



With the one bag/week garbage limit beginning in October, we will embark on a renewed effort to reduce our waste, primarily by diverting as much as possible to the Blue Box and Green Bin. Please be respectful of the signs which are posted to indicate the container that should be used. Since the Church does not receive garbage pick up, whatever we produce is discarded with Fr. Michael's pick up. Your assistance in reducing our waste is appreciated.

With the Federal Election coming in October, the Canadian Bishops have written a guide to help Roman Catholics make an informed decision re: voting through the prism of our faith. It does not tell us HOW to vote, but is rather a reflection on how to discern for ourselves how to vote, based on Gospel teachings. The document may be found here: www.cccb.ca/site/images/stories/pdf/2019_Federal_Election_Guide.pdf

The Great Church Chili Challenge is Back! Sponsored by Grace United Church and hosted by St. Andrew's United Church at 111 Larch St., 2nd floor, this coming **Saturday, September 21, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** Adults \$10.00 – Children 10 & under \$5.00. *Diane Myre is providing the pot of Chili to enter the contest!* We hope to see some of you there!



The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada and the Diocese of Sault Ste Marie invite you to an information evening on September 18th at Villa Loyola. Anyone involved with or concerned about evangelising our very young is urged to attend. This is open to all, and is an ecumenical undertaking, so invite anyone who may be interested in our future generation of Christians. For more information, please contact Deacon Justin Legault at jleg@live.ca

CHIT CHAT AND COFFEE: *Following every Friday Mass, unless otherwise noted. We gather in the Meeting Room. Coffee, cream and sugar are provided. You bring the chit chat.*

Registration forms for the 2019 cycle of preparation for both Confirmation AND Holy Eucharist **are still available.** Those who will be **7 years of age or older** this year may register for the preparation needed to begin receiving Holy Eucharist (includes Reconciliation).

Those who will be **12 years of age or older** this year may register for the preparation leading to the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Parents, please ask Fr. Michael for a registration form for Reconciliation/Eucharist following any Sunday Mass.

Candidates for Confirmation are invited to approach Fr. Michael for the registration package themselves, following any Sunday Mass.

Please note that the registration forms for both Holy Eucharist and Confirmation need to be **returned to Fr. Michael no later than Sunday, September 29th.**



RECONCILIATION



Confirmation

The Roman Catholic Parishes of
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST - Garson & Falconbridge

ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA - Skead

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OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:
Tuesday - Thursday: 10am - Noon

September 15, 2019
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

HYPOTHETICALLY. DO YOU THINK THAT SHEPHERDS ACTUALLY DO THAT? LEAVE ALL THEIR SHEEP JUST TO FIND ONE? THAT SEEMS IRRESPONSIBLE!



WWW.AGNUSDAY.ORG

MAYBE IT IS. BUT THE GOOD SHEPHERD ALWAYS SEEKS YOU.



OH, THAT'S NOT NECESSARY! I WAS JUST ASKING FOR A FRIEND!



LUKE 15:1-10

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Pastor

Fr. Michael Williams

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

RCIA and Pastoral Care: Marie Bardswich

Music Director: Jeannine Longe

Parish Organist: Mariette Hickey

Parish Pastoral Council

Myron McCormick	Finance - ex officio
Marie Bardswich	St. John's
Rachel Charette	St. John's
Sue Quackenbush	St. John's
Trudy Hinds	St. Bernardine's

PRAYER LINE

Elaine Lamarche	705-693-3339
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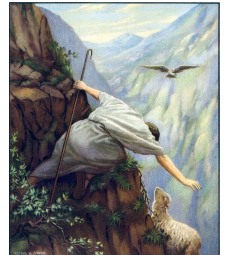
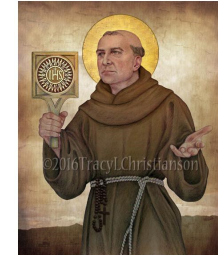
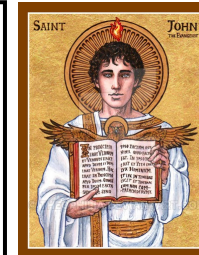
ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA

Parish Contact

Carole Larrett	705-969-4607
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Communion to the Sick

Rolande Kehoe	705-969-2838
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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: Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:00pm

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
September 16 —September 22, 2019**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, September 16		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, September 17	9:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
Wednesday, September 18	9:30 a.m.	For June Palmaruk by Malcolm & Antoinette Chisholm
Thursday, September 19	9:30 a.m.	For Anda Djkic by Theresa & Ann Marie Della Vedova
Friday, September 20	9:30 a.m.	For Ian McPhee by The Monaghan Family
Saturday, September 21	4:30 p.m.	For Priscilla Egan by A. J. Zimmerman
25th Sunday In Ordinary Time Sunday, September 22	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, September 22	9:00 a.m.	For Jadwiga Waszczylo by Eric & Barb Stuart

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC? The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is available in our Parish. It is a process through which adults can learn about the Catholic faith and decide if it is for them. For more information, please speak to Fr. Michael.



Confession RECONCILIATION - NEW TIME: Beginning this weekend, Fr. Michael is available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation every Saturday afternoon, from 3:30 - 4:00pm. He will be in the Confessional - if the green light is on, you may simply go inside for the Sacrament. As always, you may also contact him at any other time for this Sacrament.

COMING SOON TO OUR PARISH! There is an exciting, new opportunity coming to our part of the city, and our Parish will be a key part of it. ALPHA is an international movement for the New Evangelization. This Fall, we will be training leaders for it. In the winter, we will launch. More information will be coming.

REGIONAL MEETING OF PRIESTS: On Thursday afternoon, the Sudbury Regional Meeting of Clergy will be hosted by our Parish. The priests and deacons of the region will meet in our Parish Hall to discuss various pastoral issues that impact our area. They will begin by sharing lunch together, generously provided by the women of our Parish. We are grateful to them for providing us this loving service.



A REPORT ON OUR SUMMER MAINTENANCE PROJECTS: As summer winds down, so too do our various maintenance projects that we undertook these past few months. These included:

- . The professional cleaning of all the carpets in the Church,
- . The stripping, sealing and waxing of the floors in the Parish hall and kitchen,
- . The repair of a broken wire in the entranceway and the installation of a new light over our main doors,
- . The repair of the flood damage (January flood) in the Annex (Insurance claim),
- . The repair of some of the window capping,
- . The parging repair on the side of the Church
- . The filling of cracks on the lower landing of the main stairs and other maintenance work on various parts of the foundation,
- . The complete removal and rebuild of chimney (ordered by our insurance company),
- . The landscaping around our accessibility ramp *
- . The completion of our accessibility ramp **



* We are grateful to Craig and Judy Chaperone who have worked hard all summer to beautify our front entrance and Grotto area with gardens and new paint, as well as the installation of posts and lattice. They plan on installing a new garden to the right of the stairway, now that the ramp has been completed. They also continue to complete the cement blocks in front of the new Hydrangea shrubs they planted. Those cement blocks are being recycled from their previous use around our St. John's sign.

** As of this printing, the handrails are in place but not yet bolted down. Once they are completed, Ivon Chaumont and other volunteers will be doing the finishing work on the top portion of our old handrails, in order to bring them up to standard and complete the project.

. There are a number of other smaller projects that were also completed. We are enormously grateful to Harvey Quackenbush who took on much of the responsibility to ensure that all of them were done safely and efficiently. Harvey gathered the various quotes that were requested, evaluated the proposals, and recommended how we proceed. He was also present for much of the work to see it through.

. There are still a few projects pending, one of which is the re-sealing of our parking lot/driveway, and the re-painting of all the lines. That should be completed this month.

Thank you!

YOUR OFFERINGS for September 8, 2019

St. John the Evangelist Envelopes: \$977.00 Loose: \$65.00 Utilities: \$25.00
Pre-authorized Deductions: \$970.00 **Total: \$2,037.00**

St. Bernardine of Siena Envelopes: \$265.00 Loose: \$52.25 **Total: \$317.25**