

MARCH 10, 2024

READINGS: Second Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23, Psalm 137, Ephesians 2: 4-10, John 3: 14-21

ALL COVID-19 and FLU RESTRICTIONS APPLY - MASKS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING ARE OPTIONAL BUT HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

SATURDAY MARCH 9, 2024 4:00 PM

Offered for: Eric Seymour and Elizabeth Gray Memorial Anniversary by Ginger Seymour **Sacristan:** Caroline Peters, **Hospitality:** Nicky King **Eucharistic Minister:** Caroline Peters **Reader:** Jamie Ross

SUNDAY MARCH 10, 2024 10:00 AM

Offered for: Christopher Thompson 6-Year Memorial Anniversary by the Thompson family **Sacristan:** Mildred White **Hospitality:** Eddy Lazore **Eucharistic Minister:** Lisa Tarbell, **Reader:** Bernice Lazore

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 13, 2024 10:00 AM
IAHKIHIHSONHTSO ELDER'S LODGE**

Offered for: Hubert Jock 1-Year Memorial from the funeral collection

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13, 2024 6:00 PM

Offered for: Clyde Cree by the St. Regis Mission Family

**THURSDAY MARCH 14, 2024 10:00 AM
TSIIIONKWANONHTSO:TE**

Offered for: Alexander Roundpoint by the St. Regis Mission Family

THURSDAY MARCH 14, 2024 12:10 PM

Offered for: Angus Sunday by Mary Ann Patterson

FRIDAY MARCH 15, 2024 12:10 PM

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

SATURDAY MARCH 16, 2024 4:00 PM

Offered for: Wallace Mitchell, Memorial Birthday Anniversary by the Mitchell family **Sacristan:** Caroline Peters, **Hospitality:** Nicky King **Eucharistic Minister:** Caroline Peters **Reader:** Miia Oakes

SUNDAY MARCH 17, 2024 10:00 AM

Offered for: Edyth Rybke 1-Year Memorial Anniversary and Carl Hillyard by Barbara Hillyard **Sacristan:** Mildred White **Hospitality:** Eddy Lazore **Eucharistic Minister:** Lisa Tarbell, **Reader:** Judy Cole

COLLECTIONS UPDATE

MARCH 2-3, 2024 CDN \$477.45 USD \$699.75
NIAWEN:KOWA GOD BLESS!

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The Liturgy Schedule is provided by the Ministry Chair, Caroline Peters. If there are questions or someone cannot attend the Mass that they are scheduled for please contact Caroline at caroline.peters@akwesasne.ca

REMINDER: The Monthly Altar and Rosary Society meeting has been rescheduled for Sunday, March 10, 2024 at 12:30pm in the sacristy at the Church. Anyone interested in our ministry is welcome to attend.

**MARCH 10, 2024
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**



RECONCILIATION: It's not easy to walk in the Lord's footsteps – never was and never will be. The winds of sin can gradually blow us off course, and without even realizing it, we can sail in a direction contrary to our baptismal commitment. Years ago, the notion of a long look at the whole

direction of our life (particularly the "why" behind the sins we confess) was far from people's minds – except for people who had been away from the sacraments for a long time and needed to make a "general confession." Everyone else simply dealt with individual fix-its, a clean up before going to Communion. The Church is now returning to the earlier tradition of celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation by centering on baptism and personal conversion. This requires deep reflection and much longer preparation. Lent is the time when we do this. Lent is a time of conversion. It all starts on Ash Wednesday, when the ashes are placed on our foreheads with the words, "Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel." It all ends on Easter Sunday when we reach into the baptismal water and renew our "yes" to the Lord's invitation to "Come, follow me."

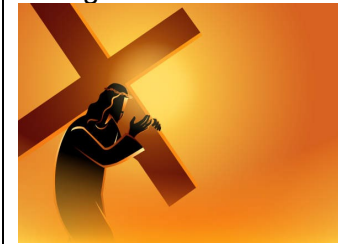
THE IMPORTANCE OF CONFESSION: Not only does the Sacrament of Penance free us from our sins but it also challenges us to have the same kind of compassion and forgiveness for those who sin against us. We are liberated to be forgivers. We obtain new insight into the words of the Prayer of St. Francis: "It is in pardoning that we are pardoned." Jesus entrusted the ministry of reconciliation to the Church. The Sacrament of Penance is God's gift to us so that any sin committed after Baptism can be forgiven. In confession we have the opportunity to repent and recover the grace of friendship with God. It is a holy moment in which we place ourselves in his presence and honestly acknowledge our sins, especially mortal sins. With absolution, we are reconciled to God and the Church. The Sacrament helps us stay close to the truth that we cannot live without God. "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28)

