

RITE OF ELECTION: This weekend, we celebrate the Rite of Election of Lydia Viinalass. Lydia has been immersed in the RCIA preparation process with Marie Bardswich this year, and will be Baptized and Confirmed at our Easter Vigil, where she will also enter into Full Communion with Christ in the Church. Please keep Lydia in your prayers during these 40 days of final preparation. Jim Mucklow was also a part of this process, but due to his deteriorating health, Fr. Michael Baptized and Confirmed him in the hospital, after which Jim was joyfully able to approach the Table of the Eucharist until his death.

RECONCILIATION DURING LENT: During the Lenten Season, Fr. Michael will be available in the Confessional every Friday before we begin the Stations of the Cross, from 6pm to 7pm. Please note that during this time, he will not be available on Saturday mornings. As always, you may contact him for a personal appointment at any time.



LENTEN GARSON COMMUNITY FOOD BANK BLITZ

Week 1 – toothpaste & tooth brush, deodorant & hand soap
During this Lenten Season let us make a difference in the lives of the needy!



5 WEEK LENTEN MISSION: "The JOY of Rediscovering Jesus"

Sudbury's Christ the King Prayer group is hosting their Annual Lenten Mission, beginning on **SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH** and running for **five** consecutive Saturday mornings. Priests are available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation between 8:00am and 9:00am. The first talk is presented at 9:00am by our guest speaker, **Father Patrick Okenyi**, followed by the **Saturday** Eucharist with Bishop Marcel Damphousse and/or Father Gerald Lajeunesse.

All are welcomed to attend this special Lenten Mission at Our Lady of Hope Church, 591 Brennan Rd.

Catching the Flame: The 5th annual New Evangelization Summit is Back! You are invited to join us **Saturday, May 4th** (8:45am - 4:45pm) for the New Evangelization Summit at **St. Benedict School**. This year's conference will include 6 world class speakers live-streamed from Ottawa, providing inspiration, encouragement, training, practical wisdom and resources on how we as Catholics & Christians can effectively evangelize. This **FREE** event includes lunch and light refreshments. Anyone wishing to attend can register at the parish office or on-line at newevangelization.ca For more information, visit www.newevangelization.ca, email infonesummit@gmail.com or call 705-566-1876.

ADOPT AN UNBORN BABY: This year, we are once again invited to spiritually adopt an unborn baby who is in danger of abortion. The slips to do this are available in the entranceway of the Church. If you wish to participate, pray about your baby's name and choose it. For a boy, write it on a blue slip; a pink slip for a girl. Return the left side, with your baby's name printed clearly, to Fr. Michael. Pray for your baby by name every day. Keep the right side portion as a reminder; it has a prayer that was suggested by the late Archbishop Fulton Sheen.

On the Feast of the Holy Innocents and the Holy Family this year, the names of all the boys and girls we adopted will be read at Mass, as those Masses will be offered for them and their parents.

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March 10, 2019
1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

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: Friday nights 6pm—7pm

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)

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:
Tuesday - Thursday
10:00 am. to Noon



**Mass Schedule
March 11 — March 17, 2019**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, March 11		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, March 12	9:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
Wednesday, March 13	9:30 a.m.	For James Mucklow by St. John's CWL
Thursday, March 14	9:30 a.m.	For Gertrude Monaghan by Debbie Monaghan
Friday, March 15	9:30 a.m.	For Alice Pennarun by Pat Huntington
Saturday, March 16	4:30 p.m.	For Mark Kehoe by Fran Kehoe & Family
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT		
Sunday, March 17	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, March 17	9:00 a.m.	For Romeo Ducharme by Marc & Micheline Grandmaison

CWL Diocesan Convention: The 99th Convention takes place this year in Sault Ste. Marie, April 26—28th, at the Quattro Hotel. If you are interested in going, please contact Sue Quackenbush at 693-2467.



Crafts Every Wednesday: For fun, friendship and artistic creativity, come join in the craft making sessions. We begin right after the morning Mass and continue into the afternoon. Bring your lunch.

CWL Regional Brunch - April 14th at 1:00 pm @ the Lexington Hotel - Cost \$23.00

Diocesan Website www.ssmcwl.ca National Website cwl.ca
To learn a Catholic perspective about current issues visit: grandinmedia.ca
World Communications Day 2019 visit Vatican Website w2.vatican.va

LAUDS BEFORE MASS: We will be switching our day of Morning Prayer from Wednesdays to Thursdays, effective immediately. This is the most ancient and traditional of all our Church prayers. It is the official "Prayer of the Church". Every ordained minister makes a solemn promise to pray the "Breviary" daily. We will begin our prayer each Thursday morning before Mass, beginning at 9:15.



Through a quirk of history, our 40 days of Lent are actually 44. Lent used to begin on The First Sunday of Lent, giving us 40 days to its completion on Holy Thursday. Eventually, the beginning of Lent was moved back 4 days, to what is now known as Ash Wednesday. Trying to bring the number of days to 40 by removing the Sundays or other such tricks is just that—tricks. We have 44 days of Lent—lots of time to deepen our conversion. See the first 4 days as a "warm up". Sundays, although still Lenten days, are NOT days of fast. So, if you are living on bread and water in Lent, be sure to set a finer meal for yourself on the Sundays.

CHIT CHAT AND COFFEE: *Come and enjoy a cup of java and conversation in the Meeting Room following Mass. No topic has been suggested, so who knows where the chat will take us this week—come and see.*



CHRISTIAN SEDER MEAL: Fr. Michael will host a Christian Seder Meal on Holy Thursday, and is now accepting guests on a first come basis. Seating is limited to 18 guests. The cost is \$40.00. A portion of that will be dedicated to sponsoring a child through Chalice this year, in the name of our Parish family. **Please see Fr. Michael personally to register for this event. Do not just drop your money off without speaking to him—this is important.**



STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday during Lent, join us in praying the Stations of the Cross in the Church of St. John the Evangelist.

Ministers of Hospitality will lead us this Friday at 7:00 p.m. as we remember how much God loves us. Everyone welcome!



Share the Journey Share the journey with poor coastal communities in Tacloban, the Philippines: In 2013, poor coastal communities in the Philippines saw their homes ravaged by Super Typhoon Haiyan. Thanks to your donations, Development and Peace and its local partners formed a consortium for the purchase of a piece of land that affected communities were empowered to transform into the Pope Francis Village. Watch the documentary **After the storm** to follow the inspiring journey of these communities: devp.org/en/philippines-documentary.



YOUR OFFERINGS for March 3, 2019

St. John the Evangelist

Envelopes: \$2,427.00 Loose: \$60.35 Heating: \$10.00
Pre-Authorized Deductions: \$682.00 Initial: \$5.00
Total: \$3,184.35

St. Bernardine of Siena

Envelopes: \$535.00 Loose: \$10.00 Heating: \$10.00
Total: \$555.00

Thank you!