FEBRUARY 12, 2023

READINGS Sirach 15: 15-20, Psalm 119, First **Corinthians** 2: 6-10, **Matthew** 5: 17-37

For weekend masses at the St. Regis Mission Church **ALL COVID-19 and FLU MANDATORY RESTRICTIONS APPLY ESPECIALLY MASKS AND** SOCIAL DISTANCING.

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2023 4:00 PM

Offered for: Joseph Martin 25-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Family Sacristan: Caroline Peters Hospitality: Nicky King Eucharistic Minister: Caroline Peters Reader: Lucy Papineau

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2023 10:00 AM

Offered for: Betty Sunday Memorial Birthday by the St. Regis family

Sacristan: Mildred White Hospitality: Eddy Lazore Eucharistic Minister: Lisa Tarbell, Reader: Delinda Comins

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2023 10:00 AM IAHKIHIHSOTHA

Offered for: Mae Tarbell 6-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Family

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2023 12:10PM

Offered for: Kirk Michael Ransom 8-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Family

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2023 6:00 PM

Offered for: Anthony John McDonald 6-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Family

THURSDAY FERUARY 16, 2023 12:10 PM

Offered for: Richard Peters 1-Year Memorial Anniversary by the Peters family

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 17, 2023 12:10 PM

Offered for: Hilda M Lazore 4-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Family

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 18, 2023 4:00 PM

Offered for: Beatrice Francis by the St. Regis Family Sacristan: Caroline Peters Hospitality: Nicky King Eucharistic Minister: Caroline Peters Reader: Nicky Kina

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 19, 2023 10:00 AM

Offered for: Robert R. Thompson 5-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Family Sacristan: Mildred White Hospitality: Eddy Lazore Eucharistic Minister: Lisa Tarbell, Reader Judy Cole

COLLECTIONS UPDATE FEBRUARY 4-5, 2023

CDN \$ 748.50 **USD** \$ 419.55 **NIAWEN: KOWA GOD BLESS!**

FEBRUARY 12, 2023 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



World Day of the Sick

XXXI WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

11 February 2023, "Take care of him" Compassion as a synodal exercise of healing

MESSAGE OF HIS

HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

Dear brothers and sisters!

Illness is part of our human condition. Yet, if illness is experienced in isolation and abandonment, unaccompanied by care and compassion, it can become inhumane.

We are rarely prepared for illness. Oftentimes, we fail even to admit that we are getting older. Our vulnerability frightens us and the pervasive culture of efficiency pushes us to sweep it under the carpet, leaving no room for our human frailty. In this way, when evil bursts onto the scene and wounds us, we are left stunned. Moreover, others might abandon us at such times. Or, in our own moments of weakness, we may feel that we should abandon others in order to avoid becoming a burden. This is how loneliness sets in, and we can become poisoned by a bitter sense of injustice, as if God himself had abandoned us. Indeed, we may find it hard to remain at peace with the Lord when our relationship with others and with ourselves is damaged. We are all fragile and vulnerable, and need that compassion which knows how to pause, approach, heal, and raise up. Thus, the plight of the sick is a call that cuts through indifference and slows the pace of those who go on their way as if they had no sisters and brothers.

The World Day of the Sick calls for prayer and closeness towards those who suffer. Yet it also aims to raise the awareness of God's people, healthcare institutions and civil society with regard to a new way of moving forward together. These past years of the pandemic have increased our sense of gratitude for those who work each day in the fields of healthcare and research. Yet it is not enough to emerge from such an immense collective tragedy simply by honouring heroes. Covid-19 has strained the great networks of expertise and solidarity, and has exposed the structural limits of existing public welfare systems. Gratitude, then, needs to be matched by actively seeking, in every country, strategies and resources in order to guarantee each person's fundamental right to basic and decent healthcare.

On 11 February 2023, let us turn our thoughts to the Shrine of Lourdes, a prophetic lesson entrusted to the Church for our modern times. It is not only what functions well or those who are productive that matter. Sick people, in fact, are at the centre of God's people, and the Church advances together with them as a sign of a humanity in which everyone is precious and no one should be discarded or left behind.

To the intercession of Mary, Health of the Sick, I entrust all of you who are ill; you who care for them in your families, or through your work, research and volunteer service; and those of you who are committed to weaving personal, ecclesial, and civic bonds of fraternity. To all, I impart my heartfelt blessing.

HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

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.



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES - FEB. 11

February 11th is an important day in the life of members of the Order of Malta. In addition to being the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, it is the annual

observance of the World Day of the Sick. Our Lady of Lourdes represents the healing power of faith. The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes celebrates the Marian apparition who first appeared to Bernadette Soubirous, a peasant girl, in Lourdes, France on February 11, 1858.

Our Lady of Fatima is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in connection with her apparitions to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. Our Lady of Fatima told the shepherd children to pray the rosary daily for the end of the war (World War I). Mary continued to appear once a month for 6 months to the three children, Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco. In October of 1930, the Bishop of Leiria-Fátima approved the visions as "worthy of belief."

The whole message of Lourdes is contained in this gesture of the Virgin! God has so loved us that he gave himself up for us: This is the message of the Cross. "mystery of death and of glory." The cross reminds us that there is no true love without suffering, there is no gift of life without pain.



NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES: O ever-Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comforter of the afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings; look with mercy on me. By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make 8 - LOURDES - 1958 it a privileged sanctuary, whence

you dispense your favours; and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal. I come, therefore, with complete confidence to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests. (mention your petition) Through gratitude for your favours, I will endeavour to imitate your virtues, that I may one day share your glory, and bless you in eternity. Amen.

"LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER, FOR LOVE IS GOD." John 4:7a HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

LET US PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SUFFERING.

Lord, look with compassion on the sick and suffering, especially those at TSIIONKWANONHTSO:TE and IAHKIHIHSOTHA and all our homebound Akwesasronon Elders during these pandemic times. Lord, if You will, heal: Steve Arguette, Dave Back, Peter Back, Hazel Bero, Marie Casey, Laurie Conners, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Leona Cook, Julia David, William Francis, Carol Garrow, Martha George, Dave Hall, Bennette Herne Grant, Bernadine Herne, Hilda Herne, Vernie and Toni Herne, Brian Jacobs, Rose Jacobs, Christian Jock, Felicia and Hubert Jock, Joyce Kelso, Doreen King, Matthew Lamesse, Hattie Jackson Lazore, Loran Lazore, Vanessa Lavare, Dr. Richard Loder, Viola Marshall, Jim "McDuck" McDonald, Raymond McDonald, Memphis Pyke Mitchell, Norman and Nancy King, Herbie Oakes, Charles Peters, Lucille Peters, Richard Phillips, Helen Pyke, Sheila Ransom, Brenna Roundpoint, Greg Snyder, Margaret Snyder, Angie Sunday, Jimmy Sunday, Marilyn Tarbell, Ashley Thompson, Donald Thompson, Tim Thompson, Allan White and Gary White. O Lord. Console the grieving families of Mary Ann Buckshot, Benjamin Joseph Kelly Sr and Howard Jerome Jock may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

TO ARRANGE FOR A PASTORAL VISIT CONTACT FR. **JEROME B. PASTORES** at the St. Regis Mission Rectory by calling (613)-575-2753 or by emailing him directly at jeromebpastores@hotmail.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION

UPDATE: First Communion classes are anticipated beginning March 22, 2023. The classes will be Wednesdays March 22 and 29, April 5, 12, 19, 26 and May 3, 10, 17 with First Communion **SUNDAY May 21**st, **2023**. Sign up forms will be available at the entrance to the church. Connie Thompson and Lucy Papineau are the First Communion Catechists and RJ Dolly McDonald Faith Formation. Part III Lector Training is being planned. The training will take place February 24, 2023 at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center. For more info email rosealmamcdonald@gmail.com



ST. VALENTINE INTERSESSION: Saint Valentine is the patron saint of lovers, epileptics, and beekeepers. By some accounts, St. Valentine was a Roman priest and physician who suffered martyrdom during the persecution of Christians by the emperor Claudius II Gothicus about 270. Legend also has it that while in iail. St. Valentine left a farewell note for the jailer's daughter, who had become his friend, and signed it "From Your Valentine." For his great service,

Valentine was named a saint after his death.

PRAYER TO ST. VALENTINE: Grant, we beseech you, O almighty God, that we who keep the festival of your holy martyr Valentine, may be delivered by his intercession from all dangers that threaten us. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ: Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.