

Those who have died: : Edward William Gotchie, Henry "Hank" "Whiz" Goodsky Jr., Kayleen Joan Strong, Marcus Boyd, Charles "Charley Thunder Blood" Norris, Keenan Weyaus, Jerome Benedict Schoen, and Leon George Sailor.

February 2023

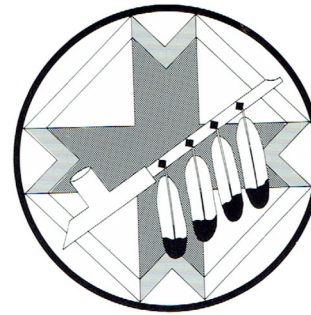
- 19 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Mass 10 am, Finance Council meeting after mass
- 20 Presidents Day, church office closed, Medicine Wheel AA, 6 pm
- 22 Ash Wednesday (Day of Fast and Abstinence), service at 6 pm with soup after
- 23 Church office closed for Archdiocesan Retreat
- 26 First Sunday of Lent, Mass 10 am, Long Range plan mtg after mass
- 27 Medicine Wheel AA, 6 pm

March 2023

- 1 Lenten Pipe Ceremony, 6 pm in the Chapel. Soup to follow.
- 5 Second Sunday of Lent, Mass 10 am, Taco Bingo after Mass
- 6 Medicine Wheel AA, 6 pm
- 8 Lenten Pipe Ceremony, 6 pm in the Chapel. Soup to follow.
- 12 Third Sunday of Lent, Mass 10 am, Daylight Savings Time begins.
- 13 Medicine Wheel AA, 6 pm
- 15 Lenten Pipe Ceremony, 6 pm in the Chapel. Soup to follow.
- 19 Fourth Sunday of Lent, Mass 10 am
- 20 Medicine Wheel AA, 6 pm
- 22 Lenten Pipe Ceremony, 6 pm in the Chapel. Soup to follow.
- 26 Fifth Sunday of Lent, Mass 10 am
- 27 Movie: "The Letter", at St Joan of Arc
- 27 Medicine Wheel AA, 6 pm
- 29 Lenten Pipe Ceremony, 6 pm in the Chapel. Soup to follow.

April 2023

- 2 Palm Sunday, Mass 10 am, Taco Bingo after Mass
- 3 Follow-up discussion on "The Letter" movie, at Gichitwaa Kateri
- 3 Medicine Wheel AA
- 5 Lenten Pipe Ceremony, 6 pm in the Chapel. Soup to follow.
- 6 Holy Thursday
- 7 Good Friday
- 8 Holy Saturday and Easter Vigil



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February 19, 2023 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

1) Gi-gi-chi--de-bi' Ma-ni-doo.	5) Giin sa go gi-gwa-ya-kwaa-diz.
2) Moo-zhag gi-boo-nen-daan	6) Ge gi-zha-wen-ji-ge.
3) Me-ji--doo-da-maa-nin sa go,	7) Ge-get gi-be-kaa-den-daa-goz.
4) Be-maa-ji'-i-we-yan.	8) Nin-gi-zhe--Ma-ni-doom.
<i>You make me very happy, God. You truly always forgive the bad things I do, you who are my savior.</i>	<i>You are truly righteous and you are merciful. You are truly patient, my God.</i>

These lines are from Psalm 103. In other songs recently, we have seen the little words **sa** and **go** used to add emphasis, and here they are again, in lines 3 and 5. Another emphatic word we see here in line 7 is **Geget**, which can mean "indeed," or "really" or even "yes".

In lines 5-6, we remind God that He is righteous or just but also that He is merciful. Then, in lines 6-7, emphasis is put on God's mercy by the addition of **geget gibekaadendaagoz** ("you are truly patient"). The Church has perhaps chosen this psalm for today because it offers God's mercy and patience as a model for Jesus' teaching in today's Gospel reading that we should give love, mercy and kindness, particularly towards those who have hurt us.

