

**ADVENT RETREAT: Theme: *Preparing for the Lord Within Ourselves***

This Advent retreat at Villa Loyola will be a time to prayerfully reflect on this peaceful season of our liturgical calendar, and to ponder on questions like:

If we believe we are made in the image of God, what difference does this make in our attitudes and lives? Can we allow ourselves to be more fully immersed in the true spirit of this Advent Season? If we believe we share Jesus' Good News by using the gifts that God gave us, what are the practical implications of this belief? How do the Advent and Christmas seasons help us appreciate God's desire that we share His love with others?

**Dates:** From Friday November 30 (7pm) to Sunday December 2 (1pm) 2018

**Director:** Fr. Trevor Scott, S.J.

**Cost:** \$220.00 live-in/\$130.00 commute

**Registration:** Call 705-522-3502 ext. 0 Monday to Friday or by email at [loyola@isys.ca](mailto:loyola@isys.ca)

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** Today, on World Mission Sunday, we are invited to celebrate our mission's vocation, to pray for the people who are actively engaged in mission, and to generously contribute to our worldwide mission solidarity fund through this collection. Your gift on this day helps:

- ⇒ People in remote villages, towns and cities, through the witness and work of missionaries and local priests;
- ⇒ Children, the elderly, refugees, the sick and orphans through the services of religious Sisters and Brothers;
- ⇒ To bring the Gospel to the poorest of our human family;
- ⇒ Catechists proclaim the message of hope and peace that only Christ can give.

Please offer your prayers for the work of the Church in the missions today and be as generous as you can on World Mission Sunday.

**PRAY THE ROSARY:** This month, our Holy Father wishes to remind us of the powerful prayer that is the Rosary, and he encourages the faithful to offer this prayer every day in a special way in October, asking our Blessed Mother to protect us from the attacks of the Evil One. We made add to our prayer: "*Under your protection, we seek refuge O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our supplications for we are facing trials, but free us from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin*". He also encourages us to offer the Prayer to St. Michael every day.

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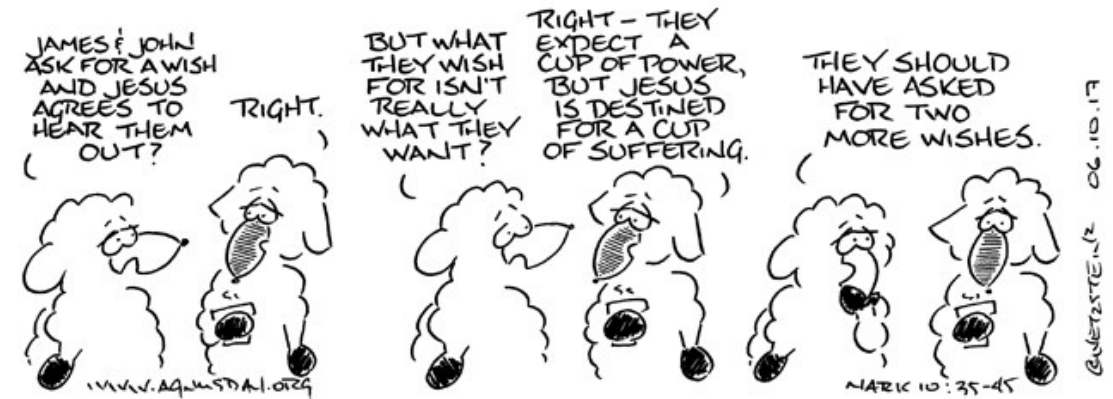
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**OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday—Thursday, 10:00 am. to Noon.



**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

**RCIA and Pastoral Care**

Marie Bardswich

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Myron McCormick	Finance - ex officio
Marie Bardswich	St. John's
Rachel Charette	St. John's
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**October 21, 2018**  
**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**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

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** See inside for this week's schedule

**CALL THE PARISH OFFICE REGARDING:**

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

**FOR BAPTISM, HOLY COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION & MARRIAGE:**

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

**Mass Schedule  
October 22—28, 2018**

**St. John the Evangelist**

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, October 22		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, October 23	9:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of All Parishioners
Wednesday, October 24	9:30 a.m.	For Claudette Zahra by Cathy & Jim Gomm
Thursday, October 25	9:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of All Parishioners
Friday, October 26	9:30 a.m.	For Jim Kirwan by Gord & Diane Brown
Saturday, October 27	4:30 p.m.	For Alice Pennarun by Sister Sarah Quackenbush
<b>30th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Sunday, October 28	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners

**St. Bernardine of Siena**

Sunday, October 28	9:00 a.m.	For Francoise Hayes by William Hayes
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**CWL Tea:** Coming up fast, on November 18th. Please sell and return your quilt tickets to Elaine Lamar.

