

**Mass Schedule
November 27 - December 3, 2023**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, November 27		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, November 28		No Parish Mass
Wednesday, November 29	9:30 a.m.	For My Children by Colette Prieur
Thursday, November 30		No Parish Mass
Friday, December 1	9:30 a.m.	For Harvey Quackenbush by Mary & Ray Albert
Saturday, December 2	4:30 p.m.	For Anne Marie MacInnis by Kim & Michael Monaghan
First Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 3	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of All Parishioners
St. Bernardine of Siena		
Sunday, December 3	9:00 a.m.	For Bill & Frances Hayes by Ann & Gino Contini

MEMORIAL FLOWERS: Envelopes are available in the entranceway to our Church, which can be used to make a donation towards the cost of purchasing our Christmas flowers for the upcoming Solemnities.



On the envelope, you are invited to write the name of the deceased person you wish to donate in memory of. Our Christmas Day (10:30am) Mass will be offered for them, and their names will be published in a special insert in the bulletin.

Further, **100% of the donations received will be forwarded to the Pregnancy Care Centre & Infant Food Bank** in Sudbury, to be used to further the excellent work they do for the poor of our region who are pregnant and/or have young children.

Not only do our prayers magnify when accompanied by mercy shown to the poor, but also, this particular charity resonates well one of the key themes of Christmas: a baby born to a poor family who are forced to rely on the charity of others.

In order to ensure the publication of all names, donations must be received no later than **December 17th - The 3rd Sunday of Advent.**

**PREGNANCY
CARE CENTRE
& Infant Food Bank**



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

ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA - Skead

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**THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
~THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE~
November 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
Sue Quackenbush	St. John's
Barb Pineau	St. John's
Pamela Schofield-Adams	St. John's
Jim Murphy	St. John's
Sheila Lapierre	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
Rolande Kehoe	705-969-2838

Communion to the Sick



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

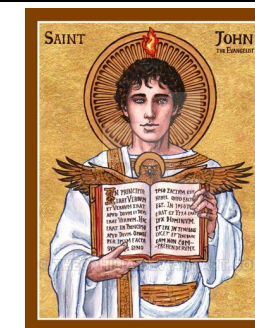
Wednesdays 9:05 - 9:25am (before Mass)
in the Reconciliation Room
- And any time upon request -

CALL FR. MICHAEL REGARDING:

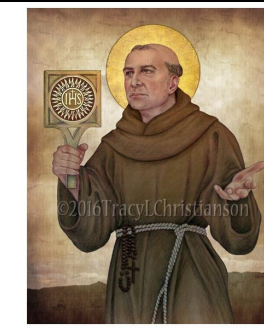
Home Visit, Communion or Anointing of the Sick
Individual Celebration of Reconciliation

**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

Thank you for standing for the land. Thousands of Canadians signed the letter in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in Honduras who are protecting their water and fighting for their rights. **The Create Hope – Stand for the Land** campaign aims to collect 32,000 signatures by February 25, 2024. A delegation of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada members and staff will then meet with the Honduran ambassador to Canada to show our support and solidarity.



On behalf of all those struggling to preserve their land, their water, their culture and their lives, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for your continued commitment and mobilization. Together, we are building a world of justice.

- To sign our petition and to continue supporting our campaign, visit devp.org/act.
- To become a member and support our mission, visit devp.org/joinus.

PRAY EVERY DAY THIS ADVENT: We have partnered with [Hallow](http://Hallow.com) to encourage all parishioners to surrender it all this Advent season and prepare your heart for Jesus like never before with readings from the works of C.S. Lewis, voiced by award-winning actor and the voice of Aslan in the Narnia movies, Liam Neeson. Jonathan Roumie and Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, will guide us through prayer and reflection on these powerful writings to prepare our hearts for Christmas and rediscover the wonder of Christ's coming into this world and into our hearts.



Hallow is the #1 Catholic app worldwide and includes 1,000 prayer sessions available for free, and over 10,000 audio-guided sessions in an upgraded premium subscription. Hallow is designed to help you grow closer to God and develop a daily habit of prayer, and includes prayers for kids and families, resources for mental health, meditations for sleep, seasonal music, multiple languages (including Spanish, Portuguese, and Polish), daily trivia, podcast-style courses to learn more about faith, and more! Register today by scanning the QR code on today's insert, or visiting Hallow.com/pray to get started.

A NOTE FROM FR. MICHAEL: I realize this app is useful only to those who use smartphones, and so will not be helpful to those who don't. That being said, the Hallow app is widely used worldwide, is thoroughly Catholic, and speaks most especially to the younger generations who do use apps on a regular basis. You might consider taking home today's bulletin insert, and/or some of the bookmarks (back table) to give to those you think might benefit from the app. It could turn out to be a good way to evangelize someone. All the materials were provided free of charge to the Parish, so it is "risk free" from that perspective. And, if it leads a soul to a deeper prayer life, praise God! I have the app (free version - I'm too cheap to pay!) on my phone and find it useful at times.

DONATION ENVELOPES: The 2024 donation envelopes will be made available next Sunday. If you used donation envelopes in 2023, a set will be provided for you. **Please note:** your new set of envelopes may have a different number than your last set.



CWL Rosary: The month of November is traditionally dedicated in the Catholic Church to honoring the dead and relieving the sufferings of the souls in purgatory. Please join the CWL Ladies on **Wednesdays at 2pm** in the Church to pray the Rosary this month.



Our Bazaar: Thanks to Lorna and Mary Mac for co-ordinating our successful Bazaar on November 19th, including the Workers, Artisans, Penny Table donors, Baking and other. A special thank you to Jim, Ken, John, Rod and others for transporting all the materials to the arena on Saturday, and Sunday to the Church Hall. We are most grateful to all who participated to make this Bazaar a success. Blessing to all.



NO PARISH MASS ON THURSDAY THIS WEEK Fr. Michael will be participating in a meeting with all the priests of our Diocese on Thursday morning this week, and so there will be no Mass that day.



ADVENT GIVING TREE As previously announced, the Parish Pastoral Council is initiating an Advent Giving Tree, as another way to reach out to touch Christ in the poor. On the First Sunday of Advent (Dec. 2/3), a number of tags will be available on a tree in the entranceway of St. John's Church. Each tag will indicate an individual, with enough information provided to allow those who wish to take home the tag and purchase a gift for that person. The recipients have been suggested to us by the staff at St. John's Catholic School here in Garson.

The gifts should be returned **unwrapped**, (in a gift bag is fine) with the tag attached to the gift, and returned to the Church no later than the Third Sunday of Advent (Dec. 16/17). They will then be sorted and wrapped by volunteers, and distributed in the following week, before Christmas.

In the first Advent bulletin next Sunday, we will try to offer suggestions for gifts for those who might appreciate that aid. We have 7 families we will support, with 23 recipients in total. There are 10 boys, 8 girls, 1 baby, 3 moms and 1 dad. We hope there will be a generous response to this initiative, and trust in the proven generosity of the parishioners here.



YOUR OFFERINGS on November 19th

Thank you for your ongoing support

St. John the Evangelist	Envelopes: \$ 692.00	Heat: \$ 70.00
	Loose: \$ 65.00	PAD: \$ 861.00
	Interac: \$ 60.00	Memorial Flowers: \$ 100.00

Total: \$ 1,848.00

St. Bernardine of Siena Envelopes: \$ 170.00 **Total: \$ 170.00**



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.