

**Mass Schedule
November 28 - December 4, 2022**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, November 28		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, November 29		No Parish Mass
Wednesday, November 30	9:30 a.m.	For Don & Shirley Henry by Ken & Sandra Belanger
Thursday, December 1	9:30 a.m.	For All Monaghan Family Members by Kim & Mike Monaghan
Friday, December 2	9:30 a.m.	For Gerry Foley by Dennis & Larine Schafer
Saturday, December 3	4:30 p.m.	For Melina Fraser by Stella Astgen
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Sunday, December 4	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, December 4	9:00 a.m.	For Mike Kritz & Matt Humeniuk by Loretta Kritz & Family

OFFICIAL SYNOD PRAYER

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions. Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.



For a synodal Church
communion | participation | mission



2023 Donation Envelopes: They are in the main entranceway of the Church, and may be picked up at your convenience. Please note that the numbers have been changed, and so it's very important that you do not use old envelopes next year. Everyone who made a donation in 2022 will have a boxed set to take home, **except for those who donate through the PADP or Interac.** Please check the accuracy of the label on your envelopes, as this is what will appear on your receipt at the end of the year. If you wish to begin using envelopes, please just ask Fr. Michael for a set. If you wish to begin using the PADP, there are registration forms for this in the main entranceway.

NEW YEAR WISHES JUST FOR YOU
HAPPINESS AND PEACE IN ALL YOU DO
MAY GOD BLESS YOUR HOME AND FAMILY TOO
MAY HE BE WITH YOU THE WHOLE YEAR THROUGH.

www.wow4u.com

As we begin a new year this weekend, may the joy of new beginnings, with God's grace, fill everyone with the hope filled expectation of a world made new.

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

ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA - Skead

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 27, 2022

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

Wednesdays 9:05 - 9:25am (before Mass)
in the Reconciliation Room,
or at any other time upon request.

CALL 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 Sunday Mass
(6 months minimum notice is needed for Marriage)

Pastor

Fr. Michael Williams

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

RCIA and Pastoral Care: Marie Bardswich

Parish Custodian: Sonya Arcand

Donations Secretary: Barb Beaulieu

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
Trudy Hinds	St. Bernardine's

(There are currently 3 vacancies on the PPC)

PRAYER LINE

Elaine Lamarche	705-693-3339
Rachel Corbett	705-693-3241

ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA

Parish Contact

Carole Larrett	705-969-4607
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Communion to the Sick

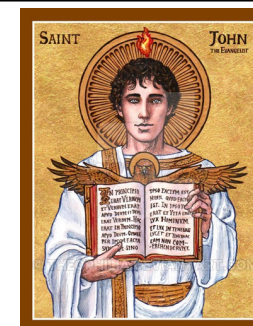
Rolande Kehoe	705-969-2838
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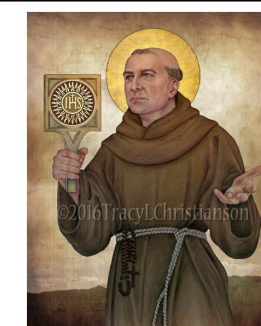
St. John Church
Garson



St. Bernardine Church - Skead
75 Years: 1947 - 2022



St. John the Evangelist



St. Bernardine of Siena



2023 Cash Draw Calendar in support of the NEO Kids Foundation

The Sudbury region Knights of Columbus wish to continue our past success in raising funds in support of the NEO Kids Foundation. Their goal is to increase our hospital's capacity to treat more children in Sudbury, and to create more children friendly hospital rooms. The calendars for 2023, with a cash prize every day of the year, are now available. They can be obtained by contacting John Terpstra at (705) 693-9892 or terpstra@isys.ca to arrange purchase and delivery (Garson/Falconbridge/ Skead). The cost is just \$20, and make excellent Christmas gifts. We thank everyone for your continued support of this worthwhile cause.



Canadian Mission Initiative: Our Bishop, Thomas Dowd, has renamed the November Special Collection (taking place this weekend) to the Canadian Mission Initiative. It used to be called the Bishop's Annual Appeal. The money raised through your donations will part of the 30 million dollar reconciliation fund the Canadian Bishops promised to raise over the next 5 years. Our Diocese has committed to raising \$350,000 of that, over those 5 years (\$70,000/year).

