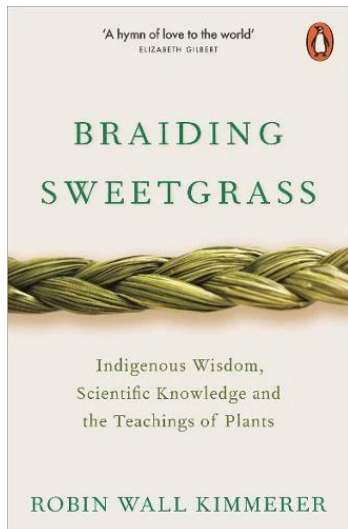


St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish

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Mass Schedule: St. Ann's Sunday @ 9:30 am/Holy Family Saturday @ 4:30 pm and Sunday @ 11:00 am
June 30th, 2024 – 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



National Indigenous History Month in Canada: Book 3 - Braiding Sweetgrass” by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Robin Wall Kimmerer – mother, scientist, professor. She is enrolled as a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation and has received the John Burroughs Medal for

outstanding nature writing. The following are some reflections from her book, *Braiding Sweetgrass*. A copy of this book is available in the church lobby.

“An Invitation to Remember: I invite you to remember another way of being in the world, in kinship...in many Indigenous worldviews, kinship includes plants and animals.”

“In winter, when the green earth lies resting beneath a blanket of snow, this is the time for storytelling. The storytellers begin by calling upon those who came before, who passed the stories down to us. For we are only messengers.”

“Sweetgrass: Our Potawatomi stories say that of all plants, *Wiingaskk* was the very first to grow.

Our Elders say that ceremonies are the way we “remember to remember,”

and so sweetgrass is a powerful ceremonial plant cherished by many Indigenous Nations.”

“Gift Economy of Nature: When we speak of berries or apples or beans as gifts and not as goods or services or commodities, the whole relationship changes. Gratitude is much more than thank you. It is a thread that fosters relationships.”

“When foods dwindle and game is scarce...the maples carried the people through, providing food when they needed it most. In return, ceremonies of thanksgiving are held at the start of the sap run. Our people call this time, the Maple Sugar Moon, *Zizibaskwet Giizis*.”

“The Honorable Harvest and some of its principles:

- Ask permission before taking. Abide by the answer.
- Never take the first. Never take the last.
- Share.
- Take only what you need.
- Give thanks for what you have been given.
- Sustain the ones who sustain you and the earth will last forever.”

Other books available for reading:

- Indian Horse by Richard Wagamese
- Call Me Indian by Fred Sasakamoose
- Thunder in My Soul – A Mohawk Woman Speaks by Patricia Monture-Angus

Upcoming Powwows:



• July 1st:
Eel Ground
First Nation,
12th Annual Fishermen Powwow. The Powwow will be held at the Waterford Green Park, Loggie Drive in Miramichi. Cultural entertainment throughout the day including a 6am Sunrise Ceremony and Grand Entry at 10am. All are welcome!



• July 6-7: Welamukotuk (Oromocto First Nation). The Powwow will be held at the Sir Douglas Hazen Park, 15 Wharf Road. All are welcome!



• July 4-7: Oinpegitjoig (Pabineau First Nations). The powwow will be held July 4th to 7th at the Flying Eagle Memorial Powwow Grounds, 1290 Pabineau Falls Road, Pabineau. Activities include a Sacred Fire, dancing, drumming, singing and local vendors. All are invited to attend to embrace the spirit, feel the beat and join us for a celebration like no other!

Rosary: Every Thursday morning at 10:30am at Holy Family Church. During Ordinary Time we will be reciting the Luminous Mysteries.
Everyone is welcome!

Divine Mercy: Divine Mercy is held every Friday at 3pm at St. Ann's Church. Please call Nelson Solomon at 363-4493 for further information.
All are welcome.

