

ST. DENIS Parish

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LOVE OTHERS

TRAIN DISCIPLES

Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, Mar. 31st - 9:00am - Romain & Gabrielle Bazin (Cécile & Albert Furet)

Sunday, Apr. 7th - 9:00am - Norman Vallée (Marcel Dufault family)

Sunday, Apr. 14th - 9:00am – Juliette Ellchuk (Dheilly family)

<u>Sanctuary Lamp – this week:</u> Janice Souque

 $God's Share: Mar. 24^{th} - $150.00 (14) + $19.95 loose + $20.00 (dd) = 189.95

<u>Church Cleaning</u>: Apr. 1st to May 15th – Yvonne Bazin & Simone Lambert

April 7th April 14th Ministries: March 31st Annette Bernard Judith Robidoux Janice Sougue Readers: Lucille / Annette Passion: Raymond Massinon Jean Souque Offerings & Marcel Dheilly family Collection: family family Yvonne Bazin Judith Robidoux Michelle Dheilly Communion: Counters: Raymond & prtnr. Dorothée & prtnr. Maurice & prtnr.

Haywood Spring Bazaar - Sunday April 28th 2019

Pancake Breakfast beginning at 10:15 am, Bingo beginning at noon. Silent auction, raffle tickets, bake sale, plant and miscellaneous sales.

Readings for Sunday, April 7, 2019



Isaiah 43.16-21; Psalm 126.1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5, 6 (R.3); Philippians 3.8-14; John 8.1-11

Fourth Sunday of Lent (C)

March 31st, 2019

Schedule of Holy Week Celebrations for 2019 St-Claude and St-Denis Parishes

Holy Thursday: April 18: St-Claude at 7:30 p.m. - Bilingual mass **April 19:** St-Claude at 3:00 p.m. - French celebration

Holy Friday: April 19: Haywood at 7:30 p.m. – Bilingual Way of the Cross

Easter Vigil: April 20: St-Claude at 9:00 p.m. - French mass
Easter Sunday: April 21: Haywood at 9:00 a.m. - Bilingual mass
Easter Sunday: April 21: St-Claude at 11:00 a.m. - English mass

Réconciliation Schedule Before Easter

Saint-Claude and St-Denis: Sunday, April 14 at 2:00 pm in St. Claude

Prayer Intention for March 2019

The Development & peace Share Lent campaign invites us to be fellow travelers with our sisters and brothers who are forced to flee their homes. Let us be the voice that kindles hope and compassion, and rallies hearts on the path of solidarity.

Let us pray for our Priest Moderator, Father John and for Deacon Peter Le.

Let us pray for all members of our community who suffer from illness, surgeries, bereavement, discouragement, loneliness of loss of faith.

Meeting of the PPC: Monday, April 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the sacristy in St. Claude

Why We Worship

Fifth of 6 Adult Education Sessions: Thursday, April 4, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Welcome to the St-Claude Church at 7:30 pm. Those who attended the first four sessions have appreciated what they have learned. There are more to come!

Marriage Tips

The internet and social media can enrich our lives, but they can also threaten your marriage. It's not only pornography or finding old flames on Facebook, but also the time taken from interaction with your beloved. Agree on mutual limits to screen time.

Stewardship reflection: March 31, 2019 - 4th Sunday of Lent

"No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." (Joshua 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Development and Peace: Share Lent 2019 - Share the Journey

On April 6 and 7, 2019, the 5th Sunday of Lent, we will celebrate Solidarity Sunday. Special blue envelopes are included in your boxes for the collection. If you wish to donate, please make your cheque payable to the <u>St. Denis Parish</u> and write "Development and Peace – Share Lent" in the memo. Extra brown envelopes available on the back tables.

4th symbol: A dish to be shared



This dish to be shared symbolizes solidarity, a culture of encounter, and the links between forced migrants and their host community. This symbol also evokes the hope of forced migrants that during their journey they will meet people who will reach out to them.

