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Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, August 9th - 9:00 am – Jeffrey St. Germain (Marie-Rose Antoine)

Friday, August 14th – 9:00 am – Adoration and reconciliation

Mass in Haywood – 10:00 am – Rene Dedieu (funeral offering)

Recitation of the rosary – 5:30 pm - at the grotto in St. Claude

Mass at the grotto – 6:00 pm. – for the Good of the Earth (Fr. Peter)

Sunday, August 16th – 9:00 am – Alphonsine Di Nottia (Tognet)

(Gamby and Katopodis families)

Sanctuary Lamp – this week: **Victor & Marie-Ange Massinon**

God's Share: Aug. 2nd - \$370.00 (13) + \$5.00 (loose) + \$35.00 (DD) = **\$410.00**

Ministries:

	<u>August 9th</u>	<u>August 16th</u>	<u>August 23rd</u>
Readers:	Simone Lambert	Annette Bernard	Marcel Dufault
Counters:	Raymond & ptrnr.	Dorothee & ptrnr.	Maurice & ptrnr.

Readings for Sunday: August 2, 2020



Isaiah 56, 1.6-7

Ps 66 (67) 2-3, 5, 7-8

Romans 11, 13-15. 29-32

Matthew 15, 21-28

Prayer Intention for August, 2020

The Maritime World – We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Let us pray for our pastor, Fr. Peter.

Let us pray for all the members of our parishes who are sick and for our deceased faithful.

August 9, 2020

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary- Friday, August 14, 2020

The Church celebrates the feast of Assumption of Mary on August 15 yearly. This year the feast falls on Saturday. As we know, in our parish, we have the English Mass on Saturday evening. That is why we decided to celebrate the Vigil Mass of this feast on Friday, August 14th.

Invitation to everyone: Recitation of the Rosary at the grotto, weather permitting, at 5:30 p.m. followed by mass at 6:00 p.m. If weather is not cooperating, the celebration will be at the church. There will be a picnic (potluck) after the mass. Bring your lawn chair. Water bottles and juice will be supplied. We ask for volunteers to contribute to the celebration (liturgy, music and meal). Spread the word!

Meaning of the Assumption:

The feast of the Assumption celebrates both the death, resurrection, entrance to paradise and the crowning of the Virgin Mary.

The word comes from the assumption *assumere* Latin for takeoff. Mary was so "taken up to heaven" in body and soul. The use of the word marks the difference with the feast of the Ascension, which rises, and that relates to the elevation of Christ to heaven.

Mary holds a special place in the Catholic and Orthodox Christianity as she has agreed to be the mother of Christ, son of God. The Gospels evoke little of Mary, but she is considered the "servant" of Christ, a kind of disciple. She is well recognized as the first believer, the first to have placed her faith in Jesus.

Like Jesus Christ, Mary has followed the path of the human condition and thus did not escape death but has not committed any sin so she was immediately greeted in paradise. It thus illustrates the path promised to all believers. Having placed her faith in Christianity, she has received eternal life.

Weekday Mass:

In St. Claude: at 9 AM (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday) * Thursday afternoon: Eucharistic Adoration and Confession from 3PM to 4PM.

In St. Denis: Friday morning, 9AM – 10AM: Eucharistic Adoration and Confession; 10 AM: Holy Mass

Saturday Evening: 7:30PM Holy Rosary; 8 PM: Mass in English in St. Claude Church.

Sunday Mass:

+ In St. Denis: at 9:00 Am: Bilingual Mass in the church.

+ In St. Claude: at 11:00 Am: Mass in French in the church.

St-Claude Parish Office:

The new hours for the parish office will now be on **Friday from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm.**



Some important notes during the time of the Covid-19 pandemic:

- If you do not feel healthy or you do not feel comfortable, please stay home.
- 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.
- If possible, could you please bring your own disinfecting wipes to clean your place and surrounding. It helps!
- We had also prepared disinfecting wipes and garbage bins at the back of the church. We look for volunteers to clean the surfaces, the doorknobs before and after each liturgical celebration.

Brothers and sisters, we are blessed that we are safe so far in St. Claude and St. Denis-Haywood. We are complying with all safety measures to prevent the future outbreak of the Covid-19 in our community and for the common good of all. I appreciate your cooperation and your sacrifices!

Fr. Peter Le

YOUR COVID-19 FAQs

Q. *If a shut-in is okay with people coming in their home, can we bring Communion to them, or should we be more cautious and wait, as these shut-ins are elderly, but in their own apartments?*

A. First we must assure the meaning of “is ok”. If a person REQUESTS and asks for a person to come in so that they can receive communion, as is well and good, follow best practices, put on a mask, sanitize, and social distance to ensure safety. A person must DIRECTLY REQUEST A VISIT THEMSELVES, and not through another party. No person should feel forced into actions that they feel are unsafe. Another way to make our distribution of Holy Communion safer would be to take a page out of the practices being used by many nursing homes and having the visits outside in a garden, thus further lowering the danger to the recipient.

Prayer to Mary for growth in the « Light of Faith » (Pope Francis)

« Oh, Mary, help our faith! Open our hearts to the Word for us to recognize the voice of God and his call.

Awaken in us the desire to follow his steps, coming out of our world and welcoming his promise.

Help us to let ourselves be touched by his love so that we can touch him by faith.

Help us to trust fully in Him, to believe in His love, when our faith is called to ripen.

Sow in our faith the joy of the Risen One. Remember that he who believes in never alone. Teach us to look with the eyes of Jesus, for it to be light on our path.

And let this light of faith always grow in us until this day arrives without sunset, who is Christ Himself, your Son, our Lord! **Amen**



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Rough Seas

I have to admit, I don't have sea-legs. A pleasant rowboat ride can quickly turn into a frightening nightmare if the wind picks up and I spot gray clouds gathering on the horizon.



Our Church, sometimes referred to as St. Peter's Bark does not seem to be sailing on a calm sea. On the contrary, it is more often than not shaken by headwinds of indifference and inattention. We are far from the calm days and tranquility of peaceful years when Christianity was well established. Has the Lord abandoned the Church to her fate on rough seas?

The strong winds that cause many Christians to panic are not new situations. In the Gospel, we read that immediately after feeding the crowd in the desert, Jesus asked his disciples to get into a boat and head to the opposite shore. As the waves became increasingly threatening, the distraught passengers panicked.

After spending time in prayer on the mountain, Jesus walked on the water and approached his disciples. He said: *Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.* Jesus invited Peter to join him. Peter got out of the boat and started walking on the water. Then, fearing the strong wind, he began to sink. Jesus reached out and caught him. Christ said: *You of little faith, why did you doubt?* Immediately the wind died down. The disciples worshipped Christ and said: *Truly, you are the Son of God.*

As we face the strong headwinds that batter our Christian communities and our society, we must not wait to be overwhelmed before we ask the Lord for help. Despite our fragility and weakness, we can draw closer to Our Lord who will provide us with inner peace and ensure our hoped-for salvation.

Gilles Leblanc

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli