

Catholic Parishes of Onaping Falls and Cartier

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Newsletter for the week of May 23, 2021

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.

Office Hours next week: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday - 9am to 3pm

Please Note:



Fr. Joseph will be live streaming mass this Sunday at 10am from St-Bartholomew on Facebook.

Once on Facebook, search for Catholic Parishes of Onaping Falls and Cartier to follow along.

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.

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

Masses from May 23rd to May 30th 2021

St. Bartholomew/ Levack

Sunday May 23rd – Frank Commito by Silvana & family

Sunday May 30th – For the People

St. Francis Xavier/ Cartier

Sunday May 23rd – For the People

St-Étienne/ St Stephen / Dowling

Sunday May 30th – for our church communities by John & Theresa Lefebvre

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)

Collection information for May 16th 2021

White envelopes	\$ 385.00
Renos	\$ 10.00
HOP	\$ 700.00
Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 35.00
Ministry Formation	\$ 25.00
Total Donations	\$ 1155.00



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Today we celebrate the Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles in the Upper Room in Jerusalem. Not only does this feast celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit but it also marks the beginning of the Church. On this day, the Holy Spirit empowered the disciples to sow the seed of faith and gave them the strength to proclaim the words that changed lives for generations to come.

Today, the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Trinity, is still present in our lives. He leads us to an intimacy with God and gives us the grace to live and act in a way that is worthy of God's children. As promised by Jesus, the spirit leads us to the truth of God and enhances our relationship with him. What a gift!

Let us pray for the grace of personal renewal in faith and love. May our hearts be warmed in prayer, may we grow in virtue and be renewed in body and spirit. Like the Apostles, may we become fearless and courageous witnesses to the truth of the Gospel.

Aujourd'hui, nous célébrons la Pentecôte, la descente du Saint-Esprit sur les apôtres au Cénacle à Jérusalem. Non seulement cette fête célèbre l'effusion du Saint-Esprit, mais elle marque également le début de l'Église. Le Saint-Esprit a donné aux disciples le pouvoir de semer la foi ; il leur a aussi donné le courage de proclamer les paroles qui changeraient la vie des générations à venir.

Aujourd'hui, le Saint-Esprit, la troisième personne de la Trinité, est toujours présent dans nos vies. Il nous conduit à l'intimité avec Dieu et nous donne la grâce de vivre et d'agir d'une manière digne des enfants de Dieu. Comme promis par Jésus, l'esprit nous conduit à la vérité de Dieu et renforce notre relation avec lui. Quel cadeau!

Prions pour la grâce du nouveau personnel dans la foi et l'amour. Que notre cœur se réchauffe dans la prière, que nous puissions grandir en vertu et que nous soyons renouvelés dans notre corps et notre cœur. Comme les apôtres, puissions-nous devenir des témoins intrépides et courageux de la vérité de l'Évangile.



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
Bernice Kaczmarski Gemmell

Tina Benoit
Wendy Fougere
Colleen Huskinson
Keith MacDonald
Doug McMahan
Rheal Poirier
Ed Serson
Leona Dawe

Blake Bond
Jim Golden
Carol Besserer
Joe MacDonald
Mary Nowak
Kathleen (O'Shell) Robbie
Roberta Tracanelli
Juliette Gravel

Roland Chouinard
Greg Grant
Betty Leschishin
Chris Marcotte
Vivian O'Bumsawin
Tammy Besserer
Denis Vallieres
Jeannette Gaydos

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