Prayer for the young and our families with Kateri

Oh, most humble Kateri

I seek your love and prayers

I turn to you for your inspiration.

May I know the power of humility, the strength of seeking God's will in everything I do this day.

the compassion to care this way for those who are weak and

in need of help, and the faith to forgive those who walk

an hurtful violent path.

Pray with me Kateri that through us, God our Creator

Will comfort the orphan, watch over the neglected child,

And wait with the youth who go astray.

You lost your parents and found others along the way to

Care for you and guide you, May all

Parents and grandparents stay healthy, seek the selfless

love of Jesus and give where giving is most needed.

May they make wise decisions and heed daily the

Wisdom of the Great Spirit.

Your spirit was strong and your love for Jesus is deep

May I trust that Christ will turn my weakness

Into His strength and meekness, so that whatever comes

to me this day, I may choose to do God's will and faithful will I stay. AMEN

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2nd Sunday of Easter

St. Thomas has gotten a bad rap. Too often labelled "doubting Thomas," he was actually the first apostle to worship Jesus as "my Lord my God." "Have you believed because you have seen me?" Jesus asked him. The others were silent the previous Sunday when they had first seen the risen Jesus.

What is believing? John's Gospel uses terms such as "believing "about forty times, always as a verb, never a noun/ Believing is not an intellectual process but rather dynamic action. Earlier in the Gospel, when Jesus announced, he would go to Bethany where Lazarus had died, Thomas said, "Let us also go that we may die with Jesus," No doubter. Thomas was

First Reading:

Acts 4,, 32-35

Psalm: **118**

Second Reading:

1 John 5.1-6

Gospel

John 20.19-31

a bulwark of faith in Jesus. He was ready to give his life for Jesus; he worshipped Jesus when others were tentative.

Believing is discipleship. Thomas was open to the Spirit- the Spirit who came by the water and blood of the crucified Lord, as Saint John tells us in the second reading. The Spirit guided Thomas, in his believing, to the truth.

Thomas did not defend his reluctance to believe in the resurrection until he could put his hand in Jesus' wounds/ Instead, he saw he changed and he worshipped. May we also be so forthright. Glen Argan, Edmonton, AB, (Living with Christ)

Administrator: Grace Esquega

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Michael Robinson;

Rev. Mr. John Semerling

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Penny Fitzpatrick; Sandra Reynolds; Tammy Robinson; Lisa Semerling

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Sharon Arsenault

Parish Priest: Rev. Gerry McDougall, SJ

Parish Office Hours Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Masses for the Lord's Day

Weekday Mass Schedule

Sunday: 12:30 PM. Monday: 12:00 PM.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS Please contact the parish office.

THE HOLY ROSARY is recited half hour before all Weekday Masses

Sacraments and Pastoral Needs

<u>Baptism:</u> Please contact the parish office at least one month before. First Reconciliation and baptism date (622-5138)

<u>First Communion (Grade Two and older):</u> Please register with school or with the parish office. Families will be \contacted with requirements and other information.

<u>Marriages:</u> Please contact the parish office at least **six months** before the wedding date. Preparation will be required for the couple.

<u>Reconciliation (Penance):</u> Please make an appointment with one of the priests. (622-5138).

<u>Sacrament of the Sick (anointing):</u> please contact the parish office (622-5138) or in the Regional Hospital, the on-call priest is available in an urgent need.

<u>Funerals:</u> Please contact the parish office to arrange a funeral (622-5138). **All church** services will be subject to Covid-19 protocol in effect of requested time.

Spaghetti Supper Fundraising Supper Friday April 12/2024, we are asking people who can to donate a pot of spaghetti sauce for this event or dry spaghetti. We need volunteers to help for this supper and clean up. Also, someone who can help with advertising. Please give your name to either Grace, Sharon or Father. Or call the office and leave a message 807 622 5138.

Time 2 to 6 pm , \$20.00 a plate. Ask about children? Invite a friend!

Divine Mercy Sunday: Today will be held at St. Theresa Church, 10 Porter Street, Kakabeka Falls, Sunday April 07. starting at 2:45 p.m. All are welcome to experience the tender Mercy of God.



This Week in Our Parish

Sunday: April 7, 2024

12:30 pm mass

Monday April 8,2024

Holy Hour 11:00 am

12:00 p.m. mass

Saturday April 13, 2024

A.A. Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 613.18

Good Friday Collection \$192.49

Development and Peace \$345.20

Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy The first community of Christians grows as its members meet to pray and break bread. God's love is everlasting. We have new hope because of Jesus' Resurrection.

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS IN OJIBWE LANGUAGE

Od ijinikasowining Weossimind,

(In the name of the Father,)

gaie Wegwissimind,

(and of the Son,)

gaie Wenijishid-Manito.

(and of the Holy Spirit.)

Mi ge-ing (Amen)