Mass Schedule February 26 - March 3, 2024						
St. John the Evangelist						
Date	Time	Mass Intention				
Monday, February 26		No Parish Mass				
Tuesday, February 27		No Parish Mass				
Wednesday, February 28	9:30 p.m.	For Gregory Larsen by Myron & Ann McCormick				
Thursday, February 29	9:30 a.m.	For Theresa Della Vedova by Carmen Joly				
Friday, March 1	9:30 a.m.	For Raymond Joly by Tom & Lorraine Mei				
Saturday, March 2 The 3rd Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 3	4:30 p.m.	For Brianna Monaghan by Kim & Mike Monaghan				
	10:30 a.m.	For Karen Petkovich by Jim & Cathy Gomm				
St. Bernardine of Siena						

Sunday, March 3

For the Intentions of All Parishioners

LENT

In addition to each one's LENT IN OUR PARISH: personal journey through Lent, marked by fasting, prayer and works of love, there are a couple of Parish based events which you may wish to use as part of your Lenten retreat this year.

9:00 a.m.

Every Wednesday at 2pm, the Rosary will be praved in the Parish Church. This is sponsored by the Catholic Women's League of our Parish.

Every Friday, also at 2pm, the **Stations of the Cross** will be prayed in the Parish Church.

For the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**, Fr. Michael remains available in the Reconciliation Room every Wednesday morning before Mass (9:05-9:25). He will also be in the Reconciliation Room on Thursday, March 21st from 5pm to 6pm. Additionally, if you are looking for a Reconciliation Service with other priests, Fr. Michael will be assisting at Holy Redeemer Church on Tuesday, March 19th at 6:30pm.



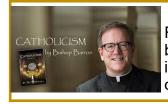
The Christ the King prayer community is holding its annual Lenten Mission at Our Lady of Hope Church. It began Saturday morning, February 17th, and continues another three Saturdays. The theme this year is "Experiencing Jesus." It begins with confessions available at 7:30 a.m., Rosary, Morning Prayer, a presentation and ends with each individual, who wants, being prayed with every week. Mass will end at 11:30am. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know more

about Jesus and improve our personal relationship with Christ. All are welcome!



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CATHOLICISM BY BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

For those who might be interested, the online series "Catholicism" by Bishop Barron can now be viewed for free. Many have found it to be informative and helpful. You can just do a search for it online and watch at your convenience.

<u>**CWL Elections</u>**: We are now accepting nominations for our new Executive Council for 2024-2026. Nomination forms will be available at the March and April General Meetings. The new CWL structure of seven elective positions is as follows: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President and the 3 Pillars Faith, Service, and Social Justice. If you are interested in one of these positions or would like to nominate a member, or require additional information on the scope of the position, please contact Sue Quackenbush at: 705-693-2467, or by email at <u>suzanneq@fibreop.ca</u></u>

The CWL General Meeting on Monday, March 4th will be a St. Patrick's Social starting at 6:30 pm. Come out and enjoy an evening of shenanigans, fellowship, and fun. We ask everyone to contribute a finger food dish/dessert to the buffet. The evening's theme colour is

green. Don't forget to bring along your St. Paddy's hat.

We wish to thank everyone for their donations for the Hunger Has No Season Food Drive. We received 87 items and \$30.00 in cash which was delivered to The Garson Food Bank this past week. Thank you for your generosity.





EASTER FLOWER IN MEMORIUM DONATIONS

Once again, we are accepting donations towards the cost of purchasing our Easter Flowers next month. Donations may be made in memory of a deceased loved one. Their names will be published in the Easter bulletin, and the Easter Sunday Mass in Garson will be celebrated for them. Envelopes for these donations are available in the main entranceway. They should be returned no later than March 24th (Passion Sunday) to ensure the names are published in the Easter bulletin. Because of

your generosity in supporting your parish, we are once again able to donate 100% of the money given to another worthy charity. Given the current climate in our society around euthanasia and assisted suicide, your Parish Pastoral Council has chosen the **Sudbury Maison McCulloch Hospice** as the charity to which we will donate at Easter.

SUDBURY REGIONAL MEETING OF PRIESTS

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The priests of our region will be meeting this week on Thursday afternoon at St. Kevin's Parish in Valley East, in order to discuss various pastoral issues that impact our region. Please keep them in your prayers.

Celebrated at the morning Mass this week on the First Friday of March. If you have a serious illness, you are welcome to be to anointed with this Sacrament.



Donations of non-perishable items to the food bank are always gratefully accepted, and may be left in the entranceway of St. John's Church before any Mass. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and support of this needed service to the poor in our community.



CONSTRUCTION ZONE: Our custodian is tackling the hallway around the East stairway leading to the hall - the one adjacent to our main doors. It was one of the more embarrassing parts of our building, and in dire need of cosmetic repair. While the plaster, sanding and painting is being done, please do not use the stairs. A sign has been posted. The work is going well and should likely be done by next Sunday.

RECYCLE YOUR OLD PRESCRIPTION GLASSES AND HEARING AIDS

If you have unused prescription glasses or hearing aids, we will take them on behalf of the Lions Club. These used glasses are sent to a collection centre in Canada, cleaned

and sorted then sent overseas to countries where people do not have ready access to eyeglasses. The same goes for old hearing aids. Both can be placed in the "Lost and Found" box located behind the door holding the bulletin board on the side of the "Last Supper" stained glass window. Please put the glasses and hearing aids in a zip lock bag so we know they are not 'lost and found', but rather donations.





Last chance to sign the *Stand for the Land petition* Today is the <u>deadline</u> for signing a letter to Honduran ambassador to Canada asking her government to protect those who are fighting to defend forests and rivers in a Honduran national park against pollution from a mine. The letter is part of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's last fall campaign.

Over 20,000 Canadians have signed it in solidarity with these struggling communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector. Join the effort and add weight to our demands. Sign now at <u>devp.org/act</u>.

Thank you for your solidarity!

YOUR OFFERINGS on February 18th			Thank you for your ongoing support	
<u>St. John the Evangelist</u>	Envelopes: Loose: Heat: Initial:	\$ 1,032.00 \$ 45.00 \$ 25.00 \$ 12.00	PAD: Interac: <u>Total:</u>	\$ 823.50 \$ 30.00 \$ 1,967.50
St. Bernardine of Siena	Envelopes:	\$ 145.00	<u>Total:</u>	<u>\$ 145.00</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. For donations to St. Bernardine's Parish, use: stbernardineofsiena@ssmd.ca.