#### Holy Cross Community of Paroisse St. Luc Parish

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11:00 Mass: Harry Chou,



# Holy Cross Community – Of

#### Paroisse St. Luc

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Serving the English-speaking Roman Catholic community of Rosemère, Lorraine, BoisdesFilion, Ste. Thérèse, Blainville, Boisbriand, and Terrebonne.

#### **Eucharistic Celebrations**

Sunday Service at 9:00am 10.00am & 11:00am in English at Ste. Françoise Cabrini Church (210 de l'Église, Rosemère) online reservation required

Saturday Service celebrated in French, at 4.30pm and Sunday service in French at 9:00am 10:00am and 11:00am celebrated at St-Maurice, 388 Adolphe-Chapleau, Bois des Filion visit :www. Paroisse-St-Luc.org for reservation

March 14th 2021 4th Sunday of Lent Year B



The Holy Cross Regional Community is a Roman Catholic community supporting young parents and families in the growth of their faith journey through instruction and the sacraments.

Our mission is to welcome with openness, compassion and understanding, inclusive of all ages in our journey of faith together with the love and hope God brings to His people.

Parish Moderator: Father Sylvain Lauzon

Bishop of the Diocese of St. Jerome: His Excellency, Msgr. Raymond Poisson

Celebrant priest at Françoise Cabrini: Father Marc Lussier

A lament from exile for the loss of Jerusalem(Psalm137)

**Mass offerings:** N. B. Mass Intention requests: Pastoral Animator: 450-621-5521 EXT 216 Suggested love offering is \$15.00. Please indicate on your offering who the Mass is for and who is requesting it. Thank You.

#### Readings: Sunday March 14th 2021

**First Reading: 2 Chronicles 36,14-17a, 19-23** The causes for the Israelites' captivity in Babylon are described.

#### Second reading: Ephisians 2, 4-10

In grace we have been saved, so that we may do the work of the Lord.

**Gospel: John 3,3-16** Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man will be raised up so that those who believe in him will have eternal life.

Interested in becoming a Lector, Altar Server, greeter, etc....?

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Sunday masses 9am, 10am and 11am

Online reservation required on <a href="https://www.paroisse-st-luc.org">www.paroisse-st-luc.org</a>
as of Wednesday 1pm
if you don't have internet access you can call Suzanne Marion

Tuesday or Thursday
450-621-5521 ext 216

# **Loyola Press: Sunday Connection**

**Gospel: John 3,14-21** 

# **Background on the Gospel Reading**

The fourth Sunday of Lent is sometimes called *Laetare* Sunday. *Laetare* is a Latin word that means "rejoice." Traditionally, Sundays are named after the first word of the liturgy's opening antiphon. On this Sunday, the antiphon is taken from the book of the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 66:10-11). Even as we observe our Lenten sacrifices, we rejoice in anticipation of the joy that will be ours at Easter.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from John's Gospel. It consists of two parts. The first part is the final sentence of Jesus' reply to Nicodemus, the Pharisee who approached Jesus at night. Nicodemus acknowledged Jesus as someone who had come from God and seemed to want to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus greeted Nicodemus with the observation that one must be born from above to see the Kingdom of God. The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus that followed was about the meaning of this phrase. Nicodemus misunderstood Jesus at every point, but there was no animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus.

In the part of the conversation with Nicodemus in today's Gospel, Jesus referred to an incident reported in the Old Testament. When the Israelites grumbled against the Lord during their sojourn in the desert, God sent venomous serpents to punish them for their complaints. The Israelites repented and asked Moses to pray for them. The Lord heard Moses' prayer and instructed him to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. All who had been bitten by a serpent and then looked upon the bronze serpent were cured. By recalling this story, Jesus alludes to the salvation that would be accomplished through his death and Resurrection.

The second part of today's Gospel is a theological reflection on Jesus' words to Nicodemus. The Gospel of John is known for this kind of reflection offered within the narrative. The words of the Evangelist are in continuity with the words of the prologue to John's Gospel. In these reflections, John elaborates on a number of themes that are found in his Gospel: light and darkness, belief and unbelief, good and evil, salvation and condemnation.

In John's reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people preferred the darkness. We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God. Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven. This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives.

#### **Family connection**

IParents whose children are afraid of the dark are struck by John's observation that darkness is preferred to light. Perhaps this is as it should be. God made us to live in the light of his love. But this original friendship with God was corrupted by sin. Our sin causes us to shy away from Christ, the light that has come into the world. During the season of Lent, we try to fight this tendency by remembering God's great mercy and the salvation that we have received through Jesus. We do not fear confessing our sins, knowing that God forgives us, and so, during Lent, we seek out opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

After your family gathers, sit for a time in darkness, then light a candle. Invite people to talk about what it felt like to be in the darkness and to compare that to their feelings when the candle was lit. What are we able to see by the limited glow of the candlelight that we couldn't see when we were sitting in darkness? Read today's Gospel, John 3:14-21. John's Gospel teaches us that Jesus was the light that came into the world. In this light we know ourselves to be sinners, but we are not condemned. Instead we have been saved because we have been forgiven through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross. Conclude in prayer together, thanking God for the great gift of forgiveness we have received through Jesus. Pray together the Act of Contrition.

# Masses intentions March 14th 2021

9:00am Mrs Claire and Mr René Laviolette	req by family and friends
10:00am Mr Pierre Burns	Req by family an friends
11:00am Mrs Rosemary De Villers who is in the hospital	Req by Suzanne Marion Pastoral animator Holy cross community

## Spiritual communion: prayer



My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As thoughYou have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.

# Sopar (Societe dePartage) www.sopar.ca

To extend our causes for the Parish Mission, the Parish Council has agreed to raise funds for Sopar. The funds will go to build a well to provide clean and safe drinking water for villages in India. A well cost \$1200.00 of which 10% of the funds is raised by the local village which gives the villagers a certain sense of responsibility and a feeling of belonging. A well benefits anywhere from 150/200 people. Gloria Constanzo is responsible for this activity and she has already raised over \$1100.00 from the sales of empty wine bottles. Help us support this cause.

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Thank you for your generosity

Emanne Beasha | The Prayer | National Cathedral, Washington DC

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xwerreulLvM

# Parents and children's corner

# First communion 2021 class: Parents meeting (workshop on faith)

#### **ON ZOOM**



Nicodemus children video on today's Gospel <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SRCekJvybXs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SRCekJvybXs</a>

**Children's song:** Sing Hosanna - God Is So Good | Bible Songs for Kids

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jejWZM9Sh8k

God's Love Is So Wonderful - **Nursery Rhymes** <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ju38Sdc2cSg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ju38Sdc2cSg</a>

# Saint of the Day!



Who was St-Patrick? March 17

We probably know more legends about Saint Patrick than facts. But from the amount of work he did, and by the after-effects of that work, we can understand what type of man he was. He tirelessly toiled to spread the Gospel, at times against formidable odds. But as often happens, the legends prove more interesting than the facts.

St. Patrick, (flourished 5th century, Britain and Ireland; feast day March 17), patron saint and national apostle of Ireland, credited with bringing Christianity to Ireland and probably responsible in part for the Christianization of the Picts and Anglo-Saxons. He is known only from two short works, the *Confessio*, a spiritual autobiography, and his *Letter to Coroticus*, a denunciation of British mistreatment of Irish Christians.