

MARCH 19, 2023

READINGS First Samuel 16: 1, 6-7, 10-13, Psalm 23, Ephesians 5: 8-14, John 9: 1-41

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

SATURDAY MARCH 18, 2023 4:00 PM

Offered for: Scott Thomas and David Thomas 5-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Mission Family **Sacristan:** Caroline Peters **Hospitality:** Nicky King **Eucharistic Minister:** Caroline Peters **Stations of the Cross:** Caroline Peters, **Reader:** Connie Thompson

SUNDAY MARCH 19, 2023 10:00 AM

Offered for: Lila Caldwell 8-year Memorial Anniversary and Birthday mass by Harold Caldwell **Sacristan:** Mildred White **Hospitality:** Eddy Lazore **Eucharistic Minister:** Lisa Tarbell, **Stations of the Cross:** Bernice Lazore, **Reader:** Delinda Comins

WEDNESDAY MARCH 22, 2023 12:10PM

Offered for: Cecelia Gadway 5-year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Mission Family

WEDNESDAY MARCH 22, 2023 6:00PM

Offered for: Carlos Jacobs 2-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Mission Family

THURSDAY MARCH 23, 2023 12:10 PM

Offered for: Alex Roundpoint 3-year Memorial Anniversary by Pete and Patty Francis

FRIDAY FEBRUARY MARCH 24, 2023 12:10 PM

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

SATURDAY MARCH 25, 2023 4:00 PM

Offered for: Jackie Mitchell Memorial Birthday Anniversary by Joe and Esther Jock **Sacristan:** Caroline Peters **Hospitality:** Nicky King **Eucharistic Minister:** Caroline Peters **Stations of the Cross:** Connie Thompson, **Reader:** Patty Francis

SUNDAY MARCH 26, 2023 10:00 AM

Offered for: Florence Benedict 4-Year Memorial Anniversary by the the St. Regis Mission Family **Sacristan:** Mildred White **Hospitality:** Eddy Lazore **Eucharistic Minister:** Lisa Tarbell, **Stations of the Cross:** Carole Ross, **Reader:** Valerie Garrow

COLLECTIONS UPDATE

MARCH 11-12, 2023 CDN \$355.25 USD \$463.40 NIAWEN:KOWA FOR YOUR LOVING GENEROSITY!

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

ARCHBISHOP'S MESSAGE FOR LENT 2023



The great family of Christians will soon begin its annual Lenten pilgrimage. Forty days are offered to us to follow Jesus our Lord, to be instructed, to be transformed from within, and to find new life. Are you interested?

The experience is offered to all sinners. We do not need to be perfect to follow Jesus as his disciples. We simply need a sincere desire for a better life and a complete surrender to the path he will lay out before us. It may seem daunting or make us question ourselves. Are we ready to

put all our trust in Jesus?

This is the essential first step for all those who seek happiness, a better life, or a renewed sense of hope. We must be converted to Christ Jesus. Whoever says conversion, intentionally chooses the path that leads only to Christ. We must therefore choose not to take other paths. We must be ready to sacrifice, to let go of something we love in order to embrace something better, even if at first glance we may feel doubt or an unwillingness. We must accept that the path proposed will be narrow, unpopular, sometimes arduous, and demanding, but it will fill us with a new life. Darkness will give way to light and to the truth that will set us free. A deep peace will inhabit our hearts even during difficult times.

Following Jesus requires attentive listening to his word which will sometimes be inspiring and will lead us to wonder and to the supernatural; sometimes it will be difficult to hear because it will take us out of our comfort zone, challenge us to detachment, to charity, and to forgiveness. Let us have the courage to persevere with his words so that they may transform us from within and lead us to greater trust and faithfulness in our Creator.

The disciple of Christ who lives a profound conversion not only chooses to listen to him, but he commits to configuring himself to Him and to live in Him in order to act in Him. When we are filled with his divine Love, Jesus heals wounded hearts, sows hope, and strengthens our faith. We gradually become worthy children of the Father and are renewed in his image. From that moment on, a burning fire within us compels us to witness our faith, to build Church together, and to launch out on a mission to build the Kingdom of God.

So, this Lent, do you feel like following Jesus? Know that he invites you to do so!

