#### **OCTOBER 3, 2021**

**READINGS: Genesis** 2: 18-24, **Psalms** 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5, 6, **Hebrews** 2: 9-11, **Mark** 10: 2-16

Weekend masses at the St. Regis Mission Church have been increased to a MAXIMUM OF 50 PERSONS. DUE TO THE INCREASE IN COVID CASES IN THE COMMUNITY WE ARE STILL UNDER A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND ALL CURRENT COVID-19 MANDATORY RESTRICTIONS APPLY until further notice, which include: SOCIAL DISTANCING, SIGN IN, WEARING MASKS, COVID SCREENING AND TEMPERATURE CHECKS AS PER MCA-EOC GUIDANCE.

#### SATURDAY OCTOBER 2, 2021 4:00 PM

Offered for: Winnifred Mitchell by St. Regis Kateri Circle

<u>Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan:</u> Caroline Peters <u>Hospitality:</u> Nicky King

SUNDAY OCTOBER 3, 2021 10:00 AM

Offered for: Mary Hopps McDonald by RJ Dolly McDonald and the McDonald family

Eucharistic Minister Bernice Lazore

Sacristan: Mildred White

Hospitality: RJ Dolly McDonald, Eddy Lazore

# TUESDAY OCTOBER 5, 2021 7;10pm

Offered for: James Caldwell by funeral collection

## WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 6, 2021 12:10 pm

Offered for: Kerney Cole 3 Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Family

## THURSDAY OCTOBER 7, 2021 12:10 pm

<u>Offered for:</u> Harold White Memorial Birthday Mass by the St. Regis Family

# FRIDAY OCTOBER 8, 2021 12:10 pm

Offered for: Richard Laffin by the St. Regis Family

#### SATURDAY OCTOBER 9, 2021 4:00 PM

Offered for: Simon King Jr. Birthday Memorial
Anniversary; Simon and Margaret King by Brenda King
Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan: Caroline Peters

**Hospitality:** Nicky King

#### **SUNDAY OCTOBER 10, 2021 10:00 AM**

Offered for: Betty Sunday by Dr. Anne Mein Eucharistic Minister Bernice Lazore

Sacristan: Mildred White

Hospitality: RJ Dolly McDonald, Eddy Lazore

#### OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

During the month of October, there will be a recitation of the Rosary before Mass each weekend. The Family Rosary is a powerful prayer to ask Our Blessed Mother to protect our families and preserve each with love and unity. Watch for the times and places where families will be joining to pray the daily rosary.

LOVE OFFERINGS UPDATE:

Sept 25-26, 2021 US \$ TBD CDN \$ TBD

# **27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Today's Gospel highlights the contrast between God's ways and human ways. The Pharisees ask Jesus about divorce, something that has affected many of us, whether directly or indirectly. Divorce is a common occurrence in our society. It is one of the most painful of many types of separation that can occur between two persons. It affects not only the divorced man and woman, but also their children, relatives and friends. God's relationship with each one of us, in contrast, is one of never-ending, complete faithfulness, revealed in the total selfgift of the Cross. God remains faithful even when we are unfaithful. His relationship with us is like an ideal marriage: he seeks to draw us into a union with himself so close that we "are no longer two, but one flesh." This love between God and an individual person overflows into the lives of others, inviting them into the communion of love, echoing Jesus's word: "Let the little children come to me: do not stop them." Today's Gospel is not meant to be a painful reminder of the effects of divorce, which can wound us so deeply; rather, it invites us to ponder the absolute faithfulness of God's love for each one of us, a love so powerful that it brims over and touches others.



# MESSAGE FROM BISHOP SIMARD TO SUPPORT THE MISSION SEPT. 30<sup>TH</sup> HEALING AND RECONCILIATION SERVICE:

Warm greetings in the Lord! The Bishops of Canada are profoundly saddened by the Residential Schools legacy and appreciate your work in

educating our leaders about the historical and ongoing trauma experienced by Indigenous survivors.

In addition to conversations with our local Indigenous neighbours, the Bishops of Canada are engaged in discussions with First Nations, Métis and Inuit survivors across the country, with a goal of healing and reconciliation. The subject has been central to our annual plenary, which took place this week. We know that no single measure will alleviate the historical and ongoing trauma caused by the residential school system and the legacy of suffering that persists to this day.

We also understand the power of contrition and hope that a collective apology from the Bishops of Canada will help to advance the trusted collaboration between Indigenous leaders and the Bishops of Canada. To that end, I solemnly submit the attached apology on behalf of the Bishops of Canada. As an assembly, we are fully committed to listening, learning, and taking meaningful measures that can advance the healing journey.

I congratulate you for your initiative of a multidenominational healing service on September 30th and be assured that I will have a special prayer for you and all the participants of this important event. Sincerely in the Lord.

