



The Roman Catholic Parishes of
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March 14, 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT-REVISED

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

RCIA and Pastoral Care: Marie Bardswich
Music Director: Jeannine Longe
Parish Musician:

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

Communion to the Sick

Rolande Kehoe 705-969-2838

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 10:30 am

RECONCILIATION

Please contact Fr. Michael by phone or email.

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

Please contact Fr. Michael by phone or email.

PLEASE NOTE: During the current lockdown in our region, Church attendance is reduced to 15% of our capacity. For St. John the Evangelist, that means 42 people. For St. Bernardine of Siena, it means 20 people. This is a provincial law and will be strictly enforced. This is a vast improvement over the previous hard cap of 10 persons.



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 as the Donee.

If you wish to donate to St. Bernardine's Parish, simply log into your bank or credit union account, choose the INTERAC e-transfer option, and use St. Bernardine's e-mail address: stbernardineofsiena@ssmd.ca as the Donee.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR MARCH 7, 2021

St. John the Evangelist

Envelopes: \$1,532.00
 Pre-Authorized Deductions: \$1,017.50
 Loose: \$ 20.00
 Heating: \$ 435.00
 E-Transfer: \$ 30.00
 Mother of God: \$ 10.00
 Initial Offering: \$ 20.00
 Native Sector: \$ 10.00
 TOTAL: \$3,074.50



St. Bernardine of Siena

Envelopes: \$ 345.00
 E-Transfer: \$ 160.00

TOTAL: \$ 505.00



2021 DONATION ENVELOPES

If you wish to pick up your box of 2021 donation envelopes, please either e-mail or call the parish office, and indicate which day you will drop by for them. On that day, Fr. Michael will put them in the mailbox at the entrance to the Rectory (Annex entrance).

**MASS SCHEDULE
 MARCH 15 TO MARCH 21, 2021**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, March 15		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, March 16		No Parish Mass
Wednesday, March 17	10:30a.m.	For Gail Roach by Lillian & Laura Somerton (rescheduled)
Thursday, March 18		No Parish Mass
Friday, March 19 SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH	10:30a.m.	For Fr. Charles Mathieu by Stan & Marcelle Hayduk
Saturday, March 20 5th Sunday of Lent	4:30p.m.	For Lorraine Beaudrie by Malcolm & Antoinette Chisholm (rescheduled)
Sunday, March 21	10:30a.m.	For Jim Cullen by Marie & John Bardswich (rescheduled)
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, March 21		For the Intentions of All Parishioners

ST. JOHN'S CWL NEWS



March 19th is the feast of St. Joseph, known as the "Protector of the Family". A good write up in the OPC newsletter.

On Tuesday, March 23rd there will be a virtual presentation on Vaccines: Faith and Science Working Together. The presenter is Dr. Moira McQueen. It will be from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Register by March 21st at shailaflavy@gmail.com

WEEK 5: MARCH 15 TO 21, 2021



Share Love, Share Lent: Raise a toast to yourself!

Did you know that over 10,000 Canadian Catholics like you are members of Development and Peace?

The *Share Love, Share Lent* campaign invites you to pray for them and to honour their solidarity towards our sisters and brothers in the Global South.

Show your support by donating generously this coming Solidarity Sunday. You can also become a monthly donor and have your year-long contribution matched, thanks to the support of religious communities across Canada. Not only will you double your impact, but you will also automatically become a member of Development and Peace!

Learn more at devp.org/lent.

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

Given the special place of St. Joseph in the Church, and as the patron of our country, not to mention the fact of this year being dedicated to him, Fr. Michael will celebrate a public Mass on his Solemnity on Friday, March 19th.



HOLY WEEK IN PANDEMIC TIMES

On Wednesday, March 10th, the priests of the Diocese met with Bishop Thomas via Zoom. The following highlights of that meeting can be shared here:

Due to the ongoing pandemic, the Vatican has prohibited all liturgical processions during Holy Week. With that in mind, certain adaptations will be made.

For Palm Sunday, there will be no procession with the palms. Palms will be distributed to parishioners as they enter the Church, and Fr. Michael will bless them from the Sanctuary. If there are any palms left over following final Mass, they will be made available from Noon until 5pm at the side entrance of St. John's Church.

For Holy Thursday, there will be no washing of the feet and no procession with the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament, following Mass, will be returned to the Tabernacle. Silent adoration will be permitted until 9pm. Please note, this silent adoration will be only for those who attended Mass.

For Good Friday, there will be no procession with the cross, and veneration of the cross will take place from the pews (in the form of a profound bow).

For the Easter Vigil, there will be no lighting or blessing of the fire, no procession, no lighting of individual candles, and no sprinkling rite. In lieu of the sprinkling rite, individual bottles of holy water will be made available for a home ritual (more on that below).

For Easter Sunday, there will be no sprinkling rite. In lieu of that Rite, individual bottles of holy water (blessed at the Easter Vigil) will be made available for a home ritual. Those bottles will be on a table on either side of the Sanctuary. After receiving Holy Eucharist, you are invited to take a bottle home, along with a prayer ritual. At home, you may celebrate a form of renewing your Baptism promises, using that holy water. If there are any holy water containers remaining following the final Mass on Sunday, they will be made available from Noon until 5pm at the side entrance of St. John's Church.

This year, the **Chrism Mass** will take place at Precious Blood Cathedral in Sault Ste. Marie on Thursday, April 15th. More information about this celebration will follow, as it becomes available.



SPRING COMETH

Despite a relatively easy winter, we always look forward to the coming Spring. Perhaps that is especially true in the midst of this ongoing pandemic. So, for those pining for the changing of seasons, let it hereby be known that Spring begins on **Saturday, March 20th at 5:37am.**

DIOCESE OF SAULT STE. MARIE



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Development and Peace – Caritas Canada Share Lent campaign

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

For over 50 years, Development and Peace has been organizing its Share Lent campaign during our Lenten Season. This year's campaign theme, **Share Love, Share Lent**, is inspired by the message of love and social fraternity in Pope Francis's encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*. Throughout this year's campaign, Canadian Catholics will discover how the work of Development and Peace is anchored in Catholic Social Teaching and how we can heed the Pope's call for solidarity and love for our neighbour.

The current pandemic has forced D&P to adapt its campaign to new realities, resulting in "**Living Lent Virtually**". I invite you to participate in this Lenten journey of **Share Love, Share Lent**, either through your parish's weekly bulletin or through the website: www.devp.org/sharelent.

Your Share Lent donation may be made in your Share Lent envelope at Mass on Solidarity Sunday, the 5th week of Lent, online at www.devp.org (choosing the "Give Now" tab) or by calling 1 888 234-8533 (toll free).

This collection is instrumental in helping Development and Peace meet the immediate and sustained needs of some of our poorest sisters and brothers through over 100 projects in 30 countries of the Global South.

May the Lord bless your generosity and faithfulness!

Bishop Thomas Dowd
2021-03-04