

ST. DENIS Roman Catholic Parish

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Our Mission Statement: LOVE GOD, LOVE OTHERS, TRAIN DISCIPLES

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, Aug. 12th - 9:00 am - Rita Landriault (Marie Rose Antoine)

Sunday, Aug. 19th - 9:00am - Gisèle Souque (Simone & André Lambert)

Sunday, Aug. 26th - 9:00 am - Rose Chapman (Thérèse & August Debusscchere)

<u>Sanctuary Lamp this week</u>: For a plentiful harvest.

<u>God's Share:</u> Aug. 5^{th} - \$350.00 (14) + \$19.00 loose + \$20.00 (dd) = \$389.00

Church Cleaning: August 16th to September 30th – Janice & Mona Souque

Ministries: August 12th August 19th August 26th Janice Souque Readers: Marcel Dufault Judith Robidoux **Raymond Massinon** Jean Souque Offerings & Gérald Poirier & Collection: Guy Dedieu family family Deacon Peter Communion: Deacon Peter Deacon Peter Eugene & prtnr. Raymond & Prtnr. Counters: Jean & prtnr.



Readings for Sunday, August 19, 2018

Proverbs 9.1-6; Psalm 34.1-2, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (R.8)

Ephesians 5.15-20; John 6.51-58

Pope's Prayer Intentions for the Month of August, 2018

Universal: For economic and political decisions to protect families as a treasure of humanity.

Let us pray for all the sick members of our community!

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

August 12th, 2018

Feast of the Assumption of Mary: Wednesday, August 15, 2018

In celebration of the Assumption of Mary, there will be a mass and prayers at the grotto (PR 240 & Taché) on Wednesday, August 15, 2108 at 4:00 p.m. followed by a BBQ supper at 5:00 p.m. - \$7.00 and music entertainment at 6:00 p.m. Please bring your lawn chair. In case of rain, it will be held at the Pavilion. Everyone is welcome.

"Angel Dresses" Project

Do you remember "Angel Dresses"? They are dresses or wraps, for boys or girls, or small shawls made for families in mourning of a premature child or a stillborn baby of full or incomplete term. They are made from used wedding dresses or other women's ceremonial clothes. These little dresses are given to bring comfort to the bereaved families of their baby, allowing them to clothe him for a last photo and the burial service.



Since I found several new volunteer seamstresses, they have sewn more than 100 dresses since 2017. Many were donated to hospitals and funeral homes. I continue to collect used dresses or formal wear for this purpose.

We are here to help families in need. Welcome to *Manitoba Angel Dresses*, the home of where volunteers lovingly create beautiful angel items from donated bridal and bridesmaid gowns. Our vision and mission are to ease the stress on a grieving family by providing the family with a beautiful item lovingly created in which to clothe their precious Angel.

All Angel items from *Manitoba Angel Dresses* are gifted to grieving families. We have a group of ladies from St. Claude, Haywood, Holland, Cypress who are helping in making these Angel items. Funeral homes and hospitals in the surrounding areas have received packages to give to families. Each package includes a bonnet for girls or a hat for boys, an Angel outfit and a blanket.

If you would like to help in any way, like donations of dresses, lace, appliqués, etc. to make these outfits, it would be greatly appreciated. We also accept money donations with a tax receipt available. For more information on the project, or if you would like to give your time, do not hesitate to call me at 204-379-2519.

Jacqueline Bazin

Tax receipts for Shawls of Compassion or Angel Dresses

All donations received by St. Denis Parish for these projects are included on your year-end tax receipt and monies are used by our seamstresses in Haywood primarily.

Community Event: "Les Familles de Saint-Claude Families"



An 800 page book in English & French about families in the St. Claude area from 1892-2016. Available November 2018. Send advance orders & prepayment of \$55.00 per book before August 15, 2018 to Box 131, St. Claude, MB R0G 1Z0. If you do not have an order form contact Liliane at glber@inetlink.ca 204-379-2587 or (cell) 204-745-0616

Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage in St. Malo - Sunday, August 19, 2018

The annual diocesan pilgrimage at the grotto of 'Notre Dame de Lourdes' will be held in St. Malo on Sunday, August 19, 2018. Mass will be celebrated, at the grotto site, in **English at 9 AM** (with institution to the ministry of lector of Paul Nguyen diocesan seminarian) and in **French at 11 AM** (with admission to candidacy for ordination as deacon and priest, of Serge Buissé, diocesan seminarian). Both masses will be presided by Archbishop Albert LeGatt. This year there will be Veneration of the Missionary Cross (sign of evangelization in The Americas): 9 AM - 3 PM. Confessions will take place, on site, before each mass; there will be one hour of adoration at 2 PM. On site: breakfast at 10 AM and lunch at 12 noon served by the Knights of Columbus. Free will offering.

Annual Marian Eucharistic Conference – Weekend of August 24, 25 & 26, 2018

Discover the relevance of faith in today's world and experience a renewed love for the Catholic church. Conference speakers include various priests who are renowned speakers. This conference will be held Friday, August 24 to Sunday, August 26, Fairmont Hotel, 2 Lombard Place, Winnipeg, MB. Registration is advised. Archbishop Richard Gagnon, Archdiocese of Winnipeg will be presiding the Opening Mass on Friday, August 24th at 3:30 PM. For more information

View website: www.marianconference.com/index.html.

Marriage Tip:

Pray together daily, listen to each other and wait to respond until ;the other is finished speaking.

Stewardship Reflexion – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 5, 2018

"Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!." 1 Kings 19:7

Jesus knows that our stewardship journey will be difficult; we are not designed to do it on our own. Fortunately, Jesus gave us the greatest gift of all – the gift of the Eucharist; His own body and blood. When we join our sacrifices with the sacrifice of the mass, we find the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

Thought of the Week: Is the bread of the Eucharist not a great gift from heaven? It is Christ Himself who gives it. Through this bread, he makes himself present at the heart of our daily life, our meetings, events and realities. And this bread, it provides eternal life.

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Food for Life: Don't miss this opportunity!



In the first reading, an angel brings food to Elijah and says to him: *Get up and eat!*

In the Gospel, we read: *Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'* (Jn 6:4). That was the crowd's reaction to Christ's words.

Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father... I am the bread of life ... Whoever eats of this bread will live forever... The bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh (Jn 6:47-51).

There was a dialogue between Christ and the crowd: their questions and his answers but it was not an exchange. The crowd only whispered and objected but didn't pursue the conversation. They repeatedly pointed out that he was the son of Joseph, the carpenter.

People want to have answers: they do not want to remain on the outskirts of faith. How would you react if an acquaintance made similar statements concerning the *bread of life*, or *words to believe*, and *this bread of life is Christ's flesh?* Jesus spoke about the *bread of life*, about the *Word that is his flesh*. God was revealed in broad daylight! People found Jesus' words difficult to comprehend. Christ referred to himself as bread, the *Bread of Life* that would feed humanity.

The crowd also questioned Jesus' divine origin. Wasn't he the son of Joseph, the carpenter? The crowd wanted answers. This situation reminds us of the Hebrews' acceptance of the gift of manna in Exodus Chapter 16, bread from heaven that enabled them to survive. Similarly, the crowd in St. John's Gospel was not curious about this *Bread* and where this mysterious nourishment came from. They were not ready to listen.

The gift of manna that fed the Hebrews in the desert was readily accepted. The multiplication of the loaves that fed the crowds was similar, yet the crowd did not grasp the significance. They had eaten their fill and were not interested in hearing about bread from heaven. They asked: *How can this man give us his flesh to eat?* Their hunger had been satisfied. They were not ready to listen or attempt to understand. They moved on to their next preoccupations.

When we are open to Christ's teachings, we already acknowledge the Bread that will provide true nourishment. Jesus is the *Word made flesh*. The miracle of the multiplication of the loaves reminded us of the manna from heaven in Exodus. As with Elijah in the Book of Kings, we need to be nourished and strengthened to continue on our life-long journey. Jesus is the Mich Bread we need to sustain us.

Yvon Cousineau, c.s.c.