Zhawenjige means "he or she is kind or merciful." The **gi-** prefix, means "you," so in line 6 **gizhawenjige** means "you are merciful." "**Gwakak** means "straight," "correct," or "right," and the verb related to this is **Gwayakwaadizi**, which means "he or she is righteous." When the prefix for "I" or "you" is added, the **-i** at the end of the word is dropped, as in line 5 **Gigwayakwaadiz** ("you are righteous"). We see another example of this same pattern in line 7 **gibekaadendaagoz** ("you are patient"), which is a "you form" of the verb **bekaadendaagozi** ("he or she is patient"). The same thing happens with verbs that end in **-o**, like **nagamo** ("he or she is singing"), but **ginagam** ("you are singing"). This

dropping of the final vowel does not happen with a final *-e*, as we see in this song in line 6 ***gizhawenjige*** ("you are merciful"), and it also doesn't happen when a verb ends in a double vowel, which indicates that the vowel is long. For example, ***gopii*** means "he or she is going inland from the water," and ***ingopii means*** "I am going inland." Similarly, ***maajaa*** = "he or she is leaving" but ***gimaajaa*** = "you are leaving".

Larry Martin

Readings I have struggled with this Gospel passage, "Love your enemies". This Gospel has helped me heal and get rid of resentments and grudges, but my initial reaction seems to be three steps down the road, before I take a breath, and call on the Creator. Creating enemies seems to be a human thing. When I get those thoughts of revenge, I need to focus on my own behavior and focus on the Creator as guide.

Shawn Phillips

First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18

Second Reading: I Corinthians 3:16-23

Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

Tekakwitha Conference: Gathering for Healing through Living Waters

July 19-23, 2023 at DoubleTree Hotel, Bloomington MN More info is at

<https://www.archspm.org/tekakwitha2023/> If you are planning to attend, please contact Shawn Phillips to be part of the group registration. The church will assist with conference fees for those who have volunteered at the fundraisers. Native American Catholics who desire to celebrate their faith and culture with other Indigenous Catholics from North America are encouraged to attend. Individuals who plan to stay at the hotel can book rooms for a special rate using the group code "TKC". The church does not assist with lodging costs.

Hospitality As we serve one another through our prayers and volunteering, we uplift our community and increase our own strength and care. Our funeral ministry, outreach, programming and fellowship after mass are ways for our community to come together as individuals and families to support each other. Please consider sharing some time with us on tasks, work groups, or committees, as we call for help to serve our relatives and run our church.

Volunteering Opportunities are available to help with willow saplings, asema, Lenten soup meals, , taco bingo, Sunday hospitality, long range planning, bulletin board update, etc. To volunteer, please sign up after mass or through the website, or talk to Shawn, Maryanna, or Robert.

Gathering Willow The lodge in our chapel is rebuilt each year during Holy Week. Willow saplings will need to be cut in late March. Please let us know if you can help with this task, or if you know of nearby locations where we would be permitted to gather.

Asema is needed for our community and for the upcoming Tekakwitha Conference. Red Osier dogwood branches and instructions are available for anyone who wishes to help to meet this need.

Canku Wakan (the Holy Road) retreat April 20-23 (Thursday - Sunday) in Rapid City SD. Talks will be given by a team of two priests, one Lakota deacon, and several lay people. The activities are filled with laughter, recreation, songs, discussions, prayer, and time for silent reflection. Brochures are available. Please let Shawn know of your interest so you can be contacted when the online application is available. This retreat will be offered again in the fall: September 7-10.

Parish Website The parish website was recently redesigned. Check out the new and updated sections at www.katerimpls.org

Unfolding Vision Chi Miigwech, Pidamaya, Thanks to all... More information has come in to help form our plan. There's still time to add your vision, help write or edit our parish vision. The next draft/version will be done February 22, Ash Wednesday. Call the office to ask to see a copy, or meet together Sunday 26th to gather and share about it.

Ash Wednesday Service will be February 22 at 6 pm with soup after.

Pipe Ceremony and Prayer service, 6 pm Wednesdays during Lent March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th, and April 5th. We come together in a smaller group to pray with a pipe ceremony and then a reflection. After, we have a soup meal. All are welcome. Please call to sign up for a date to provide soup, salad or bread after the prayer.