves Catholic. It is indeed a great grace to belong to the faithful of the Church. All of us will find true freedom when we live as God intends and the precepts help us to realize the freedom that God has given to us through the merits of Jesus Christ. May we strive to live our lives in accord with the ways of God so that we can truly become what we are: sons and daughters of the living God!

The Catholic Services Appeal makes a difference and our parish makes a difference! Because of your generosity, many are assisted – the homeless, the hungry, the imprisoned, the students in financial need, the disabled, the hospitalized, seminarians, missionaries, the immigrants and American Indians. Most of these Collective Ministries cannot fund themselves and they are dependent on the collective generosity of donors in this Archdiocese to help. Our support is felt so strongly within the individual ministries, especially the ones that cannot survive without our collaborative help. Please be generous and help Our Lady of the Prairie be a reliable parish to participate in this important endeavor!

God bless you,

Father Michael Kaluza



Prayer
REQUESTS

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Deacon Bob Raleigh

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Briar Fritz

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Mary Ann Bigaouette

Kelly Scott

Ron (Franny) Gerres

Annette Schmit Mann

Melissa Kjonaas

Maureen Millard

Barb Wentworth

Elmer Lambrecht

Katie Cates

Jim Turek

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.



Join Our Lady of the Prairie
For a Lenten Book Club & Do-It-Yourself Retreat

“33 Days to Merciful Love”

A Preparation for April 12th Consecration to Divine Mercy Begins February 26th

Books available through Parish Office
Lead By: Maureen Daly & Leticia Fogarty

Meeting times: Thursdays @6:30

If you're Interested Contact:
Maureen Daly 952-687-1501
Leticia Fogarty 612-708-1491



BASKET COLLECTIONS

Weekly Collection Goal: \$8,344

| Date | Amount | (+/-) Goal |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Sunday, February 8, 2026 | \$7,601.00 | - \$743.00 |

ATTENDANCE

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|----------------------------|----------|-----|
| Saturday, January 31, 2026 | 4:15 pm | 208 |
| Sunday, February 01, 2026 | 8:00 am | 168 |
| | 10:00 am | 227 |
| Livestreamed | | n/a |

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.



Our Lady of the Prairie welcomes our new parishioners
Eric & Angie Polinder
McKenzie & Piper
 Please make them feel at home in their new parish community.



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.


Go into the deep with
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 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!



Ash Wednesday
 FEBRUARY 18TH
 Mass at 8:30 am & 6:30 pm



Stations of the Cross
 every Friday in Lent
 9:00 am & 6:30 pm

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



Knights of Columbus

Lenten Fish Dinners

Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church
200 East Church St.
Belle Plaine, MN

March
6, 13, 20, 27
Free will donation.

Proceeds will go towards
the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus
of St. Paul.

| Menu | |
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| Salad | |
| Dinner Roll | |
| Baked Fish (breaded & unbreaded) | |
| Au-Gratin Potatoes | |
| Dessert | |
| Coffee | |

Caring for One Another
Through our Ministries



Catholic Services Appeal
The Catholic Services Appeal is our yearly fundraising campaign that responds to the needs of our local communities and its people. The CSA funds support Catholic ministries and services that no single parish could accomplish on its own. Your gift to the Catholic Services Appeal supports our parishes, schools, and dozens of Catholic ministries like Catholic Schools and faith formation, hospital ministry and care for those in crisis, college campus ministry, room and

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READINGS

Readings for the week of February 15, 2026

Sunday: Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Monday: Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32


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.



MASS OF ANOINTING
Saturday, Feb. 21st
at 11:00 a.m.

All are invited to attend Mass and receive the special blessings of this Sacrament.

