

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

READINGS: Wisdom 9: 13-18, Psalm 90, Philemon 9b-10, 12-17, Luke 14: 25-33

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

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3, 2022 4:00 PM

Offered for: James Joseph Mitchell Memorial Birthday Mass by Diana Lazore Mitchell

Eucharistic Minister: Caroline Peters, **Hospitality:** Nicky King **Reader:** Lucy Papineau

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 10:00 AM

Offered for: Clarence Thompson Father's Day Love Offering by Ashley Thompson

Sacristan: Mildred White **Hospitality:** Eddy Lazore **Eucharistic Minister:** Lisa Tarbell, **Reader:** Rosemary Bonaparte

NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2022 4:00 PM

Offered for: Simon King, Simon King Jr, Lawrence King, Lawrence Francis, Lawrence Mitchell and Hubert Rourke from the Father's Day Love Offering by Brenda King

Eucharistic Minister: Caroline Peters, **Hospitality:** Nicky King **Reader:** Connie Thompson

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2022 10:00 AM

Offered for: Marion Lazore Memorial Birthday Anniversary by the Ladies of Sweetgrass Manor

Sacristan: Mildred White **Hospitality:** Eddy Lazore **Eucharistic Minister:** Lisa Tarbell, **Reader:** Jamie Ross

HOSPITALITY MINISTRY REMINDER: DUE TO INCREASES IN COVID CASES THE MASK REQUIREMENT CONTINUES TO BE MANDATORY INDEFINITELY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING.



Happy 95th Birthday to Mary Francis. Thank you, Mary, for your love of our church and for your many donations to our Food Pantry. Blessings to you for continued health and joy for many more years to come!! God Bless you always!!

COLLECTIONS UPDATE

AUGUST 27-28, 2022 US \$ 600.75 CDN \$ 333.75 NIAWEN:KOWA GOD BLESS!

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel delivers a sobering message. Jesus is at the height of his popularity because of the miracles the crowds are witnessing and the wisdom he is imparting as he teaches. The throng realizes this person is unique and claims to be the son of God. As more people listen to him, Jesus drops a bombshell: you cannot be a follower if you don't renounce everything and everyone else. That's straight black-and-white talk.

I think back to a hymn we sang 50 years ago at a prayer meeting. It was rousing with simple, meaningful lyrics. *Though none go with me, I still will follow.... The world behind me, the cross before me.* After singing that hymn, I began to ponder the words. If I meant what I was singing, Jesus had to become my focus, my purpose for living and the centre of all my thoughts and actions, My allegiance was to Christ and no other at Mass. That's quite the commitment.

This responsibility to make Jesus our cornerstone can be daunting and solitary. However, our focus on the challenge has to be coupled with a trust that we are not alone in making this commitment. God will provide the grace and faith we need to follow him. (September: Living with Christ)



YOU'RE INVITED TO ALPHA IN MASSENA! At the St. Mary's Social Hall, 7 Sycamore St., Massena. Tuesdays, starting Sept. 13, 2022 6- 8:30pm. **WHAT IS ALPHA?** Alpha is an

opportunity to explore life and the Christian Faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. No pressure. No follow up. No charge. Typically, Alpha runs for about 11 weeks and includes food, a short talk and time at the end where you can share your thoughts. This is a wonderful opportunity to ask about the big questions in life and share with others in an inviting and welcoming environment. To register for this FREE event that includes a meal call: 315-769-2469 or go to www.massencatholics.com For additional information contact RJ Dolly McDonald rosealmamcdonald@gmail.com St. Regis Mission Religious Faith Formation program.

PRAYER FOR LABOUR DAY: God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the worker. Make a place in our hearts for compassion to the men and women who labor tirelessly for basic necessities. Ensure a place for the men and women who are struggling to find work. Grant us your wisdom to greet and care for those who are unable to work due to illness or circumstances that prevent their participation. Be with the children who are not able to run and play, but instead must put in a hard day's work to help their family afford to eat, to live. Be with us all, Christ Jesus, as we go about the busyness of our work. Hold us accountable not only for our actions, but most importantly to each of our neighbors. May we continue to work together to bring about your reign! We ask this in your holy name, through the power of the Holy Spirit. 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 NI A WEN.