IT'S Cookie Sunday Weekend: THIS WEEKEND June 29th & 30th. **Food Bank:** The Food Bank is in desperate need of canned items to supplement their food boxes. Items such as canned tomatoes, tomato soup and canned vegetables. So many are in need and any donation of canned items would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at Holy Family Church at the Saturday Mass or Sunday Mass at both St. Ann's Church and Holy Family Church. Thank you for your continued support of our Outreach Ministry!

Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers, Fredericton, is celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the Stephen Lewis Foundation with a reception & display at Government House of a stunning **Solidarity Quilt**, put together by African grandmothers and grandmother groups across Canada. **Reception:** Thursday, July 11, 2:00-4:00 pm, with the honourable Brenda Murphy, ONB, Lieutenant-Governor of NB in attendance. **Display:** the quilt will be on display at Government House from Thursday, July 11 to Wednesday, July 17, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. (excluding Sunday, July 14).

Holy Family Summer Readers: For the July to early September period, readers at Holy Family are asked to sign up for a time slot or two when they will be available through the summer period. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the entry to the church. If you are also a Eucharistic minister, please do not sign-up to read on the same day that you are serving Communion. If you have been thinking about becoming a Reader, perhaps this is a good time to give it a try. If you would like a brief intro in advance of doing a reading, contact Chris Robbins at 506-454-7459.

Jewelry Sale! "Grandmothers Helping Grandmothers" is pleased to announce that we are once again planning to host a **Jewelry Sale** next fall at the Charlotte Street Arts Center. Proceeds will go to The Stephen Lewis Foundation and Help Lesotho, two Canadian organizations working tirelessly at the grass roots level to support the challenged grandmothers of sub-Saharan Africa.

If you have earrings, necklaces, rings, bangles, or other jewelry treasures that you no longer wish to keep, we would love to receive your donations. Just bag and leave in the designated box at the back of Holy Family church.

Summary of your Support for June 22nd & 23rd

Regular/Loose	\$ 2,285.50
PAD (wkly. average)	1,827.69
Building Fund	20.00
St. Patrick's Cemetery	265.00
Cathedral Restoration	20.00
TOTAL	\$ 4,418.29

Thank you for your continued and generous support.

OPTIONS FOR OFFERTORY DONATIONS:

1. Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD). Forms are at the entrance of the churches. Return to parish office.
2. Mail your envelopes St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, 1500 Hanwell Road, Fredericton NB E3C 1N3.
3. Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) You may send your donations by Electronic Funds Transfer to office@stkateri.ca

READINGS for June 30th

1st Reading: Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

Responsorial Psalm: I will extol you, Lord, for you have raised me up.



Canada Day Celebrations in Fredericton ... copy and paste the following link.

[Canada Day Celebrations 2024 » Downtown Fredericton](#)

Mass Intentions at St. Ann's

June 23 rd	Annunciata Colford
June 30 th	Joyce Buckley
July 7 th	Yvonne and Gordon Buggie
July 14 th	Randy Murphy
July 21 st	Wayne McCarthy

READERS AT ST. ANN'S

June 30 th	Betty Colligan
July 7 th	Mike Solomon
July 14 th	Lawrence Cameron
July 21 st	John Monkhouse
July 28 th	Liz Solomon

Mass Intentions at Holy Family

June 29 th	Lynn Justason
June 30 th	Ann Hawkins
July 6 th	Fred Moar
July 7 th	Lidia Rosario Valle Rodriguez
July 13 th	Tammy Saad
July 14 th	Lorna MacNeil
July 20 th	Peter Cronin / Gary Stewart
July 21 st	Charlie Doherty
July 27 th	Eugene McGinley
July 28 th	Walter Randall

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AT HOLY FAMILY

June 29 th	Wanda Cairns / Margie Snell
June 30 th	JoAnne Linton / Verna McCloskey
July 6 th	Lynn Laagland / Judy Kelly
July 7 th	Bettyanne McMackin / Sharon Watts
July 13 th	Joan Sowers / Harold DeCoursey
July 14 th	Sadie Cameron / Dorothy Blanchard

