

**Mass Schedule  
February 20 - February 26, 2023**

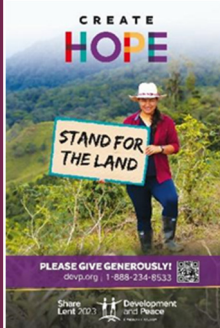
**St. John the Evangelist**

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, February 20		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, February 21		No Parish Mass
ASH WEDNESDAY Wednesday, February 22	5:00 p.m.	For the Needs of all Parishioners In this Time of Grace and Conversion
Thursday, February 23	9:30 a.m.	For Brianna Monaghan by Marion & Kevin Dwyer
Friday, February 24	9:30 a.m.	For All Blessings Received in 2022 by Yvonne & Don Brown
Saturday, February 25 <b>First Sunday of Lent</b>	4:30 p.m.	For Zygi Fila by Gertrude & Roland Labelle
Sunday, February 26	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners

**St. Bernardine of Siena**

Sunday, February 26	9:00 a.m.	For Ken Clark by Eric & Barb Stuart
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**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.



**This Lent, let's stand for the land** This year, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's *Create Hope: Stand for the land* campaign calls you to support our sisters and brothers in the Global South in defending their land and territory. Do this by:

**Donating** online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give) or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on March 26, the fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 86 projects in 40 countries around the world!

**Learning more** by reading the Mini-magazine and other resources available at [devp.org/lent/resources](http://devp.org/lent/resources).

Meet our solidarity visitors and **participate in the [campaign launch webinar](#)** on **February 25 at 1:30 p.m. ET.**

**RECONCILIATION THIS WEEK** With the change in Mass time on Wednesday, the time for the availability of the Sacrament of Reconciliation has also changed. For this week only, Fr. Michael will be available in the Confessional Room on Wednesday from 4pm to 4:45pm. Begin your Lent with a cleansed soul.

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

**ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA - Skead**

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**SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**February 19, 2023**

**Pastor**

Fr. Michael Williams

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

**Parish Pastoral Council**

Fr. Michael Williams	Pastor - ex officio
Myron McCormick	Finance - ex officio
Marie Bardswich	St. John's
Rachel Charette	St. John's
Sue Quackenbush	St. John's
Barb Pineau	St. John's
Pamela Schofield-Adams	St. John's
Jim Murphy	St. John's
Trudy Hinds	St. Bernardine's

(There is 1 vacancy for St. Bernardine's on the PPC)

**PRAYER LINE**

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

**ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA**

**Parish Contact**

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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

**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**

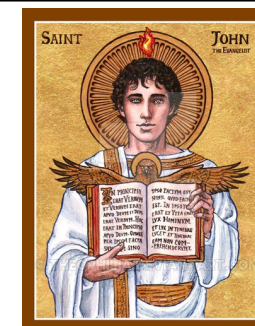
Wednesdays 9:05 - 9:25am (before Mass)  
in the Reconciliation Room,  
or at any other time upon request.

**CALL FR. MICHAEL REGARDING:**

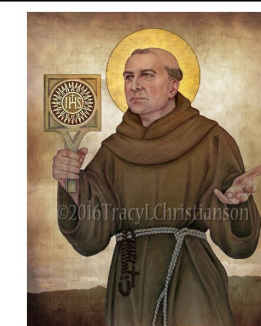
Home Visit, Communion or Anointing of the Sick  
Individual Celebration of Reconciliation

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

Please speak with Fr. Michael at any Sunday Mass  
(6 months minimum notice is needed for Marriage)



St. John the Evangelist



St. Bernardine of Siena

**ASH WEDNESDAY MASS:** Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. The Mass that day (February 22nd) will be celebrated at 5pm, in order to allow as many as possible to attend.



