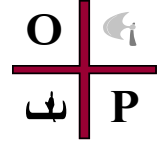


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Hello Everyone!

Many blessings of peace, love and joy to us all as we continue along the journey of our Easter Season toward the celebrations of Ascension and Pentecost. With this month's pastoral letter I share some wonderful blessings of new life revealing themselves in the midst of our parish family and community.

To begin, we celebrate the gift of First Holy Communion with a number of our younger parishioners on the weekend of April 30th and May 1st. They will be the second group receiving First Holy Communion this school year; our first group celebrated their big day last November 13th & 14th. The names of the students in the current group are:

Analia	Evelyn	Andrea	Bonita	Erick
Julian	Alondra	Reniel	Caela	Lilia
Dulce	Kayla G.	Hailey	Escarlet	Vianney
Valeria	Gerardo	Sofi G.	Eduardo	Daisy
Emmanuel	Kayla J.	Kayla L.	Johnny	Jacqueline
Yandel	Judith	Valeria M.	Sofia N.	Itzayana
Angel	Joseph	Finnian	Lorena	Sofia T.
Damian	Mathias	Alison		

We also look forward to welcoming Archbishop Etienne to our parish on Sunday, June 26th, for the Confirmation of this year's middle-school and high-school youth. Please know that their classes continue, every two weeks on Thursday evenings, until May 26th. They will then have a special Confirmation retreat on Saturday, June 4th, culminating in attending the 4:30pm Mass with the community. The names for this year's Confirmation class are:

Brandon D.	Edgar	Andria	Nathaly	Rogelio
Brandon L.	Cristopher	Mariana	Angel	Neyser
Lizeth	Jaime	Maritza	Brizeida	Xitlaly
Nya	Leslie	Enrique	Jacqueline	Dany
Juan	Alexis	Emily	Nataly	Damary
Sebastian	Jesus	Johnathan	Melanie	Joanna
Lindsye	Carlos	Karina	Nancy	Azul

Spring is often the time of year when we celebrate the sacraments of Christian Initiation for those formally embracing the Christian life and for those feeling called to continue, within the Catholic Church, a baptismal journey begun elsewhere. It also happens that people well into adulthood who were baptized in the Catholic Church as infants might discover that this year is the right time for Confirmation and/or Eucharist. Amidst all these variations, this year we have four people who will have celebrated all their initiation sacraments in our community.

I am pleased to share that St. Olaf Parish has welcomed Paula Polmanteer as our new Pastoral Assistant for Faith Formation. With Paula's presence on staff, please look forward to Faith Formation for grades Pre-K thru 12 beginning in the Fall of 2022. In addition, during the 2022-23 academic year we will again offer formation and preparations for First Holy Communion (7 years and older) and Confirmation (7th grade and higher). Welcome, Paula!

Finally, for now, please look forward to welcoming Father Chuck this spring and summer to preside at our weekend liturgies. His first weekend will be May 6th & 7th, during which time I will be out of town attending a family graduation. He will then return periodically during June, July, and August, as has become customary over the last several years, beginning on June 4th.

With many blessings of peace, love, and joy to you and your families 😊

Fr. David