

**APRIL 24, 2022**

**READINGS:** Acts 5: 12-16, Psalm 118, Revelation 1: 9-11a, 12-13, 17-19, John 20:19-31

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.**

**SATURDAY APRIL 23, 2022 4:00 PM  
ST KATERI TEKAKWITHA FEAST 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, 3-year Memorial Anniversary from the St. Regis family

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

**Reader:** Rosemary Bonaparte

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 27, 2022 12:10 PM**

**Offered for:** Beatrice Arquette 16-yr Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis family

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 27, 2022 6:00 pm**

**Offered for:** Simon King, 11-year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis family

**THURSDAY APRIL 28, 2022 12:10 pm**

**Offered for:** Isabel Francis by the St. Regis Family

**FRIDAY APRIL 29, 2022 12:10 PM**

**Offered for:** Daniel McDonald 8-year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis family

**SATURDAY APRIL 30, 2022 4:00 PM**

**Offered for:** Roy Tarbell by Caroline Tarbell

**Eucharistic Minister/Sacristan:** Caroline Peters

**Hospitality:** Nicky King **Reader:** Stacy Skidders

**SUNDAY MAY 1, 2022 10:00 AM**

**Offered for:** Marie Johnson, Birthday Memorial Mass by Sam Johnson

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

**Reader:** Judy Cole

**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.

**COLLECTIONS UPDATE**

**APRIL 16-17, 2022 US \$ 981.00 CDN \$ 729.60**

**EASTER OFFERINGS: US \$ 895.00 CDN \$ 222.25**

**NIAWEN:KOWA GOD BLESS!**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

God's love for us is unlimited. Easter is the ultimate demonstration of that. So why do we sometimes limit what we can receive from God?

In Grade 8, my favorite sport was basketball and I was happily surprised to make the school team. I didn't enjoy the experience, though, because I felt I didn't know what I was doing and would be found out at any moment. Similarly, in today's Gospel, Thomas closed himself off to God's gifts.

When Jesus appeared to the disciples, they were afraid and uncertain. He brought them the comfort and sense of purpose they needed. Thomas was not present for this encounter, but he too was probably afraid and longed for reassurance. He had seen Jesus perform miracles and knew that Jesus was capable of rising from the dead. The disciples' words could have been enough for Thomas to receive the peace and purpose that Jesus wanted to give him. Instead, he chose to remain in fear and doubt for a whole week longer than everyone else.

Jesus didn't give up on Thomas. He came back just for him. This time. Thomas responded eagerly and open-heartedly. Let us have an easter and open faith and guard against fear and doubt so that we can enjoy the limitless gifts God has for us. (livingwithchrist.ca)



**FEAST OF ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA (APRIL 17)** The first North American Indigenous woman to be canonized, Kateri is often called the Lily of the Mohawks.

Kateri was born in 1656 on the southern bank of the Mohawk River at Osserneon (Auriesville, NY). Her mother was a Christian Algonquin from Trois-Rivieres, Quebec and her father was a non-Christian Mohawk Chief. When she was four years old, a smallpox epidemic killed her parents and her brother, and left her with seriously impaired eyesight and a disfigured face.

Inspired by Jesuit missionaries from an early age, Tekakwitha was baptized on Easter Sunday 1676 and assumed the name Kateri, likely in honour of St. Catherine of Siena. The following year, due to persecution in her community, Kateri escaped to Kahnawake on the St. Lawrence River opposite Tiohtiaki (Montreal). She had a strong devotion to the Eucharist and a deep concern for others. She died on April 17, 1680. St. Kateri Tekakwitha was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on Oct. 21, 2012. She is the patroness of ecology and the environment, people in exile and Native Americans.

**blissing of seeds**



Care of Creation

**ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP:** T'is the season for planting. Seeds bring beauty to the earth and food to our tables. Jesus often made reference to seeds to teach us lessons about life (i.e., Mt 13:31-32; Mark 4:26-29). The Benedictine Book of Blessings has a Blessing for Seeds (#986-1006). Consider taking a few minutes to pray a blessing over any seeds or seedlings that you plant this spring, and pray that the seeds farmers are planting will produce much food. For complete service, see: [The Blessings of Seeds -RCL Benziger](#).

**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



communities to pray for peace as a sign and celebration of hope.

**APRIL 24, 2022: PRAYER FOR UKRAINE AND FOR PEACE FOR THE WORLD:**

In solidarity with the Ukrainian Bishops of Canada we invite you to join with The Canadian Council of Churches on April 24, which is *Pascha* (Easter Sunday on the Julian calendar), to proclaim together that Christ is Risen, that love overcomes fear, and that life overcomes death and destruction. We invite all worshipping communities to pray for peace as a sign and celebration of hope.

**PRAYER FOR UKRAINE:**

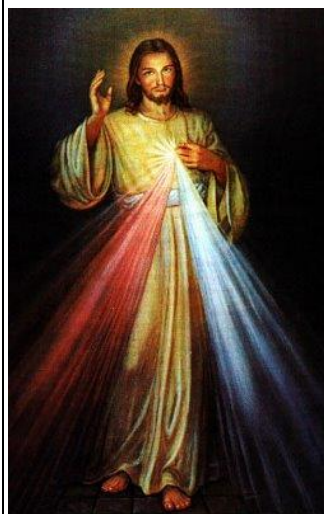
**O God of love,** we pray for the people of Ukraine, the frail and the elderly, the women and children who are left alone, grieving families with loved ones who have fallen, and the multitudes who have lost everything.

**O God of peace,** how we long that violence will cease, that the machines of war, will be transformed into implements of peace.

Be with the leaders of this world, that their decisions will be keenly oriented towards a just and lasting peace.

**O God of compassion,** open our hearts, to care for the refugees who may come to our shores and the needy stranger in our midst. For Christ's sake. Amen.

Rev. Dr. Das Sydney, The Canadian Council of Churches



*forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!*

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY** occurs on the Sunday after Easter. On this day, all sins would be forgiven for those who go to sacramental confessions. The Feast of Divine Mercy was recorded in the diary of St. Faustina granting the biggest promise of Grace from the Devotion of Divine Mercy. On this day, all who receive communion may obtain total forgiveness of all sins, meaning that the person would go directly to heaven without suffering in purgatory. Divine Mercy Chaplet prayer: *You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed*

**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.**

**CLEANING MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENT:** The Cleaning Ministry in our parish is a very important area of service. 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 still looking for teams to work in scheduled weekly rotations. The team 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 at 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.** For more information call Lucy Papineau at the St. Regis Mission Rectory at 613-575-2753 Wednesday to Friday 9am to 1pm or email [rosealmcdonald@gmail.com](mailto:rosealmcdonald@gmail.com)

**A celebration of St. Kateri Tekakwitha's Feast Day will take place at the St. Regis Mission Church Saturday April 23, 2022 at 4:00pm officiated by Fr. Jerome Pastores. A dinner will follow the Mass at the St. Regis Recreation Center in Kanatakon.**

**NIAWEN:KOWA FOR ALL WHO HELPED DURING HOLY WEEK 2022** to Fr. Jerome (celebrant of Holy Week Masses), our Lay Ministers; volunteer readers and lectors; the Altar Rosary Society (for the Easter flowers), the Mohawk Choir; the singing of the Exultet during Easter Vigil (Cole); the hospitality team, and the many others who volunteered in so many ways to make our Easter Celebration a huge success, these also include our Eucharistic Ministers, sacristans, church cleaners, communications/social media, the Religious Ed. program (for the Easter eggs) and so many others. **GOD BLESS!!**

