#### MAY 12, 2024

**READINGS:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26, Psalm 103, First John 4:11-16. John 17:11-19

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

#### **SATURDAY MAY 11, 2024 4:00 PM**

Offered for: Charlotte Mitchell 50-Year Memorial
Anniversary by Charlotte Lazore Sacristan: Caroline
Peters, Hospitality: Nicky King Eucharistic
Minister: Caroline Peters Reader: Nicky King

# SUNDAY MAY 12 2024 10:00 AM MOTHER'S DAY

Offered for: Elizabeth Lafrance 22-Year Memorial Anniversary by Cecelia Lafrance Sacristan: Mildred White Hospitality: Eddy Lazore Eucharistic
Minister: Lisa Tarbell Reader Norma Sunday

# WEDNESDAY MAY 15, 2024 10:00 AM IAHKIHIHSOTHA ELDER'S LODGE

Offered for: Landon Cook by the St. Regis Mission

# WEDNESDAY MAY 15, 2024 6:00 PM

Offered for: Larry Arquette from the funeral collection

# THURSDAY MAY 16, 2024 12:10 PM

Offered for: James "Jimmy" Cook 3-Year Memorial Anniversary by the St. Regis Mission Family

# FRIDAY MAY 17, 2024 12:10 PM

Offered for: Laurie Conners from the funeral collection

#### SATURDAY MAY 18, 2024 4:00 PM

Offered for: Louise Cook from the funeral collection Sacristan: Caroline Peters, Hospitality: Nicky King Eucharistic Minister: Caroline Peters Reader: Caroline Peters

# SUNDAY MAY 19 2024 10:00 AM FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY

Offered for: Daniel Tarbell Birthday Memorial
Anniversary by his parents Norman and Elizabeth
Sacristan: Mildred White Hospitality: Eddy Lazore
Eucharistic Minister: Lisa Tarbell Reader
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# **COLLECTIONS UPDATE**

May 4-5, 2024 CDN \$428.90, USD \$511.05 NIAWEN:KOWA GOD BLESS!

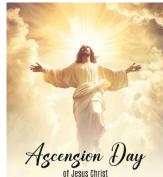
<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE:</u> The Liturgy Schedule is provided by the Ministry Chair, Caroline Peters. If there are questions or someone cannot attend the Mass that they are scheduled for please contact Caroline at <u>caroline.peters@akwesasne.ca</u>

**REMINDER:** as a courtesy please turn off your cell phones while attending masses in reverence to the sanctity of the service and to honor your time of worship. Niawen:kowa

<u>VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED</u> for cleaning, lawn mowing and maintenance at the St. Regis Mission Rectory and Church. Due to limited funds volunteers are urgently needed. Please contact Fr. Jerome at 613-575-2753.

# MAY 12, 2024 ENTH SUNDAY OF FASTER ASCENSION OF THE L

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER ASCENSION OF THE LORD



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (MAY 12),

For 40 days after his resurrection on Easter Sunday, the Bible says that Jesus travelled and preached with his apostles, preparing them for his departure from Earth. Ascension Day marks the moment Jesus literally ascended into heaven before his disciples, at the village of Bethany, near Jerusalem. The time came for him to return to heaven to prepare a place for

us, as his earthly ministry had been fulfilled. The Ascension serves as an ultimate demonstration of Jesus' power over death, inaugurating his reign over heaven and earth as the Living King. For many Christians, the fact that Jesus' followers witnessed him ascending into the clouds leaves no doubt that Jesus is alive and with God the Father in Heaven, and is no longer limited to living on Earth. The Ascension of the Lord is followed 10 days later by the feast of Pentecost. It was Christ's ascension that made Pentecost possible. "It is better for you that I go. For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you," Jesus told his disciples. (John 16:7) But he promised: "I am with you always, until the end of the age." (Matthew 28:20) To help you prepare for the feast of Pentecost, consider praying a novena to the Holy Spirit that can be prayed daily from the Friday after Ascension to the vigil of Pentecost.



MOTHER'S DAY 2024 is a special day that honours and celebrates mothers worldwide on May 12th. The day holds a significant place in our hearts because it gives us a chance to express our gratitude, love, and appreciation for our mothers. Mother's Day 2024 celebrates and acknowledges the love and dedication of mothers, who sacrifice greatly in raising their children and contributing to their families and communities. It is also a time to remember and honor mothers who have passed. The significance of Mother's Day 2024 is to

show gratitude and respect to mothers for their unconditional love, care, and guidance. It is a time to acknowledge the important role that mothers play in shaping our lives and to express our appreciation for their unwavering support and encouragement. Mother's Day 2024 provides an opportunity to celebrate the bond between mothers and their children and to strengthen family relationships. It is a day to express love and appreciation through various gestures such as gifts, cards, and special meals, and to spend quality time with mothers and mother figures. HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! KONORONHKWA.