GIFT OF FORGIVENESS: Jesus gives forgiveness as a gift to people who don't do anything in particular to earn it, and to some people who don't seem to deserve it. He also forgives here and now – so a person no longer has to live with sin. Forgiveness was a gift Jesus was happy to give. It was the first thing he did for the paralytic. He wanted to do it for many others – if they would only let him. When we think about it, we experience the same thing ourselves when we give the gift of forgiveness. It is a relief, and we feel so much better when we forgive. It's always a joy to give a gift to someone you love. Sometimes we may look upon giving forgiveness as though we were heroic, or fulfilling a difficult duty, or paternalistically handing out something to someone in need. Actually, we are the ones who are very much in need, and we fulfill that need when we forgive. We get more out of forgiveness than the person we forgive. It is the good news of this Gospel, and especially appropriate during Lent. On the Fifth Sunday of Lent, we should remember what the Angel Gabriel said to Mary ("Nothing shall be impossible for God") and to make the last days of Lent a time of extraordinary prayer and forgiveness.

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.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Individual Confessions will be available Saturdays 3:30 PM to 4:00 PM and on Sunday mornings from 9:30 AM – 10:00AM. during lent.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: We adore you, O Christ and we praise you because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world! Contemplation of the Passion and Death of Jesus Christ enkindles the fire of Love. Come to Church for the

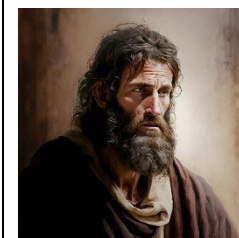
communal offering of the Stations of the Cross during Lent. Each week the Stations will be offered 30 minutes prior to Mass on Saturdays at 3:30 PM and Sundays at 9:30 AM. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND AND PREPARE FOR 3 SPECIAL FEASTDAYS IN MARCH:

MARCH 17 – FEAST OF ST. PATRICK -Christ as a Light, illumine and guide me. MARCH 19 - FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Good St. Joseph, guard our families. MARCH 25 – THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS – IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Anyone requesting Mass Intentions for their loved ones and family members are reminded that requests must be made at least **one to two months in advance** of a desired date or memorial anniversary. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Please contact Verda Tarbell for bookings on Wednesday-Friday 9am to 1pm at 613-575-2753.



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.

LET US PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SUFFERING.

Lord, look with compassion on the sick and suffering, especially those at TSIIONKWANONHTSO:TE and IAHKIHIHSONHTSO and all our homebound Akwesasronon Elders and parishioners. Lord, if You will, heal: Steve Arquette, Dave Back, Peter Back, Hazel Bero, Marie Casey, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Leona Cook, William Francis, Carol Garrow, Martha George, Dave Hall, Bernadine Herne, Vernie and Toni Herne, Julia Jacobs, Margaret and Brian Jacobs, Rose Jacobs, Christian Jock, Felicia Jock, Doreen King, Matthew Lamesse, Sean Latulipe, Hattie Jackson Lazore, Loran Lazore, Vanessa Lavare, Chuck Lazoare Dorothy Lazore, Patty Lazore, Dr. Richard Loder, Sheila 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, Earl Spinner, Angie Sunday, Jimmy Sunday, Sr. Mary Christine Taylor, Marilyn Tarbell, Ashley Thompson, Donald Thompson, Tim Thompson, and Gary White. **O Lord, Console the grieving families of our recently deceased, may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.**

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT DEADLINE: To submit announcements for the St. Regis Mission Bulletin the deadline is **MONDAYS AT NOON**. To make a submission email rosealmamcdonald@gmail.com

TO ARRANGE FOR A PASTORAL VISIT CONTACT

FR. JEROME B. PASTORES at the St. Regis Mission Church by calling (613)-575-2753 or by emailing him at jernspastor3360@gmail.com

IMPORTANT NOTICE: The St. Regis Mission food pantry is located at the rear of the Rectory. Access is via the rear parking lot ONLY. Hours are Thursday – Friday 9am to 1pm ONLY. Signs are at the Rectory indicating these times and the location. For more information contact Delinda Comins at 613-575-2753.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: For the sacrament of baptism an application is required along with a copy of your child's Birth Certificate and an interview with Father Jerome. Baptisms are the **THIRD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH PROMPTLY AT 10:00 AM**. Call 613-575-2753 for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION

UPDATE: First Communion classes are anticipated to begin **MARCH 20, 2024**. The classes will be conducted Wednesdays at 6:00–7:00pm March 20 and 27, April 3, 10, 17, 24 and May 1, 8, 15 with First Communion SUNDAY May 19, 2024. Sign up forms will be available at the entrance to the church. Connie Thompson and Lucy Papineau are the First Communion Catechists assisted by Verda Tarbell. Confirmation classes will be conducted by Melissa Madar-Tardif. The anticipated start date is April 2023 with confirmation June 2024. Please drop off applications to Verda Tarbell Weds-Friday 9AM - 1:00PM at the Rectory. You may also call the Rectory at 613-575-2753. For more info or contact the Director of Religious Education RJ Dolly McDonald at rosealmamcdonald@gmail.com

