



## NEWS FROM THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Unfortunately, due to this COVID pandemic, we are cancelling the Christmas Tea for this year. Without knowing what the fall will be like, we decided it is best to wait until 2021.

Hope everyone is keeping safe and enjoying the warm weather.



**CALLED TO SERVE:** In an effort to reach people discerning a vocation to the priesthood or religious life online, and to highlight the lives of those who have answered God's call, the Vocations Office is pleased to debut a new online episodic series named "Called to Serve". Each episode will profile someone who has given their life in service to the church - priests, sisters, religious, and lay men and women. Our first episode of "Called to Serve" debuts with our first guest - our past Bishop Marcel Damphousse. The second episode is now online, and features Fr. Larry Rymes.

The videos are available on the Diocesan Vocations website ([www.beapriest.ca/calledtoserve](http://www.beapriest.ca/calledtoserve)) and there is a link provided on our Parish webpage under "links". A new episode will be released every two weeks.

## A WORD ON MASS INTENTIONS:

With our limited re-opening, Fr. Michael is able to publish Mass intentions once again, and will continue to do so throughout the summer.

Fr. Michael continues to celebrate Mass privately each day, and if you would like a Mass intention offered for one of those Masses, just let him know when you submit your request. Otherwise, all intentions will be celebrated on Wednesdays or weekends only.

All Mass intentions should be submitted through the collection basket, or by leaving them in the mailbox outside the Rectory entrance. We are unable to provide envelopes or cards at this time, so please just write your intention down and put it in your own envelope.

For July and August, we will continue with just the Wednesday morning weekday Mass; we will re-evaluate this for September and the months following.

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

**ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA - Skead**

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**THE PARISH OFFICE IS  
CLOSED UNTIL SEPTEMBER**

### Pastor

Fr. Michael Williams

### Secretary

Lisa Walz

### Custodian

Sonya Arcand

## 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
Diane Myre	St. John's
Lisa Walz	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

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### Communion to the Sick

Rolande Kehoe 705-969-2838



St. John Church  
Garson



St. Bernardine  
Church - Skead

**July 12, 2020**

**FIFTEENTH 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

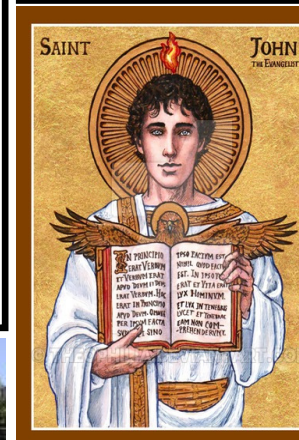
Wednesday at 10:30am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: ~~3:30~~ 4:00pm

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

Please contact Fr. Michael by phone or e-mail.



St. John the Evangelist



St. Bernardine of Siena

**Mass Schedule  
July 13 to July 19, 2020**

**St. John the Evangelist**

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, July 13		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, July 14		No Parish Mass: Intention at Fr. Michael's Mass is For Joe & Priscilla Egan by The Egan Family
Wednesday, July 15	10:30 a.m.	For Alice & Robert Pennarun by The Pennarun Family
Thursday, July 16		No Parish Mass
Friday, July 17		No Parish Mass
Saturday, July 18	4:30 p.m.	For Pamela Astgen by The Family
<b>16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Sunday, July 19	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
<b>St. Bernardine of Siena</b>		
Sunday, July 19	9:00 a.m.	For Albert Robert by John Robert

**PLEASE KEEP OUR HOLY FATHER IN YOUR PRAYERS AS HE DISCERNs WHO THE NEXT BISHOP OF OUR DIOCESE WILL BE.**

**PLEASE DO NOT ENTER THE SANCTUARY**

Some parishioners have entered the Sanctuary in order to access the Sacristy, to speak to Fr. Michael or for some other reason. Please don't do this. The Sacristy is not to be entered by anyone other than Fr. Michael, and the Sanctuary should never be entered by anyone other than a minister as they perform their mandated ministry (ie. the Lector). **The reason for this is to control the areas that need to be sanitized.** Fr. Michael is doing all the sanitization of the Church. As soon as someone enters an area like the Sanctuary, he must sanitize a whole new zone. It really adds quite a bit of work, not to mention the damage the sanitizer does to the wood finish. Fr. Michael has cancelled all his holidays for this year, and so is present in the Parish. If you need to speak to him, please just send an e-mail or call and leave a message. He will always return your calls and answer your e-mails quickly.

**DIVINE MERCY CANDLES:** We have received a new supply of candles, and so they are **NOW AVAILABLE** for those who wish to burn candles as both a prayer offering and as alms for the needy. Remember that 100% of your donation (\$7/candle) is given to the poor. The Parish covers the cost of the candle for you. The money first is used to support our adopted child, Veronica. After that, the money is donated to local agencies who serve the poor.



For now, if you wish to have a candle burned, please write the intention (optional) on a piece of paper and enclose it, with your donation, in an envelope marked "candle donation". You can place it in the collection basket, or leave it in the mailbox outside the Rectory entrance. Fr. Michael will light the candle for you, and will offer a Mass for your intention.

**PRAYER FOR PRIESTS:** For those who wish to pray for a priest of our Diocese each day, the calendar for both July and August have now been posted to our website, under the "Bulletin" tab.

**Online Summer Retreat at Villa Loyola**

**Theme:** Who is Jesus Christ? Exploration of the 'I am' Sayings of Jesus

**Dates:** August 17-21, 2020

Who is God? When Moses asked that question before the burning bush more than 3000 years ago, the mysterious response was "I AM". A millennium later, that strange name received a face, and that face began to teach. In the sixth chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, left a series of statements about his identity, known as the seven "I am" sayings. Enigmatic yet meaningful, they elaborate the identity, personality, and intention of the God-with-us. Drawing from the natural world and the Old Testament, the seven images offer a rich understanding of the nature of Jesus.

I invite you to join me on Zoom for this five day retreat. Together we will explore all seven of the "I am" sayings, with a daily 9 am conference, Eucharist at 2 pm and time for sharing at 7 pm. Personal direction can be offered through Skype. Following the arc of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, the retreat will provide points for meditation, with the goal bringing about our deeper transformation in the light of Christ and into the embrace of our Creator.

**Director:** Fr. John O'Brien, S.J. **Cost:** Free. Tax receipts will be given for donations made to Villa Loyola.

**Registration:** by email at [loyola@isys.ca](mailto:loyola@isys.ca)

**INTERAC e-transfer.** If you wish to use this method for donating to St. John's Parish, simply log into your bank or credit union account, choose the INTERAC e-transfer option, and use the Parish e-mail address ([stjohnsgarson@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsgarson@gmail.com)) as the Donee. **We are working on setting this option up for St. Bernardine's Parish as well, and will give notice when this process is complete.**

