



If you are interested in taking the bus to attend the annual March for Life in Ottawa, please reserve your seat by calling, as soon as possible, Thérèse St-Denis 705-566-0707.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls all people of faith to join nationwide in 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care on **May 4, 2018**, during National Hospice Palliative Care Week, as a profound witness to the sanctity of human life.



All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join St. John's Council in prayer and solidarity from **7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** For more information, please contact Doreen Merkas at 705-693-0424. Those unable to attend are encouraged to join in prayerful support.

Rummage Sale:
St. Paul the Apostle Church - CONISTON

Friday May 4th 6 pm to 9 pm
Saturday May 5th 9 am to 3:30 pm
Sunday May 6th 9 am to 1 pm

Raffles and Delicious Meal Deals

Sandwiches, Hot Dogs,
Scones, Muffins, Beverages

Loebster & Beef supper at St. Jacques Parish in Hanmer on Friday, May 11th at 5:30. \$60/person or \$440/table of eight. For tickets, call 969-3173 or 969-2324.

RECONCILIATION—HOLY EUCHARIST—CONFIRMATION

Registration forms for Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation will soon be available from Fr. Michael for those who wish to begin their formation for these Sacraments. Of special note for families with children who wish to begin receiving Holy Eucharist: Our Bishop has decided that the preparation for Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist is to begin one year earlier than has been the practice in our Diocese. That means, effective immediately, children may begin their preparation as early as the year in which they turn 7 years of age. As before, that is set as a general guideline, and there is no "maximum" age for anyone to begin to approach the Table of the Lord. For now, please make note of the change. It will be reflected in the new registration forms that are soon to be available.



PARISH BREAKFAST

Join us in our Annual Spring Parish Breakfast on Sunday, May 6th, following our morning Mass. Tickets are available in the Parish Office, and following all Masses this month. Cost is \$6.00/person. Come, bring a friend, and enjoy this delicious feast hosted by our social committee.



The Roman Catholic Parishes of
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST - Garson
ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA - Skead

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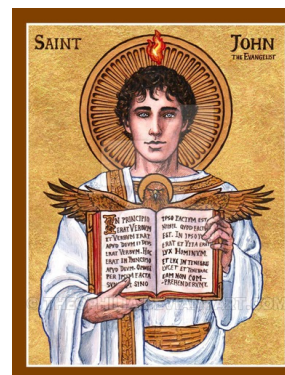
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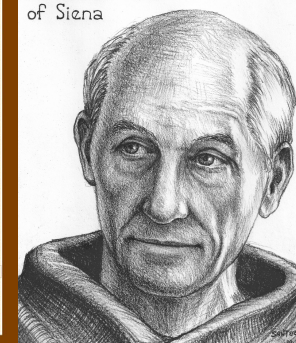
Office hours:

Tuesday—Thursday, 10:00 am. to Noon.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 29, 2018



St. Bernardine of Siena



Pastor

Fr. Michael Williams

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

RCIA and Pastoral Care

Marie Bardswich

Parish Pastoral Council

Marie Bardswich Rachel Charette
Ivon Chaumont Mary MacGregor
Myron McCormick Sue Quackenbush

ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA

Parish Contact

Carole Larrett 705-969-4607

Communion to the Sick

Rolande Kehoe 705-969-2838

PRAYER LINE

Elaine Lamarche 705-693-3339
Rachel Corbett 705-693-3241



WEEKDAY MASSES: See inside for this week's schedule

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 4:30 pm. St. John the Evangelist
Sunday 9:00 am. St. Bernardine of Siena
Sunday 10:30 am. St. John the Evangelist

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE REGARDING:

- Home Visit & Communion or Anointing of the Sick
- Individual Celebration of Reconciliation

FOR BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE:

Please speak with Fr. Michael at any weekend Mass
(6 months minimum notice is needed for Marriage)

Mass Schedule
April 30 — May 6, 2018

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, April 30		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, May 1	9:30 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners
Wednesday, May 2	9:30 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners
Thursday, May 3	9:30 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners
Friday, May 4	10:00 a.m.	No Parish Mass—Mass today is at Finlandia
Saturday, May 5	4:30 p.m.	For Noël Goulet by Theresa & AnnMarie Della Vedova (rescheduled from April 26th)
5th Sunday of Easter		
Sunday, May 6	10:30 a.m.	For Aurèle Henri by Ray & Renée Joly
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, May 6	9:00 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners

The Catholic Women's League

Join the ladies every Wednesday following the morning Mass, when they gather in the hall to craft their handiworks for the Fall Tea.



CWL Council is celebrating their 80th Anniversary with a Cruise on Lake Ramsey on June 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Members can purchase tickets from the Executive. Cost is \$20.00. Only 50 tickets available.

Please keep the CWL in your prayers as they host their annual Diocesan Convention in Sudbury this weekend.



The Knights of Columbus The K. of C. Council #6074 will be distributing their annual "Roses for Life" icons following each Mass on the weekend of May 12/13. Any donations received will be greatly appreciated. All proceeds will be used to support Sudbury Right to Life. Thank you for your ongoing support.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

The minutes of our PPC meetings are now being published on our Parish Website.

As announced last week, and in accordance with the new norms for Parish Pastoral Councils in our Diocese, we will be increasing the size of our PPC to 10 members. Two of those members are ad hoc positions (the Pastor and the representative from Finance) and two will be invited to represent St. Bernardine of Sienna Parish. The other 6 members will be from St. John's Parish, and should reflect a cross section of our parish demographic. The current members of the PPC have all been invited to continue as members; at this time, we don't know how many will continue. However, at a minimum, we will be looking for one new member from St. John's, and two new members from St. Bernardine's. As per Diocesan policy, members must be:

- baptized according to the rites of the Catholic Church, or received into it;
- members of the parish;
- in good standing with the community;
- people of moral integrity and prudence;
- faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church.



If you are interested in serving the parish in this capacity, after prayerfully considering it, please submit your name and contact information to Fr. Michael. If there are more parishioners interested than we have positions available, elections will be held in the fall.

Although this parish is still in the process of writing our own statutes, according to the norms newly established by the Diocese, you can gain a pretty good understanding of what the new role of the PPC will be by reading the Diocesan Norms. They can be found here: www.dioceseofsaultstemarie.org/guidelines

REGIONAL MEETING OF PRIESTS: Please keep the priests and deacons of the Sudbury region in your prayers on Thursday afternoon this week, as they meet to discuss the various pastoral issues common to our various communities, and ways to address them.

YOUR OFFERINGS for April 22, 2018

Thank you!

St. John the Evangelist

Envelopes: \$1,327.00 Loose: \$65.50
 Ministry Formation: \$405.00 Pre-Authorized Deductions: \$798.00

Total: \$2,597.50

St. Bernardine of Siena

Envelopes: \$495.00 Loose: \$15.00

Total: \$510.00