A fabulous brunch will be provided by:
Council of Catholic Women
in the Parish Hall
Following Mass.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, February 16 President's Day

Parish Office Closed - No School
Teacher Workshop
7:00-9:00 pm Catechetical Institute

Tuesday, February 17

1:30 pm Mass at Kingsway
6:30 pm Mass at OLP
7:00 pm Liturgy Committee

Wednesday, February 18 Ash Wednesday

8:30 am Mass - with ashes following
- donuts & coffee after mass
11:00 am Ashes at The Lutheran Home
11:30 am Ashes at Kingsway
2:00 pm Staff Meeting
6:20 pm **No** Religious Ed (K-8)
6:30 pm Mass - with ashes following

Thursday, February 19

8:30 am Mass
2:00 pm Mass at The Lutheran Home
6:30-7:30pm Men's Small Group in Roedel Hall

Friday, February 20

8:30 am Mass
9:00 pm Stations of the Cross
6:30 pm Stations of the Cross
6:30-9:00 pm Youth Group (Grades 9-12)

Saturday, February 21

11:00 am Anointing Mass
- Brunch after Mass hosted by CCW
4:15 pm Mass

Sunday, February 22 First Sunday of Lent

8:00 am Mass
9:00 am Choir Practice
10:00 am Mass
Treats & Fellowship after both Masses
- hosted by Knights of Coumbus

MASS INTENTIONS

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| MON | 16 | FEB | No Mass | | |
| TUE | 17 | FEB | 6:30 pm | † | d. Rita Goblirsch |
| WED | 18 | FEB | 8:30 am | † | liv. & d. John & Theresa Keonig |
| | | | 6:30 pm | † | CCW Members |
| THU | 19 | FEB | 8:30 am | † | d. Florence Leonard |
| FRI | 20 | FEB | 8:30 am | † | liv. & d. Dolores Karnitz Family |
| SAT | 21 | FEB | 11:00 am | † | d. Jim & Mary Daly |
| SAT | 21 | FEB | 4:15 pm | † | d. Jeremy Endres |
| SUN | 22 | FEB | 8:00 am | † | CCW Members |
| | | | 10:00 am | † | For the Parish |

Wednesday, February 18, 8:30 am

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| Greeters | OLP Students |
| Lector | OLP Student |
| EMHC | Sheila Hendricks, Maureen Daly, Mary Randklev, Volunteer |
| Ushers | OLP Students (4) |
| Servers | OLP Students (4) |
| Gift Bearers | OLP Students (2) |

Wednesday, February 18, 6:30 pm

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| Greeters | Volunteers (2) |
| Lector | Volunteer |
| EMHC | Keith Heitkamp, Volunteers (3) |
| Ushers | Keith Heitkamp, Volunteers (3) |
| Servers | Volunteers (4) |
| Gift Bearers | Volunteers (2) |

Saturday, February 21, 4:15 pm

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| Greeters | Volunteers (2) |
| Lector | Sue Schultz |
| EMHC | Keith Heitkamp, Sue Schultz, Volunteers (2) |
| Ushers | Jim Fogarty, Joe Hartmann, Chris Weldon, Volunteer |
| Servers | Volunteers (4) |
| Gift Bearers | Volunteers (2) |

Sunday, February 22, 8:00 am

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| Greeters | Tom & Pam Cates |
| Lector | Dr. Tim Halloran |
| EMHC | Sheila Hendricks, Rita Halquist, Sharon Beach, Mary Randklev |
| Ushers | Paul Guertin, John Edberg, Volunteers (2) |
| Servers | Luke Hennen, Henry Hennen, Peter Hennen, Volunteer |
| Gift Bearers | Volunteers |

Sunday, February 22, 10:00 am

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| Greeters | Jim Covington, Mike Buchanan |
| Lector | Sheila Schmitz |
| EMHC | Nora & Hannah Wermerskirchen, Joe & Karen Vandermark |
| Ushers | Jim Covington, Jim Gerres, Jeff Klein, Volunteer |
| Servers | Kenzie Berger, Mason Berger, Luke Berger, Volunteer |
| Gift Bearers | Volunteers (2) |
| EMHC | Janice Teal (Kingsway) Georgine Gansen (Lutheran Home) |

Council of Catholic Women

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