

**FEBRUARY 21, 2021**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

**READINGS:** Genesis 9.8-15, 1, Psalm 25, Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1.12-15

**SATURDAY FEB 20, 2021 4:00 PM**

**Offered for:** Marjorie King by Brenda King  
**Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan:** Caroline Peters  
**Lector:** Janine Rourke

**SUNDAY FEB. 21, 2021 10:00 am**

**Offered for:** Pauline, Kenneth, Ronald and Robert Boots requested by Sebastian Anderson  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Bernice Lazore  
**Sacristan:** Mildred White  
**Lector:** Bernice Lazore

**TUESDAY FEB. 23, 2021 7:10 PM**

**Offered for:** Marjorie Lazore requested by family

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 24, 2021**

**Offered for:** Annie McDonald requested by family

**THURSDAY, FEB 25, 2021 12:10 PM**

**Offered for:** Clyde Cree requested by family

**FRIDAY, FEB. 26, 2021 12:10 PM**

**Offered for:** Alexander Roundpoint requested by family

**SATURDAY FEB 27, 2021 4:00 PM**

**Offered for:** Carl Smoke and Wayne Thomas requested by Kim and Charlotte Lazore  
**Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan:** Caroline Peters  
**Lector:** Norman Tarbell

**SUNDAY FEB. 28, 2021 10:00 am**

**Offered for:** Calvin Lazore 10 Year Memorial Anniversary requested by Renee Hart  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Bernice Lazore  
**Sacristan:** Mildred White  
**Lector:** Lisa Tarbell

**COLLECTIONS:** While the Church has been closed there are maintenance costs that need to be paid such as heat, electricity, phone, internet, snow removal, etc. Your donations are greatly appreciated. You can drop them off at the Rectory mailbox or mail them to P.O. Box 429, Hogansburg, NY 12655. God Bless!

**COLLECTION TOTALS UPDATE:**

**FEB 6-7, 2021 US \$ 899.85 CDN \$ 266.16**  
Niawen:kowa for your loving generosity! God Bless.

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

Today's first reading reminds us of the Noachic covenant of love God made with all creation – a covenant which, in the second reading, Peter tells us prefigures our baptism and is sealed for all eternity by the resurrection of Jesus Christ. On our wedding day we vowed to be true to each other, to love and honour each other all the days of our lives. This amazing promise gives us a small glimpse into the covenant God has made with his people. Our marriage covenant blesses us with extraordinary joy and the challenge of self-emptying love. Likewise, God's love is both a gift and an invitation. Immediately after receiving his Father's blessing and promise of steadfast love at his baptism, Jesus was sent in the wilderness. As we enter the Lenten season, we too are called to deepen our covenant with God by entering our own wilderness. Through fasting, prayer and giving this Lenten season, we deepen our relationship with God and neighbour, which in turn prepares our hearts for the extraordinary joy of Easter. God patiently waits for us to ask, "Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths." His covenant with us is a promise to be with us always, even in the desert. Like Jesus, may we emerge from the desert ready to proclaim the good news.

**DESERT EXPERIENCE –** God says, "Be still and know that I am God." We cannot be physically in a desert, but we need to create a desert place in our hearts – a quiet place to reflect on who we are, why God has created us, where we are headed? To see God. escape stress, worry, bombardment of noise and social media. God is everywhere -- within us, within nature, within all the people we encounter. Lift your mind and heart to Him.

**PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH**



To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

**O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family,** defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ;

**O most loving father,** ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence;

**O our most mighty protector,** be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. 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.

**FREE NATIONAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: March 12-14** The National Catholic Women's Conference is a FREE virtual event for Catholic women of all ages. This year, we will be exploring all the ways that we as women can open ourselves to receive Christ's peace. Despite the pressures that we feel in life, peace is possible! Let's explore it together. The free event goes March 12-14. Register today at [www.go.virtualcatholicconference.com/NCWC2021](http://www.go.virtualcatholicconference.com/NCWC2021)

**ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP:**

LENT means SPRINGTIME. What needs to grow in the 'ground' of my soul this Season? Jesus gave us the tools of prayer, fasting and giving for working up the 'ground' to help bring about a rich harvest not only for me but for the world around me. Lent provides us with an opportunity to begin building those eco-friendly habits we've been meaning to get a jump on. Deciding what specific changes to make is up to you. Consider your lifestyle, how you can make the most impact and what is feasible for you and your family. Spending time with the Lord is a good place to begin.

