## MARCH 17, 2019 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

<u>READINGS</u>: Genesis 15.5-12,17-18 Psalm 27 Philippians 3.17-4.1 Luke 9.28b-36

### **SATURDAY MARCH 16, 2019 4:00 PM**

Offered for: Beatrice Bero, from the funeral collection

<u>Altar Servers</u>: Megan, Phillip and Morgan <u>Lectors:</u> Irving Papineau and Janine Rourke

#### SUNDAY MARCH 17, 2019 10:00 AM

Offered for: Danny Thompson, Memorial Mass, from the funeral collection

<u>Altar Servers</u>: Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee <u>Lectors:</u> Rosemary Bonaparte and Erin Cole

## TUESDAY MARCH 19, 2019 7:00 PM

Offered for: Andrew Mitchell, Memorial Mass, From the funeral collection

# WEDNESDAY MARCH 20, 2018 10:00 AM IAKHIHSOHTA LODGE

Offered for: Irene McDonald, 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Memorial Mass, Requested by Wayne
McDonald

### THURSDAY MARCH 21, 2019 12:10 PM

Offered for: Alberta Linda Jacobs, Birthday Memorial Mass, Requested by Charlie Jacobs

#### FRIDAY MARCH 22, 2019 12:10 PM

Offered for: Thelbert Bigtree, Memorial Mass, from the Funeral Collection

## **SATURDAY MARCH 23, 2019 4:00 PM**

Offered for: Grace Chubb, Birthday Memorial Mass requested by the family Altar Servers: Megan, Phillip and Morgan Lectors: Nicky King and Liz Sunday

#### SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2019 10:00 AM

Offered for: Alfred Laffin, Memorial Mass, from the funeral collection Altar Servers: Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee Lectors: Abram Benedict & RJ Dolly McDonald

## **2019 COLLECTIONS REPORT**

Correction for March 2-3<sup>rd</sup>
March 2-3, 2019 CDN \$ 505.00 US \$ 591.00
March 9-10, 2019 CDN \$ 457.45 US \$ 516.01

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will have the communal praying of the Way of the Cross, a half-hour before each Mass on the weekends 3:30 PM on Saturday and 9:30 AM on Sunday. COME EARLY to meditate on the passion and death of Jesus Christ.

## **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 17, 2019**

This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to Him! (Lk.9:34)

Jesus went up to the mountain to pray, to open His mind and heart to His Father in loving surrender to His Will. Peter, James, and John were with Him at the top of the mountain. They heard the voice of God: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to Him." This is the only command of the Father recorded in the New Testament. LISTEN TO HIM! As Jesus listened in prayer, His face was transformed in splendor, a sign of the glory that wraps one who is united to God. He understood and owned the Father's plan. He understood that His sacrifice would not be complete with defeat but in the glory of the resurrection. Death, whatever aspect it assumes appears to us as an evil. The friends of the cross of Christ are called to give up only what is not life. Paul states that this is the only wise choice: "Our citizenship is in heaven" (v. 20) and the transfiguration of our lowly body awaits us

For an authentic encounter with God, we must **LISTEN TO HIM!** To listen to God, we first need to be quiet, to stop talking. We need to be silently present to the events of the Gospel. We need to listen to the words Jesus spoke, and be present to Jesus's presence within us. In the miracle of transubstantiation in Holy Mass, bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. In the Eucharist, Jesus brings the power of transfiguration to us. We welcome Him in Holy Communion with quiet reverence. We listen as Jesus sends us forth to transfigure the lives we touch. After the celebration of the Word, we return to our homes more serene, better, smiling, willing to be tolerant and generous. Even our faces are relaxed with light.

## POPE FRANCIS MESSAGE ON SILENCE

Moments of silence in the Mass should be intentional times of prayer, recollection, and communion with God, rather than being viewed as times to just be quiet or not speak. Silence is not reduced to the absence of words, but is the availability to listen to other voices -- that of our heart and, above all, the voice of the Holy Spirit. . In silence, then, we discover the importance of listening to our soul and then opening it to the Lord.

#### FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH, MARCH 19

Let us allow ourselves to be "infected" by the silence of St. Joseph. We have much need of it in a world which is often too noisy, which does not encourage reflection and listening to the voice of God. Pope Benedict XVI

## THE TRAVELING FAMILY ROSARY

During the week of March 3rd, the Family of Vernie and Toni Herne have prayed the rosary for Families of St. Regis – their intentions, their sick, their deceased, peace in our community and in the world. Next week, the family of Dorothy Lazore will be praying the Parish Traveling Rosary. Have you signed up on the calendar on the table in back of the church for the week this year when your family will pray for our parish?

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

G.K. Chesterton left an interesting note about Confession: "According to one modern critic, it is morbid to confess your sins. I should say that the morbid thing is to conceal your sins and let them eat your heart out, which is the unhappy state of most people in highly civilized communities." **Don't let sins eat your heart out!** During Lent, Father Jerome will be available in the St. Regis Mission Church to hear confessions on Saturday afternoons from 3:00 to 3:45 PM and on Sunday mornings from 9:00 - 9:45 AM.

