



LENTEN GARSON COMMUNITY

FOOD BANK BLITZ

Special Request for next weekend: Toilet paper & tissues.

Whatsoever you do one of your brothers or sisters, you do to Me, says the Lord!

Building cultural and religious tolerance in Lebanon:



During this second week of Share Lent, we focus on the organization Adyan, a Development and Peace partner that contributes to peace in the Middle East by fostering cultural and religious tolerance. Adyan offers a wide range of programs, including conferences, training sessions, and workshops on peace, reconciliation, and coexistence. In this part of the world wounded by past and present wars, Adyan's work is essential and your support is indispensable to them. "At Adyan, we promote spiritual solidarity, which means integrating the other into my thoughts and prayers. I must integrate the suffering of others and understand it." - Nayla Tabbara, Director of the Institute of Citizenship and Diversity Management at Adyan.

PRAY / FAST / GIVE
TAKE ON THE CHALLENGE FOR LENT

World Day of Prayer 2018 By participating in this year's World Day of Prayer Service, you are joining in worship with Christians around the world and in almost 2,000 communities across Canada. This year the service is written by women of Suriname for all of us: **everyone should feel welcome and invited to attend and participate – this is not for CWL Members only.** This year's theme is: "All God's Creation is very Good!" **Mark your calendar!** Please plan to join us on **Friday, March 2nd at 7:00 p.m. here at St. John's** as we join the Christians of the world in prayer.

The Sisters of St. Joseph invite young men and women, single or married, ages 16 to 35, to fill in a survey which will assist us in planning programs for faith development. This will require approximately 10 minutes of your time. We thank you in advance for your help. Here is the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NYZ57HD>

The 4th annual **New Evangelization Summit** is Back Again!

On Friday, April 27th from 7:00 - 9:30pm and Saturday, April 28th from 8:45am - 4:30pm the New Evangelization Summit will be live-streamed from Ottawa to Sudbury at **St. Benedict C.S.S.** The move from St. Charles College (last year) will allow for more comfortable seating for participants. This year's conference will include 6 world class Catholic speakers: Sr. Ann Shields, Curtis Martin, Michael Dopp, George Wiegel, Patrick Madrid and Christy Dupuis, equipping us with the tools for evangelization and Catholicism in our world today.

The cost for the Summit is \$40 and includes lunch and light refreshments. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to register at the online form: www.newevangelization.ca - drop-down to Sudbury Host Site. The Parish will reimburse you the cost for attending.

For information about the Summit, please visit the Ottawa website at www.newevangelization.ca.

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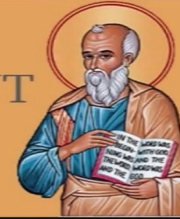
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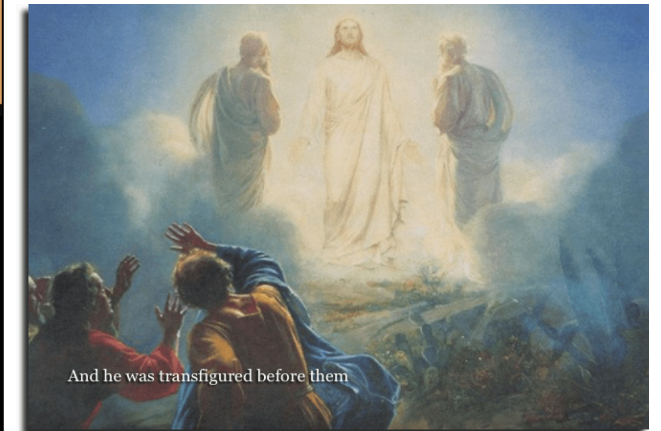
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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

February 25th, 2018



And he was transfigured before them

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 February 26—March 4, 2018		
St. John the Evangelist		
Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, February 26	No Parish Mass (Noon Mass at Holy Redeemer)	
Tuesday, February 27	No Parish Mass (Noon Mass at St. Andrew's)	
Wednesday, February 28	NOON	For the intentions of all Parishioners
Thursday, March 1	9:30 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners
Friday, March 2	No Parish Mass (Mass at Finlandia at 10am)	
Saturday, March 3	4:30 p.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners
3rd Sunday of Lent	10:30 a.m.	For Marie Okane by Mariette & Neil Hickey
	Sunday, March 4	
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, March 4	9:00 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners

The Catholic Women's League

The weekly CRAFTS group gathers to create their handiworks in the Parish Hall following Mass every Wednesday morning. They continue through lunch and into the afternoon, and are always happy to welcome new participants.

April 8th Regional Meeting/Luncheon: Cost is \$23.00. Tickets may be purchased from Diane Myre at 705-929-1487. Please purchase your tickets by March 26th.

The 98th Annual CWL Diocesan Convention is April 27th—29th, here in Sudbury. The deadline for registration is April 11th. Registration forms may be picked up at the March 5th meeting, or by contacting Diane. All CWL members are encouraged to participate in both these activities. Yours, in sisterhood.



Thank you to everyone who participated in our Parish Ecumenical Healing Service this past week at St. Stephen's on the Hill. We are excited about the new friendships that are opening up to us as we expand our ecumenical reach into New Sudbury and Minnow Lake.

National March for Life

On May 10th, thousands of Canadians will gather on Parliament Hill for the 21st National March for Life. Fr. Michael is a regular participant in this event, and has often been accompanied by Parishioners. If you think you might be interested in attending, please contact Fr. Michael directly. He plans on driving to Ottawa on May 9th, and returning to Garson on May 11th. With 2 nights accommodations, you can plan on a cost in the neighbourhood of \$150, give or take. Currently, there are 4 of us who will be going. There is room for one more in the car. If more commit, we will go in 2 cars. Fr. Michael will be booking accommodations soon, so if you are interested, please let him know. As always, there will be busses going from Sudbury for the day, and information about that option will be posted when it is available. More information about the March for Life can be found here: www.marchforlife.ca

PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Our Parish Lenten Mission takes place this week. Each day, there will be a mini-conference at Noon, with Mass. Each night, the main conference begins at 7pm in the following locations:

Monday: At Holy Redeemer Church,
Tuesday: At St. Andrew the Apostle Church,
Wednesday: At St. John the Evangelist.

Each talk is unique—come to all three.

The Mission will begin with a Lenten Reconciliation Service at Holy Redeemer Church on Sunday, February 25th, beginning at 5:30pm.

Our Mission Director will be Fr. Robbie McDougall from the Archdiocese of Winnipeg. He is a renowned Retreat Director, Singer and Composer. You can read more about him here: www.adoramus.ca

Please come to all 3 evenings. Everyone is welcome.

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH (March 10-19): *Remember, O St. Joseph, loving and powerful protector, that according to testimony of the Church, no one who is truly devoted to you has seen his petition rejected. Filled with confidence and hope, I come to you, worthy spouse of Mary Immaculate. Do not close your ears to my prayer, you who have the glorious title of father of Jesus, but hear it and present it for me to Him Who has been vouchsafed to be called your Son.*

YOUR SUNDAY OFFERINGS for February 18, 2018

St. John the Evangelist Envelopes: \$1,294.00 Loose: \$117.00
Pre-Authorized Deductions: \$858.75 **Total: \$2,269.75**

St. Bernardine of Siena Envelopes: \$435.00 Loose: \$71.00 **Total: \$506.00**

In today's bulletin: St. John's Financial report for 2017

Thank You