As with all other Special Collections, you may contribute by using the envelope in your boxed set. For next week, that would be the envelope marked "Bishop's Annual Appeal". In 2023, the envelope has been renamed. Those who opted to donate to the Bishop's Annual Appeal on their PADP forms will automatically have that money forwarded to the Reconciliation Fund.

For more information about all this, including who the Bishop has named as members of the Diocesan Reconciliation Committee, you may read his decree in the October edition of the Official Gazette on our Diocesan Website: <https://dioceseofsaultstemarie.org/gazette>



Received from our sponsored child Veronica (Bolivia - Sponsored through Chalice)

First of all, I send greetings to you and your family. I hope you are fine. My whole family is here for the moment in good health. Your Goddaughter Veronica is fine. We are very grateful for the gift that you sent your goddaughter Veronica. We told her that her Godfather sent her this gift and she was glad a lot because with that we bought her a dresser, bedside table, bedspreads and sheets. We and your Goddaughter are very happy with the gift you sent her.

We thank you very much. For now, I am writing to you, her mother; in a short time, your Goddaughter Veronica will be the one to write you the letters since she will enter primary school next year and learn to write. Veronica is very happy when we go to the countryside on weekends. She likes to play in the river with her friends, and she also likes to help at home.

Here the pandemic is already diminishing and your Goddaughter Veronica continues to pass classes and is learning much more, since in virtual classes it was a bit complicated to connect through the internet little by little.

I say goodbye, with a big hug to the distance. God bless you. Juana and Veronica.



NOTE: In addition to our annual support, we sent gifts for her birthday and for Christmas, as well as additional family support. Your candle prayer offerings allow for this.



The Garson Food Bank is in **URGENT NEED**. Their stocks are depleted, as are those of the Sudbury Food Bank which would normally help. **A current very urgent need is jars of jam.** We have much for which to be grateful; may we share with those who have little. Food donations may be left in the Church entranceway. Thank you for whatever help you are able to give.

The CWL will be holding their annual Bazaar on Sunday, November 27 at the Garson Arena, from 10 am. to 2 pm. Craft, penny and bake table. Admission is free, as we will not be serving lunch. Quilt tickets may be purchased from any CWL member. More information to follow.



CATHOLIC and LIVING IT, GO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

During the month of November, the CWL will pray the Rosary for our Deceased Family Members and Friends, for the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for children who are suffering and for those who have no one to pray for them. We invite all parishioners to join us at Church every Wednesday afternoon during November at 2:30 pm. Pope Francis said praying for the dead "is a thanksgiving to the Lord for having given them (to us) and for their love and friendship." Hope to see you there!

New Covid Policy The Bishop has issued an updated Covid policy, which takes effect on **December 1st**. You may read it in the October edition of the Gazette (Diocesan website). As a summary, the dispensation from attending Mass every Sunday, issued on March 19, 2020, has been abrogated. Not attending Sunday Mass after December 1st would be a sin against the Third Commandment (normal exceptions, like illness, being taken into account). The mask mandate has been entirely lifted, save for the priest in the Confessional, who is still required to wear one (and Fr. Michael will still wear one while giving out Communion). The prohibition from receiving Eucharist from the Chalice remains for the time being.



Skead Seniors Fundraiser 9" Meat Pies \$15.00
Cooked/Frozen. Order & pay by December 1st
Pick up on December 14th between 3-7pm
Call Rose at 969-2583



Skead Seniors' Centre Bazaar
with take out boxed lunch
Sunday, December 4th 10am-2pm 5 Bell St. in Skead
Admission: \$6.00 (\$3.00 child 6-12yrs)
Bake Table, Crafts, Penny Table, Raffles, Door Prize



YOUR OFFERINGS on November 20th

St. John the Evangelist	Envelopes:	\$ 497.00	
	Loose:	\$ 11.25	
	PAD:	\$ 842.25	
	Heat/Utilities:	\$ 15.00	Total: \$ 1,365.50

Thank You St. Bernardine of Siena Envelopes: \$ 265.00 **Total: \$ 265.00**

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. For donations to St. Bernardine's Parish, use: stbernardineofsiena@ssmd.ca.

