

JANUARY 6, 2019

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

READINGS: Isaiah 60.1-6 Psalm 72
Ephesians 3.-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2.1-12

SATURDAY JANUARY 5, 2019 4:00 PM

Offered for: Bertha Lazore, Memorial Mass,
Requested by Elaine Lazore and family
Altar Servers: Megan, Phillip and Morgan
Lectors: Caroline Peters and Elizabeth Sunday

SUNDAY JANUARY 6, 2019 10:00 AM

Offered for: Nancy Phillips, Memorial Mass,
Requested by Shirley Arquette
Altar Servers: Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee
Lectors: CHILDREN'S MASS

TUESDAY JANUARY 8, 2019 7:00 PM

Offered for: Larry Richard King, Memorial Mass,
Requested by the Family

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 9, 2019 12:10 PM

Offered for: Nelson Sawatis, Memorial Mass, from
the Funeral Collection

THURSDAY JANUARY 10, 2019 9:30 AM
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Offered for: Dolsie Thompson-Hall, Memorial Mass,
from the Funeral Collection

FRIDAY JANUARY 11, 2019 12:10 PM

Offered for: Jacqueline Mitchell, Memorial
Mass, from the Funeral Collection

SATURDAY JANUARY 12, 2019 4:00 PM

Offered for: Wallace Roundpoint, 12th Anniversary
Memorial Mass, Requested by the family
Altar Servers: Megan, Phillip and Morgan
Lectors: Nicky King and Janine Rourke

SUNDAY JANUARY 13, 2019 10:00 AM

Offered for: Sarah and Noah Ransom, Manfred and
Orlo Ransom, Memorial Mass, Requested by
Noah Ransom Jr.
Altar Servers: Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee
Lectors: Brian Thomas and Abram Benedict

COLLECTIONS

DEC 24: 2 MASSES \$ 473.16 CDN \$ 617.18 US
DEC 29: REG MASS \$57.70 CDN \$188.60 US
JAN 1, 2019 REG MASS \$146.30 CDN \$154.90 US
DEC 25 & DEC 30 COLLECTION TOTALS
WILL BE REPORTED NEXT WEEK

PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS

at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center
Liturgy Ministry February 1, 2019 - 5:00 pm
St. Kateri Circle January 6, 2019 - 4:00 pm
Altar Rosary Society January 6, 2019 - 12:30pm
Choir/Music Ministry January 5, 2019 – 1:00 PM

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**“ARISE, SHINE, FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME, AND THE
GLORY OF THE LORD HAS RISEN UPON YOU!” ISAIAH 60:1**

The Feast of the Epiphany, Theophany, “Little Christmas”, celebrates the revelation of God incarnate, Jesus Christ to the Gentiles. Tradition tells us that these astrologers, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthassar, were looking for the star that would lead them to the promised Messiah, prophesied in the Book of Micah. The wise men brought gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh that showed how important Jesus was. Gold was a precious gift offered to a King; frankincense was a sweet perfume burned in the temple to worship God; myrrh, used to keep things fresh, foretold the suffering and death of the Savior.

On Epiphany, Christ was made manifest by the shining of a great star. Today Christ continues to manifest Himself with the same spiritual illumination. The next six Sundays are times of manifestation. At the Baptism of Jesus, God the Father spoke, “You are My Beloved Son; with You I am well pleased.” Jesus manifested His divinity by miracles changing water into wine at the wedding feast, curing the centurion’s son, giving sight to the blind man, commanding the wild sea and winds to be still.

People who witnessed Jesus declared their all embracing faith in God. How is my faith? The Magi said, “We saw His star at its rising and have come to do Him homage.” How do I give God homage, adoration, praise? Pope Francis said in his Epiphany message: “Like the Magi, we also raise our gaze to the heavens; only in this way, will we be able to see the star that invites us to walk the paths of goodness.”

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

God’s blessings of peace, love, and joy be upon you and your families during this New Year of 2019! Here is a good New Year’s resolution. Take a family inventory of how you are staying connected to God. As a family, decide ways to become a **more holy family** this year. Could you come as family to Church to offer Holy Mass each Sunday? Could you say Grace together at every meal, whether at home or in a restaurant? Could you say the Morning Offering Prayer together each day before heading out to school or work. Happy New Year!

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

What brings ‘joy to your heart’ as you recall this past year’s experiences of the awesomeness of God’s power and love manifested in Creation? In the *Canticle of the Three Young Men* (Daniel 3:57-88), they found an abundance of aspects of Creation for which to ‘Bless the Lord’ ...even “ice and snow, frost and chill, along with light and darkness, birds of the air and all water creatures.” To begin the new year, pray the Canticle or make up your own prayer of praise to God for the things that bring “joy to your heart.”

SURVIVING DIVORCE

The Surviving Divorce Program of the Diocese of Ogdensburg offers support and healing for people who are separated or divorced. The groups meet once a week for 12 weeks. A new group will be starting in Massena in late January.

