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Newsletter for the week of May 24th 2020

In compliance with the shutdown ordered by Premier Doug Ford, all parish properties, including the church itself, the parish hall and the office will be closed till further notice.

If there is anything you need, please leave a message at the office. If it is of an urgent matter, please contact Fr. Joseph at 705-920-1514

The following masses will be celebrated privately by Fr. Joseph as they were previously requested for these dates. If you would prefer to have them celebrated after the churches open, this can be arranged with no extra stipend required.

St. Bartholomew :

Sunday May 24 – For the People – Missa pro popula

Wednesday May 27 – For Souls in Purgatory by Michelle & Arnet

St. Francis Xavier :

Thursday May 28 – For Souls in Purgatory by Jeff & Sandy

Sunday May 31 – For the People / Missa pro popula

St-Étienne/ St. Stephen the Martyr :

Friday May 29 – Ray & Cathy Morgan by James Morgan

The Catholic Parishes would like to thank the parishioners who have continued to make their weekly donations. Your continued support and generosity at this very difficult time is truly appreciated!

Donations May 17th 2020

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| Church envelopes (white) | \$1845.00 |
| Renovations | \$ 135.00 |
| HOP | \$ 675.00 |
| Ministry Formation | \$ 40.00 |
| Pope's Pastoral Works | \$ 60.00 |
| Total Deposit | \$2755.00 |

If any gifting imposes a level of hardship of any kind whatsoever, please do not donate.

If you are able to donate during this time, please consider one of the suggested gifting methods for your current weekly donation:

- 1) dropping your envelope into the parish mail slot
- 2) forwarding to the parish, by local mail, a series of post-dated cheques and Sunday envelopes.
- 3) Signing up for a **PADP** - pre-authorized donation program (contact office for the form)

Congratulations to Elise Charron, winner of \$50 in week #5 of the Parish Lottery!

The Living Faith booklets are in (April/ May/ June). There will be a large tin in the corner of the closed entrance to the basement at St. Bartholomew Church. Please feel free to pick up a copy and place the cover back on the tin. Parishioners at St. Etienne will find a clear container by the door of the Church. Please replace the lid after taking a copy.

Parishioners in Cartier that would like Living Faith booklets, please see Sandy Young.

These booklets are provided by the Knights of Columbus and the Chevaliers de Colomb.

Homily for Ascension Sunday

This Sunday, we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus who has now completed his earthly mission and is on his way to heaven to prepare the way for us. As cited in the Catholic Church Catechism: Jesus Christ, the head of the Church, precedes us into the father's glorious kingdom so that we, the members of his body, may live in the hope of one day being with him forever. (CCC n666)

In this Sunday's gospel Jesus gives us a great mission. We are to go into all the nations to form disciples that will follow His ways and teachings, and then train others to do the same. The church and society are changing but the person of Jesus and his teachings do not change. Christ has established the kingdom of God on Earth, let us now, by the power of the Holy Spirit, reveal that kingdom in all we do and say.

May the Lord bless you all. Happy Sunday!

Ce dimanche, nous célébrons l'Ascension de Jésus qui a maintenant terminé sa mission terrestre et est en route vers le ciel pour nous préparer le chemin. Tel que cité dans le catéchisme de l'Église catholique : "Jésus Christ, nous précède dans le royaume glorieux du Père, pour que nous, membres de son corps, vivions dans l'espérance d'être un jour éternellement avec lui." (666)

En ce dimanche de l'Ascension, Jésus nous confie une grande mission. Il nous demande d'aller dans toutes les nations afin de former des disciples qui suivront son exemple et ses enseignements et qui répandront, à leur tour, son message de rédemption. Même si l'église et la société changent, la personne de Jésus et ses enseignements ne changent pas. Le Christ a établi le royaume de Dieu sur la terre. Puisseons-nous maintenant, par la puissance de l'Esprit-Saint, révéler ce royaume dans nos paroles et nos actions.

Bon dimanche!! Que Dieu vous bénisse!!!