

# Catholic Parishes of Onaping Falls and Cartier

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**Newsletter for the week of April 18<sup>th</sup> 2021**

**Please Note: Masses will resume at our 3 parishes starting this Saturday at 7pm in Levack.**

*The Parish Office is closed to the public during this lockdown.*

*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.*

*I will be in the office Monday, Wednesday & Thursday next week from 9-3pm.*

## **Information from our Public Health Office.**

**Please, adhere to the following advice:**

- **the importance of active screening everyone who enters our parishes (this requires a volunteer asking screening questions)**
- **the value of at least 6' between people (not between pews - a body adds about 1' of space)**
- **hand sanitizer before entry into church and before communion (please bring your own from home if possible to use before communion. If you forget, please proceed to the back of the church to sanitize your hands first and then you can receive communion from Fr. Joseph)**
- **no congregational singing**
- **and a solid exit strategy so that people are at least 6' apart. Please remain in your pew until you can remain 6 feet away from the next parishioner.**

**We cannot emphasize enough how valuable these measures are, especially at a time when variants of concern are in the communities served by our diocese.**

## **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 15% 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.

## **Masses from April 18th to April 25th**

### **Sanctuary Lamp for week of April 18th – Jakob & Zofia Kleniewski**

#### **St. Bartholomew/ Levack**

Saturday April 17th 7 pm – For the People

Sunday April 18th 9:45am – Winston Olive by Gail, Larry & family

Tuesday April 20th 10am – Marie Giroux by Sylvain & Andre Giroux

Saturday April 24th 7pm – Jakob & Zofia Kleniewski by Mary Kleniewski

Sunday April 25th 9:45 am – Alice Besserer by Danny & Louise

#### **St. Francis Xavier/ Cartier**

Sunday April 18th 8:30 am – Diane Dumont-Hearn by Karen Burton

Thursday April 22nd 0am – Lea Lemelin by Jeff & Sandy

Sunday April 25th 8:30 am – Loretta Deschevy by Rose Mary Thibeault

#### **St-Étienne/ St Stephen / Dowling**

### **Sanctuary Lamp for week of April 18th – Fernande Chouinard**

Sunday April 18th 11am – Heather Zieleniewski by the St. Stephen Church choir

Wednesday April 21st 10am – Mass

Sunday April 25th 11am – 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)

No collection for the weekend of April 10th & 11th

#### Third Sunday after Easter

Today Jesus appeared to the disciples and offered them the gifts of peace and of forgiveness. He greeted them by saying: peace be with you. Because they did not immediately recognise him, he showed them his feet and hands in reassurance. He also assured them of his forgiveness and commissioned them to go to all the nations to preach the repentance and the forgiveness of sins.

In the first reading, Peter did exactly that. After criticising the people for their role in the crucifixion and death of Jesus, he assured them of God's forgiveness if they were ready to repent. Those who accepted this message were added to the number of believers.

The church has been faithful to her mission of preaching the repentance and the forgiveness of sin. In the eyes of God, it is always a good time for a new beginning. We pray for the humility to admit our guilt. May the mystery we celebrate today help us regret and ask forgiveness for our sins. Amen!

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Aujourd'hui, Jésus est apparu aux disciples et leur a offert les dons de la paix et du pardon. Il les a salués en disant: que la paix soit avec vous. Parce qu'ils ne l'ont pas immédiatement reconnu, il leur a montré ses pieds et ses mains pour les rassurer. Il les a également assurés de son pardon et les a chargés d'aller dans toutes les nations pour prêcher la repentance et le pardon des péchés.

Dans la première lecture, c'est exactement ce que Pierre a fait. Après avoir critiqué les gens pour leur rôle dans la crucifixion et la mort de Jésus, il les a assurés du pardon de Dieu s'ils étaient prêts à se repentir. Ceux qui ont accepté ce message ont été ajoutés au nombre des croyants.

L'Église a été fidèle à sa mission de prêcher le regret et le pardon du péché. Aux yeux de Dieu, c'est toujours un bon moment pour un nouveau départ. Nous prions pour l'humilité d'admettre notre culpabilité. Puisse le mystère que nous célébrons aujourd'hui nous apporte le pardon de nos péchés. Amen!

### **World Day of Prayer for Vocations – April 25<sup>th</sup>**

Next Sunday, the Church throughout the world prays for vocations. Will you make a special effort to ask the Lord for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life for our Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie? Take this opportunity to pray for the priests and religious who have ministered to you in your life, and consider encouraging your children, grandchildren or other young people to consider a vocation as a priest or religious sister or brother. Pray that those that the Lord is calling to serve the Church will overcome their fear and allow God to shape them into who he has made them to be.



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

Paisley Amyotte	Tina Benoit	Blake Bond	Roland Chouinard
John Dupuis	Wendy Fougere	Jim Golden	Greg Grant
Helen Hickey	Colleen Huskinson	Carol Besserer	Betty Leschishin
Dianne Luttrell	Keith MacDonald	Joe MacDonald	Chris Marcotte
Raymonde Matte	Doug McMahon	Mary Nowak	Vivian O'Bumsawin
Richard (Bub) Pellerin	Rheal Poirier	Kathleen (O'Shell) Robbie	Tammy Besserer
Pauline Sauve	Ed Serson	Roberta Tracanelli	Denis Vallieres
Bernice Kaczmariski Gemmell	Leona Dawe	Juliette Gravel	Jeannette Gaydos

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