In some parts of the Middle East, tradition dictates that bread and salt are to be served to forge an alliance between two people. Once these foods are shared, the two parties will always remember each other. Inspired by a workshop on peacebuilding led by House of Peace, a Development and Peace partner, a group of Syrian refugees decided to breathe new life into this tradition. Women got up very early in the morning to make bread and then went door to-door to offer it to their Lebanese neighbours as thanks for welcoming them into their community.

The Door is Always Open: Chat with the Bishop for Separated or Divorced – Sunday, April 7, 2019, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Separation and Divorce have touched and affected many Catholic individuals and families. How can we, as a Catholic community, offer spiritual and practical help for these members of our Church, and give hope to those recovering from separation and divorce? In his encyclical *Familiaris Consortio*, Saint John Paul II urged "I earnestly call upon pastors and the whole community of the faithful to help the divorced and with solicitous care, to make sure that they do not consider themselves as separated from the Church, for as baptised persons they can and indeed must share in her life."

In this spirit, His Grace, Archbishop Albert LeGatt would like to invite all members of our Church family who are separated or divorced to an afternoon to chat and ask questions, share about their needs, receive some guidance from the Church, and learn about the supports and resources available to them. Please join the Bishop in this informal afternoon gathering on Sunday, April 7, 2019 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, at the Saint Boniface Diocesan Centre, 151 de la Cathédrale Avenue. For more information, please contact Marie Brunet at the Marriage, Family and Life Service: 204-594-0274; mfl@archsaintboniface.ca.

SAVE THE DATE: Enriching Your Marriage - Thursday, May 23, 2019

Come to learn and enjoy a 2.5-hour experiential evening on keeping your marriage and 'coupleness' a priority. This evening is offered in partnership with the Archdiocese of St. Boniface, Mary Mother of the Church Parish, and Winnipeg World-Wide Marriage Encounter Movement. **When**: May 23 7 PM – 9:30 PM. **Where**: Mary, Mother of the Church Parish Hall, 85 Kirkbridge Drive. Please register before May 16 with an email to wwwme.wpg@gmail.com or by visiting the Mary, Mother of the Church registration page. There is no cost for this experiential evening. View poster on bulletin board.

Fourth Sunday of Lent (C)

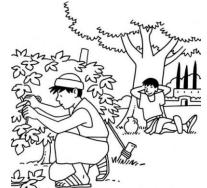
March 31st, 2019

Once upon a time there were two brothers...

Today's Gospel is taken from St. Luke, Chapter 15 which begins: "All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." Jesus, the sinners, and the faithful: these three groups comprise the complex relationships in this parable.

A father is always a father

Jesus welcomed people who had questionable reputations because, as his Father's envoy, mercy and forgiveness had no limitations. Why is this? A father or



mother does not abandon the relationship that unites them to their child. Each child is unique and irreplaceable. I remember when my oldest sibling died, a thoughtless nephew commented to my mother: "Don't be sad, you may have lost one child, but you still have five left!" There is no response to such a comment! One child does not replace another. This is exceedingly true for God.

A father's reaction...

In the parable, the father's attachment to his children is so profound and radical that even his two sons do not seem to believe it. The younger one hoped at best to be welcomed as an employee. The older is scandalized at the father's welcome and celebrations for his younger and wayward brother.

Entering the house

The parable tells us that the older son refused to enter the house and join in the festive celebrations. The older son refused to partake in his father's profound joy in finding his younger son. The older son did not understand that he could still be his father's son and equally loved, and had difficulty accepting the affection showered on his younger brother.

This parable illustrates a double conversion. The younger son not only changes his own life but also - and especially - the perception he has of his father. He discovers and is astonished at how much his father loves him. As for the older brother, his conversion is still a work in progress. He reacts because he has always been a respectful son and his younger sibling appears to be "rewarded" for just returning home. The older sibling still has to realize that his father is more than an "employer" who is dealing with an errant "employee". The father loves and considers each child irreplaceable.

Father Georges Madore Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli