

Sunday, January 29, 2017

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

READINGS: Zephaniah 2.3; 3.12-13
1 Corinthians 1.26-31 Psalm: 146
Gospel: Matthew 4.12-23

Saturday, January 28 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: Alex Arquette – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection
Altar Servers: Reagan, Rylie, Analeyna and Kenia
Lectors: Connie Thompson and Caroline Peters

Saturday, January 28 – 6:30 pm
Tri-District Elders Lodge

Offered for: Mary Mae Thompson – Memorial Mass
Requested by the Altar & Rosary Society
Altar Servers: Megan, Philip and Morgan

Sunday, January 29 – 10:00 am

Offered for: Julia Sawatis – 19th Anniversary; Dorothy Sawatis
– 5th Anniversary; and Audrey Oakes – Memorial Mass.
Requested by Nelson Sawatis & Family, and sisters
Altar Servers: Reagan, Analeyna, Rylie and Kenia
Lectors: Rosemary Bonaparte and Phil Tarbell

Tuesday, January 31 – 6:00 pm

Offered for: Michael F. Smith Sr. – 1st Anniversary
From the funeral collection

Wednesday, February 1 – 12:10 pm

Offered for: Helen Cole – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection

Thursday, February 2 – 12:10 pm

Offered for: Daniel P. White – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection

Friday, February 3 – 12:10 pm

Offered for: Percy Francis – Memorial Birthday
Requested by Shirley Francis and Family

Saturday, February 4 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: Reginald Mitchell – Memorial Mass
Requested by Doreen Dubreuil
Altar Servers: Megan, Philip and Morgan
Lectors: Harold Caldwell and Liz Sunday

Sunday, February 5 – 10:00 am

Offered for: Fiddler Joseph Jacobs – Memorial Birthday
Requested by the Family
Altar Servers: Reagan, Analeyna, Rylee and Kenia
Lectors: Children and Youth

Sacrament of Baptism: Next Baptism Seminar will be Tues., February 14 at 5:30 pm at St. Kateri Center. The child(ren) must be pre-registered with a copy of their Birth Certificate.

FEBRUARY 2 : FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE THE PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, CANDLEMAS DAY

In obedience to the Jewish Law that every firstborn child be dedicated to the Lord, Mary and Joseph presented Christ in the Temple forty days after His birth. They sacrificed a pair of doves or two young pigeons, the offering of the poor. The aged priest, Simeon, in the presence of Anna the prophetess, upon seeing the Messiah, gave thanks to the Lord, singing the *Nunc Dimittis*, now offered daily in the Night Prayer of the universal Church.

Lord, now you let your servant go in peace, your word has been fulfilled: My own eyes have seen the salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of every people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel.

Simeon told Mary, "Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that will be contradicted, (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that thoughts out of many hearts may be revealed." Simeon thus foreshadowed the crucifixion and the sorrows of Mary at seeing the death of her Son.

This feast is also called CANDLEMAS DAY, commemorating Christ, the Light of the World. The priest blesses the candles to be used in the liturgy or to be taken by the faithful to their homes for prayer.

FEBRUARY 3: THE FEAST OF ST. BLAISE - THE BLESSING OF THROATS

St. Blaise was a doctor in Sebaste, Armenia, who cared for the sick with great piety and miraculous ability. When the bishop of that diocese died, Blaise was chosen by popular acclamation to become Bishop. Ordained Bishop of Sebaste, his holiness was manifest through many miracles. People came from all around to him for blessing to find cures for their spirit and body. Even wild animals came in herds to receive his blessing. In 316, Agricola, the Governor of Armenia, arrived in Sebaste with the order from Emperor Licinius to kill the Christians. Bishop Blaise was arrested. As he was being led to prison, a distraught mother set her only son, choking to death of a fishbone, at the Bishop's feet. The child was cured straight away. Regardless, the Governor, unable to make Blaise renounce his faith, beat him with a stick, ripped his flesh with iron combs, and beheaded him.

St. Blaise is patron of those suffering diseases of the throat, as well as of Wool Combers, and those helping diseased animals.

FEBRUARY 4-5: WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on Thursday, February 2, 2017 and in parishes on the weekend of February 4-5, 2017. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

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 NA IA WEN.

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WE SEEK GLORY because it is our human nature to do so. Self-seeking glory is all around us. God challenges us to recognize that God-in-us will lead to great things. God in our small, weak selves leads to holiness, a different glory. And though our culture shapes us, we shape our culture; the culture changes only when God Shapes us. When Jesus taught The Beatitudes, he was challenging the culture, too. Each one of Jesus' exhortations – *Blessed are...* - is a profound witness of faith and trust in someone greater than ourselves. Suffering the cost of living The Beatitudes shows the world a new way to live, one rooted in Christ. Can we be surprised that it will be exceedingly difficult to live this way? How shall we? Here is how. God's love for us compels him to share his divine nature with us through Christ. Does he need us to accomplish his plan? Not really. Does he invite us? Every day. Let us say yes. Rejoice then, that Jesus can use us to teach the strong and, at times, humble them. Even in this, no one can boast, because we all share the same self-glorifying human nature. We are only our best selves when God's divine nature is at work in us. There is no glory for us when living The Beatitudes. All glory belongs to God.
Johanne Brownrigg, Orleans, ON

WE PRAY FOR THE SICK. Loving Father, our Creator, if it be your Holy Will, heal those who are suffering, especially Mae Tarbell, Corleen Jacco, Orlo Ransom, Isabel Rourke, April Benedict, Charlotte Lazore, Nancy Phillips, Clyde Cree, Leonard Garrow, Betty Lamendola, Larry Pyke, George White, Baby Aurora, Baby Brigid, and those in our hospitals and nursing homes. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING OF THE THROAT

In our parish, the celebration of the Blessing of the Throat will be Feb. 4th at 4 pm Mass, and Feb. 5th at 10:00 am Mass. The tradition of carrying candles on Candlemas Day can be traced back as far as the fifth century. It represents the entry of Christ, the light of the world, into the temple of Jerusalem. Bringing the candle into the home is a sign that Christ is with you. Blessed candles can be obtained for a small donation of \$4.00.

Rite of Investiture

Our Church will be installing three dedicated youths who have completed their training and will now receive the Rite of Investiture as Altar Servers during the Mass on February 5th: Cheyenne Mitchell, Keon Mitchell and Summer Mitchell. We give thanks to their parents for faithfully participating in their training and attending Masses.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BECOME A DEACON? ST REGIS CHURCH NEEDS YOU!

The Deacon Formation Program for the Diocese of Ogdensburg is offering Informational Sessions for Pastors and anyone interested in learning about Deacons and their formation program in the diocese. You are invited to a Deacon Information Session to be held at the Church of the Visitation Parish Center, Norfolk, New York, on Wednesday, Feb. 22, at 6:30 pm. For more information or to register for the session, please contact Deacon John White at jwhite@rcdony.org.

Religious Education:

Confirmation: next class is on Feb. 1 at 6 pm at the St. Kateri Center.

First Communion: next class is Feb. 2 at 6 pm at the St. Kateri Center. AMS school next class is Tuesday, Feb.7, immediately following school hours at 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm (for students attending AMS school).

CAMP GUGGENHEIM REGISTRATION: Registration for the 2017 season is now open! Register soon to ensure a spot for an incredible week of fun and growth in faith! Go to www.rcdony.org/camp to register! For more information call the Office of Youth Ministry at 315-393-2920 or: vlalonde@rcdony.org.

COLLEGE NEWMAN SPRING RETREAT: Attention all North Country College Students "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made", February 10-12, Wadhams Hall, Ogdensburg, NY. If you are an area college student, please join us for our annual Catholic Campus Ministry Spring Retreat! Come take a rest from the business of campus for Faith, Fellowship, and Formation! Cost is \$20 and includes meals and lodging. Please contact your local Campus Minister or Amanda Conklin at aconclin@stlawu.edu or [315-386-2543](tel:315-386-2543) for more information or to register.

Parish Ministry Meetings

@ St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center

Parish Council	(to be announced)
Finance Council	(to be announced)
Liturgy & Faith Ministry	Feb. 6 – 5:30 pm
Choir/Music Ministry	Feb. 11 – 9:30 am
Altar & Rosary Society	Feb. 5 – 12:30 pm

COLLECTIONS for Jan. 21 and 22, 2017
\$452.21 CDN \$499.25 US