

**APRIL 29, 2018**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**READINGS: Acts 9.26-31, Psalm 22**  
**1 John 3.18-24 John 15.1-8**

**Saturday, April 28, 2018 4:00 PM**

**Offered for:** Joseph Wood, Memorial Mass,  
Funeral Collection

**Altar Servers:** Cheyenne, Keon and Summer  
**Lectors:** Jamie Bay and Caroline Peters

**Saturday, April 28, 2018 6:30 PM**

**TRI-DISTRICT ELDERS LODGE**

**Offered for:** Christopher Thompson, Memorial  
Mass, Funeral Collection

**Sunday, April 29, 2018 10:00 AM**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Offered for:** David Michael Thomas and Scott  
Thomas, Memorial Mass, Funeral  
Collection

**Altar Servers:** Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee  
**Lectors:** Rosemary Bonaparte and Phil  
Tarbell

**Tuesday May 1, 2018 7:00 PM**

**Offered for:** Larry Richard King, Birthday  
Memorial Mass, Req. by Family

**Wednesday May 2, 2018 12:10 PM**

**Offered for:** Mitchell Sunday, Memorial Mass,  
Funeral Collection

**Thursday May 3, 2018 12:10 PM**

**Offered for:** Margaret Buckshot, Memorial Mass,  
Funeral Collection

**Friday May 4, 2018 12:10 PM**

**Offered for:** Orlo Ransom, Memorial Mass,  
Funeral Collection

**Saturday, May 5, 2018 4:00 PM**

**Offered for:** Thomas Sunday, Memorial Mass,  
Funeral Collection

**Altar Servers:** Megan, Phillip and Morgan  
**Lectors:** Connie Thompson & Norman Tarbell

**Sunday, May 6, 10:00 AM**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

**Offered for:** Alfred Laffin, Memorial Mass,  
Funeral Collection

**Altar Servers:** Cheyenne, Keon and Summer  
**Lectors:** Children and Youth

**KATERI CIRCLE**

In our Church of St. John Francis Regis, some forty parishioners have joined together in the KATERI CIRCLE for the purpose of evangelization, living out and spreading the Gospel of Jesus. They have formed a prayer group to share faith and to join together in works of charity within the community of Akwesasne. Members of the Kateri Circle are most generous in all aspects of parish life -- praying with grieving families in time of loss of loved ones, serving as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist in taking Holy Communion to sick and homebound elders, providing ongoing maintenance of the Church, participating in the Parish Council, Finance Council, Food Pantry, Ushering at Mass and volunteering each week to assist the elders at IAHKHIHSOTHA. Through fund-raising activities, they enable members to attend the annual Tekakwitha Conference, while also aiding the Hogansburg Volunteer Fire Department.

Officers of the Kateri Circle are: President, Debbie Thomas; Vice-President, Caroline Peters; Secretary, Jackie Arquette, and Treasurer, Vickie Phillips. They welcome new members to join the Kateri Circle for prayer and works of mercy.

The Kateri Circle is registered with the Tekakwitha Conference and sends representatives each year to the national conference where Catholics from Native American Tribes throughout the United States and Canada gather for prayer, liturgies, workshops, cultural sharing and growth in faith. This year, the Lummi Tribe will host the Kateri Conference in Tacoma, Washington in July. That is the home of the young boy, Jake Fintbonner, whose cure from a pernicious infection through the intercession of St. Kateri, provided the miracle needed for her canonization on October 20, 2012.

The Tekakwitha Conference was incorporated in 1979, with financial support and encouragement from the Bureau of Catholic Indian Missions. Prior to that in 1939, Bishop Aloysius Muench of Fargo, ND, had begun meetings of Catholic Plains Indians and missionaries to discuss pastoral concerns. In time, Native-Americans from all over the United States and Canada began to unite to spread the Good News of Jesus. The Mohawks of Akwesasne were among the first to form a Kateri Circle whose mission was to promote the cause of canonization of our very own saint.

Last weekend the Kateri Circle presented a mass celebration of St. Kateri's feast. Father Henry Sands from Washington, D.C. and Father Jerome Pastores concelebrated the 4 PM Saturday Mass. The Mohawk Choir, Sweetgrass Purification Rite and Four Directions Prayer enhanced the liturgy.

