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Eucharistic Celebrations :

Sunday, **Sept. 1st - 9:00am** – Blanche Souque (*funeral collection*)

Friday, **Sept 6th – 9:00 – 10:00 am** – Adoration and reconciliation
Mass at **10:00** – Juliette Ellchuk (*la famille Dheilly*)

Sunday, **Sept 8th - 9:00am** – **Special Intentions** (*a parishioner*)

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: **Cécile & Albert Furet**

God's Share : Aug. 25th - **\$285.00** (15) + **\$2.10** loose + **\$160.00** (dd) = **\$447.10**

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

<u>Ministries :</u>	<u>September 1st</u>	<u>September 8th</u>	<u>September 15th</u>
Readers:	Annette Bernard	Lucille Dheilly	Janice Souque
Offerings & Collection:	Raymond Massinon family	Eugene Bazin & Albert Furet	Jean Souque family
Communion:	Judith Robidoux	Lucille Dheilly	Michelle Dheilly
Counters:	Jean & prtnr.	Eugene & prtnr.	Raymond & prtnr.

St. Claude Community Fowl Supper – Sunday, September 8, 2019

St. Claude Community Centre from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Adults - \$15; 6 to 12 years - \$5; 5 years and under – Free



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Prayer Intention for September, 2019

The Protection of the Oceans - That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

For our pastor, Fr. Peter Le: may he, by his example and his faith, inspire our youth towards a vocation in the priesthood

For all students and staff members: may they be aware of the importance of knowing God and seeking His presence in their religious and academic education.

Meeting of the PPC: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the St. Claude sacristy.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Parishioners will have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation on Fridays between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. during the hour of adoration in the church. If you see the light on, at the confessional Fr. Peter is there; come and reconcile with God.

The Effects of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation:

The whole power of the sacrament of Penance consists in restoring us to God's grace and joining us with him in an intimate friendship. *Reconciliation with God* is thus the purpose and effect of this sacrament. For those who receive the sacrament of Penance with contrite heart and religious disposition, reconciliation 'is usually followed by peace and serenity of conscience with strong spiritual consolation.' Indeed, the sacrament of Reconciliation with God brings about a true 'spiritual resurrection', restoration of the dignity and blessings of the life of the children of God, or which the most precious is friendship with God.

This sacrament reconciles us with the Church. Sin damages or even breaks fraternal communion. The sacrament of Penance repairs or restores it. In this sense it does not simply heal the one restored to ecclesial communion but has also a revitalizing effect on the life of the Church which suffered from the sin of one of her members. (*Ref. CCC # 1468 and 1469*)

Beginning of the New School Year:

Dear Students: School days are back! New courses, new teachers, new exams: many challenges await you. And what if you plan this school year to be the best? To prepare and begin this new year, here is a word of advice.

Place this school year in the hands of God.

Our God is the God of success! He wishes your success more than anything in the world. This is why you must place your schooling in the hands of the Lord, even before you begin.

Pray for your courses, your teachers, your intellectual abilities and your intelligence! Make commitments to Him and make sure to keep them until the end of the year. (*Source: Christian Lifestyle*)

Dear Parents,

It is important that your children receive a religious education first at home, and then reinforced throughout their school years and the rest of their life. Please see the following invitation to the sacrament preparation and register your child for the parish catechesis, planned to begin in early October.

CATECHISM AND PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION:

The parents of the Saint-Claude and Saint-Denis parishes who wish to undertake the catechism and preparation of their children for the sacrament of first Reconciliation (7-8 years of age or Grade 2), first Communion (8-9 year of age or Grade 3) or Confirmation (11-12 year of age or Grade 6 or more) are invited to contact La Paroisse de Saint-Claude (204-379-2434) during office hours or Fr. Peter at 204-952-4531.

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.

Meeting with the St-Denis Residents:

Fr. Peter would love to meet the residents of St-Denis. He will make visits and give communion to patients on Friday mornings between 10:30 and noon as well as in the afternoon. Let us be welcoming. Give the parish a call if you wish to receive communion.

Day off for Fr. Peter:

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

Marriage Tip: September 1st, 2019

Spouses often find that they have settled into a comfortable lifestyle. But routines can get boring. Try something new together this week, such as a new food, recreation, or book.

Stewardship Reflexion – September 1st, 2019 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." (Luke 14:13-14)

We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity, we often want something in return – a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to play golf or our name in print. Yet, as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for our giving awaits us in heaven.

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Investing in Eternity

At this time of year, activities resume their normal rhythm and we pay more attention to our relationships. We want productive teams and stable associations, yet this may impose some limits on our spontaneity. We skillfully play our cards according to what we think the future will bring. It is wise to live with foresight and carefully weigh our interpersonal relationships. It is a mature way to proceed and helps maintain a peaceful climate in our living space. Yet if all our words and actions are calculated, life could become toxic. Without spontaneity, calculation infiltrates everything and there is little point in building purely utilitarian relationships. The joy and the magic of existence disappear when a return on our investments is the only guide that we choose.

These reflections on our relationships make it possible to appreciate the revolution proposed by Christ two millennia ago. The norms Christ followed were those of a rural society dealing with scarcity and which was highly suspicious of all gratuities. Riveted to their plot of land or their fishing area, Jesus' contemporaries had to calculate every move. Any generosity received would expect repayment. Even marriages were economic pacts between families. There was no such thing as alliances based on preferences!

In the context of yesteryear, the seating at a festive meal indicated the importance in which the invitee was held. Each place reflected the level of honor accorded by the host to his guest. People would have checked to see if their assigned places suited their station in life. Jesus gave good advice when he pointed out the potential embarrassment of overestimating one's personal value, and the shaming when asked to move to a less desirable place. It would be preferable to be put in the spotlight by the host by being escorted to a more prestigious place in front of all the guests.

Jesus' flawless technique reflected the wisdom of his day. On the other hand, Jesus' proposal for the person who invited him is simply revolutionary. Jesus challenged the system of giving purely to be reimbursed. In a situation of scarcity, it's utopian. Finding happiness by giving something to people who cannot return the favor was a unique idea. Yet Christ's comments say much about God's generosity and opens up perspectives for eternity.

Before resuming our fall routines, remember the times when you received something from someone else for free. The best way to emulate the Gospel message today is to share your own generosity and not expect repayment. Living this Gospel message requires a good deal of trust in God. It is a good investment because God is the Source of all Generosity.

Alain Faucher, priest

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