

**JULY 8, 2018**  
**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**READINGS: Ezekiel 2.3-5, Psalm 123**  
**2 Corinthians 12.7-10 Mark 6.1-6**

**SATURDAY JULY 7, 2018 4:00 PM**  
**Offered for:** Mitchell Sunday, Memorial Mass,  
 Requested by Dr. Dubuc and staff  
**Altar Servers:** Megan, Phillip and Morgan  
**Lectors:** Nicky King and Caroline Peters

**SUNDAY JULY 8, 2018 10:00 AM**  
**Offered for:** Mike Benedict, Memorial Mass,  
 Funeral Collection  
**Altar Servers:** Cheyenne, Keon & Summer  
**Lectors:** Brian Thomas and Abram Benedict

**TUESDAY JULY 10, 2018 7:00 PM**  
**Offered for:** Daniel White, Memorial Mass, Requested  
 by Dr. Dubuc and Staff

**WEDNESDAY JULY 11, 2018 12:10 PM**  
**Offered for:** Laura Cree, Memorial Mass, FC

**THURSDAY JULY 12, 2018 9:30 AM**  
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**Offered for:** Sarah Day, Memorial Mass, FC

**FRIDAY July 13, 2018 12:10 PM:**  
**Offered for:** Alex Arquette, Memorial Mass, FC

**SATURDAY JULY 14, 2018 10:00 AM**  
 Funeral Mass for Florence Cook  
 Requested by the Family

**SATURDAY JULY 14, 2018 4:00 PM**  
**ST KATERI TEKAKWITHA FEASTDAY**  
**Offered for:** Joseph Wood, Memorial Mass,  
 Funeral Collection  
**Altar Servers:** Megan, Phillip and Morgan  
**Lectors:** Liz Sunday and Connie Thompson

**SUNDAY JULY 15, 2018 10:00 AM**  
**Offered for:** Colton Hart, Memorial Mass, Req. by  
 Tony and Vernie Herne  
**Altar Servers:** Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee  
**Lectors:** Phil Tarbell and Jamie Ross

<b>COLLECTIONS June 23-24, 2018</b> <b>REG. MASS \$ 500.08 US \$ 412.80 CDN</b> <b>COLLECTIONS June 30<sup>th</sup> &amp; July 1, 2018</b> <b>REG. MASS \$ 457.15 US \$ 343.00 CDN</b>
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Father Jerome will be teaching confirmation classes and Vicky Phillips, First Communion classes, for 2018-2019. Enrollment will commence on July 17, 2018 and will be ongoing into September 2018. Please contact Vicky Phillips at the Rectory on Wednesdays between 9 am and 1pm at 575-2753. Father Jerome will meet with the families of the enrollees during the month of August.

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 8, 2018**

The Scriptural readings this Sunday remind us of the cost of discipleship--the problems faced when we try to follow God's Will. God describes the people to whom the prophet Ezechiel was sent as "rebellious". They not only refused to listen to God's messengers--Jeremiah, Isaiah, Elijah, Elisha -- but killed them. St. Paul also suffered every kind of persecution, eventually martyrdom, but God told him, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." He boasted, "I am content with weakness, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ, for whenever I am weak, then I am strong."

Jesus found hardened faces and stubborn hearts when he went to his hometown. He was hampered from doing miracles in Nazareth because of the people's lack of faith. He was proclaiming the kingdom of God, the presence of God among them, but all that they saw was a carpenter. They asked him where He got all His wisdom. Some of the saddest words are in the Gospel, "And Jesus could do no deed of power there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and cured them. And Jesus was amazed at their unbelief." He did not expect this rejection by neighbors and friends. He teaches us the cost of Christian discipleship.

God's prophets were put to death. The Son of God's disciples were martyred. The blood of martyrs became the seed of the Church and for over two thousand years people follow Christ. His Gospel tells us that God's will is for us to LOVE one another. "Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Pray for those who calumniate you." That is a hard maxim, but we can believe with St. Paul, "I can do all things in Him who strengthens me."

**ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA, PATRON SAINT OF ECOLOGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT**

Like St. Francis of Assisi, St. Kateri Tekakwitha had great love for Mother Earth and for all God's creation. They remind us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. "Praise be you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with colored flowers and herbs."

