

APRIL 17, 2022

READINGS: Acts 10: 34a, 37-43, Psalm 118, Colossians 3: 1-4 or First Corinthians 5: 6b-8, John 20: 1-9

Weekend masses at the St. Regis Mission Church have been increased to a **MAXIMUM OF 100 PERSONS. ALL CURRENT COVID-19 MANDATORY RESTRICTIONS APPLY ESPECIALLY MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING.**

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 16, 2022 7:00 PM

Liturgy of the Light, Word, Baptism & Eucharist

Offered for: Daniel Bero, 7-yr Memorial Anniversary by the Bero Family

Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan: Caroline Peters

Hospitality: Nicky King **Reader:** Caroline Peters

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2022 6:30 AM

Resurrection of the Lord

Offered for: Cecelia Cree, 17-yr Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Family

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2022 10:00 AM

Offered for: Phillip Tarbell from the funeral collection

Sacristan: Mildred White **Hospitality:** Eddy Lazore

Reader: Dorothy Lazore

WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 2022 12:10 PM

Offered for: Dorothy Buckshot 10-yr Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis family

WEDNESDAY APRIL 20, 2022 6:00 pm

Offered for: Darlene Oakes, 9-year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis family

THURSDAY APRIL 21, 2022 12:10 pm

Offered for: Francis Mose Lazore, 5-yr Memorial Anniversary by the Regis Family

FRIDAY APRIL 22, 2022 12:10 PM

Offered for: Larry Richard King, Memorial Birthday by the King Family

SATURDAY APRIL 23, 2022 7:00 PM

ST KATERI TEKAKWITHA FEAST ANNIVERSARY MASS

Offered for: Ian Seymour 11-yr Memorial Anniversary by Joy Roundpoint

Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan: Caroline Peters

Hospitality: Nicky King **Reader:** Lucy Papineau

SUNDAY APRIL 24, 2022 10:00 AM

Offered for: David Francis from the funeral collection

Sacristan: Mildred White **Hospitality:** Eddy Lazore

Reader: Dorothy Lazore

COLLECTIONS UPDATE

APRIL 9-10, 2022 US \$ 519.55 CDN \$ 634.10
NIAWEN:KOWA GOD BLESS!

EASTER SUNDAY

Mary Magdalene stood weeping at the tomb where the body of Jesus had been placed. She needed to be there – in fact, she went twice – just as she had needed to stand at the foot of the cross with his mother as he died. Her loss was greater and her sorrow was deeper than any fear that she might be arrested for being his follower.

And then, Easter! Mary Magdalene was the first to experience Jesus Christ, risen from the dead. He commissioned her to be an evangelist to his Apostles – the bearer of good news – so they could share the truth of Jesus Christ, Son of God, with all people to the ends of the earth. That same good news is now entrusted to each one of us, to share with the people in our lives.

The Scriptures and prayers of the 50 days of Easter are rich and strong. The Gospels offer the challenges of living each day as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, who came to show us the Way. God's great love for each and every person has no expiry date. God our Creator, our Redeemer and our Sustainer never tires of holding us in life and love. This is the wonder of Easter. Alleluia! Christ is risen!



THE CHRISTIAN MEANING OF EASTER:

The significance of Easter is Jesus Christ's triumph over death. His resurrection means the eternal life that is granted to all who believe in Him. The purpose of Easter also means

the full confirmation of all that Jesus taught and preached during His three-year ministry. If He had not risen from the dead, if He had simply died and not been resurrected, He would have been thought just another teacher or prophet. However, His resurrection rebuked all that and provided final and undeniable proof that He was really the Son of God and that He had overcome death once and for all.

The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is the core of the Christian gospel. Saint Paul says that if Christ is not raised from the dead, then our preaching and hope are in vain (1 Cor. 15:14). Without the resurrection, there would be no Christian preaching or faith. The apostles of Christ would have continued as the disheartened group which the Gospel of John depicts being in hiding for fear of the Jews. They were in total despair until they met the risen Christ (John 20:19). Then they touched Christ's wounds of the nails and the spear; they ate and drank with Him. The resurrection became the foundation of everything they said and did (Acts 2-4): "...for a spirit has not flesh and bones as you see that I have" (Luke 24:39). The resurrection affirms Jesus of Nazareth as not only the prophesied Messiah of Israel but as the King and Lord of a new heaven and a new earth.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE COLOR PURPLE DURING THE EASTER SEASON:

To understand why the color purple became the color of Lent and Easter, we must first look at the color's significance in ancient society. In remembrance of the purple robe the Roman soldiers put on Jesus in mockery, churches display the color purple during Lent to mourn the emotional and physical anguish that Jesus underwent during His Passion, and also to proclaim Him as the true King of Kings. The clergy wear purple vestments, drape lecterns with purple cloths, and cover the front of altars with purple frontals. **The color for Easter Sunday is WHITE which symbolizes the birth and resurrection of Christ and to celebrate life.**

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

EASTER 2022

"...grant that by these paschal celebrations, we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires..."