The following deceased members of the Kateri Circle were given special mention at the celebration Mass: Peg Bova, Agnes Sunday, Beatrice Jacobs, Agnes Lazore, Isabel Lazore, Alex Mitchell, Betty Papineau, Carl Papineau, Linda Jacobs, Lena Day, Jimmy Caldwell, Beatrice Arquette, Louise Wood Cook, Theresa Oakes, Darlene Oakes, Ruth White, Hilda Caldwell and Lila Caldwell.

**NIAWENA KOWA to all who came to participate in our St. Kateri Tekakwitha celebration and to everyone who helped to prepare the liturgy and feast day meal!**

**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.

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

Jesus says " I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in Me, and I in them bears much fruit, because apart from Me, you can do nothing."

St. Kateri Tekakwitha has shown us what it means to abide in Jesus as she lived a life of love for God and neighbor.. Her holiness continues to inspire us to walk with Jesus too!

**MAY 1 -- FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER**

On March 19, the Church celebrates the feast of Joseph, Husband of Mary. May 1st is the feast of St. Joseph, the Worker. We ask him to guide and protect all workers and to help those who are unemployed to obtain meaningful work to support their families.

There is very little written about the life of St. Joseph in Scripture. We do know that he was the chaste husband of Mary, the foster father of Jesus, a carpenter, a man who was not wealthy. We can tell from his actions in Scripture that Joseph was a compassionate man and obedient to the will of God. He loved Jesus and Mary and wanted to protect and provide for them.

St. Joseph is a special patron of every father who loves his wife and children and works hard to care for them.

St. Pope John Paul II wrote of him: "Saint Joseph is a man of great spirit. He is great in faith, not because he speaks his own words, but above all because he listens to the words of the Living God. He listens in silence. And his heart ceaselessly perseveres in the readiness to accept the Truth contained in the word of the Living God."

**MORNING OFFERING INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY**

Heavenly Father, in this month of May, we intercede for the laity. Lord God, may all the lay faithful fulfill the specific mission that you have given them by responding with creativity to the challenges of the world today.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY, MAY 6**

Let us pray for our little children who will receive their First Holy Communion at the 10 AM Mass on Sunday, May 6, 2018. O Jesus, who has loved us with such exceeding great love as to give us the gift of the Holy Eucharist, inflame us with a burning zeal to promote Your glory, by preparing worthily the little children who will be approaching Your holy table for the first time. Protect, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, these young souls from the assaults of evil, bless their parents, strengthen their faith, increase their love. Endow them with all the virtues that will make them worthy to receive You. Amen.

**MAY, THE MONTH OF MARY OUR MOTHER**

As we offer the family rosary each day of this month of May, let us remember all who suffer, especially those in hospitals, nursing homes, prisons, rehabilitation centers, and in areas of violence and war.

Mary, our Mother, we commend to you Michael Thomas, Don Snyder, Abe David, Philip Francis, Eric Seymour, Jack Angus, Leonard and Isabel Garrow, Nancy Phillips, Alexina Auger, Alliene Reyome, Marjorie Lazore, April Benedict, Bruce Bombard, Marjorie Thompson, Eleanor Thompson, Marie Casey, Clyde Cree, Louis Garrow, Louis Jacobs, Teddy Cook, Christie Thompson, Teddy Thompson, Marita Francis, Louis Jacobs, Francis Cree, and Camryn Cook.

In your compassion, Mother Mary, console the families who have recently lost loved ones: Charlotte Francis, David Vernon Hopps, Colton Hart, Sister Marie Angele Ellis, SSJ. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**

Children must be pre-registered for Baptism with an application, a copy of their Birth Certificate and an interview with Father Jerome. Registration forms are available for pick up at the Rectory Office Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am to noon or by calling 613-575-2753. Baptisms are the third Sunday of every month.

**COLLECTIONS**

**Mar 29 - Apr 1, 2018**

**REG. MASS \$ 725.41 US \$ 626.50 CDN**

**April 7-8, 2018**

**REG. MASS \$ 774.64 US \$ 409.56 CDN**

**April 14-15, 2018.**

**REG. MASS \$ 467.30 US \$ 366.21 CDN**

**April 21-22, 2018**

**REG. MASS \$ 441.21 US \$ 387.60 CDN**