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Eucharistic Celebrations :

Sunday, **March 8th - 9:00am** – Lucille Middleton (*funeral collection*)

Friday, **March 13th - 9:00am** – Adoration and reconciliation

Mass - 10:00am – Ernest Montsion (*funeral collection*)

Way of the Cross - 7:00pm in St-Claude

Movie at 7:30pm in St. Claude – “Paul, Apostle of Christ”

Sunday, **March 15th - 9:00am** – Andrew Labossiere (*Pierre Cormier family*)

Sanctuary Lamp – this week: **Emily Poirier**

God's Share : Mar. 1st - **\$185.00** (19) + **\$5.00** loose + **\$20.00** (dd) = **\$210.00**

Church cleaning : Feb. 16th to March 31st – Margaret & Denise deRocquigny

Ministries :

	<u>March 8th</u>	<u>March 15th</u>	<u>March 22nd</u>
Greeters :	Yvonne B./André	Margaret / Gérald	Maurice / Eugene
Readers:	Marcel Dufault	Judith Robidoux	Annette Bernard
Offerings & Collection	Marcel Dheilley family	Raymond Massinon family	Eugene Bazin & Albert Furet
Communion:	Marcel Dufault	Judith Robidoux	Yvonne Bazin
Counters:	Maurice & prtnr.	Annette & prtnr.	Lucille & prtnr.

Spring Bazaar : Bazar preparations are on the way so reserve the date of **April 19th** for the occasion. Get your raffle tickets from the ladies in the back. Prizes should be brought in Friday the 17th or, at the latest, before 10:00am Saturday the 18th.

Second Sunday of Lent (A)

March 8 , 2020

Prayer Intention for March, 2020

Catholics in China – We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

- For our pastor, Fr. Peter, in his ministry among us.
- For the conversion of Christians, especially those of our parishes.
- For vocations within our parishes.



Readings for Sunday: March 15, 2020



Exodus 17.3-7

Romans 5.1-2, 5-8;

Ps 95.1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 (R. 7c+8a)

John 4.5-42

Monthly Meeting of the Knights of Columbus: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 2:00 pm in the sacristy.

8th CATECHESIS: The Gospel and the Homily

We continue the short catechesis which explains the course of our liturgical celebrations. Today we present the proclamation of the Gospel and of the homily.

- Before the priest proclaims the Gospel, he bows before the altar and prays quietly: *“Cleanse my heart and my lips, almighty God, that I may worthily proclaim your Holy Gospel.”*
- When the priest/ deacon says *“A reading from the holy Gospel according to Saint N...”* all the faithful, standing, respond *“Glory to You, Lord”* by making the sign of the Cross on their forehead, mouth and chest. We express the desire to inscribe the Word of God in our intelligence, to proclaim it from our lips and to live it in our hearts (cf. Deuteronomy 6, 6-8)
- After the proclamation of the Gospel, the liturgy of the Word continues with the homily by which the celebrant or a deacon helps us to understand the Word of God, the mystery celebrated and the particular needs of the listeners.
- The role of the homily is to nourish the Christian life and bring us towards a communion with Christ. According to Pope Francis, the Good News, the Word of God, must come in through the ears, go to the heart and reach the hands to do good works. (cf. A.E.L.F., Roman Missal, 1974. & cf. Pope Francis, Cycle of Catechesis on the Eucharist, February 7, 2018.)
- During a LITURGY OF THE WORD, in the absence of a celebrant or deacon, the homily is replaced by a reflection on the Word of God.
- After the homily... (*contrary to popular thought, the celebrant does not rest*) ... we observe a moment of silence to allow us to meditate and internalize the Word of God presented by the preacher.

Meal at l'Accueil d'Âge d'Or of Haywood : Tuesday, March 10th at noon –

Please call your contact person or phone 204-379-2705 to give your name before Monday evening. Everyone welcome. \$9.00 for adults.

