

**Mass Schedule
March 27 - April 2, 2023**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, March 27		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, March 28		No Parish Mass
Wednesday, March 29		No Parish Mass Chrism Mass at 7pm - St. Anne of the Pines
Thursday, March 30	9:30 a.m.	For J. P. Reasbeck by Marion & Kevin Dwyer
Friday, March 31	9:30 a.m.	For Bill Bardswich by Marie Bardswich
Saturday, April 1 PALM SUNDAY Sunday, April 2	4:30 p.m.	For Tom Carew by Debbie Monaghan
	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners

St. Bernardine of Siena

Sunday, April 2	9:00 a.m.	For Vladimir Blechta 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.



MEMORIAL FLOWER DONATION: As explained last Sunday, donations are being accepted towards the purchase of Easter flowers at St. John's Church, which will adorn our Sanctuary and Church during the Easter celebrations. Envelopes for this purpose can be found in the main entranceway. You may donate in memory of a deceased loved one. Their names will be published in the Easter bulletin, and the Easter Vigil Mass will be offered for them. To ensure publication, memorial donations need to be in the office no later than Noon on Thursday, March 30th. You can return



them via the collection basket next Sunday, or by leaving them in the mailbox outside the Rectory Annex (Fr. Michael's entranceway), or by attending Mass on March 30th and leaving them in the collection basket in the Church entranceway.

All donations will be given to The Inner City Home to assist the poor of our city.

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

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 26, 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

Carole Larrett	705-969-4607
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Communion to the Sick

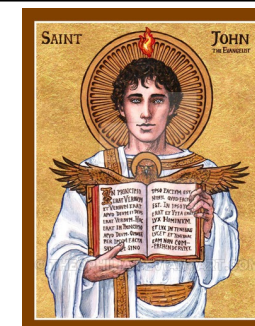
Rolande Kehoe	705-969-2838
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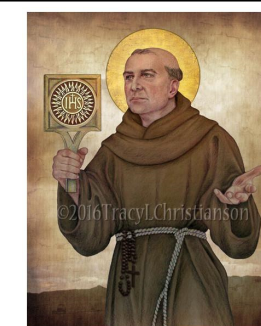
St. John Church
Garson



St. Bernardine Church
Skead



St. John the Evangelist



St. Bernardine of Siena

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,
Cancelled this week, due to Chrism Mass

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)


 **CHIT CHAT AND COFFEE:** We gather in the Parish hall for some casual chit chat over coffee, every Friday following the morning Mass. Everyone is welcome to join us for this hour of fellowship. The following submitted question will be discussed this coming Friday: When a Priest is ordained, his hands are washed in sacred oil and cleaned with a white linen towel called a maniturgeum; what happens to the towel? Does the Priest wash and keep it or give it to a special person?

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.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS


Every Friday during Lent, 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.




GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere, and also to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution. This Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 7th. Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may do so by Interac e-transfer or CanadaHelps by visiting www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us.



Invitation to Chrism Mass: Bishop Thomas Dowd invites all the faithful of the Diocese to the Chrism Mass, which will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 29th at 7:00pm at Ste-Anne-des-Pins Parish. During this special Mass, Bishop Dowd will bless the oils that will be used for the Sacraments of the Church. The priests will also renew their priestly promises. All faithful of the Diocese are welcome to participate in this important celebration.




 **This Lent, please give generously** This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's **Stand for the Land** campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. **Our solidarity rests on your generosity.**

"The support we receive from Development and Peace has been very important for me. It allowed me to find myself, to live again." — Raquel Soto, participant in the documentary filmmaking school of the *Asociación Campesina de Antioquia* (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia)

Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at devp.org/give. Thank you for helping us build a world of justice.

Donations to the food bank are always gratefully accepted, and may be left in the entranceway of St. John's Church. This week, they are making a special request for: **Jam, cheese whiz and crackers.** Thank you for your ongoing generosity and support of this needed service for the poor.




The CWL Diocesan Convention takes place at the Holiday Inn (Sudbury) from April 21st to April 23rd. Anyone interested in attending is asked to contact Marie Bardswich @ 693-2282. The registration deadline is April 5th. JOY T-Shirt \$30.00. The Sault Ste Marie Diocesan CWL Convention T-Shirt is available for purchase. To order one, please contact President Marie Bardswich by March 26th (this weekend).


CWL Meeting @ 6:30 pm - Monday April 3rd
Guest Speaker: Christina Scapellini - Topic: Human Trafficking

Christina is the Executive Director of Angels of Hope Against Human Trafficking in Sudbury. She works directly with Survivors and their Families. Everyone is welcome to come and become more informed about this reality happening in our communities. What can we do about it?


Upcoming CWL Webinar: "Act Justly, Love Tenderly, Walk Humbly" on March 28th from 1 to 2 p.m. Lenten Retreat "Exodus Journey to Easter" offered online on March 31st from 1 to 2 p.m. To register go to CWL.ca, scroll down to Spiritual Development, click on picture and you will get all information to register.



Since the first Friday of April is Good Friday, the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated instead this **Friday, March 31st**, at the morning Mass.




We received a generous donation from **St. John's CWL**, in the amount of \$1,000, towards the cost of the updates and repairs that were recently completed in the Sacristy (new counter top, faucet, backsplash, floor, baseboards). **We are grateful to the ladies of the CWL** who continue to support our parish with such generosity.



YOUR OFFERINGS on March 19th

St. John the Evangelist	Envelopes: \$ 817.00	Loose: \$ 90.00
	Interac: \$ 60.00	PAD: \$ 822.25
	Easter Flowers: \$ 70.00	Heating: \$ 65.00
	Dev. & Peace: \$ 40.00	
		Total: \$ 1,964.25
St. Bernardine of Siena	Envelopes: \$ 190.00	
	Heat: \$ 30.00	
		Total: \$ 220.00

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.