#### **AUGUST 5, 2018**

#### **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

<u>READINGS</u>: Exodus 16.2-4, 12-15, 31a Psalm 78 Ephesians 4.17, 20-24 John 6.24-35

#### **SATURDAY AUGUST 4, 2018 4:00 PM**

Offered for: Thomas Sunday, Memorial Mass, Funeral Collection

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

#### **SUNDAY AUGUST 5, 2018 10:00 AM**

Offered for: Wilson and Cecelia Lazore
Birthday Anniversary and Terry
McDonald Memorial Mass, Requested
by the family

<u>Altar Servers</u>: Cheyenne, Keon and Summer <u>Lectors</u>: Children and Youth Mass

### TUESDAY AUG. 7 to FRIDAY AUG. 10, 2018 NO WEEKDAY MASSES

#### **SATURDAY AUGUST 11, 2018 4:00 PM**

Offered for: Robert Thompson, Memorial Mass, Requested by: Shirley & Phil Terrien Altar Servers: Megan, Phillip and Morgan Lectors: Janine Rourke & Amanda Rourke

#### SUNDAY AUGUST 12, 2018 10:00 AM

Offered for: Emily Allen 5<sup>th</sup> Memorial
Anniversary, Requested by the family
Altar Servers: Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee
Lectors: Carole Ross and Valerie Garrow

COLLECTIONS JULY 28 & JULY 29, 2018 REG. MASS \$ 361.00 CDN \$ 429.36 US

Father Jerome is away on vacation from <u>July</u> 14TH - August 17TH, 2018. There will be <u>NO</u> <u>WEEK DAY MASSES</u> during his absence. Please give a warm welcome to Father Andrew Amyot, who is presiding over the weekend masses and funerals for the next few weeks.

## TEKAKWITHA CENTER please contact the Rectory Tuesday to Friday between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm at

613-575-2753 or e-mail st.regis.1752@gmail.com

**Niawen:kowa** to Michael Perras of Future Office Products, Cornwall for their donation of a much needed copier for the St. Regis Mission Rectory Office.

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - AUGUST 5, 2018 I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE, WHOEVER COMES TO ME WILL NEVER BE HUNGRY"

Bread is the staff of life. We think of food, relish food, share food with family and friends. Perhaps we live "to eat" rather than "eat to live!" Americans waste over thirty percent of their food, while millions of people are starving to death.

In today's First Reading, the Israelites grumbled against God. They longed to return to the slavery of Egypt's fleshpots so they would have full stomachs. God's power had ended their slavery. He had fed them with water, manna, and quail in the desert for forty years. Yet, they did not appreciate God's gifts and railed against Moses.

Similarly, when Jesus offered Himself as the gift of living bread come down from heaven, some looked only for material food. They remembered that He had fed five thousand miraculously with barley loaves and fish and only followed Him to see further sensational deeds of power. They were not spiritually hungry for His word and teaching. When He offered His own flesh for the life of the world, some found this too hard and turned away from Him. Others continued to cling to Him as their source of life and hope.

Where do we stand? Are we daily anxious for food for the body but remain starving for food for the soul? Each day at Holy Mass, Jesus offers us the Bread of Life, His Body for the life of our soul. "If you eat this Bread, you will live forever." Do we appreciate His greatest of all gifts?

#### FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS -- AUGUST 5th

This is the feast of St. Mary Major, one of the four major basilicas in Rome. Its origin is interesting. A wealthy Roman citizen and his wife wanted to build a church in Mary's honor in the Eternal City and prayed to know God's Will. At the suggestion of Pope Liberius, they asked for a sign of where the church should be built. During the night of August 5, 352, the Blessed Virgin appeared to them and told them to build a church in her honor on the crown of the Esquiline Hill. She promised, "Snow will cover the crest of the hill."

Snow rarely falls in Rome, Italy, but that night, snow blanketed the hill in a particular pattern, showing the outline of the future church. Today that church still stands in all its beauty and pilgrims to Rome receive special graces there.

#### A SUMMER BLESSING

**May you walk with God this summer**, in whatever you do, wherever you go.

Walking with God means walking with honesty and with courage, walking with love and respect and concern for the feelings of others.

May you talk to God this summer, every day and in every situation.

**Talking with God means praying words of praise** for the beauty of creation, saying prayers of thanks for friends and good times, asking

God's help in all your decisions, expressing your sorrow when you have failed.

May you walk with God every day. Amen.

#### 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.

#### FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD -AUGUST 6TH

Why do we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration? The Son of God became man in order to redeem mankind from sin. Assuming the human nature gave Him the capacity to suffer and to die and thereby save us all. That did not take away His divine nature. True God. True man. But He could not reveal this truth before undergoing the Paschal Mystery - His passion death, and resurrection. Therefore, on the way to Jerusalem where all these would take place, Jesus was concerned that His followers could not endure the scandal of the cross and would abandon Him and His mission. Thus, He let His Transfiguration happen. He allowed Peter, James, and John to enjoy for a very short time, the contemplation of the happiness that lasts forever.

We all wish to follow Jesus, but following Him will invariably lead us to the Way of the Cross. Christian discipleship is never easy. There are times when the cross seems too heavy and the prospect of more sufferings ahead terrifies us. At the Last Supper, Jesus left us an indelible memorial, the Eucharist, His Real Presence, fulfilling His promise, "I am with you always until the end of the age." No matter what happens, He is always with us, especially in the Eucharist. If we only open our eyes of faith, just what the three disciples on the mountain did, we too will experience a Transfiguration event. It will require silent contemplation in His Presence.

#### Family Guggenheim

We invite families to enjoy a weekend in the beauty of the Adirondacks at Camp Guggenheim, Saranac Lake. Register online at: <a href="https://www.rcdony.org/family-life">www.rcdony.org/family-life</a> There will be three opportunities: SESSION 1: August 16 - August 19, 2018; SESSION 2: August 23 - August 26, 2018; SESSION 3: October 5 - October 7, 2018. Father Jerome has scholarships available to sponsor some families for a weekend vacation at Guggenheim. Call the rectory to reserve a place at 613-575-2753

# ALTAR SERVERS! BISHOP TERRY LAVALLEY INVITES YOU AND YOUR WHOLE FAMILY TO A PICNIC AT HIS HOME IN OGDENSBURG ON AUGUST 17TH!

Be sure to phone the St. Regis Mission Rectory to register at 613-575-2753. Be sure to provide the number of your family who will attend.

#### FEAST OF ST. LAWRENCE, AUGUST 10

We are privileged to live on the land bordering the great St. Lawrence River. It was on the Feast of St. Lawrence, deacon and martyr in the year 1535 that the French explorer, Jacques Cartier, arrived in the river estuary of the North American Great Lakes and named it the **Gulf of St. Lawrence**.

Who was St. Lawrence? Lawrence was one of the seven deacons of Rome. During the persecution of Emperor Valerian who tried to kill all Christians and seize Church property. Lawrence distributed the money of the Church to the city's poor. The Emperor heard the news and told Deacon Lawrence that his life would be spared if he would show Valerian where the Church's gold and silver were located. Lawrence begged for three days to gather the wealth. The deacon went throughout Rome and invited all the beloved poor, handicapped, and misfortunate to come together. They were being supported by a thriving early Christian community who understood the Gospel imperative to recognize Jesus in the poor. When the Emperor arrived, Lawrence presented the poor as "the true treasure of the Church." Valerian was enraged and ordered the worst kind of death for Lawrence -- to be burned alive, in public, on a griddle. The deacon offered himself to the Lord, and even joked with his executioners to turn him over when one side was roasted enough! There is a tradition that all Rome at that time was converted to Christianity as a result of the faithful life and death of this one deacon who gave the example of love of the poor and his willingness to have his life poured out in the name of Jesus. St. Lawrence died on August 10, 258.

#### A PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO ARE SUFFERING

Eucharistic Lord, You assured us that You are with us always, especially when we share the Cross. Be close to those now suffering from illness, loneliness, imprisonment, and the loss of loved ones. Have mercy on Nelson Sawatis, Philip Francis, Phyllis Terrance, Louise Jock, Sarah Mitchell, Rosalie Herne Peters, Teddy Thompson, Hubert Jock, Clyde Cree, Francis Cree, Marilyn Tarbell, April Benedict, Nancy Phillips, Abe David, Alexina Auger, Marjorie Lazore, Marita Francis, Isabel and Leonard Garrow, Jack Angus, Louis Jacobs, Isabel McDonald, and Larry Pyke. Eternal rest grant unto Thelbert Bigtree, Kenneth Leaf, Phillip R. Benedict and Mary Daphne Cree and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls rest in peace and may their families receive divine comfort. Amen.

### 2019 FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT

Father Jerome will be teaching confirmation classes and Vicky Phillips First Communion classes for 2018-2019. Enrollment has commenced and will be ongoing into September 2018. Please contact Vicky Phillips at the Rectory on Wednesdays between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm at 575-2753. APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CHURCH.