

September 25, 2022

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday | 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 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

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



There are many voices in our world that compete for our attention. Some voices are louder, and some voices are more attractive. The question for us to consider is how do we respond to the various voices that cry out for our attention? Jesus tells us in the parable of Lazarus and the rich man to do well in this life with the resources at our disposal. It is not just about serving ourselves, but about serving others as well. Destinies in the afterlife are determined by people's actions in this life. After death there can be no exchange between heaven and hell, and it is all determined upon how we choose to live our lives here and now. What we do matters and that should motivate us to listen carefully to the voice of God, which is not always the loudest voice, but surely the voice that quiets our hearts and minds to give the peace that only God can give.

The prophet Amos offers a warning to those who try to trust in the security of the world. Unfortunately, that is a misplaced trust that does not offer any guarantees of securing lasting tranquility. The role of the prophet is to highlight where things are going wrong. It is not to provide all the answers or solutions. God's interventions in our lives are usually only to point the way. The work remains for us to do. We have the responsibility to decide how we respond to the needs of our families, communities, and world.

The prophet always reminds us to live with integrity and that our gifts are not meant exclusively for our own benefit. Our skills and talents are meant to assist others and to improve our communities and nations for the betterment of all people, with a special regard for the marginalized among us. In this world, the most marginalized are the unborn children, which is why we need to speak on their behalf and allow them their God-given right to be born and join our society. To be pro-life is to heed the words of the prophets and recognize the evil of abortion so that we can restore justice where seeds of injustice have been sown.

We are also called to be peacemakers – to quiet the hearts of the unruly and bring tranquility to our community.

God bless you, Father Michael Kaluza



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE...

Ann Woelfel Cindy Coughlen Angela Hennen Bud Steen Loree Heinkel Bob Belousek Carol Klein Rory Cruser Mike Fogarty Larry Buesgens Lily Jane Lisa Pobuda Joe LaJeunesse

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.

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

PRESCHOOL AIDE

We are accepting applications for the position of Preschool Aide at Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church and School. This is a part time position either 2 days or 3 days a week, hours are 8:00am-3:00pm. Responsibilities would include, but not limited to:

Assisting Preschool Teacher with:

- A) Morning check-in/Lunch count
- B) Assisting academic needs
- C) Snack time set-up/clean-up
- D) Supervise lunch time
- E) Supervise rest time

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

or

mail to:

Our Lady of the Prairie Catholic Church and School

200 East Church Street, Belle Plaine, MN 56011



Faith Formation Families,

Thank you for enrolling your child in faith formation. We are actively seeking to recruit a Director of Religious Education. Until we have a director in place, we will be delaying the start of faith formation classes. This will not impact any sacraments. The second graders will still be making their first reconciliation and receiving their first communion and the eighth graders will still be receiving confirmation. They may not have as many classes, but we first need to put a director in place to coordinate the overall program. After that, the focus is on recruiting volunteer catechists. Please pray that our parish might soon find the right person to help us all become more and more educated in the faith. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out.

God bless.

Ms. Cates, Principal
Father Michael Kaluza, Pastor

Prayer for a new Faith Formation Director

O God our Heavenly Father,

You have given us the gift to be heralds of the Gospel to our parish family. Your Word that lifts up and affirms, calls forth and challenges, is compassionate and consoles. We pray that our parish family will always be blessed with those who respond to the call to share in Christ's prophic mission as catechists. May we too be open to the universal call to service that Christ addresses to all of His disciples, contributing our gifts to the communion of faith, the Church.

We ask this in Jesus' name.

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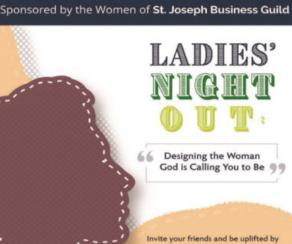
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DAY 1 - October 31, 2022 Travel to Wisconsin

Stay at the Delta Marriott Hotel in Green Bay, WI

Dinner at the Hotel (part of the package)

DAY 2 - November 1, 2022

Breakfast at Hote

All Saints Day at Our Lady of Good Help Confessions, Mass. Adoration, Lunch, Chaplet of Divine Mercy Evening: Free

DAY 3 - November 2, 2022

Breakfast at Hotel

All Souls Day at Saint Norbertine's Abbey and the National Shrine of St. Joseph

Tour explanation abou the Abbey and National Shrine of St. Joseph, Mass at 12:00 pm

Afternoon Lunch at Lambeau Field (on your own) followed by a bus tour of Green Bay and the influence of the Packers on the Evening Free

