



The Roman Catholic Parishes of
St. John the Evangelist – Garson & Falconbridge
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April 4, 2021
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
EASTER SUNDAY

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
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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 28, 2021

St. John the Evangelist

Envelopes:	\$ 952.00
Loose:	\$ 44.00
Pre-Authorized Deductions:	\$1,017.50
Heating:	\$ 10.00
Development & Peace:	\$ 60.00
TOTAL:	<u>\$2,083.50</u>



St. Bernardine of Siena

Envelopes:	\$ 265.00
TOTAL:	<u>\$ 265.00</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
APRIL 5 TO APRIL 11, 2021
EASTER OCTAVE**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, April 5		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, April 6		No Parish Mass
Wednesday, April 7	10:30a.m.	For Laura Dolcini by Elaine & Rolly Lamarche
Thursday, April 8		No Parish Mass
Friday, April 9		No Parish Mass
Saturday, April 10 2nd Sunday of Easter DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY	4:30p.m.	For June McDonald by St. John's CWL
Sunday, April 11	10:30a.m.	For the Intentions of All Parishioners
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, April 11	9:00a.m.	For the Deceased Members of the Dovigi Family by Ed Dovigi

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. In the event of a stricter lock down, there may be little warning.**



EASTER WATER

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 – just inside the door. Please do not touch any bottles, except for the one you are taking.**

CHRISM MASS:

The **Chrism Mass**, previously scheduled to take place at Precious Blood Cathedral in Sault Ste. Marie on Thursday, April 15th, has been cancelled (postponed to a later undetermined date). This decision is due to the dangerous reality in the Sudbury region, and so was made in the abundance of prudence necessary to ensure the safety of everyone.



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.



The Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

The Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie is currently in the search for an executive Assistant to the Bishop. So more information go to the following link:

<https://dioceseofsaultstemarie.org/employment>

ST. JOHN'S CWL NEWS



Wishing that the Lord blesses you and your families on Easter and always.

Let's not forget the less fortunate. The **Garson Food Bank** is in need of personal items, such as tooth paste, tooth brushes, shampoo and deodorant.





Knights of Columbus
Centennial Council, No. 6074
PO Box 2068, Postal Station A, Sudbury, Ontario P3A 4R8

March 26, 2021

Open Letter to the Parishioners of
St. Andrew the Apostle Church,
St. John the Evangelist Church,
St. Paul the Apostle Church.

GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY

The approaching Holy Week and Easter have special significance, as we are slowly resurfacing from the COVID-19 pandemic. The Knights of Columbus, Centennial Council 6074, are encouraging families in our parish communities to attend the Good Friday Liturgy in their parish. Despite Good Friday's central nature in the heart of Christianity, attendance at services remains low. The liturgy of the Lord's passion and death reminds families of the suffering Jesus endured through his passion and resurrection, thereby opening the gates of heaven for each of us.

While COVID-19 public health restrictions allow for a maximum attendance of 15% of normal church capacity, we can still participate by watching a live stream feed or a television broadcast. We encourage you to contact your Parish Office to confirm if there is a requirement to pre-register for the Liturgy and any Mass you may wish to attend during Holy Week and on Easter Sunday.

Setting an example for their communities, the Knights of Columbus will be attending the 3 PM Liturgy on Good Friday in their parishes. Alternately, they will be watching from their homes, together with the members of their social bubble, the live stream feed from St. Andrew the Apostle Church. Please Spread the Word!

Council 6074 of Sudbury is one of 17,000 Knights of Columbus councils that make up the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. The members of the Knights put their faith into action through a broad range of charitable causes locally, nationally and internationally with financial contributions and hands-on service.

Vivat Jesus,

The Knights of Columbus Council 6074

