

HOLY MASS

Sunday, February 14, 2016 1st Sunday of Lent

READINGS: Deuteronomy 26.4-10 Psalm: 91
Romans 10.8-13 Gospel: Luke 4.1-13

Saturday, February 13 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: Kirk Ransom – Memorial Mass.
Requested by Debbie Thomas.
Altar Servers: Megan Roundpoint and Phillip Roundpoint
Lectors: Norma Sunday and Norman Tarbell

Sunday, February 14 – 10:00 am

Offered for: Bobby Jock – 2nd Anniversary.
Requested by mom, Louise, and Family.
Altar Servers: Calvin Gibson, Cora Gibson, Cruz Gibson.
Lectors: Amanda Rourke and Janine Rourke

Tuesday, February 16 – 6:00 pm

Offered for: Daniel Bero Sr. – Memorial Mass.
From the funeral collection.

Wednesday, February 17 – 10:00 am

Mass at lakhihsohtha Lodge
Offered for: Theodore 'Teddy' Mitchell – Memorial Mass.
From the funeral collection.

Thursday, February 18 – 12:10 pm

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

Friday, February 19 – 12:10 pm

Offered for: Beatrice Francis – 12th Anniversary.
Requested by Nolan & Erin.

Saturday, February 20 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: Cecelia Ransom – Memorial Mass.
Requested by Dr. Danielle Dubuc & Staff.
Altar Servers: Megan Roundpoint and Phillip Roundpoint
Lectors: Liz Sunday and Harold Caldwell

Sunday, February 21 – 10:00 am

Offered for: Clara Jean Lazore King – Memorial Mass.
Requested by Dr. Danielle Dubuc & Staff.
Altar Servers: Calvin Gibson, Cora Gibson & Cruz Gibson
Lectors: Rosemary Bonaparte and Cheryl Jacobs

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

During our Holy Year of Mercy, a priest will be available to hear confession on Saturday: 3 – 3:45 pm; and Sunday: 9 – 9:45 am.

Father Jerome will be away on retreat Feb. 22 – 26, 2016, therefore, there will not be Masses during that period. For emergencies, please call the Rectory.

The Feast Day of Saint Valentine is February 14.

The origin of Feast Days: most saints have specially designated feast days and are associated with a specific day of the year and these are referred to as the saint's feast day. The feast days first arose from the very early Christian custom of the annual commemoration of martyrs on the dates of their deaths at the same time celebrating their birth into heaven.

Saint Valentine, officially known as Saint Valentine of Rome, is a third-century Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14 and commonly associated with "courtly love."

In 1969, the Roman Catholic Church removed St. Valentine from the General Roman Calendar, because so little is known about him. However, the church still recognizes him as a saint, listing him in the February 14 spot of Roman Martyrology.

The legends attributed to the mysterious saint are as inconsistent as the actual identification of the man.

One common story about St. Valentine is that in one point of his life, as the former Bishop of Terni, Narnia and Amelia, he was on house arrest with Judge Asterius. While discussing religion and faith with the Judge, Valentine pledged the validity of Jesus. The judge immediately put Valentine and his faith to the test.

St. Valentine was presented with the judge's blind daughter and told to restore her sight. If he succeeded, the judge vowed to do anything for Valentine. Placing his hands onto her eyes, Valentine restored the child's vision.

Judge Asterius was humbled and obeyed Valentine's requests. Asterius broke all the idols around his house, fasted for three days and became baptized, along with his family and entire 44 member household. The now faithful judge then freed all of his Christian inmates.

St. Valentine was later arrested again for continuing to try to convert people to Christianity. He was sent to Rome under the emperor Claudius Gothicus (Claudius II). According to the popular hagiographical identity, and what is believed to be the first representation of St. Valentine, the Nuremberg Chronicle, St. Valentine was a Roman priest martyred during Claudius' reign. The story tells that St. Valentine was imprisoned for marrying Christian couples and aiding Christians being persecuted by Claudius in Rome. Both acts were considered serious crimes. A relationship between the saint and emperor began to grow, until Valentine attempted to convince Claudius of Christianity. Claudius became enraged and sentenced Valentine to death, commanding him to renounce his faith or be beaten with clubs and beheaded.

St. Valentine refused to renounce his faith and Christianity and was executed outside the Flaminian Gate on February 14, 269. However, other tales of St. Valentine's life claim he was executed either in the year 269, 270, 273 or 280. Other depictions of St. Valentine's arrests tell that he secretly married couples so husbands wouldn't have to go to war. Another variation of the legend of St. Valentine says he refused to sacrifice to pagan gods, was imprisoned and while imprisoned he healed the jailer's blind daughter. On the day of his execution, he left the girl a note signed, "Your Valentine."



The Lord's Prayer

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.

Jubilee Year of Mercy – February 14 – First Sunday of Lent

On Ash Wednesday Pope Francis commissioned "Missionaries of Mercy," priest-confessors sent forth worldwide as "living signs of the Father's readiness to welcome those in search of [God's] pardon." In a way, though, Pope Francis challenges all of us to become "missionaries of mercy" (*Misericordiae Vultus, 18*) by living Lent in this *Jubilee Year of Mercy* "more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God's mercy" (*MV, 17*). Francis bids us make the prophet Micah's words our own: "God ... who does not persist in anger forever, but delights rather in clemency. You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins" (Micah 7:18, 19). Having experienced God's mercy ourselves in the unconditional forgiveness of our sins, how eager we should be to invite others to know the peace of God's boundless mercy; perhaps even to experience, through our reaching out in gentle kindness and compassionate care, something of God's unconditional love for them.

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Dear Lord, who art high in the Heavens, Giver of Love and Passion, And He who strings the heart's cords, Lead the Lovers this day, February ten plus four. The day during the month of two, When the date is the perfect number of God Greater two souls and two hearts. Some Loves are fleeting. But that which is built on you will never fail. So guide the Lovers to know what is to be. Your truths the Lovers' mouths should speak. For Your truth is that which is honest to the heart. Only this, then, should pass over the red lips of the Lovers. Your art, the Lovers simply a medium. It is only with True Hearts that You can create a Masterpiece, So let the Lovers remember that their soul's desire is the one for which You light their Fire. And let it be You who creates the Art of the Lovers; The art of two into one. **Amen.**

Dear Lord, we pray for our sick community members, especially Allan Gorrow, Laurie Connors, Darren Anthony Cook, Beatrice Cole, Julia David, Sandra Terrance, Leo Delormier, Marjorie Thompson, Margie Lazore, Clyde Cree, Larry Pyke, Sheila Ransom, Francis Cree, Mae Tarbell, Delores Swamp, Clyda Thompson Simmons and all in our nursing homes and hospitals.

Eternal Rest grant unto our recently deceased: Cecelia 'Sadie' Peters, James 'Jimmy' Terrance Sr., Lucas Tarbell and Barbara Green (niece of Norman, Steve, Carl and Lisa Tarbell, and Marianne Bero), and consolation to their families.

An evening of praying the Rosary is planned for Wed, February 17th, from 6 – 8 pm at the St. Kateri Center. There will be singing and devotion to our loved ones, and refreshments. Everyone is Welcome to attend.

Parish Ministry Meetings

@ St. Kateri Tekakwitha Center

Parish Council	Feb.24 – 5:00 pm
Finance Council	Feb. 17 – 4:30 pm
Liturgy & Faith Ministry	Mar. 2 – 5:00 pm
Music/Choir Ministry	Feb. 13 – 9:30 am
Altar & Rosary Society	Mar. 6 – 1:00 pm
Maintenance Committee	Feb. 17 – 4:30 pm
Fundraising Committee	(to be announced)
Knights of Columbus	Feb. 18 – 7:00 pm
Kateri Circle	(to be announced)

Collections for weekend: Feb. 7, 2016.
\$588.90 US \$568.55 CDN

Confirmation class: next class Wed., Feb. 17th, 6:00 – 8 pm at St. Kateri Center.

First Communion class: next class is Thurs., Feb. 18th, 6 pm at St. Kateri Center. All students should be attending Mass weekly and all classes.

Ministry of Altar Servers: next training/seminar session is Sat., Feb. 20th at 10:00 am in the Church. For questions, please see Caroline Peters.

Sacrament of Baptism: Next Baptism Seminar: Tues., Feb. 16th at 5:30 pm at St. Kateri Center. The child(ren) must be pre-registered with a copy of their Birth Certificate.

Thank you/Niawenkowa to all who supported the sale of SuperBowl Squares, and to all the winners: Hilda King, Dora Oakes, Ann Wheesk and Randy Hart. A special recognition to Debbie Thomas for all her efforts in coordinating the volunteers and sale of the squares. God bless you.