Bishop Noël Simard Bishop of Valleyfield, QC, Canada

#### 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



DISCOVERY AT THE KAMLOOPS
INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL AND
COWESSESS FIRST NATION: The St.
Regis Mission Church is re-opened with
restrictions. We continue to be in shock at
this very sad time in the history of Canada

and the Church. We ask everyone to continue to pray for the souls of the innocent children that they may rest in peace.

# SEPTEMBER 30. NATIONAL DAY OF HEALING AND RECONCILIATION HEALING SERVICE

We would like to acknowledge the prayer and unity offered by the following churches who supported our healing service on September 30<sup>th</sup>: the Church of Christ, the Methodist Church, Mohawk Assembly of God, New Life Christian Church and St. Regis Mission Church. Also, the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne, Seven Dancers Coalition and to the organizer RJ (Dolly) McDonald and contributors: Bernice Lazore, Fr. Jerome Pastores, Bishop Noel Simard, Bishop Terry LaValley, Keena King and Grand Chief Abram Benedict. NIAWEN: KOWA.



# MESSAGE FROM MOST REVEREND TERRY LAVALLEY BISHOP OF OGDENSBURG SEPTEMBER 24, 2021

As Roman Catholics, we believe that every person is born in the image and likeness of our God. We believe that every person has great dignity and value and is loved immeasurably by God from the moment of conception to that of natural death. We believe God calls us to reflect

that love—His love—in our relationships with others.

As I expressed in one of my previous columns in the North Country Catholic, we felt profound sadness upon the discovery of unmarked graves on the grounds of former residential schools for indigenous children. We continue to mourn and pray for the souls of the departed as we seek healing and reconciliation for all those impacted by these tragic deaths.

September 30, 2021 has been designated as a National Day of Healing and Reconciliation in Canada. Let us implore the Lord to help us all find healing and peace in the face of hurt and tragedy. Particularly on this day, we ask God to help us grow in love of one another in our commitment to seeing and serving Jesus Christ in one another. We know that healing and reconciliation cannot be accomplished on a single day. Healing and reconciliation can be realized only through continual efforts in the search for truth and pursuit of justice. Our hearts go out, in a special way, to our friends and neighbors at Akwesasne. Blessed are those who mourn. Faithfully yours in Christ, *Most Reverend Terry LaValley Bishop of Ogdensburg* 

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING

Lord, look with compassion on the sick and suffering, especially those at TSIIONKWANONHTSO:TE and IAKHIHSOHTHA and all our homebound Akwesasronon Elders during these pandemic times. Lord, if You will, we commend to you: Alexina Auger, Peter Back, Lily Benedict, Hazel Bero, Jimmy Bero, Bruce Bombard, Marie Casey, Laurie Conners, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Francis Cree, Julia David, Marita Francis, 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 Pvke Mitchell. Norman and Nancy King, Herbie Oakes, Charles Peters, Lucille Peters, Richard Peters, Richard Phillips, Helen Pyke, Sheila Ransom, Michel Sands, Troy Skidders, Grea Snyder, Margaret Snyder, Mariella Stehlin, Marilyn Tarbell, Ashley Thompson and Donald Thompson. Console the grieving families of Wanda Moore, Mary Smoke, and Naomi Lazore (Jacobs), O Lord, and grant them eternal rest. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE

ADMINISTRATOR: Effective October 1, 2021, the following appointments shall take effect: Dr. Rose-Alma McDonald - Director of the St Regis Mission Religious Education Program and Manager of the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center, Ms. Lucy Papineau – Secretary/Receptionist of the Saint Regis Mission, Office and Rectory. Ms. Esther Jock – St. Regis Mission, Parish Finance Council - Chair. Installation and commissioning of appointed lay leaders, including the Parish Pastoral Council Chair, Ms. Jamie Ross and Worship/Liturgical Ministry Chair, Ms. Caroline Peters will take place on OCTOBER 10, 2021 Thanksgiving Weekend SUNDAY AT 10:00AM in a Eucharistic Celebration.



# **FEAST OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI:**

Many churches in Canada celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on October 4 each year. The feast commemorates the life of St Francis, who was born in the 12th century and

is the Catholic Church's patron saint of animals and the environment. It is a popular day for pets to be "blessed". Father Jerome will be at the parking lot of the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center on Sunday OCTOBER 3, 2021 at NOON for the annual Blessing of Pets in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. Bring your family pets to the St. Kateri Center for Father to bless.

# REMINDER DIOCESE OF VALLEYFIELD PILGRIMAGE "TOGETHER ON THAT JOURNEY" -SEPT 27, 2021.

Please turn in your pilgrim's notebooks to one of the following people: RJ Dolly McDonald, Bernice Lazore, Lisa Tarbell, or Caroline Peters. A CERTIFICATE WILL BE RECEIVED FROM BISHOP NOEL SIMARD TO THOSE PILGRIMS WHO COMPLETED THE 40 DAY PILGRIMAGE.