READERS AT HOLY FAMILY

June 29 th	Paula Ryan / Joan Sowers
June 30 th	Norma Downing/Linda Hubbard/Debbie Landau
July 6 th	TBD
July 7 th	Mary Ellen Badeau / Judy Kelly
July 13 th	Paula Ryan / TBD
July 14 th	Maureen Hawthorne / Carl Duivenvoorden

Our Sacred Stories

The Touch of God's Healing, Life-giving Love (Fr. John Jennings)

Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years..... 'If I can touch even his clothes,...I shall be well again.'...

'Your daughter is dead: Why put the Master to any further trouble?... And taking the child by the hand he said to her, Talitha, kum! Which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about. (Mark 5:21-43, passim)

A few days ago, I experienced two common and seemingly unrelated events. They may not have seemed alike in any way, but they were. The first was simply noticing a young couple walking along on the street, holding hands. The other, was the anointing of a man in the hospital with the oil of the sick. Each of these events seemed quite different from the other, except that there were several commonalities that the events shared. Each event involved one person touching of another. And both of them were in fact an expression of love and the bond between persons.

The young couple, in holding hands expressed the love that they shared with one another and they revealed it in the simple gesture they took. The anointing of the person in the hospital was also an expression of love shared by the Christian community through the sacrament. At the same time, the anointing revealed the shared faith that ties the whole community together and that calls us to reach out to a person in need of our loving support.

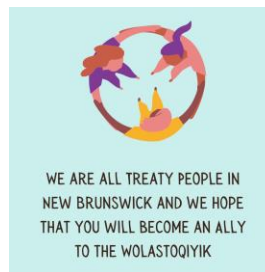
Mark's Gospel often presents us with the healing Jesus. In the very poignant account of a woman who had suffered for years, we discover the loving touch of God that Jesus brings. He is present to her. Having heard of Jesus, she was unable to get close to him, but thought: "If I but touch his clothes." What faith!

The same loving and healing presence is revealed in the second story related by Mark. The sick child has brought desperate parents to seek out Jesus. We might be tempted to see Jesus as a wonder-worker in the story. But what is more wonderful perhaps is that Jesus went out of his way to be present to both

the child and her parents. As Mark relates it, Jesus says: "The child is not dead, but sleeping."

The Gospels are full of stories of Jesus as he heals people. What is this all about? The temptation is to see Jesus as a wonder-worker, a miracle-maker, someone who suspends the rules of the natural order in order to heal. To be sure there may be some instances of physical healing. But if we stop there, we miss the real point of these accounts.

Jesus is the incarnate presence of God – God who is present to us, sharing our humanity. To say this is to say that Jesus reveals the love in which God holds each and every one of us in humanity. He is the touch of God's love for us all. When we stand with another in the midst of suffering, difficult times and challenging wounds personally, communally and globally, we express the incarnation. We speak God's love. We do not seek miracles we seek expressions of God's love, that is always with us.



Wolastoqey Nation in New Brunswick (WNNB) Ally Toolkit.

As noted on the Truth and Reconciliation website: "for Indigenous and non-indigenous peoples to coexist peacefully, a relationship must be built on understanding and respect. That

understanding can be a first step to better relations on a range of issues including environmental, spiritual, societal, and justice matters." The link below provided by the WNNB is a great resource on what it means to become an ally and how we can best accomplish this as individuals and within our Parish. Woliwon- Thank you.
<https://wnnb.wolastoqey.ca/toolkit/>

Open Space, Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice.

The Jesuit Forum brings small groups together to reflect, share, and speak openly to help discern pathways to a more socially just and spiritually fulfilling world. The April 2024 issue, entitled "*Discerning...The Confession of Genocide for Truth and Reconciliation*", is being provided as another opportunity to learn and educate us on our journey to becoming better allies. The link is available on our website.

<https://jesuitforum.ca/resources/open-space>