DAY 4 - November 3, 2022

Breakfast at Hotel; Return to Minnesota

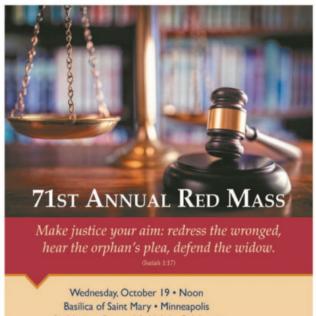
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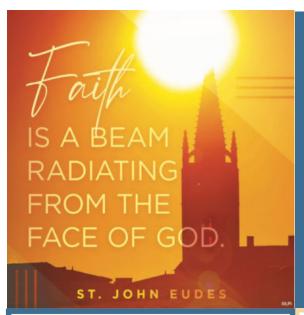
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OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE CATHOLIC CHURCH



Seven Sisters PRAYER OF THE WEEK

A Prayer to Brighten the Lives of Others O God.

Who cover yourself with light as with a garment, shine in us, putting to flight all the forces of darkness and guilt, of sin and selfishness.

Shine also through us to any that live in shadow, and so fill us with your radiant spirit that we may be a lamp unto a neighbor's feet, and a light unto their path. And when this day is done, may ever face we have met be the brighter for our meeting, and every heart braver, with new joy and cheer and grace and strength.

Amen

— Theodore Parker (d. 1860) (from The New Saint Joseph People's Prayer Book)

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

September 26—October 2, 2022

MONDAY 9/26

7:00pm-9:00pm | Catechetical Institute using whole campus

TUESDAY 9/27

1:30pm | Kingsway Mass

6:30pm | Mass

7:00pm | Church Night Meetings

WEDNESDAY 9/28

8:30am | Mass Coffee & donuts after 8:30am Mass OLP school Marathon pledge turn in #2 OLP school field trip 4-5-6 to Cedar Farms

THURSDAY 929

8:30am | Mass

FRIDAY 9/30

8:30am | Mass

SATURDAY 10/1

4:15pm | Mass

SUNDAY 10/2

8:00am | Mass 9-10:00am | Choir Practice in church 10:00am | Mass



SAVE THE DATE!

OLP's PTA will be hosting a Holiday Boutique on Sunday, November 13, 2022 from 9:00am—1:00pm

This is a fundraiser for the Our Lady of the Prairie PTA. PTA funds go toward field trips, Birthday Mass treats, teacher appreciation and 6th grade graduation.

If you are interested in being a vendor please reach out to Jess Kurvers at jlstuhr@yahoo.com or 612-710-7418

Thank you for your support of our School!

| MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 1 & 2, 2022 | | | |
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| MINISTRY | 4:15PM | 8:00AM | 10:00AM |
| Lectors | Charlotte M | Sharon B | Rick M |
| Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion *If Deacon Mike is not present. | Keith H | Sharon B | Paula C |
| | Sarah W | Sheila H | Jim C |
| | Sue S | Sharon S | Nora W |
| | *Volunteer | *Volunteer | *Volunteer |
| Ushers | Keith H | Allen S | Hubert J |
| | Randy S | Ray S | Jeff K |
| | Volunteer | Mark H | Johan M |
| | Volunteer | Calvin H | Peter F |
| Servers | lan S | Henry H | Stella S |
| | Andrew S | Luke H | Mason B |
| | Addy S | Peter H | Cole C |



STEWARDSHIP & ATTENDANCE For the Week of September 18, 2022

| Weekly Collection Goal for Month9/18/2022 Collection (Week 12) | |
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| CURRENT WEEK DEFICIT | |
| Church Painting Collection | \$4,125.00 |
| Attendance at 4:15pm Mass | 150 157 |
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^{*}Collection week includes envelopes and loose total for that weekend collection.

Total Number of Registered Families479

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, 9/27
6:30pm d. Thelma Ott
8:30am d. Jenny Gray
WEDNESDAY, 9/28
8:30am d. Teresa Friitz

THURSDAY, 9/29
8:30am d. Judy Morrison

FRIDAY, 9/30
8:30am d. Jenny Gray
SATURDAY, 10/1
4:15pm d. Patricia Athmann
SUNDAY, 10/2
8:00am d. Joseph Fogarty Jr.
10:00am For the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 26—OCTOBER 2, 2022

Tuesday 9/27 | Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday 9/28 | Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday 9/29 | Dan 7:9-10, 13-14/Jn 1:47-51
Friday 9/30 | Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday 10/1 | Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10:17-24
Sunday 10/2 | Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/
Lk 17:5-10

Monday 9/26 | Jb 1:6-22/Lk 9:46-50

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