**A LENTEN JOURNEY - A FREE ONLINE SCRIPTURE STUDY**

Everyone is invited to participate in a free online Scripture study throughout the Lenten season. This study is hosted by Scott Hahn through the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology. Many have followed the various Lenten journeys offered by them in past years, and are familiar with the format. As Scott Hahn tells us:

**"For the last seven years, the St. Paul Center has premiered its newest production of the Journey Through Scripture Bible study series during Lent and 2023 is no exception. I'm inviting you to join me this Ash Wednesday, February 22nd for our newest study, "Holy is His Name."**

**All of us are called to be holy. Scripture tells us that God's will for us is our sanctification (1 Thessalonians 4:3). But we're never quite told what holiness is.**

**Come with me on my quest to search for the meaning of holiness as it is found in the Scriptures. Together we'll see how God transmits His holiness to His people—through creation, right worship, and more—and ultimately transforms them through the sharing of His divine life."**

To register, go to: [https://stpaulcenter.com/holystudy/?utm\\_source=jts-hihn&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=holy\\_study&utm\\_content=footer-holy\\_study](https://stpaulcenter.com/holystudy/?utm_source=jts-hihn&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=holy_study&utm_content=footer-holy_study)  
(If you request him via email, Fr. Michael will send you the link so you don't have to type it all in). They will encourage you to buy the study guide, but it really is not necessary. This is an excellent way to grow spiritually in the upcoming Lenten Season.

**PRAY THE ROSARY DURING LENT**

The Catholic Women's League members of St. John's invite everyone to join them on the 5 Wednesdays during March, in this Season of Lent, in praying the Rosary in the Church. The Rosary will be prayed on those 5 Wednesdays at 2pm, beginning on March 1st.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Every Friday during Lent, beginning this week, the traditional devotional of the Stations of the Cross will be prayed in St. John's Church, beginning at 5pm. Everyone is welcome to come and meditate on the mystery of the Passion of Christ in this Holy Season of Lent.



**PARISH CHILI DINNER:** The Parish Social Committee is hosting a Pre-Lent dinner in our Parish Hall on Sunday, February 19th. There is a nominal charge of \$5.00 for adults. Dinner is at 5pm.

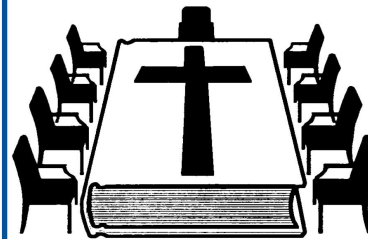


**MONDAY MASS DURING LENT:** During the Lenten Season, a 9am Monday morning Mass will be offered at both Holy Redeemer Church and Our Lady of Hope Church.

Donations to the food bank are always gratefully accepted, and may be left in the entranceway of St. John's Church. The following items are always needed and appreciated: **Jams, cheese whiz, pasta, noodles, rice, pasta sauce, canned vegetables including canned potatoes, kraft dinner, cereals, oatmeal, crackers, powdered milk.** For Lent, we will once again highlight a particular item most in need for that week. Thank you for your ongoing generosity.



**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Your PPC met on Wednesday night, this past week. The full minutes of that meeting are now posted on our Parish website. **Some highlights:** The CWL will support the Inner City Home during Lent, to compliment our Parish support of the Garson Food Bank; A change in the Bishop's policy requiring vigilance during Communion will impact Hospitality Ministry (already notified); Various maintenance issues planned for 2023 (request to city to repair end of driveway, Sacristy update, front railings sanded/painted and kitchen storage room repair); A new Faith Animator at St. Charles College; Approval of the 2022 Financial Report to the Parish (inserted in this bulletin); Approval of the 2023 Budget; Approval of the "Giving Tree" idea (an Advent outreach to the poor) to be started this year. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 12th at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. The full minutes of all our meetings are posted on our Parish website.



**Parish Bulletin Emailed Upon Request:** The Parish bulletin will be emailed to anyone who wishes this service. To make your request, please send it to the parish office, using the email address you wish to use to receive the bulletin. It will be sent in .pdf format at the same time it is posted to our parish website. It will be sent BCC so that your email address will not be disseminated to others.

**Join Our Email List**

**YOUR OFFERINGS on February 12th**

<b><u>St. John the Evangelist</u></b>	Envelopes:	\$ 712.00	Loose:	\$ 71.60
	Interac:	\$ 60.00	PAD:	\$ 847.25
	Heating:	\$ 360.00	Initial:	\$ 10.00
				<b>Total: \$ 2,060.85</b>
<b><u>St. Bernardine of Siena</u></b>	Envelopes:	\$ 175.00		
	Heating:	\$ 35.00		
				<b>Total: \$ 210.00</b>

*Thank you for your ongoing support*

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](mailto:stbernardineofsiena@ssmd.ca).