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (in Mohawk)

Ta kwa ien ha, ne, ka ron hia ke, te si te ron, a ie sa sen na ien, a ie sa wen ni ios ta ke, a ie sa wen na ra kwa ke, non wen tsia ke, tsi ni iot, ne, ka ron hia ke, kie sa wen na rak wa. Ta kwa nont, ne, ken wen te, ia kion he kon, nia te wen ni se ra ke, sa sa ni konr hen, ne ion kwa ri wa ne ren, tsi ni iot, ni, i, tsi on kwa ni konr hens. O the non, ion ki ni konh rak sa ton, non kwe; to sa, a ion kwa sen ni, ne ka ri wa ne ren, ak we kon, e ren, sa wit, nio tak sens. NE NE KA NA KE RAH TSHE RA, NE NE KA SATS TENH SE RA, KA IA TA NE HRA KWAH TSHE RA, SA WEN'K NON:WA NOK TSI NEN:WE – E THO E THO NA IA WEN.

## A PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

ST. JOSEPH, DARING DREAMER, teach us to listen and trust in our dreams.

**ST. JOSEPH, GUARDIAN-DEFENDER**, help us to be vigilant and responsive to the world in which we live.

ST. JOSEPH, HUMBLE SERVANT, you show us how to live with a pure heart. Remind us to remain humble and to simplify. ST. JOSEPH, MENTOR, may your example of teacher strengthen our resolve to help others more.

**ST. JOSEPH, FAITHFUL COMPANION**, you model the warmth and caring of friendship in our relationships.

ST. JOSEPH, CARPENTER, you show us how to elevate our work to the All Holy God.

**ST. JOSEPH,** you modeled a holy life and a happy death in the presence of Jesus and Mary, stay with us during life's transitions.

O ST. JOSEPH, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interest and desires. O ST. JOSEPH, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers. O St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His Divine head for me and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. ST. JOSEPH, PATRON OF DEPARTING SOULS, PRAY FOR ME.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 6:00 – 7:00 PM** at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center. Classes for those preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 27, 2019 and for all children who are preparing for First Holy Communion on May 19, 2019.

SUNDAY, MARCH 24: 10 AM, MASS AT ST REGIS CHURCH. LITURGY OF THE WORD IN THE SACRISTY with Team 1, All candidates for Confirmation and First Holy Communion are expected to be present.

FRIDAY MARCH 29: THE GIFTED DISCIPLE, SESSION I AND APRIL 11, SESSION II. 5 PM – 7 PM at the St. Kateri Tekawitha Center. Presentation by Marika Donders, Director of Evangelization of the Diocese of Ogdensburg. Register by calling 613-575-2753 during Office Hours 9 am to 1:00 pm SATURDAY, APRIL 6 MUSIC MINISTRY MEETING 9 AM at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Formation Center SATURDAY APRIL 6 RISE LIPL YOUTH BALLY GRADES 7-

SATURDAY, APRIL 6 RISE UP! YOUTH RALLY GRADES 7-12 at TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL, MASSENA, 9:30 – 5:00 PM Cost: \$25. Lunch included. Register before March 29, 2019 at www.rcdony.org/youthrally.

#### **WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Lord, we commend to your loving care Abe "Skip" Herne, Barney Rourke, Richard Phillips, Florence Benedict, Virginia Thompson, Joan Cook, Florabelle Anderson. Marjorie Thompson, Hubert and Felicia Jock, Maggie Terrance, Leonard and Isabel Garrow, Marie Casey, Jack Angus, Joyce Kelso, Marcia Barnes, Francis Cree, Louise Jacobs, Beatrice Cole, Cindy Cole, Danielle Cole, Laurie Connors, April Benedict, Camryn Cook, Baby Grayson Caron, Marilyn Tarbell, Larry Pyke, Jimmy Bero, Dickie and Marita Francis, Harriet Jackson Lazore, Philip Francis, Loran Lazore, Michael Herne, Alexina Auger, David Francis and all in our nursing homes, hospitals, and rehabilitation centers. Eternal rest grant unto Clyde Cree, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. May Clyde's family experience the peace and consolation of Christ.

## FEAST OF ST. PATRICK, MARCH 17

We celebrate the great missionary to Ireland. At the age of 16, Patrick was kidnapped in Britain and brought to tend sheep on Ireland's mountainsides. Enslaved for six years, he prayed as he watched the flocks. He heard God directing him to the seacoast where a waiting ship would take him home to Britain. Subsequently, Patrick heard other voices ---poor Irish calling to their boy to come back to Ireland, to teach them about His God.. Patrick entered the seminary and was ordained a priest, and then a bishop. Returning to Ireland,

Bishop Patrick encountered pagan Druids whose leader, Leoghaire, King of Tara, arrested him for lighting the Paschal fire. Patrick bravely preached to the chieftains about the Trinity, three persons in one God, by holding aloft a green shamrock. Eventually, all the Irish were converted to Christianity and Irish missionaries zealously traveled all over the world to bring souls to Christ. For example, Father Anthony once told us that St Patrick's Day is a holyday of obligation in Nigeria where Irish missionaries first brought the faith. Father Jerome's native Philippines also had Irish missionaries. Irish-Americans also owed their deep faith to St. Patrick's efforts.

What great things can happen when one person listened to God's voice in prayer!

May the road rise to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
the rain fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

## **MEETING NOTICE**

There will be a meeting of the Akwesasne Knights of Columbus at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Formation Center on Wednesday March 27, 2019 at 6:00 PM. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THIS IMPORTANT MEETING. For more information contact Jamie Bay at 518-358-2272 ext. 250