

**Mass Schedule  
February 5 - February 11, 2024**

**St. John the Evangelist**

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, February 5		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, February 6		No Parish Mass
Wednesday, February 7	9:30 a.m.	For Harvey Quackenbush by Noreen Cuhill
Thursday, February 8	9:30 a.m.	For My Children by Colette Prieur
Friday, February 9	9:30 a.m.	For Gregory Rollins by St. John's CWL
Saturday, February 10 <b>The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Sunday, February 11	4:30 p.m.	For Raymond Joly by Renée & Family
	10:30 a.m.	For Frances Ellis by Ken Ellis
<b>St. Bernardine of Siena</b>		
Sunday, February 11	9:00 a.m.	For the Intentions of All Parishioners



**SERVERS - NEW AND OLD - MEETING** There will be a meeting for all current servers, and for those who wish to serve (ANY AGE), following the morning Mass on Sunday, February 4th. The meeting will take place in St. John's Church, so either just stay after Mass, or come at that time if you attend on Saturday. Training will be provided for new servers, and updates will be explained to our experienced servers.

The Christ the King prayer community is holding its annual Lenten Mission at Our Lady of Hope Church beginning Saturday morning, February 17, and continuing another four Saturdays. The theme this year is "Experiencing Jesus." It will begin with confessions available at 7:30 a.m., Rosary, Morning Prayer, a presentation and will end with each individual, who wants, being prayed with every week. Mass will end at 11:30. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know more about Jesus and improve our personal relationship with Christ. All are welcome!



**CHIT CHAT AND COFFEE:** Following every Friday Mass, everyone is invited to gather in the parish hall for a cup of coffee. It is an informal time to sit for a bit with other parishioners in a relaxed atmosphere.

**LENT BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH - ASH WEDNESDAY**

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

**ST. BERNARDINE OF SIENA - Skead**

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**THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
February 4, 2024**

**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**

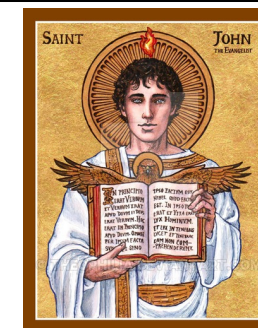
Wednesdays 9:05 - 9:25am (before Mass)  
in the Reconciliation Room  
- And any time upon request -

**CALL FR. MICHAEL REGARDING:**

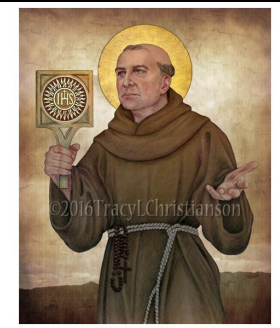
Home Visit, Communion or Anointing of the Sick  
Individual Celebration of Reconciliation

**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

## PARISH APPRECIATION DINNER

A reminder to those who have reserved their place at the Parish Appreciation Dinner:

**Doors open for a happy hour at 5pm and dinner begins at 6pm.**



Online Lenten Spiritual Reflection presented by Betsy Currier, Diocesan Spiritual Development Chairperson, Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Catholic Women's League. Monday, February 12th at 7:30pm.

MEETING LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86370566495?pwd=MnljZU1FODBZME91eW9MSXNjemJrZz09>

JOIN US AS WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR LENT ... ALL ARE WELCOME!

May we be open to God's invitation during this season of Lent and a renewed desire to live an outward-looking, self-emptying, kind of love.

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### "HUNGER KNOWS NO SEASON"

Food Bank Blitz sponsored by the Catholic Women's League - Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie. Saturday February 17th and Sunday February 18th 2024.

Hunger is not exclusive to the winter months or holidays. Everyone is encouraged to donate to this Blitz. In greatest need are protein items such as canned fish, chicken, turkey, ham, lentils, beans and kidney beans. Please donate. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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CWL General Meeting Valentine Social takes place this Monday, February 5 starting at 6:30pm. Come out and enjoy an evening of friendship, games, and fun. Everyone is encouraged to partake in providing finger foods for the buffet. The evening's theme colours are red and pink; feel free to wear an article of clothing in those colours to show your spirit.

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A gentle reminder to all our CWL members who have not paid their 2024 Membership fees. All memberships are due to our CWL National office by month end. Any concerns, call 705 929-5109.

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Our Lady of Hope CWL Valentine's Day Tea: Sunday February 11, Noon to 3:00 p.m. Adults \$10.00 and \$5.00 for children 10 and under.



The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is Wednesday, February 7th at 6pm in the Parish Hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend as observers. We will be reviewing the 2023 Financial report, after which it will be published in the bulletin. There are 10 items on the agenda.



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.

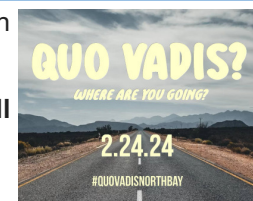


**GRAMMA'S SOUP-A-STARS** are again walking this year on February 24<sup>th</sup>, to raise funds for the Samaritan center in Sudbury. We welcome any new walkers and appreciate donations from all who have faithfully donated in the past, as well as those wishing to donate for the first time. Kim Monaghan is the contact for this.

We are pleased to announce that the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie will once again host the **2024 Northern Ontario Catholic Leadership Conference!**

The event will be held **Saturday, February 24, 2024 at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall in North Bay, Ontario.**

See all the details at our **new website:** [www.northerncatholic.ca](http://www.northerncatholic.ca)



This event is for ages 13-19 and includes a day full of prayer, music, workshops, games, Catholic vendors and presentations from our Keynote Speaker, David Patterson. David has led the way in youth ministry, high school chaplaincy and most recently through social media by founding Yes Catholic, an organization that calls young people to the Catholic faith by sharing real life stories that have the power to change hearts.

Young people from all over Northern Ontario and beyond are welcome to attend this Conference. This day will build up faith and personal gifts and talents to form young Catholic leaders in our communities. **Registration is now open.**



**A LETTER FROM VERONICA RAMOS SERRANO:** We recently received a letter from one of our sponsored children - Veronica Ramos in Bolivia. The letter is posted to our bulletin board (new) which is located in the main entranceway, on the door behind the stained glass window of the Last Supper.

## YOUR OFFERINGS on January 28th

*Thank you for your ongoing support*

<b>St. John the Evangelist</b>	Envelopes:	\$ 1,137.00	PAD:	\$ 921.00
	Loose:	\$ 5.00	Interac:	\$ 230.00
	Heat:	\$ 5.00	Initial:	\$ 45.00

**Total: \$ 2,343.00**

<b>St. Bernardine of Siena</b>	Envelopes:	\$ 265.00	<b>Total: \$ 285.00</b>
	Loose:	\$ 10.00	
	Native Sector:	\$ 10.00	



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](mailto:stbernardineofsiena@ssmd.ca).