



LENTEN GARSON COMMUNITY

FOOD BANK BLITZ

Special Request for next weekend:

Dish soap & Laundry soap.

Sharing with the less fortunate is walking humbly with our God!

Defending the rights of poor communities fractured by forced evictions in Nigeria:



In Nigeria, forced evictions are carried out violently, without consulting those concerned, as well as without warning, compensation, or providing alternative housing. Thanks to your support, the Social and Economic Rights Action Centre, a Development and Peace partner, can train community leaders who then work with some of the most marginalized communities so they can engage in effective dialogue with the government. This year, we invite you to join Development and Peace's monthly giving program Share Year-Round. You will find brochures about the program as you leave the church. You can also register online at devp.org/shareyearround.

Development and Peace – Solidarity Visitor from Peru: The Development and Peace group at University of Sudbury invites everyone to a meeting with **Lidia Rojas, who is project coordinator with the Hugo Echegaray Leadership School in Lima (Peru)**. This school is affiliated with the Institute Bartolomé de las Casas, which is a partner of Development and Peace of Canada. The meeting will take place on March 14th, at 5:30 p.m., in the student lounge (first floor) at the University of Sudbury. Some snacks and drink will be provided.

PARISH MISSION THANK YOU: We are grateful to all those who ministered to us during our Parish Mission, and in particular the Wednesday night portion that was hosted by our Parish: Our Music and Hospitality Ministers, our Social Committee, and our Liturgical Ministers. There were others active behind the scenes, as it were, and we are grateful to them and all their great efforts. The Mission was a resounding success, with a great turnout all 3 nights. Fr. Robbie left us with a sense of God's empowering love and the joy this brings to us, our families and our communities as we strive to live the Gospel faithfully each day.

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:**

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.**

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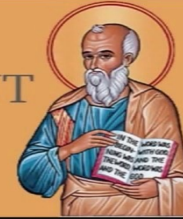
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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT March 4th, 2018



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		
March 5—March 11, 2018		
St. John the Evangelist		
Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, March 5	No Parish Mass	
Tuesday, March 6	9:30 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners
Wednesday, March 7	9:30 a.m.	For Claude Monette by Ken & Sandra Belanger
Thursday, March 8	9:30 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners
Friday, March 9	9:30 a.m.	For Melina Fraser by Stella Astgen
Saturday, March 10	4:30 p.m.	For Eric Thompson by Angus & Evelyn McColeman
4th Sunday of Lent		
Sunday, March 11	10:30 a.m.	For the intentions of all Parishioners
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, March 11	9:00 a.m.	For Patricia Dovigi by Zbig & Gen Waszczylo

The Catholic Women's League

The monthly meeting of St. John's CWL will be this Monday, beginning at 1:30, in the Parish Hall. All members are encouraged to attend.

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.

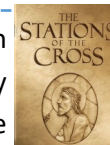
The 98th Annual CWL Diocesan Convention is April 27th—29th, here in Sudbury. The deadline for registration is April 11th. Registration forms may be picked up at the March 5th meeting, or by contacting Diane. All CWL members are encouraged to participate in both these activities.



Envelope #179: We don't have a name/address for this envelope number, and so will be unable to issue the appropriate receipt at year's end. If the donor wishes to remain anonymous, that is perfectly fine of course. If, however, you wish to receive a receipt for income tax purposes, please contact the Parish Office to let us know if this is your envelope number.

National March for Life: On May 10th, thousands of Canadians will gather on Parliament Hill for the 21st National March for Life. If you think you might be interested in attending, please contact Fr. Michael. He plans on driving to Ottawa on May 9th, and returning to Garson on May 11th. With two 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Please join us in this devotional prayer on Friday night this week, beginning at 7pm. The prayer will be led this week by the Parish Lectors.



COMING SOON ... Development & Peace Stone Soup Event: Everyone



is invited to join us on Sunday March 18th following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. **To participate please bring a cup of vegetables, rice or noodles ready for the communal soup pot and take it down to the kitchen on your way in.** While we worship at Mass the soup will cook. Come and join us as we gather in community for nourishment, living proof of Solidarity in Motion – one with God and Neighbour. Come learn more about **peace and dialogue** as part of the Share Lent Campaign.

MADONNA HOUSE SUMMER PROGRAM FOR YOUNG

ADULTS: July 8—August 11, 2018

THEME: "The Word who is life—this is our subject." (1John1)

Weekly Themes: Peace, Work, Relationships, Beauty, Home www.madonnahouse.org/program/guests

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Meets on Wednesday night this week. Please keep them in your prayers.

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 25, 2018

Thank You

St. John the Evangelist

Envelopes: \$1,476.00 Loose: \$34.25
Initial Offering: \$10.00
Pre-Authorized Deductions: \$858.75 **Total: \$2,379.00**

St. Bernardine of Siena

No collection to report, due to the cancellation of Mass last Sunday.