

# Catholic Parishes of Onaping Falls and Cartier

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**Newsletter for the week of January 31<sup>st</sup> 2021**

*Please Note: The office is closed to the public until February 11<sup>th</sup>.*

*If you need assistance, please leave me a message and I will get back to you on the next day that I am in the office. Joanne*

*If you have an urgent matter, please call Fr. Joseph. His cell number can be found at the top of this newsletter.*

## Five Things of which to be mindful

**A GENERAL DISPENSATION FROM THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION WILL REMAIN.** The dispensation for the obligation to attend Mass will remain in effect. Because of this, the live-streaming of Masses will continue for those who are not able to attend at their churches/parish.

**Attendance will be limited.** The maximum capacity of each church is reduced to 30% fire code capacity, or fewer if required to ensure physical distancing.

**Physical Distancing must be consistently practiced.** Expect that your parish church will have pews/rows that are sectioned off, and that family groups and individuals will be asked to keep at least two meters (six feet) distance from each other. Wear a mask to Mass to guard against germ spread. Anyone presenting symptoms of illness or who have travelled out of country in the past 14 days is directed to stay home.

**Liturgical changes will be in place.** Similar to protocols established when churches were closing, extra precautions will be taken. Temporary adjustments will be made with respect to how we celebrate Mass and receive Holy Communion.

**There still will be a risk for anyone who attends a public Mass.** Even with best health practices and strict physical distancing, anyone who enters a public space should recognize there is a risk of contracting the corona virus. Improved cleaning will occur in our churches, but no one should expect that they will be any safer from germs than in other public spaces.

**The following masses will be celebrated privately by Fr. Joseph.**

**St. Bartholomew/ Levack**

Tuesday February 2<sup>nd</sup> – The Sloan family by Terry Rapsky & family

**St. Francis Xavier/ Cartier**

Sunday January 31<sup>st</sup> – For the People

Thursday February 4<sup>th</sup> – Clem Cowan by Jeff, Sandy, Mary Ann & Anna

**St-Étienne/ St Stephen**

Wednesday February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Raymond Rajotte by Marie Gaulin

Sunday February 7<sup>th</sup> – For the People

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

***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)

**Donations January 24<sup>th</sup> 2021**

Church envelopes (white)	\$ 655.00
Loose	\$
Renos	\$ 20.00
HOP	\$ 715.00
Initial Offering	\$ 50.00
Native Sector	\$ 20.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$ 20.00
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>\$ 1480.00</b>

**Homily for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time B**

In today's Gospel the people of Capernaum recognized Jesus who came to the Synagogue as a teacher, a teacher different from the scribes and Pharisees. His teaching made a deep impression on them because he taught them with authority and spoke of God's will for the world. There in their presence Jesus delivered a man who was possessed by a demon. He set the man free and restored his dignity.

Jesus was recognized as having authority because of the message he delivered and the impact the word of God had on the people. They saw God's life giving, liberating power working through Him and freeing them from their captivities. The people responded with wonder and astonishment because their hope in God's saving power was revived.

As Christians, the most significant way to proclaim our faith is by doing good works. St James would say that faith without good work is dead (James 2:14ff). The light of our faith shines brighter when it is accompanied by good works. At our baptism we have been empowered to exercise our authority in God's name, to bring light where there is darkness, hope where there is hopelessness, joy where there is sadness and life where there is death. May God continue to use us as good instruments of positive change in our world, Amen!

Happy Sunday to you all!

**Homélie du 4e dimanche en B ordinaire**

Dans l'Évangile d'aujourd'hui, les habitants de Capharnaüm reconnaissent Jésus qui est venu à la synagogue en tant qu'enseignant, un enseignant différent des scribes et des pharisiens. Son enseignement les impressionnent profondément parce qu'il enseigne avec autorité et leur parle de la volonté de Dieu pour le monde. En leur présence, Jésus délivre un homme possédé par un démon et lui restaure sa dignité.

Jésus est reconnu comme ayant autorité en raison de la parole de Dieu qu'il prononce et de l'impact de ces paroles sur le peuple. Ils voient la puissance libératrice de Dieu travailler à travers de Lui. Les gens répondent avec émerveillement et étonnement parce que leur espoir dans la puissance salvifique de Dieu est ravivé.

En tant que chrétiens, le moyen le plus significatif de proclamer notre foi est de faire de bonnes œuvres. Saint Jacques dit que la foi sans bonnes œuvres est une foi morte (Jacques 2: 14ff). La lumière de notre foi brille plus fortement lorsqu'elle est accompagnée de bonnes œuvres.

Lors de notre baptême, nous avons été invités à exercer notre autorité au nom de Dieu, à apporter la lumière là où il y a les ténèbres, l'espoir là où il y a le désespoir, la joie là où il y a la tristesse et la vie là où il y a la mort. Que Dieu continue à nous utiliser comme de bons instruments de changement positif dans notre monde, Amen!

Bon dimanche à vous tous!



**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AT HOME, HOSPITAL OR NURSING HOME**

Paisley Amyotte

John Dupuis

Helen Hickey

Dianne Luttrell

Raymonde Matte

Richard (Bub) Pellerin

Pauline Sauve

Bonnie Vellows

Tina Benoit

Wendy Fougere

Colleen Huskinson

Keith MacDonald

Doug McMahon

Rheal Poirier

Ed Serson

Blake Bond

Jim Golden

Carolyn Besserer

Joe MacDonald

Mary Nowak

Kathleen (O'Shell) Robbie

Roberta Tracanelli

Roland Chouinard

Greg Grant

Betty Leschishin

Chris & Gerry Marcotte

Vivian O'Bumsawin

Denis Vallieres

**If anyone's name should be added or taken off the list, please call the office.**