

DECEMBER 31, 2017

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

READINGS: Genesis 15. 1-6; 17.3b-5, 15-16; 21.1-7 **Psalm** 105 **Hebrews** 11.8, 11-12, 17-19 **Luke** 2-22-40

Saturday, December 30, 2017 – 4:00 PM

Offered for: James Herne Memorial Mass

Altar Servers: Cheyenne Keon and Summer

Lectors: Nicky King & Brian Thomas

Saturday, December 30, 2017 – 6:30 PM

TRI-DISTRICT ELDERS

Offered for: Mary Mae Thompson 1 Anniversary

Altar Servers: Megan, Phillip and Morgan

Sunday, December 31, 2017 10:00 am

Offered for: Charlotte and Malcom Gadway

Birthday Anniversary mass

Altar Servers: Kenia, Reagan, Analeyna & Rylee

Lectors: Bernice Lazore and Judy Cole

Monday January 1, 2017 10:00 am

Offered for: Daniel White, 1st Anniversary

Memorial Mass, Funeral Collection

Tuesday January 2, 2018 7:00 pm

Offered for: Orlo Ransom, Memorial Mass

Funeral Collection

Wednesday, January 3, 2018 12:10 pm

Offered for: Hubert Rourke Memorial Mass

Thursday, January 4, 2017 12:10pm

Offered for: Larry Richard King, Memorial Mass

Friday, January 5, 2018 12:10 pm

Offered for: Mitchell Sunday, Memorial Mass

Funeral Collection

Friday January 5, 2018 5:00 pm

Sweetgrass Manor

Offered for: Elizabeth Bessie Cole FC

Saturday, January 6, 2018 – 4:00 PM

Offered for: Louise Bero, 43 year Anniversary,

and son George Bero, 26 year

Anniversary Memorial Mass

Altar Servers: Meagan, Phillip and Morgan

Lectors: Nicky King and Brian Thomas

Sunday, January 7, 2018 10:100 am

Offered for: Michael Benedict Sr. Memorial

Mass, Funeral Collection

Altar Servers: Cheyenne, Keon and Summer

Lectors: Irving Papineau & Valerie Garrow

**DECEMBER 31 – FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY
JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH**

The Word was made flesh and came to dwell among us. Jesus was born into a family. Devotion to the Holy Family was born in Bethlehem, together with the Baby Jesus. The shepherds went to adore the Child and, at the same time, they gave honor to His family.

Later, the three wise men came from the East to adore and give honor to the newborn King with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh that would be safeguarded by His family. Christ, Himself, was the first devotee of His family.

He showed His devotion to His mother and foster father by submitting Himself, with infinite humility, to the duty of filial obedience towards them.

"God, to whom angels submit themselves and whom principalities and powers obey, was subject to Mary and Joseph. What a sublime example of love and humility." (St. Bernard)

On this feast day, we pray fervently for our families to imitate the love and humility of the Holy Family, and thus experience true peace and unity.

PRAYER AT CHRISTMAS TIME

In the stillness of that holy night, the angels' song of praise was heard announcing the birth of JESUS. Like the shepherds, may we be filled with wonder, attentive to the presence of JESUS in our lives.

Like the Magi, may the shining star lead us to follow JESUS. And may our hearts be filled with JESUS's love and peace so we may be a blessing to others. **AMEN.**

JANUARY 1 -SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

The Blessed Virgin Mary is an authentic icon of the mystery of the Trinity. As the Father from all eternity generates the Son in the love of the Holy Spirit, so Mary, in the flesh, generated the same Eternal Word by the power of the Holy Spirit. Mary was chosen by God to bring His Divine Son into the world for our salvation. **Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death.**

JANUARY 2018 PRAYER INTENTION

Lord, grant that Christians and other religious minorities in Asian countries may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

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.

NEW YEAR'S DAY -- HOLY MASS AT 10 AM

TOMORROW IS THE FIRST BLANK PAGE OF A 365 PAGE BOOK, 2018! WRITE A GOOD ONE!

What you are is God's gift to you. What you become is your gift to God!

**NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION:
THE POPE FRANCIS LIST**

1. Don't gossip
2. Finish your meals
3. Make time for others
4. Choose the "more humble" purchase
5. Meet the poor "in the flesh"
6. Stop judging others
7. Befriend those who disagree
8. Make commitments, such as marriage
9. Make it a habit to "ask the Lord"
10. Be happy

WE PRAY FOR ALL WHO SUFFER

Lord, give Your peace and consolation to all who suffer in our nursing homes, hospitals, prisons, or alone. Heal and strengthen Robert Thompson, Charlotte Francis, Ruby Nowak, Larry Rourke, Clyde Cree, Marilyn Tarbell, Jack Angus, Felicia and Hubert Jock, Leonard and Isabel Garrow, Ruth Smoke, Marjorie Lazore, Mary Johnson, Michael Thomas, Alexina Auger, Eleanor Thompson, and Teddy Thompson.

PARISH MINISTRY MEETINGS

at the St. Regis Mission Church Sacristy/Rectory Chapel unless otherwise noted

Parish Council	January 18, 2018 - 6:00 pm
Finance Council	January 12, 2108 - 5:15 pm
St. Kateri Circle	January 7, 2018 - 4:00 pm
Liturgy Ministry	January 4, 2018 - 5:00 pm
Altar Rosary Society	January 7, 2018 - 12:30pm
Choir/Music Ministry	January 6, 2018 - 9:30 am

NIAWEN:KOWA

NIAWEN to so many who have made the Christmas celebration so wonderful!

Niawen to Father Jerome Pastores for giving us the most important gift - God's Graces at the Children's Christmas Mass at 6:00 pm, the Midnight Mass, the Christmas morning Mass at 10:00 am and the Sacraments of Penance and the Holy Eucharist.

Niawen to all the volunteers who helped clean and decorate the Church so beautifully- the Church Maintenance Team and the Altar and Rosary Society.

Niawen to the musicians - Kathy Herne and the Mohawk Choir at the Children's Mass; Teresa Sharrow and the Snye Mohawk Choir at Midnight Mass; Cole Phillips and Celeste at the Christmas morning Mass.

Niawen to the Religious Education Teachers - Laura Morris, Valerie Garrow, Jamie Ross and the helpers for the Christmas Pageant at the Children's Mass.

Niawen to the children and adult Altar Servers, the Lectors, Sacristans, Ushers, Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers and Sister Mary Christine SSJ.

Niawen to all who brought food for the Food Pantry for the poor and to the Three Feathers Café for Christmas bread for the congregation.

Above all, **niawen:kowa** to each of you for coming to Holy Mass to pray for our parish, our families, the sick and the suffering of the world.

May God bless your New Year!

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES

The First Communion and Confirmation classes have begun sessions. Registration for both programs is still being accepted. Forms can be picked up at the entrance of the Church at weekend Masses, at the St. Kateri Center, and online at stregischurch.org under the Religious Education tab. More information can be obtained by calling Laura Morris at [518-358-2931](tel:518-358-2931), Monday to Friday, 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

COLLECTIONS

DECEMBER 23, 24th AND 25th, 2017

REG. MASS \$ 1,324.47 US \$938.88 CDN