<u>UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS:</u> Ascension of the Lord May 12th, Mother's Day May 12<sup>th</sup>, First Communion May 19, Pentecost May 19, Memorial Day May 27, Corpus Christi May 30<sup>th</sup> celebrated June 2nd, Father's Day June 16th, National Indigenous People's Day June 21, St. John the Baptise June 24 and Confirmation June 29<sup>th</sup>.

THE MONTH OF MAY IS DEDICATED TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. Remember to offer a family rosary every day of this month in remembrance of the Blessed Mother of God. THE FAMILY THAT PRAYS TOGETHER, STAYS TOGETHER.

### 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.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IS A VERY IMPORTANT SACRAMENT for every Catholic child. After their

Baptism into the Catholic faith, Holy Communion is the next sacrament of initiation. During this sacrament, it is

the first time a child can partake in the Holy Eucharist, the most important part of the Holy Mass. First Communion is considered as one of the most important and holiest sacraments. This year we have twelve candidates who will receive their First Communion on SUNDAY MAY 19, 2024 AT 10:00 AM. First Communion is the third Sacrament received by Catholics, after Baptism and First Reconciliation. On the back cover of our bulletin this week we asked our First Communion class to choose a scripture that was meaningful to them. Each of our twelve candidates chose scriptures which they are pictured with this week. We pray for much success in our student's final preparations for First Communion and First Reconciliation. God Bless!

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. Bookings are time sensitive due to external deadlines such as the Church News which is published weekly

in Indian Time. Please contact Verda Tarbell for bookings
Wednesday-Friday 9am to 1pm at 613-575-2753
NIAWEN:KOWA TO THE HOSPITALITY MINISTRY AND
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM for the beautiful prayer cards and pins for Mother's Day and to Father Jerome for his loving blessing of our Akwesasronon Totas and Mom's on Mother's Day! God Bless!

NIAWEN:KOWA NEWMAN CLUB to Hattie Taylor, Campus Minister and the Canton and Potsdam Newman Club for their loving community service April 27, 2024. Thank you especially to Dan George (St. Lawerence University), Colin McNamara (SUNY Potsdam) and Nate St. Louis (SUNY Canton) for the generosity of their time and effort. The North Country Catholic also came to visit. The St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center got a thorough spring cleaning thanks to the Newman Club. The group attended Mass at 4pm at the St. Regis Mission Church where they received a heartfelt thank you from the congregation and a tour of the church and community. Thank you and God Bless! Come back soon!

**NIAWEN:KOWA** to Lorraine Bero for her very generous donation of pizza for our First Communion class on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup>. God Bless you for your thoughtfulness and kindness!

#### 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 and parishioners. Lord, if You will, heal: Steve Arguette, Dave Back, Peter Back, Hazel Bero, Marie Casey, Ashley Cook, Jerome Cook, Leona Cook, William Francis, Carol Garrow, Lydia Garrow, Martha George, Dave Hall, Rosalie 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, Chuck Lazore Dorothy Lazore, Patty Lazore, Dr. Richard Loder, Jim "McDuck" McDonald, Raymond McDonald, Memphis Pyke Mitchell, Norman and Nancy King, Herbie Oakes, Lucille Peters, Richard Phillips, Helen Pyke, Sheila Ransom, Brenna Roundpoint, Greg Snyder, Earl Spinner, Angie Sunday, Jimmy Sunday, Sr. Mary Christine Taylor, Lois Terrance, Marilyn Tarbell, Lois Terrance, Ashley Thompson, Donald Thompson, Tim Thompson, and Gary White. O Lord, Console the grieving family of Tammy T. Mitchell, may her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION
UPDATE: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: First Communion
classes began MARCH 20, 2024. There is one week left of
First Communion classes which are conducted Wednesdays
at 6:00–7:00pm. The last class is May 15 with First
Communion SUNDAY May 19, 2024. Connie Thompson
and Lucy Papineau are the First Communion Catechists
assisted by Verda Tarbell.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES began April 18, 2024 on Thursdays 6pm-7pm with Melissa assisted by Connie Thompson and RJ Dolly McDonald. Ongoing classes are May 16, 23, 30, June 6, 13 and 20. Confirmation will be SATURDAY JUNE 29, 2024. To register contact Verda Tarbell Weds-Friday 9am to 1pm at 613-575-2753 for more information or email RJ Dolly McDonald at rosealmamcdonald@gmail.com

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Children are required to attend classes, as well as, weekly Masses at either 4:00 pm on Saturday or 10:00 am on Sundays. A sign in sheet will be at the entrance of the church which your child is required to sign to confirm their attendance.

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.

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.