

HOLY MASS

Sunday, July 31, 2016

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

READINGS: Ecclesiastes 1.2; 2.21-23 Psalm: 90
Colossians 3.1-5, 9-11 **Gospel:** Luke 12. 13-21

Saturday, July 30 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: James Herne – 22nd Anniversary
Requested by Mary Herne

Altar Servers: Calvin, Cora & Cruz

Lectors: Connie Thompson and Caroline Peters

Saturday, July 30 – 6:30 pm

Community Mass at Tri-District Elders

Offered for: Antoine Delormier – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection

Altar Servers: Megan, Philip and Morgan

Sunday, July 31 – 10:00 am

Offered for: Alice Ivany – 1st Anniversary (Aug. 4)
From the funeral collection

Altar Servers: Calvin, Cora and Cruz

Lectors: Rosemary Bonaparte and Phil Tarbell

Saturday, August 6 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: John Bigtree Jr. – Memorial Birthday
From the funeral collection

Altar Servers: Megan, Philip and Morgan

Lectors: Harold Caldwell and Liz Sunday

Sunday, August 7 – 10:00 am

Children's Mass

Offered for: Agatha Laffin and her children,
Esther and Mose

Requested by Charlotte Lazore & daughter

Altar Servers: Calvin, Cora and Cruz

Lectors: Children and Youth Readers

There will be no weekday Masses in August as Father Jerome will be on vacation. If you wish to attend a weekday mass, the following Churches are in close proximity:

St. Mary's, Massena (Tues. Wed. Thurs.) 8:15 am

Sacred Heart, Massena (Mon. & Fri.) 12:05 pm

St. Frances de Sales, Cornwall (Tues. to Fri.) 8:00 am

St. Columban's, Cornwall (Tues. to Fri.) 7:30 am

St. Joseph's, Bombay (Fri.) 8:30 am

"CALLED TO SERVE"

ALTAR SERVERS' INVESTITURE

Blessings and Congratulations to Reagan Cole, Analeyna Cole, Rylee Cole, and Kenia Cole who answered the 'call to serve.' A Celebration of Investiture will be this Sunday, July 31st during the 10:00 am Holy Mass.

Prayers and blessing to their parents, Erin and Clint Cole, for their support and faithfulness during their training.

MEDITATION: "Storing up true riches"

Meditation: Have you ever tried to settle a money dispute or an inheritance issue? Inheritance disputes are rarely ever easy to resolve, especially when the relatives or close associates of the deceased benefactor cannot agree on who should get what and who should get the most. Why did Jesus refuse to settle an inheritance dispute between two brothers? He saw that the heart of the issue was not justice or fairness but rather greed and possessiveness.

Loving possessions rather than loving my neighbor.

The Ten Commandments were summarized into two prohibitions - do not worship false idols and do not covet what belongs to another. It's the flip side of the two great commandments - love God and love your neighbor. Jesus warned the man who wanted half of his brother's inheritance to "beware of all covetousness." To covet is to wish to get wrongfully what another possesses or to begrudge what God has given to another. Jesus restates the commandment "do not covet", but he also states that a person's life does not consist in the abundance of his or her possessions.

August of Hippo (354-430 AD) comments on Jesus' words to the brother who wanted more:

Greed wants to divide, just as love desires to gather. What is the significance of 'guard against all greed,' unless it is 'fill yourselves with love?' We, possessing love for our portion, inconvenience the Lord because of our brother just as that man did against his brother, but we do not use the same plea. He said, 'Master, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me.' We say, 'Master, tell my brother that he may have my inheritance.' (Sermon 265.9)

The fool who was possessed by his riches.

Jesus reinforces his point with a parable about a foolish rich man (Luke 12:16-21). Why does Jesus call this wealthy landowner a fool? Jesus does not fault the rich man for his industriousness and skill in acquiring wealth, but rather for his egoism and selfishness - *it's mine, all mine, and no one else's*. This parable is similar to the parable of the rich man who refused to give any help to the beggar Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31). The rich fool had lost the capacity to be concerned for others. His life was consumed with his possessions and his only interests were in himself. His death was the final loss of his soul! What is Jesus' lesson on using material possessions? It is in giving that we receive. Those who are rich towards God receive ample reward - not only in this life - but in eternity as well.

