



## ST. DENIS Parish

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### Eucharistic Celebrations:

Sunday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am – Marcel Marin (*Eugene & Yvonne Bazin*)

Sunday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am – Jean deRocquigny (*Margaret & family*)

Sunday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> - 9:00am – Rose Chapman (*Simone & André Lambert*)

Sanctuary Lamp – this week: Lucille Dheilly.

God's Share: Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$150.00 (15) + \$5.00 loose + \$20.00 (dd) = \$175.00

Church Cleaning: Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> to Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> – Dorothee Dequier & Judith Robidoux

<u>Ministries :</u>	<u>February 10<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>February 17<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>February 24<sup>th</sup></u>
Readers:	Lucille Dheilly	Marcel Dufault	Judith Robidoux
Offerings & Collection:	Marcel Dequier family	Gérald Poirier & Guy Dedieu	Marcel Dheilly family
Communion:	Lucille Dheilly	Marcel Dufault	Judith Robidoux
Counters:	Dorothee & prtnr.	Maurice & prtnr.	Annette & prtnr.

**Accueil d'Âge d'Or Haywood :** The noon meal of February 12<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled.

**Meeting of the finance committee of St. Denis:** Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 pm.

### Readings for Sunday, February 17, 2019

Jeremiah 17.5-8; Psalm 1.1-2, 3, 4+6 (R.40.4)  
1 Corinthians 15.12, 16-20; Luke 6.17, 20-26



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### **Prayer Intention for February 2019**

*Human Trafficking:* For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.



Let us pray for our Priest Moderator, Father John.

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

Let us pray for Deacon Peter Le in his studies and who will be ordained on June 1, 2019. He celebrated his birthday on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Happy Birthday, Deacon Peter!**

**Meeting of the Knights of Columbus:** Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 8:00 p.m. in the sacristy.

### **Adult Education Sessions: Why We Worship**

As a Lenten 2019 project, the parish of St-Claude will offer six adult faith training sessions, a memorable experience that will give us a better understanding of the different parts of the Mass.

Each session, a presentation by Dr. Brant Pitre, consists of a 45-minute video that will be followed by a group discussion on the topic. The Parish Council Committee of St. Claude and Haywood encourages everyone to attend. Encourage your young families! It will be for all a catechesis and an opportunity to live well in Lent.

Dates and times will be determined and displayed in a future announcement.

### **Homilies prepared by Father John:**

Every week we have the opportunity to listen to Fr. John's homilies. Many parishioners expressed that his homilies are very interesting, very clear and simply explained. How fortunate we are to be able to receive the message of the Sunday readings so well detailed and adapted to our everyday life. Thank you, Fr. John, for sharing your wisdom and your knowledge. Our parishioners applaud you and appreciate you greatly! We continue to keep you in our prayers.

### **Thought of the week:**

It is God who chooses the moment and the place where he will meet me. Lord, give me a watchman's soul who knows how to wait for your coming.

### **Marriage Tips - February 10, 2019**

If you could give an engaged couple just one piece of advice to strengthen their marriage, what would it be? How did you get so wise? Do you practice what you preach?

Archdiocesan News: Our Faith Stories: Treasures to Share ([Diocesan Website Home Page](#)):



**New Story: A Tribute to Our Religious** Celebrated on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, World Day for Consecrated Life is an opportunity for the Church to give thanks for the gift of religious life. In St. Boniface, the day was celebrated with a Taizé prayer service held at the St. Boniface Cathedral. The service acknowledged the particular contribution of the Sisters of Charity of Montreal (Grey Nuns).

During the service, Raymond Lafond, former general manager of the Catholic Health Corporation of Manitoba, gave this [bilingual testimonial](#).

Follow several other stories on the Diocesan Website.

### Stewardship Reflections - February 10, 2019 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'" (Isaiah 6:8)*

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, "Whom shall I send?" Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. The next time you hear God calling, have the courage to walk through the door and say, "Here I am, Lord."

*"Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous." (1 Corinthians 13:4)*



**God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.**

### Community Activities:

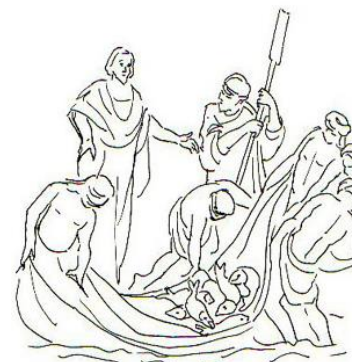
**Club Âge D'Or: Various Information Workshops (in English)**

**"Healthy Eating"** with Jodi Chanel - Thursday, February 21, from 2 to 4 pm

**"Diabetic Class"** with Jodi Chanel - Thursday, February 28 from 2 to 4 p.m.

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## Meetings that changed the dynamics...

Unpredictable encounters may bring us on different paths. We only have to reflect on our own experiences. A man and a woman may meet each other in a social setting, at work, or at a sports club. The encounter may become a relationship, then a friendship, and possibly a commitment.

Today's readings tell us of three very different encounters. Isaiah is a layman who meets God in the Temple. God's holiness disturbs him since he considers his own lips to be contaminated by evil, lies and pride. St. Paul [Saul] recalls his meeting on the

road to Damascus, where he, a proud Pharisee, is overwhelmed by Jesus whose followers he was persecuting. Finally, the fisherman Simon-Peter has already met Jesus; he even welcomed him into his house for a meal. However, it is not at his table that he really meets Christ. It's at work, in his fishing boat ...

### Where and When God Wants

We cannot know or decide in advance where we will meet God. We cannot say, "Lord, I am going to a retreat at a monastery and I will meet you there!" We are not in charge of God's agenda! God chooses the time and place to meet us. This leaves us at a disadvantage: we must always be ready!

In the three encounters in the liturgy today, speech plays a vital role. Isaiah hears: *Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?* St. Paul hears: *Saul, why are you persecuting me?* Finally, Simon-Peter hears: *Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.* These words amazed, jostled, and brought these three to new perspectives.

### Signs of a Real Encounter

The three encounters described in today's readings have this in common: the lives of Isaiah, St. Paul [Saul] and Simon-Peter take different directions after meeting God. Isaiah became a prophet who challenged and was challenged by religious and political authorities. St. Paul became a missionary whose work took place on the roads of the Roman Empire, yet he constantly met opposition from his Jewish contemporaries. Finally, Simon-Peter followed Jesus on a path that included treason and ultimately led to sacrificing his life to remain faithful to Christ. The conclusion is that these encounters changed hearts and lives. Such encounters with Christ will transform us, ensure our commitment, and send us onto unknown paths that we have been invited to pursue.

**Georges Madore, s.s.m.**

Translated by Honore Kerwin Borrelli