Words from Fr. Peter:

Lent: a time for sharing! In our parishes, we will have a small campaign called: “LOVE IN A LOONIE”. Every Sunday during this Lent, we will have a second collection. Therefore, I invite everyone to prepare a loonie when you come to Church. All loonies collected from this Lent campaign will be shared with the less fortunate in our parishes. “You always have the poor among you” (John 12:8).

During Lent, we will alternate the **Way of the Cross** on Friday evenings in St. Claude and St. Denis beginning at 7 pm. The third meditation of the Way of the Cross will be in **St. Claude** at 7 pm, March 13, 2020 followed by the movie “Paul, Apostle of Christ”.

Movie Night: There will be two nights for the viewing of Catholic movies following the Way of the Cross:

- **St. Claude: 7:30 pm, Friday March 13, 2020 “Paul, Apostle of Christ”.**
- **St. Denis- Haywood: 7:30 pm, Friday April 3, 2020 “A Man for All Seasons”**

Ministry of Hospitality: We need greeters to welcome our parishioners and visitors and to distribute the bulletins as they enter the Church. If you want to be volunteers for this ministry, please give your name to Fr. Peter or Denise Danais (secretary) to be added to the list of cheerful greeters. The new list will be written up soon.

Lenten Youth Retreat – Change of Date to Saturday, March 14, 2020

Leap of Faith, a retreat for ages 14-28 at the St. Patrick’s Roman Catholic Church, 532 Fuller Ave., Manitou, MB from 9 am to 7 pm. Spiritual director: Fr. Ramon Oncog with Seminarian Paul Nguyen. Suggested donation - \$15 / person, includes dinner and lunch. Please register ahead with Roger or Belita at 204-242-3107. View poster on bulletin board.

St. Claude Knights of Columbus BREAKFAST BRUNCH - Sunday, March 15, 2020

from 10:30 am to 1 pm at the St-Claude Recreation Centre. Pancakes, hash browns, sausages, ham, eggs, beverages. Adults: \$10.00 5 – 12: \$5.00
Fundraiser for Knights of Columbus charities.

Marriage Tip:

Communication in your family is key. Don’t let wounds fester. Instead, calmly address hurts and ask for the grace to forgive.

Confession Schedule in Lenten Season for Mountain Deanery

Manitou:	Monday, March 16, 2020	7:00 pm
Carman:	Wednesday, March 18, 2020	7:00 pm
Morden:	Saturday, March 21, 2020	7:00 pm
St. Claude and St. Denis:	Monday, March 23, 2020	7:00 pm
Somerset:	Tuesday, March 31, 2020	7:30 pm
St. Leon:	Wednesday, April 1, 2020	7:30 pm
Swan Lake:	Saturday, April 4, 2020	3:00 pm

Second Sunday of Lent (A)

March 8, 2020

Darkness and Light



Lenten liturgies will vary from one year to the next, except for the first two Sundays: Christ’s temptation on the first Sunday and his Transfiguration on the second.

The narrative depicting Christ’s temptations shows us the somber side of life with its difficulties and conflicts. While life may always be an interesting adventure, more often it can be a battle. We don’t necessarily know what’s ahead for us. We could be dealing with on-going conflicts that demand our constant vigilance.

Thankfully, we are never alone in this battle. Someone is always with us, supporting and guiding us. When our own boat is threatened by storms that could force us off course, it is important to see that landmark lighthouse in the distance. When fear and anxiety assail us, it is wonderful to know that a friend will take our hand and restore our confidence. When Jesus travelled with his disciples, difficulties inevitably arose. Danger could be imminent. In the Gospel, Christ revealed the mystery of His divinity. His face shone like the sun and reinforced the disciples’ commitment.

The Transfiguration is not simply an experience for Peter, James and John, at a particular moment in their lives. It is also our personal experience. When in doubt and distress, we can close our eyes and let our Lord reveal His presence to us. Happy are those who agree to figuratively *climb up the mountain and encounter Christ*. They will find their guiding light.

Father André Beauchamp

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