To register, go to <https://www.rcdony.org/family-life/surviving-divorce-support-group.html>. For more information, contact Steve Tartaglia at 315-393-2920 or startaglia@rcdony.org.

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 BROTHER ANDRE, FRIEND OF ST. JOSEPH

On January 6, 1937, Brother *André Bessette* died at the age of 91. During the week that his body lay in state outside of St. Joseph’s Oratory, it is estimated that one million people braved the bitter Montreal winter to pay respects.

Alfred Bessette, born in 1845, was orphaned at the age of 12. Barely literate and physically weak from birth, he moved from job to job in Quebec and the United States until 1870 when his pastor encouraged him to consider a religious vocation. He entered the Congregation of the Holy Cross and was made a porter at Notre Dame College. His daily tasks consisted of washing floors and windows, cleaning lamps, carrying firewood, and working as a messenger. As doorkeeper at the college, Brother *André* greeted visitors and advised them to pray to St. Joseph for help. As people began to experience physical healing, thousands more flocked to beg the Brother’s prayers.

Ever humble and poor, Brother *André*, attributed the real source of the miraculous cures to St. Joseph’s intercession. He wanted to build a shrine in honor of St. Joseph across from the college, so he saved the money he earned from giving haircuts at five cents apiece until he earned the \$200 needed to construct a simple oratory of St. Joseph in 1904. Eventually numerous pilgrims prayed with Brother Andre and received healing, leaving their crutches behind, and helping to build the great Oratory of St. Joseph. Brother Andre was canonized a saint on October 17, 2010 with the feast day of January 6. If you need help, GO TO JOSEPH!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Merry Christmas! Keep wishing people “Merry Christmas” throughout the Christmas season. We awaited the Birthday of Christ for the whole Advent season. Don’t join the popular culture of ending the joys of Christmas the very day after the feast. In the Church’s liturgy, the Christmas season lasts until the celebration of the Baptism of the Lord on January 13th. Keep celebrating the real Christmas season! Merry Christmas!

VIRTUS TRAINING SESSION

A Virtus Training session will be held at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center on **THURSDAY JANUARY 11, 2019 AT 5:00 PM**. All catechists and Religious Education volunteers are required to attend. The session will be co-facilitated by Stephen Tartaglia from the Ogdensburg Diocese and Dr. RJ Dolly McDonald.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SUFFER

With faith in Your love, Lord, we beg you to manifest Your healing power to all who suffer, especially, Isabel Garrow, Louise Jacobs, Raymond McDonald, Eddie Terrance, Mary Ellen Jackson, Marilyn Tarbell, Baby Grayson Caron, Isabelle McDonald, Teddy Thompson, Alexina Auger, Marjorie Lazore, Dan George, Phillip Francis, Loran Lazore, Marie Casey, Jack Angus, Marcia Barnes, Joyce Kelso, Hubert Jock, Robert Jacobs, Laurie Connors, April Benedict, Kelly Back, Marjorie Thompson, Hattie Jackson Lazore, Marita and Dickie Francis, Louis Garrow, Leonard Garrow, Angus Lazore, Michael Herne, Francis Cree, Clyde Cree, Abby David, Jack Angus, Jimmy Bero, Maggie Terrance, Rosalie Peters, Laurie Connors, Sister Anne Hogan, S.S.J. and all in the hospitals, nursing homes, and rehabilitation centers. **May the souls of all the faithful departed, especially parishioners of St. Regis Mission Church, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please complete applications for baptism and provide a copy of your child’s Birth Certificate for the sacrament of baptism. Interviews are required with Father Jerome. **Baptisms are the THIRD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH PROMPTLY AT 10:00 AM.** Call 613-575-2753 for more information.

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD
VOLUNTEER TEAMS AND DATES**

Team 1: Jamie/Valerie **Team 2:** Lorraine/Guzzy
Team 3: Marianne/Lisa **Team 4:** Debbie/Jean

Jan 6, 2019 Children’s Mass Feb 3, 2019 Children’s Mass
Jan 13, 2019 Team 4 Feb 10, 2019 Team 3
Jan 20, 2019 Team 1 Feb 17, 2019 Team 4
Jan 27, 2019 Team 2 Feb 24, 2019 Team 1

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

On behalf of the Religious Education Program Catechists and volunteers we wish everyone a loving and blessed new year 2019 as we continue the preparation of our faithful children and youth for the Sacraments of First Eucharist/First Penance and Confirmation. The schedule for the following weeks is as follows:

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: THURSDAYS, 6-7 PM -St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center (JANUARY - MAY 2019)
FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES: THURSDAYS 6-7 PM St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center (FEBRUARY – MAY 2019)
EVERY SUNDAY: AT THE 10 AM MASSES IN THE CHURCH: CHILDREN’S Liturgy of the Word (Sacristy)

COME! CELEBRATE!

Following the 4:00 PM Mass on Saturday, January 5th, come to the 37 West Restaurant to celebrate Father Jerome Pastores’s 32nd Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood. Enjoy a parish get-together during this Christmas season!