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Eucharistic Celebrations :

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

Friday, **Sept 13th – No adoration or mass this week** due to the funeral in St. Claude of Mrs. Rose Bruneau at 2:00 pm.

Sunday, **Sept. 15th - 9:00am – Jean deRocquigny (Margaret & family)**

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: **Students returning to class**

God's Share : Sept. 1st - **\$335.00 (17) + \$0.00 loose + \$20.00 (dd) = \$355.00**

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

| <u>Ministries :</u> | <u>September 8th</u> | <u>September 15th</u> | <u>September 22nd</u> |
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| Readers: | Lucille Dheilly | Janice Souque | Judith Robidoux |
| Offerings & Collection: | Eugene Bazin & Albert Furet | Jean Souque family | Marcel Dheilly family |
| Communion: | Lucille Dheilly | Michelle Dheilly | Judith Robidoux |
| Counters: | Eugene & prtnr. | Raymond & prtnr. | Dorothée & prtnr. |

Gluten-Free Hosts: As you have noticed last Sunday, we now have gluten-free hosts for those who may be affected by gluten. These hosts are individually wrapped in plastic and must be opened and consumed before the communion minister.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Times (C) - September 8th, 2019

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.

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.



Monthly meeting of the Knights of Columbus: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. in the sacristy in St. Claude.

Let us keep a thought in our prayers for: Mrs. Rose Bruneau (née Lavoie), who passed away at the St. Claude Health Centre on Saturday, August 31, 2019 at the age of 96 years. **The funeral mass will be held on Friday, September 13, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. preceded by the rosary at 2:00 p.m. in St. Claude.** Our condolences go out to her family and friends who are grieving.

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.**

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.

Baptismal Preparation Sessions:

You are expecting a child or want your child to be baptized? You know a family who is expecting or who would like their child to be baptized? If so, the parish asks the families who want to have a child baptized to follow 3 baptismal preparation sessions prior to baptism. For more information please contact the parish office at 204-379-2434 or Fr. Peter at 204-952-4531.

**!!! Reserve the date: Sunday, October 6, 2019 –
Installation of Fr. Peter in the St. Denis Parish at the 9:00 a.m. Mass**

Marriages: Steps to Prepare Your Christian Marriage

Contact your parish **8 to 10 months before your planned wedding date**. Thus, you will be able to meet the priest or the Parish Life Director to begin concretizing your project. During this first meeting:

1. You will be informed about the different marriage preparation sessions. You will be asked to attend one of these sessions before your wedding. You choose the form that suits you best. However, book early as space is limited, and you are not the only ones to get married especially during the summer!
2. Bring your baptismal certificates. They must have been issued in the last six months. You may have to bring them from the parish where you were baptized.
3. Plan at least three possible dates for your wedding. It may happen that the celebrant or church is not available on the date of your first choice.
4. If the celebration takes place in a parish other than the one where you reside, you must ask the written authorization of the parish priest of your parish. It's just a request to the parish office.
5. Shortly before the wedding, you will be invited to a special meeting for the prenuptial inquiry.
6. Finally, you will meet the priest or deacon to prepare for the celebration of your wedding.

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)

Mass for Widows and Widowers – October 27, 2019

Please join us for this year's Archdiocesan Mass for Widows and Widowers, October 27 from 3PM to 4:30PM at St. Boniface Cathedral. All are invited to joins us for this Mass of consolation and healing. Friends and family are welcome!

Archbishop LeGatt will preside and offer a special blessing for this stage of life. For more information: Diocesan Commission for the Promotion of Vocations 204-918-9431 or jvgab@mts.net .

Marriage Tips

Adventurous dates are unpredictable; they provide the opportunity for couples to trust each other more, to embrace the uncertainty of their adventure, and to bond overall. Plan an adventurous date with your spouse!

Taking Time to Reflect

As we all know, some expressions can make us laugh...Here are two examples: "I'm all thumbs"... and "That will cost an arm and a leg"...They cannot be interpreted literally, but we understand what they mean.

Take the original Hebrew expression: *Whoever comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even their life itself, cannot be my disciple* (Lk 14:26). This expression is not promoting hatred, but an important detachment. I appreciate a current translation: "If someone comes to me without preferring me to his father, his mother - he cannot be my disciple". It can be interpreted as a reasonable response to accommodation and relationships and we understand what Jesus means. Christ is serious about commitment!

In practice, Christ has issued a wake-up call to make significant decisions. We know that Saint Peter had a wife and mother-in-law. He understood the complexity of Jesus' words, just as we do.

Choosing Jesus means opting for true and inner freedom that has nothing in common with the apparent superficiality of life.

We should be proud and never forget that we belong to Christ and that through Him, we experience our most fulfilling existence. We are open to others, to the most vulnerable people, to those who are rejected and damaged by life.

It may seem hard to believe, but Jesus came to transform people into divine beings! While this may seem unfeasible even to consider, nothing is impossible for God! This is the great mystery of God's encounter with human beings by, with, and in his Son Jesus.

Jesus speaks to all of us, whether we are rich or poor, strong or weak, perfect specimens or challenged. What matters is the extent that we are willing to follow Jesus.

We should reflect on whether it is worthwhile to climb into Jesus' boat. Is following him as his disciple worth a few renunciations? While we read this text, remember that we count in God's eyes. As we celebrate Communion, we remember that we *are* God's Temple.



Yvon Cousineau, c.s.c.

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli