



The Roman Catholic Parishes of
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March 28, 2021
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF
THE LORD

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
Rachel Corbett	705-693-3241

ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA

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

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.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR MARCH 21, 2021

St. John the Evangelist

Envelopes:	\$ 569.00
Pre-Authorized Deductions:	\$1,017.50
Heating:	\$ 290.00
Development & Peace:	\$3,890.00
TOTAL:	<u>\$5,766.50</u>



St. Bernardine of Siena

Envelopes:	\$ 290.00
Heating:	\$ 95.00
Development & Peace:	\$ 140.00
TOTAL:	<u>\$ 525.00</u>



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.

**MASS SCHEDULE
MARCH 29 TO APRIL 4, 2021
HOLY WEEK**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday of Holy Week March 29		No Parish Mass
Tuesday of Holy Week March 30		No Parish Mass
Wednesday of Holy Week March 31	10:30a.m.	For Bill Bardswich by The Bardswich Family
Thursday of the Lord's Supper April 1	7:00p.m.	For Fr. Charles Mathieu by Lil & Guy Bergeron
Friday of the Passion of the Lord April 2	No Mass – Passion Service at 3:00p.m.	
HOLY SATURDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD April 3	8:00p.m.	For Gail Roach by The Monaghan Family
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD EASTER SUNDAY April 4	10:30a.m.	For Michelle McFarlane by Ray & Renée Joly

St. Bernardine of Siena

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD EASTER SUNDAY April 4	9:00a.m.	For the Intentions of All Parishioners
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HOLY WEEK

HOLY WEEK IN PANDEMIC TIMES

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 the final Sunday Mass, they will be made available from Noon until 5pm at the side entrance of St. John's Church. If the weather permits, they will be on a table just outside the door. If the weather is poor, the door will be unlocked, and the palms will be on a table just inside. PLEASE DO NOT TOUCH ANY PALM unless it is the one you are taking.**

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 the Holy Thursday Mass. This is the only way we are able to effectively track who is present.

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. For that distribution, the same process and the same protocols used for Palms the week before will be (and should be) followed.

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.



GREY LOCKDOWN – NEW ATTENDANCE LIMITS

On Monday, March 15th, the government of Ontario updated the legal attendance limits for places of worship. While in the “grey lockdown” designation, instead of a hard cap of 10 persons in attendance, we are now permitted an attendance of up to 15% of our building's capacity. **For St. John's, that means 42 persons. For St. Bernardine's, it means 20 persons.** This will allow us to publicly celebrate our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies, albeit within this restrictive framework. Attendance will be on a first come basis. As the situation may change suddenly, please check the parish website (home page) for the latest information.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

This year, we will have a toned down celebration of Divine Mercy, for those who wish. At 3pm on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11, 2021 at St. John's Church, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed (same prayer we had been using on Fridays previous to the pandemic). There will be no other components that day: no extended liturgy of the word, no homily and no veneration of the Divine Mercy Image.

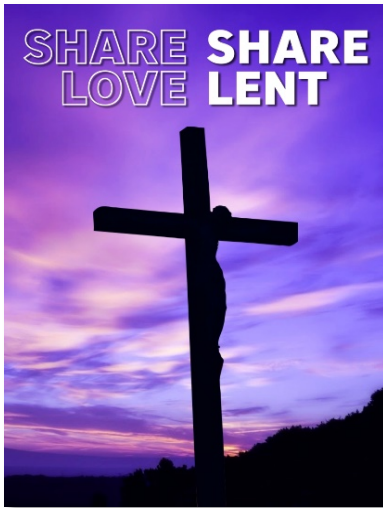




ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - THANK YOU

Over the past year, between the various lock downs and restrictions, the parish environment committee has been trying to strike a balance between keeping the Church appropriately decorated through the various seasons and not going “all in” for the reduced celebrations we have been permitted. They have done this admirably, and we are grateful to them as they continue to navigate, with the rest of us, the restrictions we face. Holy Week and Easter are their busiest times and, although the environment has been ‘toned down’ a bit, they are still here frequently in order to change the décor with the changing celebrations. We are grateful to them.

WEEK 7 (HOLY WEEK): MARCH 29 TO APRIL 4, 2021



Share Love, Share Lent: Paschal progression.

Did you know that Development and Peace has organized a Lenten campaign every year since 1968?

Keeping up with the tradition, this year’s campaign, *Share Love, Share Lent*, invites you to a final week of family fun, communal reflection, global solidarity and prayer.

Don’t miss our special campaign Way of the Cross!

Catch the details and contribute at devp.org/lent.

ALPHA - Are you or someone you know asking “Is there more to life than this?” “How can I have faith?” Are you looking for ways to engage your faith in a deeper and more fruitful manner?

Holy Redeemer parish will be hosting the ALPHA program online **starting April 8th**. ALPHA is a 12-week Christian program, which focuses on the basic gospel message.

More information and how to register can be found on our website, Facebook page, calling the office or by contacting Omer @ odupuis@fibreop.ca.

Jesus says in the gospel of John: “**Come and see.**” Why don’t you or tell a friend!



Begins 8th April | 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM
Register online - holyredeemerchurch.ca