Marcel Dampousse, Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall

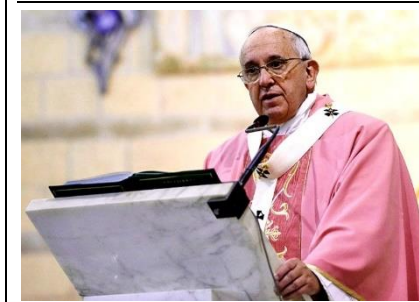


FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH MARCH 19: Joseph was a 1st-century Jewish man of Nazareth who was married to Mary, the mother of Jesus, and was the legal father of Jesus. Joseph is venerated as **Saint Joseph** in the Catholic Church. In Catholic traditions, Joseph is regarded as the patron saint of workers and is associated with various feast days. **The month of March is dedicated to Saint Joseph.** Pope Pius

IX declared him to be both the patron and the protector of the Catholic Church, in addition to his patronages of the sick and of a *happy death*, due to the belief that he died in the presence of Jesus and Mary. Joseph has become patron of various dioceses and places. Being a patron saint of the virgins, too, he is venerated as "most chaste" A specific veneration is tributed to the most chaste and pure heart of Saint Joseph.

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.



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT IS LAETARE SUNDAY. The day's theme comes from the entrance antiphon reflecting on Isaiah 66:10-11: "Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exalt and be

satisfied at her consoling breast."

Laetare is the first word — meaning "rejoice" — in the Latin text. On Laetare Sunday (as similarly with the Third Sunday of Advent's Gaudete Sunday) the Church expresses hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten fasts and penances. Call it pink — or, more fittingly, rose — this change in color indicates a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter, just before we enter into the somber days of Passiontide.

The joy of Easter being around the corner is symbolized in a few other interesting liturgical possibilities. During Lent, the General Instruction of the Roman Missal forbids flowers adorning the altar. But on Laetare Sunday (as well as solemnities and feasts within the season), there's a temporary halt to these penitential observations!

At one time, marriages were generally forbidden during Lent, but Laetare Sunday was often associated as a day when marriages could be celebrated during the penitential season. While marriages are now only forbidden on Good Friday and Holy Saturday, Laetare Sunday is still a fitting day for those wishing to be married before Eastertide.

Laetare Sunday is the Church's way of giving us a "shot in the arm" as we approach the darkness and horror of the days through Good Friday and Holy Saturday. It's an opportunity to savor and keep in the back of our minds what awaits us on Easter Sunday — the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and that our hearts will always be filled with joy! Being aware of traditions and customs assists us in celebrating the beauty of our faith. Take advantage of the richness of our Catholic traditions.



MARCH 25 is THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD We celebrate with joy the Feast of the Annunciation on March 25, when the Archangel Gabriel came to the Most Blessed Virgin and promised that she would bear a son. This feast commemorates the most marvelous moment in history, in which the second divine Person assumed human nature in the womb of His Mother.

LET US PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SUFFERING.

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, 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. **Lord, Console the grieving family of Joseph C. Thompson may his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.**

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 21st, 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. Confirmation classes will be conducted **starting March 30, 2023** on Thursdays at 6pm, and continuing April 6, 20, 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25 and June 1, 8, 15, 22, 2023 by catechist Jamie Ross. Anticipated confirmation will be **SUNDAY June 25, 2023.**

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) are available at the church office and the church entrance for interested persons. The deadline for registration has been extended to **MARCH 31, 2023.** For inquiries please contact Fr. Jerome B. Pastores at the rectory office at 613-575-2753. Weds-Fri 9am to 1pm.

THERE IS ONE LAST WORKSHOP PRESENTATION DURING LENT BY Marika Donders from the Office of Evangelization, Diocese of Ogdensburg, NY

MARCH 24: THE AUDACIOUS WOMAN (A story about encounter, challenge and discipleship ... the woman at the well) 5:30 – 7:30 PM at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center. For more information contact RJ Dolly McDonald at rosealmcdonald@gmail.com or leave a message at the Rectory office at 613-575-2753 Weds-Fri 9am -1:00 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS LEADERS for SATURDAYS March 18 Caroline Peters, March 25 Connie Thompson, April 1 Nicky King, and **SUNDAYS:** March 19 Bernice Lazore, March 26 Carole Ross, April 2 Rosemary Bonaparte. .

NIAWEN:KOWA to Tarbell Construction for the plowing of the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center parking lot. God's blessings to you for your generosity.

