



## ST. DENIS Parish

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### Eucharistic Celebrations :

**Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 am – Larry Lapointe (Louis & Norma Ouellette)**

**Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup> - private mass for all parishioners and deceased faithful**

**Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> - 9:00 am – Deceased parishioners (anonymous)**

Sanctuary Lamp – this week: **Souls in Purgatory**

God's Share for May to date: \$1795.00 + \$25.00 loose + \$315.00 (DD) = **\$2,135.00**

God's Share (Year to Date): **\$9,893.15** 2019 - Year to Date: **\$8,357.65 BRAVO!**

Pope's Pastoral Works to date: **\$140.00**

<u>Ministries :</u>	<u>June 7<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>June 14<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>June 21<sup>st</sup></u>
Readers:	Annette Bernard	Lucille Dheilley	Marcel Dufault
Communion:	Paul Nguyen	Paul Nguyen	Paul Nguyen
Counters:	Jean & prtnr.	Raymond & prtnr.	Dorothée & prtnr.

### **Readings for Sunday: June 14, 2020**



Dt 8, 2-3. 14b-16a; Psalm 147 (147B) 12-13, 14-15, 19-20;  
1 Corinthians 16-17; John 6, 51-58

### **Monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus:**

Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 8:00 pm in the sacristy.

**June 7, 2020**

**Trinity Sunday (A)**

### **Words of Fr. Peter to parishioners of St. Claude and St. Denis**

Dear parishioners of St. Claude and St. Denis,

As of Friday, May 22, 2020, Manitoba's Chief Health Public Officer, Dr. Brent Roussin, has increased the limit on the size of indoor public gatherings to 25 people and 50 people for outdoor gatherings.

On May 29, 2020, I received the new directives from Archbishop LeGatt concerning the opening of churches and chapels as well as all safety measures to follow during the time of Covid-19. This guideline, the Liturgical Protocol No. IV has been shared with you along with our parish bulletin.

After discussing with some members of Parish Pastoral Council, we decided to celebrate the Sunday Mass outdoors in our two parishes from now on until further notices.

In St. Denis: at 9:00 Am: Outdoor Bilingual Mass in front of the church.

In St. Claude: at 11:00 Am: Outdoor Bilingual Mass under the trees at Eastside of the church.

*Please spread the news!*

### **Some important notes:**

- At this moment, we are allowed to have 49 parishioners + priest for outdoor Masses.
- If you do not feel healthy or you do not feel comfortable, please stay home.
- When attending the Mass, please bring a lawn chair with you. The parish will prepare chairs for those who do not have lawn chairs. You also can stay in your car, lower the windows to attend the Mass.
- I had prepared facemasks for you. For the common good of all, I ask you to sanitize hands, wear a mask and practice social distancing (2 meters or 6 feet apart) when attending the Mass.

### **Why outdoor Mass?**

- *Open space, fresh air, easier to keep social distancing.*
- *More people to attend the Mass (50 vs 25 indoor Mass)*
- *For indoor Mass, we must clean the church after each celebration.*
- *We are learning to adapt to this "new normal" together, so I am open to welcome all constructive ideas. This is just a trial. The pastoral council and I need more time to figure out how to best prepare for indoor Mass in the months ahead.*

I am excited to see you again this weekend. May the Lord keep you safe and healthy.

## Some announcements:

1, The Feast of St. Claude

Brothers and sisters,

June 6 is the Feast of St. Claude, the patron saint of parish and the village of St. Claude. After having had a meeting with the representative members of Syndics and Knights Columbus, we decided to celebrate the feast of our patron saint this Sunday, June 7. We invite all of you to share a simple brunch (hot dogs and drink) with us after the 11 AM outdoor Mass in St. Claude. The Knights of Columbus will be responsible for this celebration. Free will donations are welcomed!

*\*If the weather permits, we will be celebrating the Sunday Mass outdoors; If the weather does not cooperate, we will celebrate the Mass in the church, and the brunch will be at the back of the church or in drive-in style at the discretion of the Syndics. Please check the weather!*

*\*Remember that when we gather for any community activities, everyone is invited to comply with all safety measures for the common good of all.*

2, The celebration of the First Holy Communion for children in our parish is cancelled until we get back to normal, or a better situation for such an important event in the faith life of our children.

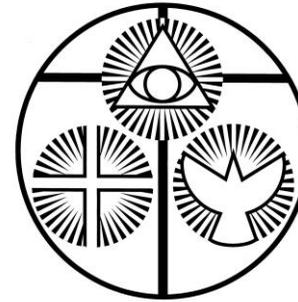
3, The annual retreat for priests of our diocese was cancelled due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Archbishop LeGatt asked all priests to arrange time for one week personal retreat according to the Canon Law. Therefore, I will be taking a week off for my personal retreat from Monday June 8 to Saturday June 13 in Albert Beach. In urgent cases, please call me at **1-204-952-4531**. During this week, I will be celebrating Mass privately. Daily Mass intention will be for all the departed faithful and parishioners of St. Claude and St. Denis. Mass stipends will be donated to the Knights of Columbus for charity purposes.

Please keep me in your prayers so that with the grace of God, I will remain faithful to serve you with all my heart while trying my best to become a shepherd according to Jesus' heart.

Fr. Peter Le

June 7, 2020

Trinity Sunday (A)



# The Trinity

As we celebrate the Holy Trinity, we delve into the mystery of God. Questions always arise: Who is God? Who are the three persons in God?

Theologians can and have provided answers as they offered their reflections based on the Scriptures. The tendency has been to produce highly sophisticated treatises with the result that it is sometimes difficult for ordinary people to comprehend. Many famous artists tried to represent the Trinity. The most classic depiction has been to present God the Father as an elderly man close to a crucified Son while the Holy Spirit hovers over the scene in the form of a dove. These depictions respect the rules imposed by Pope Benedict XIV in 1745. In principle, the artists' works are in accordance with the Scriptures. There are also unusual works such as the Trinitarian statues that can be seen in France in Rodez or Bezier. They depict an old man wearing a papal tiara representing the Father. Sitting on a throne, he holds a crucifix on his knees while a dove appears overhead. Our Oriental brothers and sisters have provided us with a symbol of our Triune God with the three mysterious visitors who welcomed Abraham and Sara at Mambre - a possible reference to the Holy Trinity. These ideas guided the monk Andrei Rublev to produce his beautiful icon of the Trinity that leads us not to the periphery of this mystery but to its heart.

The question remains: Who is this Trinitarian God? To answer, it is sometimes enough to refer to Scriptural references that can open our minds to the mystery. The liturgy of this Sunday cannot be more eloquent. The Book of Exodus shares with us Moses' confirmation that Yahweh is a tender and merciful God. The second letter to the Corinthians reminds us that early Christians, like us, have learned to understand the essentials of faith through liturgical formulas. St. Paul's salutations often open our celebrations and so eloquently describe the Trinitarian God: the Son is grace, the Father is love and the Spirit is communion. It can't be better explained! St. John said: *God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life* (Jn 3:16).

Returning to the Scriptures, we experience clarity. The veil is lifted on a living God, organic, graceful, loving and relational. We are not dealing with a cold, dogmatic definition or extravagant images.

May the grace of Jesus our Lord,  
The love of God the Father  
And the communion of the Holy Spirit  
Be with you all!

**Father Jacques Houle, c.s.v.**  
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