NOVEMBER 28, 2021

READINGS: Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm 25, First Thessalonians 3:12-4:2, Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Weekend masses at the St. Regis Mission Church remain at a <u>MAXIMUM OF 50 PERSONS</u>. ALL CURRENT COVID-19 MANDATORY RESTRICTIONS APPLY WHICH INCLUDE: **SOCIAL DISTANCING**, **SIGN IN**, **WEARING MASKS**, **COVID SCREENING AND TEMPERATURE CHECKS AS PER MCA-EOC GUIDANCE**.

We anticipate an increase in capacity *after December* 4, 2021. We will provide an update prior to that time. Thank you for your ongoing patience.

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 27, 2021 4:00 PM

Offered for: Danny Thompson by Doreen King Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan: Caroline Peters Hospitality: Nicky King Reader: Norman Tarbell

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28, 2021 10:00 AM

Offered for: Phillip R. Benedict 3-year Memorial
Anniversary by the St. Regis family
Eucharistic Minister Bernice Lazore
Sacristan: Mildred White Hospitality: Eddy Lazore
Reader: Rosemary Bonaparte

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 30, 2021 NO MASS

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 1, 2021 12:10 pm
Offered for: Lillian Delormier by the Delormier family
WEDNESDAY HEALING MASS DEC 1, 2021 6:00pm
Offered for: Emily Bradshaw birthday anniversary Mass requested by Leona Cook

THURSDAY DECEMBER 2, 2021 9:30 AM SWEETGRASS LODGE

Offered for: Darryl Lazore by the St. Regis Family

THURSDAY DECEMBER 2, 2021 12:10 PM

Offered for: Michael W. Adams by the St. Regis family

FRIDAY DECEMBER 3, 2021 12:10 pm

Offered for: Lori Ann Phillips by the St. Regis Family

SATURDAY DECEMBER 4, 2021 4:00 PM

<u>Offered for</u>: Simon and Marjorie King, Simon King Jr by Doreen King

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

SUNDAY DECEMBER 6, 2021 10:00 AM

Offered for: Florence Thomas Birthday Memorial Mass by the St. Regis family

Eucharistic Minister Bernice Lazore

Sacristan: Mildred White Hospitality: Eddy Lazore
Reader: Judy Cole

LOVE OFFERINGS UPDATE:

November 18-19, 2021 US \$ 572.26 CDN \$ 299.25

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Now Advent begins, when we wait with eager anticipation to celebrate the birth of the Christ child. With his birth Jesus brings the promise of salvation and peace. He is the righteous Branch sprung up for David, as was foretold by Jeremiah. It is a glorious moment of great Joy!

The birth of Jesus is also a sign: he is born poor and vulnerable in a stable among the lowliest of animals, His coming is first welcomed by shepherds, outcasts of the community, yet heralded by angels because his birth brings redemption and new life. His birth is a lesson for us: we are to live our lives in humility, trusting in the Lord. As the psalmist says, "He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble his way,"

Advent prompts us to prepare for Christ's coming by examining how we are living our life in light of the gospel and how well our actions reflect our response to Christ – Paul says we must "abound in love for one another," especially the most vulnerable of our community. Advent also calls us to look ahead to the *parousia*, Christ's glorious return at the end of time. As Luke reminds us, we must ever be prepared and ready to meet and greet Christ – to stand before him when he comes.



ADVENT: Last week was the final week of the Liturgical Year. This Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. The first day of Advent is the first day of a new Liturgical (or church) calendar and begins a four week period of preparation in anticipation of the nativity of Jesus at Christmas. The Advent Season is all about reflecting on how we can prepare our

hearts and homes for Christ's birth in the world as it is today. On the First Sunday of Advent, Christians start lighting their Advent wreaths, and praying their Advent daily devotional.

The Advent Wreath is the widely recognized symbol of Advent. The wreath is made of a circle of evergreen branches laid flat to symbolize eternal life. Four candles stand in the circle and each one represents one of the four Sundays of Advent. The circle of the wreath reminds Christians of God, His eternity and endless mercy, which has no beginning or end. The green of the wreath speaks of the hope that Christians have in God, the hope of newness, of renewal, of eternal life.

Advent worship is like a journey through the Christmas story, Christians use the Advent candles to celebrate this period with one lit eery Sunday of Advent so that during the last week before Christmas all four candles are lit. The candles symbolize the light of God coming in the world through the birth of His son, Jesus. The four traditional advent themes for the four advent Sundays are:

- God's people -The Candle of Hope. Hope is like a light shining in a dark place. We celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ.
- The old testament prophets The Candle of Peace. We celebrate the peace we find in Jesus Christ.
- John the Baptist The Candle of Love. We celebrate the joy we find in Jesus Christ.
- Mary the mother of Jesus The Candle of Joy. We celebrate the joy we find in Jesus Christ.

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 reopened 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.

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH: Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord.



CONFIRMATION

2021: Our parish rejoiced on Saturday November 20th at 11:00 AM as nine candidates were confirmed in the faith of their Baptism, in the faith of this community, and in the faith of the Church.
Congratulations to

our newly confirmed members of the St. Regis Mission Church. Pictured are Rylee Cole, Kenia Cole Bishop Terry LaValley, Andrew David, Jocelyn White, Kevelin Papineau, Kayah Papineau, Stanley Cook, Sebastian Anderson, and Kyler Mitchell.



NIAWEN:KOWA to our Confirmation team: Dr. RJ (dolly) McDonald, Director of Religious Education, Jamie Ross Confirmation Catechist and Fr. Jerome Pastores, Pastor. Also, to Most Reverend Bishop Terry LaValley for a beautiful confirmation ceremony and celebration.

2021-2022 Living with Christ Sunday Missals are for sale at

the entrance of the church. They are available for a donation of \$5.00.

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, Steve Arquette, 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, Richard Loder, 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 family of Joanne Shenandoah, O Lord, and grant her eternal rest. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

NOVEMBER HEALING MASSES: Continuing forward from this November Father Jerome will continue to conduct Healing Masses every Wednesday evening at 6:00 PM in place of the Tuesday evening Masses. The healing Masses are conducted in the spirit of healing, truth and reconciliation. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

HEALING AND RECONCILIATION MASS: Nov.18, 2021



parishioners
participated in a
Healing and
Reconciliation
Mass at the St.
Columban's
Church in
Cornwall where
the St. Regis
Mission Altar
Rosary Society

conducted a smudge ceremony and sang hymns in Mohawk. Thank you to Angela Guadet President of the Diocesan Catholic Women's League of Alexandria-Cornwall for her loving invitation. Pictured L to R are Angela Gaudet, RJ Dolly McDonald, Bernice Lazore, Liz Sunday, Mildred White, Carole Ross, Judy Cole and Salli Ann Adams. Also, pictured in the back row are Fr. Tom Riopelle and Deacon Guy Cote.



FALLEN LEAVES This is the final week of the Fallen Leaves. We thank everyone for their generous donations on behalf of their deceased loved ones. We did our very best to ensure the names of your loved ones were read during the weekend Masses throughout the month of November. God Bless!