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

As the priest prepares to bless the fire at the Easter Vigil, he prays that we might be "inflamed with heavenly desires." For one hundred and fifty years, the faithful of the Diocese of

Ogdensburg have been inflamed with the heavenly desire to follow Jesus. We remember with much gratitude those who came before us, sowing the seeds of faith and building up the Body of Christ.

Over the last century and a half, beautiful parish churches and schools have been erected through the sacrifice and generosity of so many. Parish families have celebrated the Sacraments throughout the broad expanse of our North Country. Since our founding in 1872, thousands of women and men, inflamed with heavenly desires, have come into the Church and celebrated the Easter sacraments. We welcome and congratulate those who are entering the Church this Easter. We are so blessed!

Every generation encounters unique challenges in their faith journeys. Ours is no exception. While the demographics of the North Country have changed significantly, the Church continues to proclaim the joy of the Gospel. We accept our crosses with hope inflamed with heavenly desires because we are an Easter people. Jesus is risen and that has made all the difference in the world.

I hope that this Lenten Season has provided you with the opportunity to think of things of heaven. Sadly, for many today the focus is on worldly desires. Inevitably, such a focus feeds hatred, greed, and disrespect for our neighbor. Crime, violence, war, and terror haunt humankind. This Easter we want to renew our commitment to the Risen Christ. We are eager to embrace the mission He gave the Church as we begin another chapter in the story of the Church of Ogdensburg.

Easter blessings to you and your loved ones!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley Bishop of Ogdensburg

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead" 1 Peter 1:3 ESV

LORD, BY YOUR PASSION AND RESURRECTION HEAL

THE SICK! Lord, look with compassion on the sick and suffering, especially those at TSIONKWANONHTSO:TE AND IAHKIHHSOTHA and all our homebound Akwesasronon Elders during these pandemic times. Lord, if You will, heal: Steve Arquette, Peter Back, Lily Benedict, Hazel Bero, Jimmy Bero, Bruce Bombard, Marie Casey, Laurie Connors, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Leona Cook, Francis Cree, Julia David, Marita Francis, Leonard and Carol Garrow, Martha George, Bernadine Herne, Hilda Herne, Vernie and Toni Herne, Brian Jacobs, Christian Jock, Felicia and Hubert Jock, Joyce Kelso, Matthew Lamesse, Elizabeth Lazore, Hattie Jackson Lazore, Loran Lazore, Dr. Richard Loder, Viola Marshall, Raymond McDonald, Memphis Pyke Mitchell, Norman and Nancy King, Herbie Oakes, Charles Peters, Lucille Peters, Richard Phillips, Helen Pyke, Sheila Ransom, Troy Skidders, Greg Snyder, Margaret Snyder, Jimmy Sunday, Marilyn Tarbell, Ashley Thompson and Donald Thompson. **Console the grieving families of the victims of COVID, 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.**

COVID HEALTH AND SAFETY CONTROL

MEASURES ARE AS FOLLOWS: a face covering is required that covers your mouth and nose indoors; sanitize your hands with hand sanitizer upon entering and leaving the church. Stay home if you feel ill or are sick, do not shake hands.

CLEANING MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENT:

The Cleaning Ministry in our parish is a very important area of service. The purpose of any ministry is to bring glory and honor to God. We want this building to be a blessing to God, to visitors, and to all who worship here. Cleaning the church involves: sweeping, (sometimes) mopping, emptying trash, wiping surfaces, cleaning the bathroom, and general overall cleanup. We are asking you to consider putting together a team that will work in scheduled weekly rotations so that no one person or team has to clean every week. Your team can be family members, friends, co-workers, people looking for volunteer or service hours, etc. The more teams we have - the better the rotation will be! The Cleaning teams rotation is scheduled to begin on the first weekend in May. If you have questions or would like to register a team, please contact Jamie Ross @ 315 296 7033.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT:

Applications for First Communion classes are available at the entrance of the church and at the St. Regis Mission Rectory. First Communion classes will commence the first week of May 2022. **The deadline for applications is April 30, 2022.** The catechist is Connie Thompson. For more information contact the Director of Religious Education RJ Dolly McDonald at rosealmamcdonald@gmail.com or call Lucy Papineau at the St. Regis Mission Rectory at 613-575-2753 Wednesday to Friday 9am to 1pm.

