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Eucharistic Celebrations :

Sunday, August 18th - 9:00am – Rose Chapman (*August & Thérèse Debusschere*)

Friday, August 23rd – 9:00 – 10:00 am – Adoration and reconciliation

Mass at 10:00 – Raymond Syganiec (*Simone & André Lambert*)

Sunday, August 25th - 9:00am – Lucille Middleton (*Simone & André Lambert*)

Daily masses in St. Claude: *All are welcome!* Tuesday at 9:00 am in the Church.
Wednesday at 2:45 pm at the Pavillion, Thursday at 9:00 am at the Manor.

Sanctuary Lamp – this week: Rita Landriault (Antoine)

God's Share : Aug. 11th - \$345.00 (18) + \$15.00 loose + \$20.00 (dd) = \$380.00

Church Cleaning : Aug. 16th to Sept. 30th – Janice & Mona Souque.

<u>Ministries :</u>	<u>August 18th</u>	<u>August 25th</u>	<u>September 1st</u>
Readers:	Judith Robidoux	Mona Souque	Annette Bernard
Offerings & Collection:	Gérald Poirier & Guy Dedieu	Raymond Souque family	Raymond Massinon family
Communion:	Judith Robidoux	Lucille Dheilley	Judith Robidoux
Counters:	Lucille & prtnr.	Denise & prtnr.	Eugene & prtnr.

Donations: All donations made to the cemetery or to the tree cutting project are non-taxable to the diocese, therefore all the money stays in the parish. Your donation is added to your tax receipt at the end of the year. **Your support is greatly appreciated.**

20th Sunday in Ordinary Times (C) - August 18th, 2019

Prayer Intention for August 2019

For our pastor, Fr. Peter Le: may his example among us be an inspiration of vocations to our young parishioners.

For our families, our friends and our work colleagues.

For the good of the earth, so we have favorable weather for our crops.

For our enemies and the forgiveness we give with humility.

For the sick and deceased of our community and those who are grieving.



Special Meeting: A meeting is being called to reorganize the funeral account management. This includes those who help with funeral lunches and the Haywood Community Hall Committee. The meeting will take place on **Wed. Aug. 21, 2019 at the Accueil d'Age d'Or at 8:00 P.M.**

We recommend to your prayers : Mr. Ernest Montsion, who died Wednesday, August 9th 2019 at the age of 96 years. His funeral will be held on Tuesday, August 20th 2019 at 2:00 pm in the St. Denis church (eulogy and video at 1:30 pm). Our condolences go out to his family, as well as relatives and friends who are grieving.

We recommend to your prayers : Mr. Raymond Syganiec, who died Saturday, August 10th 2019 at the age of 62 years. As per Raymond's wishes, a private family service will be held. Our condolences go out to his family, as well as relatives and friends who are grieving.

Sacrament of the Sick: (The anointing of the sick)

The purpose of the sacrament of the sick is to give special help to a Christian faced with the difficulties of a serious illness or old age. The Christian can receive the sacrament of the sick whenever he has a serious illness. It is the sacrament of the presence of the Lord with us in the moments of trial that are sickness or old age. The celebration of this sacrament consists in the laying of the hands of the priest and in the anointing of the Holy Oil of Chrism on the forehead and on the palms of the hands of the sick. Consecrated by the bishop during the annual Chrism Mass, the Holy Oil of Chrism brings strength and gentleness to the sick. It penetrates the skin, spreads its good smell, and strengthens the body.

With the laying of the hands, the anointing recalls the attention and tenderness of Jesus Christ toward sick people. One must not wait for a person to be on "his deathbed" before giving him this sacrament. In case of emergency, please contact the parish office at 204-379-2434 or Fr. Peter at 204-952-4531.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Beginning this week parishioners will have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation on Fridays between 9:00 am and 10:00 am in the church during the hour of adoration.

Meeting with the St-Denis Residents:

Fr. Peter would love to meet the residents of St-Denis as soon as possible. During the month of August, he will make visits and give communion to patients on Friday mornings between 10:30 and noon. Let us be welcoming.

Day off for Fr. Peter:

Fr. Peter takes leave on Mondays. He will celebrate Mass privately on these days.

Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage at the Grotto of Notre Dame de Lourdes in St. Malo – August 18, 2019

English Mass will be held at 9AM (French Mass: 11AM). Confession before both masses. Followed by breakfast served by the K of C (Free will offering). *View poster on bulletin board.*

Marriage Tip: August 18, 2019

“My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all”. (Jn 10:29). God has placed us in the care of Christ: pray with your spouse to place your hardships in his hands.

Stewardship Reflexion – August 18, 2019 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*“Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth?
No, I tell you, but rather division.” (Luke 12:51)*

Living a stewardship lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today's world we are called to be informed and take a stance for life, marriage and religious liberty.

Prayer of an electric wire – Author unknown

Lord, I am the wire, You are the socket.

As long as I stay connected to You,
a stream of love flows in me;
but as soon as I cut You off,
I am a dead wire, without any utility.

Help the little wire that I am
to light a lot of lamps

and to flood with light
the darkened hearts.

Allow that I warm cold hearts,
that I pierce hard hearts
and that I feed the hungry hearts of You.

Lord, plug my little wire
at the heart of everyone I meet today,
in order to make the flow of love pass through them,
the voltage of hope,
and the amperage of charity.
Amen.



Challenges

In today's Gospel Christ said to his disciples that he had come to bring fire to the earth, division rather than peace, and a baptism with exacting expectations. These words describe an upsetting scenario, the antithesis of his mission that Christ had announced in the synagogue of Nazareth: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor* (Lk 4:18-19).



These remarks give rise to many questions. In the early chapters of St. Luke's Gospel, we find some clues to the meaning of Jesus' problematic words. According to the elderly Simeon, Jesus will bring about the fall and revival of many in Israel and he will be a sign of division (Lk 2:34). John the Baptist announced that the Messiah will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire (Lk 3:16). In the Acts of the Apostles, the gift of the Holy Spirit was manifested by tongues of fire that appeared over the apostles. In Acts 10:44-48, the Spirit inspired the members of Centurion Cornelius' family, who after hearing Peter preach immediately asked to be baptized. In both cases, we read that John the Baptist announced a Baptism of the Holy Spirit and fire. This is the fire that Jesus wants to bring to the earth, to humanity. Fire that purifies evil, and guides people on their spiritual quests, warms hearts, and encourages their commitment to proclaim the Good News of Christ.

Jesus' baptism was the beginning of his mission which led to his martyrdom, passion and ultimately his death. In these readings, we learn of the sufferings endured by the first generations of Christians and their persecutions by the religious and civil authorities. The disciples, especially the converted Jews, were regarded as a heretical group. The Roman authorities considered them followers of a new religion. There were also family divisions which this new faith created, a kind of intergenerational conflict. We were therefore far from the hope for peace with the Messiah, the Prince of Peace, as proclaimed by Isaiah (Is 9:5).

Jesus' words did not leave us indifferent. We must be aware of the consequences of our decision to follow Christ. Even today, Christians are victims of persecution, rejection and exclusion. Against all odds, we, as disciples, are called to be peacemakers and strive for harmony while respecting diversity, through our individual contributions and by building a home for humanity.

Yves Guillemette, priest

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli