

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

May the peace of the Lord be with you during these days of snowstorm!

I am sharing with you some announcements regarding our parish's pastoral life as follows:

1. Paschal Triduum Celebrations

We do not cancel the Sacred Paschal Triduum celebrations. Those who are living in town are encouraged to walk to the church for these most important celebrations of the liturgical year. *It is yours to decide but safety first!

- **Holy Thursday: the Mass of the Lord's Supper will be live-streamed at 7Pm from St. Claude, for those who can't go to church due to the inclement weather.**
- **Holy Friday: the Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Way of the Cross will be live-streamed at 3 Pm from Haywood as scheduled. (Or from St. Claude depending on road conditions). Please note that Holy Friday is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat.**
- **Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday: We hope that we can celebrate the joy of Easter as snow tapers. Easter Vigil will be live-streamed from St. Claude at 9pm. Easter Sunday Mass in St. Claude at 11 am. Please note that Easter Sunday Mass in Haywood at 9am will be live-streamed.**

***FASTING on Good Friday:**

+Ages 18 – 59

+ One regular meal plus two small meal (the two small meals combined should not equal a full meal.

***ABSTINENCE:**

Canon law # 1252 : *The law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year. The law of fasting binds those who have attained their majority, until the beginning of their sixtieth year. Pastors of souls and parents are to ensure that even those who by reason of their age are not bound by the law of fasting and abstinence, are taught the true meaning of penance.*

Canon law # 1253: *The conference of bishops can determine more precisely the observance of fast and abstinence as well as substitute other forms of penance, especially works of charity and exercises of piety, in whole or in part, for abstinence and fast.*

- **Simply put, everyone after age 14 is bound to observe the law of abstinence.**

In accordance with the prescriptions of canon law #1253, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops decrees that the days of fast and abstinence in Canada are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fridays (year round) are days of abstinence, but Catholics can substitute special acts of charity or piety on this day.

2, Upcoming pastoral activities:

+ Saturday Evening Mass – as of April 23rd, Saturday evening mass will begin at 8:00 pm.

+ Special Annual Meeting of the Accueil d'Âge d'Or in Haywood – Thursday, April 28th at 7:30 pm at the Club to discuss the future of the club. Everyone is welcome!

+ Celebration of life for Mr. Hugh Green will take place on Saturday, April 30th at 2:00 pm in St. Claude. Everyone is welcome!

+ Candlelight Memorial Service – on Sunday, May 1st, 2022 at 2:00 pm. in St. Claude for deceased members of the St. Claude & Haywood area in 2020 – 2021. Everyone is welcome. This is a non-denominational service. Come and share with us in a time of remembrance. The service will be followed with light refreshments and a time of fellowship. The event will be live-streamed on Adam's Funeral home website.

3. Eucharistic Celebrations: St. Claude – Haywood - Pavilion

Sat. Apr. 16th 9:00 pm EASTER VIGIL +Parishioners-Fr. Peter
+ Frank Bennet – Godelieve Bennet

Sun. Apr. 17th 9:00 am H + Parishioners – Fr. Peter
+ Victorine & Antoine Dequier – Marcel & Dorothée Dequier

Sun. Apr. 17th 11:00 am + Parishioners – Fr. Peter
+ Robert Chapellaz – Odette Chapellaz

Mon. Apr. 18th private + All souls – Father Peter

Tue. Apr. 19th 9:00 am+ Intention spéciale – Lucille Bazin

Wed. Apr. 20th 2:30 pm P+ Denis LeRoux – Yvonne LeRoux

Thu. Apr. 21st 2:30 pm + Eucharistic adoration & confession

Mass 3:30 pm + Denise & Félix LeFloch – George & Elaine LeFloch

Fri. Apr. 22nd 9:00 am H + Eucharistic adoration & confession

Mass 10:00 am + Paul Dedieu – funeral offerings

Sat. Apr. 23rd 8:00 pm + Parishioners – Fr. Peter

+ Louis, Yvette, Donald, Linda, Robert Chapellaz – Paulette Jobin

Sun. Apr. 24th 9:00 am H + Parishioners – Father Peter

+ Marcel Dufault – funeral offerings

Sun. Apr. 24th 11:00 am + Parishioners – Fr. Peter

+ George & Fernand Lesage – Alice Lesage & famille

*** Ringing of Church Bells:** In our two parishes, we will ring church bells at noon on Easter Sunday to express the joy of Easter, and to express our gratitude to all frontline workers who dedicate themselves for the service of many people during the pandemic. We are invited to show our deep appreciation for all these people and pray for them.

In addition, I encourage you to pray the Holy Rosary, the Divine Mercy for an end to the pandemic, for peace in the world, and for the conversion of heart of all Christians, especially the loved ones in our parishes.

I wish you a blessed and grace-filled Holy Week and Happy Easter to all of you!

Fr. Peter Le