Where is your treasure?

In this little parable Jesus probes our heart - where is your treasure? Treasure has a special connection to the heart, the place of desire and longing, the place of will and focus. The thing we most set our heart on is our highest treasure. What do you treasure above all else?

"Lord Jesus, free my heart from all possessiveness and from coveting what belongs to another. May I desire you alone as the one true treasure worth possessing above all else. Help me to make good use of the material blessings you give me that I may use them generously for your glory and for the good of others."



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 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 – July 31 – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

"You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you" (Luke 12:20). Hardly sounds like mercy! Unlike some contemporary rich folks, there is no indication of lying, stealing, or cheating in Jesus' parable. The rich man made a living, not a killing. Why does Jesus name him "fool"? First, because of presumption. Five times in nine verses, the rich man declares, "I shall." God's not in charge here, I am! Second, selfishness – four times, "my/myself." No God, no neighbor; he talks to himself, about himself: *my possessions, my productivity, my plans!* So, instead of chasing "treasure for ourselves," Jesus and Pope Francis' *Jubilee Year of Mercy* bid us grow "rich in what matters to God" (12:21), namely, the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Give food, drink, clothing, and healing; visit the imprisoned; bury the dead. Heal with Jesus' own gentleness the doubt, ignorance, and sins of others; comfort, forgive, be patient; and pray for the living and dead. *Peter Scagnelli, Copyright J.S. Paluch Co., Inc.*

WE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Vickie Philips, Florabelle Anderson, George White, Beatrice Cole, Francis Cree, Clyde Cree, Beverly Lazore, Anjo Laffin, Billy Sunday, Gary White, Mitch Smoke, Jerry Thompson, Hilda Smoke, Sandra Terrance, Robert Thompson, Larry Pyke, Julia David, Rita Arbour, Laurie Connors, Sheila Ransom, Caroline Lazore, and Gerry Thompson. *We pray also to all who care for the sick in our hospitals and nursing homes. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.*

We pray for the reposed soul of Reginald 'Reg' Mitchell, and Jeffrey Sunday who recently entered into God's kingdom. May their soul rest in peace, and consolation to the families.

Mohawk Gregorian Chant Mass

Anyone interested in sharing their Mohawk literacy skills are more than welcome to do some readings for the liturgy, please see Teres. And attention to all musicians of the congregation; if you are interested in sharing your keyboarding skills in providing musical accompaniment for the singers, Organist training is offered, please contact Teres at (613) 575-2765

REMINDER! INSPIRE! CALLED TO LOVE
Reserved seats are filling up: September 25/16, Olympic Arena, Lake Placid. You must be registered online at: inspirecalledtolove.org.

Bible quote:

Wisdom is a shelter as money is a shelter, but the advantage of knowledge is this: that wisdom preserves the life of its possessor. **Ecclesiastes 7:12**

Parish Ministry Meetings

All Parish Ministry meetings will resume in the month of September 2016. If a meeting is of an urgent nature and requires immediate attention, please submit in writing to the Church Rectory, ensuring that all relevant information is included and attached as necessary. Ministry meeting dates for the month of September, will be re-posted in the bulletin during the latter part of August. Niawenko:wa.

Collections for July 24, 2016

\$454.00 US \$336.35 CDN

Sacrament of Baptism: Next Baptism Seminar: Tues., September 13 at 5:30 pm at St. Kateri Center. The child(ren) must be pre-registered with a copy of their Birth Certificate.

Devotional Candles: Large candles and votives are available for a donation of \$10.00 or \$1.00, if you wish to light a candle for a loved one, living or deceased, to honor for healing, or as a memorium.

Religious Education: The program is now on break for the months of July and August. The program will resume in September, including registration for the new sessions for sacramental preparation for First Communion, Confirmation and RCIA (Adult program for Sacramental preparation for Baptism/First Communion/Confirmation). If you would like more information on these programs, please do not hesitate to contact Laura Morris at the Rectory and St. Kateri Center. If you'd like to volunteer, training will be provided.

Lectors'/Readers' Workshop: All readers for our Church are requested to attend a very important workshop on Thurs., Aug. 4/16, at 5 pm, at the St. Kateri Center. For more information, please contact Dorothy Lazore at 315-705-3461.