

# ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH

Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

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**Epiphany of the Lord**

**Year B**

**Sunday, January 7, 2018**

## Celebration of Masses, Devotions and Reconciliation

**Weekend Masses:**

Saturday: **5:00 p.m.**

Sunday: **9:00 a.m.** and **11:00 a.m.**

**Weekday Masses:**

Tuesday at **7:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at **9:30 a.m.**

**The Rosary:**

Recited 1/2 hour before each weekday Mass

**Reconciliation:**

Confessions are heard every Saturday from

**4:15 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.**

**Parish Mission Statement**

*"We, the people of St. Gregory's Community,  
rooted in Gospel values and gifted by the Spirit,  
are committed to proclaim and build the kingdom of God".*

**Parish Vision Statement**

*"To journey together with Jesus"*

## *Top Stories:*

*Financial Report, Mass Intentions, CWL News,*

*Trivia question*

*Community Events, Up and Coming Events Calendar*

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# St. Gregory's Parish News



## Mass Intentions—January 8th—January 14th 2018



**Monday, January 8—no Scheduled Liturgy**  
**Tuesday, January 9—9:30 a.m.**  
 Intentions of Parishioners  
**Wednesday, January 10—9:30 a.m.**  
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**Thursday, January 11—9:30 a.m.**  
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**Friday, January 12—9:30 a.m.**  
 Jack Robinson —wife Dorothy & Family  
  
**Saturday, January 13—5:00 p.m.**  
 Angela Tombari —Phil & Maxine Belanger  
 Deceased Family members of Sdao Family—Lina &  
 Armando Mollame & Family  
 Giovanni & Beatrice Bennato—son Francesco Bennato &  
 Family  
  
**Sunday, January 14—9:00 a.m.**  
 Luigi Bressan—wife Carmela Bressan & Family  
 Pietro & Theresa Mollame —Son Armando Mollame  
 Francesco Bernardo —Mario Coccimiglio  
 Father Don McMillan—Vittorio & Olinda  
**Sunday, January 14—11:00 a.m.**  
 Intentions of Parishioners

### Finance Report

Sunday, December 24, 2017	\$3,115.55
Monday, December 25, 2017	\$7,600.90
Weekly Average Pre-Authorized	\$437.00
Bishops Annual Appeal	\$150.00
Building Fund	\$185.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$11,491.45</b>
Sunday, December 31, 2017	\$2,604.54
Building Fund	\$15.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$2,619.54</b>
Monday, January 1, 2018	\$1,120.00
Initial offering	\$248.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,368.00</b>

**Thank you for your generosity!**

### Week of January 8—January 14

Monday	Isaiah 42.1-4,6-7/Mark 1.7-11
Tuesday	1 Samuel 2.1,4-5,6-7,8abcd/Mark 1.21-28
Wednesday	1 Samuel 3.1-10,19-20/Mark 1.29-39
Thursday	1 Samuel 4.1c-11/Mark 1.40-45
Friday	1 Samuel 8.4-7,10-22a/Mark 2.1-12
Saturday	1 Samuel 9.1-4,17-19;10.1a/Mark 2.13-17

### Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st READING	1 Samuel 3.3b-10,19
2nd READING	1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a,17-20
GOSPEL	John 1.35-42

### 2018 Sunday Offering Envelopes

The offering envelopes are now available at the entrance of the church.

Please pick up your envelopes as early as possible.

*Thank you.*

### Trivia Question of the Week



Last weeks question—When the pregnant Blessed Mother showed up at Elizabeth's house, Elizabeth's baby leaped inside her womb. Who was the baby?