BLUE MASS: SAVE THE DATE Bishop Terry R. LaValley cordially invites all Police, Corrections, Fire and EMS Personnel to the Diocese of Ogdensburg Blue Mass at 2:30 p.m. on September 25, 2022. This year the Blue Mass will be at St. Mary's Church, 521 James Street, Clayton, NY. The entire New York North Country Community is invited to join in prayer for the safety and wellbeing of all first responders and public safety personnel. For more information contact, Fr. Chris Carrara at 315-605-1039 or ccarrara@rcdony.org.



Cultural Destruction and Forced Assimilation' (Pope Francis July 2022) It is necessary to remember how the policies of assimilation and enfranchisement, which also included the residential school system, were devastating for the people of these lands. When the European colonists first

arrived here, there was a great opportunity to bring about a fruitful encounter between cultures, traditions and forms of spirituality.

Yet, for the most part that did not happen. Again, I think back on the stories you told: how the policies of assimilation ended up systematically marginalizing the Indigenous Peoples; how also through the system of residential schools your languages and cultures were denigrated and suppressed; how children suffered physical, verbal, psychological and spiritual abuse; how they were taken away from their homes at a young age, and how that indelibly affected relationships between parents and children, grandparents and grandchildren.

Although Christian charity was not absent, and there were many outstanding instances of devotion and care for children, the overall effects of the policies linked to the residential schools were catastrophic. What our Christian faith tells us is that this was a disastrous error, incompatible with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

I trust and pray that Christians and civil society in this land may grow in the ability to accept and respect the identity and the experience of the Indigenous Peoples. It is my hope that concrete ways can be found to make those peoples better known and esteemed, so that all may learn to walk together.

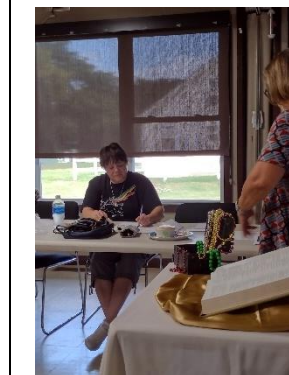
LET US PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SUFFERING. Lord, look with compassion on the sick and suffering, especially those at TSIIONKWANONHTSO:TE and IAHKIHHSOTHA and all our homebound Akwesasronon Elders during these pandemic times. Lord, if You will, heal: Steve Arquette, Peter Back, Hazel Bero, Bruce Bombard, Marie Casey, Laurie Connors, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Leona Cook, Julia David, Marita Francis, William Francis, Carol Garrow, Martha George, Bennette Herne Grant, Bernadine Herne, Hilda Herne, Vernie and Toni Herne, Brian Jacobs, Christian Jock, Felicia and Hubert Jock, Joyce Kelso, Matthew Lamesse, Hattie Jackson Lazore, Loran Lazore, Dr. Richard Loder, Viola Marshall, Jerry McDonald, 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, Shanon Sylvester, Marilyn Tarbell, Ashley Thompson and Donald Thompson. **Console the grieving family of Barbara Garrow, may her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.**

REMINDER: Regular office hours at the Rectory are WEDNESDAY TO FRIDAY 8:30AM TO 12:30PM. The office phone number is (613)-575-2753. Please check our St. Regis Mission FACEBOOK page for daily announcements, prayers and notices at <https://www.facebook.com/stregismission>



CONGRATULATIONS To our Altar Server trainees: Tayte Mitchell, Vance Gray and Brock Adams for altar serving at the August 21, 2022 Sunday Mass. It was their first-time altar serving after receiving two weeks of intense training along with two other First Communion Class 2022 members and their mentors. Starting in October there will be regular altar serving as part of the St. Regis Mission religious faith formation program with anticipation of installation in early November. We are

very proud of our First Communion Class 2022 for their accomplishments! God Bless!



LECTOR TRAINING AUGUST 25, 2022. There was a PART II lector training session offered by the Diocese of Ogdensburg Eastern Region Faith Formation Office at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center. The purpose of the training was to learn more about Proclaiming the Word and lector preparation skills. The group of eleven participants learned about the story of the bible and the sacred scriptures contained therein: the story of God's family. Our family. A Part III

lectors training is anticipated the end of this month. The date is yet to be confirmed. Thank you to Anita Soltero for her hard work and excellent presentation to our participants. God Bless!

