

### ST. DENIS Parish

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#### Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am - Madeleine Lachapelle (funeral collection)

Sunday, **August 11<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am - Marie Thérèse Wilcott** (Cécile & Albert Furet)

Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am –Rose Chapman (August & Thérèse Debusschere)

<u>Sanctuary Lamp - this week:</u> Janice & Jean Souque

<u>God's Share:</u> July  $28^{th}$  - \$298.00 (19) + \$25.00 loose + \$160.00 (dd) = \$483.00

<u>Church Cleaning</u>: July 1<sup>st</sup> to Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> – Yvonne Dequier & Doris Rey.

Ministries:	August 4 <sup>th</sup>	August 11 <sup>th</sup>	August 18 <sup>th</sup>
Readers:	Lucille Dheilly	Janice Souque	Judith Robidoux
Offerings &	Marcel Dequier	Jean Souque	Gérald Poirier &
Collection:	family	family	Guy Dedieu
Communion:	Lucille Dheilly	Yvonne Bazin	Judith Robidoux
Counters:	Maurice & prtnr.	Annette & prtnr.	Lucille & prtnr.

Hall Chairs For Sale: Haywood Community Hall has purchased new chairs for the Hall and have the old chairs for sale. \$3 each. Cash and carry. Contact Raymond Massinon @ 379-2613 or Judith Robidoux @ 379-2192 OR 745-7406 (cell) to arrange pickup. Thank you.

The tree cutting is completed. Now comes the task of cleaning up and ultimately paying the bill which will be substantial. If you can help in this regard, donations are certainly welcome for either the church yard or the cemetery. Hope you like the new look.

#### 18th Sunday in Ordinary Times (C) - August 4th, 2019

#### Prayer Intention for August 2019

For Father Peter Le, so that God will pour his graces upon him in his ministry.

For the good of the earth; necessary temperatures for our crops.

For our families, our parishes and our parishioners.

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

#### Dear Father Peter,

Today, we have the joy of welcoming our new priest, Fr. Peter Le, in his new pastoral mandate as pastor of the St-Claude and St-Denis parishes.

Fr. Peter, we wish you the warmest welcome and the assurance of our cooperation. We want the fruit of our mutual labour to bring equitable decisions to all our parishioners.

On this first weekend of August 2019, all of us are happy to welcome you and to celebrate with joy your first Mass in your first parish. We are honored and blessed with a brand-new priest!

May the Lord accompany you in your pastoral mission in our respective communities and may your ministry among us bring you grace and happiness and be most rewarding for you.

Denise Danais, former Parish Life Director

#### Important Detail Concerning Funerals:

It has been a few years since we were without a resident priest. From now on, we will have certain things to revise in our routines. One important detail concerns funeral preparations. Without a priest, it was the job of the parish leadership to find a substitute celebrant. It is not up to family members or the funeral home to take on this task. The parish priest is the one to officiate at the funeral unless he is unavailable for certain reasons. Out of respect for him, he is the designated person. If the families wish to have the presence of a priest friend or relative, with the permission of the parish priest, he may concelebrate at the funeral.

We ask the parishioners to adhere to this detail. Thank you for your understanding and your cooperation. For more information, please contact the parish office.

#### **Invitation from Fr. John:**

Fr. John invites anyone who would like to pick raspberries from his garden at the monastery in Holland.

#### Thought of the Day:

If we practice seeing with the eyes of Jesus, we will always be able to recognize those who need our help. (*Pope Francis*)



#### Marriage Tip:

Finances aren't always fun, but they can be! Take a date night to look at the budget and share some dreams. End it with a favorite dessert.

## 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.* 

#### Stewardship Reflexion – August 4, 2019 – 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." (Luke 12:15)

The Gospel message today is contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our

lives. He challenges us to not hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle and bedome more "other-centered" and less "self-centered."

#### I prayed for you today

I recited a prayer for you today and I know that God must have heard it. I felt his answer in my heart even if he did not express it to me with words.

I did not ask him to bring you
wealth and glory,
I knew it did not matter to you.
I asked him for other rare and priceless treasures
which are more durable than power.

I asked him to be near you at the beginning of each new day in order to bless you and give you health, as well as friends to share your life.

I asked him to let you know happiness in all things, small and large, but I especially prayed for him to grant you His infinite love.

(Unknown author)

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# Accumulating wealth... for what purpose?

How many people are happy with their present circumstances? How would we answer this survey question: What else would you like to have? I think some of us would respond with a 100% salary increase – others maybe 25%, or even 10%. How many people would say: I have enough; I do not need anything else? Paradoxically, it is probably the wealthiest people who



would ask for more. I have remarked that wealth exacerbates our desires. Our *needs* can become unlimited, especially when it comes to luxury and prestige: jewelry, travel, cars, homes, etc.

St. Luke's gospel tells us about a situation involving a man and his brother who are at odds over an inheritance. They ask Jesus to intervene and this request really annoys Him. *Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?* (Lk 12:14). Then Jesus tells them the parable of a rich man, already overwhelmed by his wealth, whose intention was to build even bigger granaries to store his goods. The sky was the limit!

Jesus asks the crowd why a person's desire would only be to amass wealth. What would be the purpose? Is devoting our lives to accumulating wealth really a legitimate ambition? This is debatable. Jesus makes a distinction between a desire for wealth and storing up treasures with God. Living a good life can be our aspiration.

A focus on accruing wealth involves thinking constantly and only of ourselves. It becomes an end in itself. On the other hand, if our desire is to be *wealthy* in God's sight, it involves more than making donations to a Temple or Church. It means working to bring about the Kingdom of God through justice and sharing, considering others' needs, beginning with the poorest, and acting accordingly to better their lives. This focus will enable us to accumulate *wealth* in God's eyes and *free* us from insatiable ambition.

André Beauchamp

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