**FASTING, ALMSGIVING AND PRAYER –** During Lent these are the three biblical actions of the human being coming back to God, loving Him and all He has created.

**THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE COLOR PURPLE DURING**



**LENT-** Violet evokes the color of blood (red) mixed with a heavenly goal (blue) and is the color of mourning, sadness, hard labor, and torment. It is typical of the desert atmosphere where everything is lacking and everything achieved is the result of suffering and violence. The color reminds us of the bloodshed of the Son of God who brought low the heights of heaven for us.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS -** This traditional liturgy of walking the road to Calvary with the Mother of Jesus helps us to feel the sorrow in her heart in the Passion and Death of her Son. With her we will no longer be blind as we travel the journey of life.

**PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING**

Lord, look with compassion on the sick and suffering, especially those at TSIIONKWANONHTSO:TE AND IAHKIHHSOTHA and all our homebound Akwesasronon Elders during these pandemic times. Lord, if You will, heal Jolene Adams, Alexina Auger, Lily Benedict, Hazel Bero, Jimmy Bero, Marie Casey, Danielle Cole, Laurie Conners, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Jimmy Cook, Francis Cree, Julia David, Marita Francis, Dewey Garrow, Leonard and Carol Garrow, Daniel George, Martha George, Bernadine Herne, Vernie and Toni Herne, Brian Jacobs, Christian Jock, Felicia and Hubert Jock, Joyce Kelso, Matthew Lamesse, Elizabeth Lazore, Hattie Jackson Lazore, Loran Lazore, Viola Marshall, Mose R. McDonald Jr., Raymond McDonald, Memphis Pyke Mitchell, Norman and Nancy King, Herbie Oakes, Charles Peters, Lucille Peters, Richard Peters, Lori Phillips, Richard Phillips, Larry Pyke, Gordon Ransom, Sheila Ransom, Troy Skidders, Greg Snyder, Mariella Stehlin, Marilyn Tarbell, Roy Tarbell, Mary Taylor, Ashley Thompson and Donald Thompson. **Console all grieving families and grant eternal rest to Denis White, Louis M. Barnes, and Dalton D. Cook. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** During Lent, Father Jerome will be available at the St. Regis Mission Church to hear confessions on Saturday afternoons from 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM and on Sunday mornings from 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM. **LENT** is the season of penance and prayer before Easter. Lent starts every year on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter Sunday. Ash Wednesday 2021 falls on February 17, 2021 and Holy Saturday falls on April 3, 2021. **LENT** is the 6 week period between Ash Wednesday during which Catholics and members of other Christian denominations commit to fasting. Fasting is believed to bring a person closer to God through denying the physical body of certain food and drink. Christians have fasted for thousands of years and in modern times, fasting includes more than just abstaining from food and drink. During Lent, people have been known to abstain from talking, television, the Internet and other forms of modern conveniences.

**SUPER BOWL BOARD WINNERS** Winners for the Super Bowl *Love Thy Neighbor Board* were Half Time Winners: Hilary Lafrance, Tim Jock Jr. Vicki Herne, Darlene Chubb and Bernie Herne. Final Score winners were: Gail Hart, Mary J/Ben Roundpoint, Courtney King, Dennis Bero/Fal and Lee Ann O'Brien. Congratulations to the lucky winners! Sponsored by the Kateri Circle. Niawen:kowa to Debbie Thomas & Margaret Jock for their hard work organizing and to everyone who purchased a square! \$5,000 USD was raised for the much needed St. Regis Mission Church heating and fuel fund. GOD BLESS!