**Wednesday Crafts:** All are welcome to join in this day of activity, beginning every Wednesday after Mass, and continuing throughout the day.

**ST. PATRICK'S CWL HARVEST TEA & BAZAAR**

Sunday, October 21, 2018 from 11:15 a.m. — 2:00 p.m. The bazaar activities will include the Italian table, bake table, penny table, craft table, book table, a 50/50 draw and door prize. Admission: \$5.00/adult, \$2.00/5-12 yrs.

**NET RETREAT:** On Thursday, the National Evangelization Team will be in our Parish, hosting a day long retreat with the grade 7 & 8 students from St. John the Evangelist School. Please keep all of them in your prayers, that this retreat will be an opportunity of grace for everyone.

The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation (CWLF) is accepting applications for 2019 Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The Program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa.

For more information about CWLF, the Leadership Program and to complete an application form visit [www// cwlfcanada.ca](http://www.cwlfcanada.ca).

**GARSON COMMUNITY FOOD BANK**

Non-perishable food items are always needed. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity.



**OUR RAMP:** It's coming. Really, it is. The permit has been issued, and construction is set to begin. Maybe even this week.



**Our Children's Liturgy Program has begun. As in previous years, Fr. Michael will call the children forward at the start of Mass, and bless them as they go forth to hear the Word of God proclaimed to them.**

**CHIT CHAT AND COFFEE:** Although nobody took up Fr. Michael's offer to submit topics for discussion over coffee, he was inspired by the recent theological conundrums posed on "Young Sheldon". From the speculative "How would Jesus save an intelligent species of Octopus in another part of the Universe?", to the more poignant "How can a loving God allow innocent people to suffer?". Although these questions may not tickle your query bone, we're still going to launch a new Ministry called "Chit Chat and Coffee". It's very informal. It will take place in the Parish Meeting Room after Mass on most Fridays, beginning this week. We'll supply the coffee pods (or bring your own, if you have a favourite), the milk and the sugar. We can talk about anything you like. No subject is out of bounds. Or we can just drink coffee and tell stories. It's all good.



**FINANCE COMMITTEE—NEW MEMBER:** Fr. Michael is pleased to announce that Dion Dumontelle has accepted to join Myron McCormick as a member of our Parish Finance Committee. Thank you, Dion, for accepting this call to Ministry.



**INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL?:** Speak to Fr. Michael or any other PPC member for more information. There are currently openings for 3 representatives from St. John's and one representative from St. Bernardine's. **Our next meeting date is Wednesday, December 12th at 7pm.** All parishioners are invited to attend. The minutes from our last meeting (Oct. 3) have been posted to our Parish Website, for those who are interested.



**WELCOME LETTER: - Last Chance to submit yours!** Fr. Michael is in the process of creating a 'welcome package' for new Parishioners. This will replace the old parish registration forms, which we no longer use. If any group, organization, committee or ministry wishes to include something in this welcome package, please forward it to Fr. Michael. It may be a letter, an information pamphlet, or a simple welcome note. All of the parish groups and ministries will be listed in the package, but this is your chance to provide a little more information about yourselves. **Received so far: D & P, Social and Music Ministries.**

**YOUR OFFERINGS for October 14, 2018**

*Thank you!*

<b>St. John the Evangelist</b>	Envelopes: \$1,426.00	Loose: \$156.40
	Pre-Authorized Deductions: \$983.75	
	World Mission Sunday: \$40.00	<b>Total: \$2,606.15</b>
<b>St. Bernardine of Siena</b>	Envelopes: \$460.00	Loose: \$38.00
		<b>Total: \$498.00</b>