

Our **PARISH WEBSITE** is normally the best source of up to date information about Parish liturgies and events. The Parish Bulletin is usually posted there several days before it is available in print form, and under the Calendar Tab, you can find Liturgies and Events posted far in advance. **HINT:** The Christmas Schedule for 2019 is already there! On the Calendar Page, please remember to 'left click' your mouse over the event listed, as that way all the information related to it will appear.

CHRISTMAS IS OVER (ALMOST): At sunset Sunday, the Christmas Season concludes (with the proviso that was pointed out a few weeks ago re: Candlemas on February 2nd). Congratulations to everyone who was able to pace themselves in order to celebrate these last 20 days with all the enthusiasm they deserve. Monday marks the return to Ordinary Time. It's just a name - and far from "Ordinary"- for the Creator of time has been born and lives among us.

YOUTH GROUP: Our Parish Youth Group meets this Wednesday night in the Parish Hall, from 7—8:30pm. Faith, Food, Fun and Fellowship! All youth in grades 6—8 are welcome, no matter your faith background. All are welcome. So bring a friend, and come and see what it is all about.



Northeast Ministerial Association: This is an ecumenical group representing all the English speaking Christian Churches in New Sudbury, Garson, Skead, Coniston and Falconbridge. We met on January 3rd to share some of the most recent happenings at our respective Churches and to plan the Prayer for Christian Unity on January 23rd. We also decided to plan for another Healing Service like the one we recently had at St. John the Evangelist on December 11th. More information about that will be provided as it becomes available.

CWL NEWS: Elections for a new Executive will take place at the February General Meeting. There will be nomination sheets and a box to put them in at the back of the church. Please consider letting your name stand if you are nominated for a position. We have a recording secretary and treasurer. If you wish to be on the Executive please call Sue Quackenbush at 705-693-2467.



Registration forms for the 2019 cycle of preparation for Holy Eucharist and Confirmation will soon be available. Watch the bulletin for details. Those who will be 7 years of age or older this year may register for the preparation needed to begin receiving Holy Eucharist. Those who will be 12 years of age or older this year may register for the preparation for Confirmation.

Two reminders for those in the current cycle of preparation for Holy Eucharist: you will receive a letter, by mail, over the next few weeks letting you know about the next stage of preparation for this Sacrament; also, you should have picked up by now for your child *The Sunday Missal for Young Catholics*. It's a valuable free gift your child needs to be using.

**THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED THIS WEEK
IT WILL REOPEN ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 22ND**

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January 13, 2019
The Baptism of the Lord

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

RECONCILIATION: Saturday mornings 11—Noon
(Cancelled for this week)

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE (Fr. Michael) 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
January 14—January 20, 2019**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, January 14 — Friday, January 18		No Parish Masses This Week
Saturday, January 19	4:30 p.m.	For Victims of Abuse by K. of C. Council #6074
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
Sunday, January 20		
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, January 20	9:00 a.m.	For Roland D'Amour by May D'Amour & Family

WELCOME FR. BRIAN DIXON: This weekend, we are happy to welcome Fr. Brian Dixon to our Parish as he celebrates the 3 Sunday Masses for us. Fr. Brian is a retired priest of our Diocese, having last served as Pastor of Christ the King Church in Sudbury. Thank you, Fr. Brian, for being with us on this Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Available for Purchase in the Office:

**Hardcover, NRSV of the Bible
(Catholic): \$25.00**

This is the same translation we use in Canada at Mass. NOT large print.

**Compendium of the Catechism:
\$10.00**

This is a condensed version of the full Catechism of the Catholic Church.

YOUCAT: \$25.00

This is a youth oriented version of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Age appropriate for Teens. A great gift idea.

These resources are available at cost as a way to make them readily available to Parishioners.



**GARSON COMMUNITY
FOOD BANK**

Non-perishable food items are always needed. Thank you for your ongoing support and generosity. Your gifts throughout the past year have been tremendous! The needs continue throughout the year ahead, and so we ask that you remember the poor and hungry whenever you shop for food.

CHIT CHAT AND COFFEE:



This activity is cancelled for Friday this week. It will resume on January 25th.



The first step in registering for Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist), or for Marriage, is to speak to Fr. Michael after any Sunday Mass (includes Saturday night, of course). At that time, he will provide you with the registration form and any other information that is necessary.

Prayer for Christian Unity: Our annual Prayer for Christian Unity will take place this year on Wednesday, January 23rd at The Church of the Ascension on Sparks Street in New Sudbury, beginning at 7pm. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend this service of prayer during the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**, to unite our hearts to the heart of the Lord Who prayed “that they may all be one”. Our parish has joined a wider circle of Churches this year, encompassing all of New Sudbury, as well as Skead, Garson, Falconbridge and Coniston. This aligns more fully with the North East Ministerial Association, of which we have been an active part for many years. So, in addition to those we have come to know over the years, we will have the opportunity to meet and pray with new friends from our area.

YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT: As is our custom, a full financial report for the Parish for 2018 will be published and distributed once it has been prepared by the Parish Finance Committee and reviewed by the Parish Pastoral Council at our next meeting on February 13th. We strive to be as transparent and accountable as possible in these reports, without getting bogged down in details that simply increase the amount of paper used in producing the reports. That said, attending the PPC meeting on February 13th would be one way to learn of more details, if you so desire. You can also get in touch with any member of the Finance Committee, once the report is published, if you want more details than those provided.



FINANCE COUNCIL

BOXED DONATION ENVELOPES:



If you did not get a chance to pick up your 2019 boxed set of donation envelopes, they are now (or soon will be) located in the Parish office. If you are unable to get to the office, please just call and request your box be placed on the table in the entranceway, and it will be there for you to pick up the following weekend.

DONATION RECEIPTS:



We are currently working on preparing the receipts for donations made to the Parish in 2018. Once prepared, they will be distributed. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Parish. Your donations allow us to keep our doors open and provide the services that we enjoy.

YOUR OFFERINGS for January 6, 2019



St. John the Evangelist Envelopes: \$1,804.75 Loose: \$146.50
Pre-Authorized Deductions: \$862.50 Mary, Mother of God: \$945.00
Initial: \$495.00 **Total: \$4,253.75**

St. Bernardine of Siena Envelopes: \$960.00 Loose: \$30.00 Initial: \$100.00
Mary, Mother of God: \$120.00 **Total: \$1,210.00**