Pope Francis in his encyclical, LAUDATO SI (Care for our Common Home) has given us valuable insights:

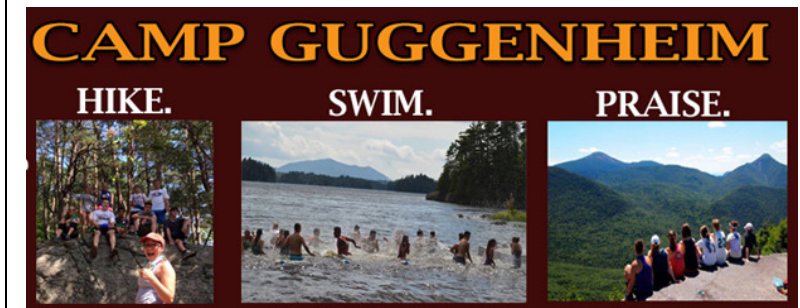
- **We are not "masters" of our planet, God our Creator is!** He made all things and judged them to be "good".
- **The natural resources of the earth are limited.** They are to be cared for, safeguarded, not abused, wasted, or treated as mere for-profit commodities for personal aggrandizement.
- A lack of appreciation for the goodness of creation and the dignity of all people lies at the root of the ecological crisis facing the world. **The environmental challenges we face represent a spiritual and moral test.**
- **"Ecological conversion" i.e. a change of minds, hearts, and attitudes, is necessary** if we are to reverse the trend of environmental deterioration and failure to live sustainably on the earth.

We pray to St. Kateri to show us how to become good stewards of Mother Earth, " Help us to be good stewards of God's creation: living persons, animals and plants, rivers and forests, lands and seas."

**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.



Father Jerome invites each of the St. Regis Mission altar servers to receive a scholarship to attend Camp Guggenheim in Saranac Lake this summer. The Youth Ministry of the Diocese of Ogdensburg will sponsor Camp Guggenheim in the following weeks: **WEEK 1: July 1-6; WEEK 2: July 8-13; WEEK 3: July 15-20; WEEK 4: July 22-27; WEEK 5: July 29-August 3, 2018** Please see **Father Jerome IMMEDIATELY to reserve a place in any of these camp weeks. THE DEADLINE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS HAS BEEN EXTENDED SO PLEASE APPLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! WEEK TWO STARTS NOW!**

**AMERICAN FEASTDAY OF ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA JULY 14, 2018**

Although Canada's liturgical calendar designates the feast of St. Kateri Tekakwitha on the date of her death, April 17th, the United States liturgical calendar celebrates her feast on July 14th. We can celebrate our Mohawk saint on both dates! Usually there is a special celebration at Auriesville, the birthplace of Kateri, and at Fonda, where she was baptized.

At an early age, Tekakwitha knew that she wanted to dedicate her life to Jesus. At age 18, in secret, she began instructions in the Catholic Faith by the Jesuit Fathers. She was subjected to unfair accusations and decided to journey northward to the Christian community of St. Francis Xavier in Caughnawaga. In 1677 she made her First Holy Communion, and on the feast of the Annunciation in 1679, she made a vow of perpetual virginity and also offered herself to the Blessed Mother Mary to accept her as her daughter. Kateri taught prayers to the children, cared for the elderly and sick, and was known for her deep love of the Blessed Sacrament and the Cross of Jesus.

Kateri bore the cross of illness with sincere love. Her last words before death on April 17, 1680 were, "Jesus. Mary. I love You."

**CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

Please join our St. Regis Mission Church volunteers who are celebrating Christmas in July by gifts of food and soap to the needy in our community. The Christmas spirit is meant to be everlasting and not merely on December 25th. Please leave items for the poor on the shelves in the vestibule of the Church. **NIAWEN KOWA!**

**THE BISHOP'S PICNIC FOR ALL ALTAR SERVERS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

The Diocesan Altar Servers Mass and Picnic with Bishop LaValley will be held on Friday, August 17th in Ogdensburg. Sign-in begins at 11:00 AM, followed by brief presentations, with Mass at the Cathedral, celebrated by Bishop LaValley, beginning at 12:00 Noon. The picnic will be held in the backyard of the Bishop's Residence at 624 Washington Street following Mass. There will be food, games, fellowship, tours of the Bishop's house, and an all-around great time! It will end with a closing prayer at 3:00 PM. **All Altar Servers and their families** are encouraged to attend! If interested, please phone the Rectory, 613-575-2753 to sign up, or contact Caroline Peters, coordinator of Altar Servers at 613-575-2341 to register, **no later than Friday, August 4th.**

**WE PRAY FOR ALL WHO SUFFER**

O loving Father, we commend to Your care all in the hospitals, nursing homes, and prisons. Bless them and their caregivers. We lift up to you especially our parishioners -- Nelson Sawatis, Francis Cree, Thelbert Bigtree, Teddy Thompson, Marilyn Tarbell, Louis Garrow, Clyde Cree, Marjorie Lazore, Pauline Cook, Marita Francis, Louis Jacobs, Jack Angus, Ruby Nowak, Eleanor Thompson, Philip Francis, Dan George, Nancy Phillips, Joanne Jackson, Mary Ella Jackson, Marie Casey, Don Thompson, Alexina Auger, Alliene Reyome, Leonard and Isabel Garrow. **Eternal rest grant unto George Adams, 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. Amen.**

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

God Our Father, we ask Your blessing on all priests. We know they experience fatigue and loneliness, and we pray that they may find help and comfort in their intimacy with You, their God, and in their friendship with their brother priests. Grant that they do not become discouraged when they experience the same rejection that Jesus experienced. Amen.