Answer: **St. John the Baptist was the baby!** St. John the Baptist would grow up to baptize people in the Jordan River as he prepared the world for the Messiah. Upon Mary's arrival at Elizabeth's house, Mary gave those famous words now known as the "Magnificat." (Luke 1:46-55)

Check next weeks bulletin for answers

**To which Apostle did Jesus give the keys to heaven?**

Previous and Present bulletins can be found on our website at [www.stgregoryssm.com](http://www.stgregoryssm.com)

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## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!**

**St. Vincent's Place Thrift Store** is looking for volunteers to help out with tagging, sorting and racking the new arrivals in clothing. Help is needed on Tuesdays & Thursdays 11:00am to 3:00pm. If you are interested in helping out, please call Elizabeth Failes, the Thrift Store Manager, at 905-541-9478. *Proceeds from the Thrift Store support the operation of the St. Vincent Place Men's Shelter, Food Bank and Soup Kitchen."*

## **'Journey' Lottery Message**

Everyone is excited that the 'Journey's' multi-purpose building, historical gallery and courtyard featuring 'Our Lady at the Rapids' is under construction. To match the excitement, the 'Journey' lottery has been changed as advised by many. This year's lottery will have a grand prize draw of \$25,000 and five additional draws of \$1,000 each. **The tickets will be drawn on Holy Saturday, March 31, 2018 at 12 pm at Precious Blood Cathedral.**

Remember there are only 6,000 tickets printed. Join the excitement and support the 'Journey' Lottery.

Thank you for your continuing support.

*Your support is essential. Tickets also available at St. Gregory's parish office.*

**JOURNEY LOTTERY WINNERS:** December 23rd—**Kathy Nelson #3949**—December 30th—**June Boston #4964**

## **Dear Parishioners,**

It is a special joy to see young families taking part in the Mass and engaged in the life of the parish. We welcome crying babies! It is a sign that the church is young and alive. We have a very talented, caring and energetic team organizing Children's Liturgy program every Sunday. We encourage parents to bring your children to participate in Liturgy of the Word with children during our **Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mass.**

*Let us try our best to keep the gift of faith alive and active.*



## **Pilgrimage to Poland - Journey into the Mercy of God**

**April 28 - May 14, 2018** Organized by Stan and Maria

Dear Pilgrims,

I am pleased to invite you to join us on our pilgrimage to Poland this April 28 until May 14, 2018. What a wonderful opportunity this will be to journey together in faith.

We will pray and celebrate the Eucharist as we explore the wonders of the key Polish Shrines: Niepokalanow (St. Maximilian Kolbe), Vilnius (original Divine Mercy Image), Lichen (Our Lady of Sorrows), Plock (where Jesus appeared to St. Faustina), Czestochowa (Black Madonna), Lagiewniki (Divine Mercy Shrine and St. John Paul II Centre Krakow), Kalwaria Zebrzydowska (Weeping

Madonna), Wadowice (Birthplace of St. John Paul II and a Museum dedicated to him), Zakopane (where St. John Paul II skied and where a Church dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima was erected in gratitude by St. John Paul II for Our Lady saving his life).

There will also be many opportunities to taste many Polish delicacies foods as all meals are included in the price. Our pilgrimage will be a great blend of spiritual experiences and cultural richness.

Flyer is on Bulletin Board at the entrance of the Church.

Blessings, Stan and Maria



## St. Gregory's Parish News

### MADE FOR MORE:

## DIOCESAN CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE 2018

All high school aged youth are invited to participate in the **Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference 2018** - "Made for More" on **Saturday, February 24, 2018** at **St. Mary's College in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.**

Join high school students from across Northern Ontario for a day of faith, music, sharing, talks and powerful witness featuring popular Catholic Speaker **Ken Yasinski**. Registration fee is only \$20! Register online at [www.stjeromeparishssm.com/dcyc2018](http://www.stjeromeparishssm.com/dcyc2018) or pick up a Registration Form at your church or by visiting your high school Chaplain.

This event is presented by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, the Huron Superior Catholic District School Board and the Knights of Columbus Council 932.

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[WWW.STJEROMEPARISHSSM.COM/DCYC2018](http://WWW.STJEROMEPARISHSSM.COM/DCYC2018)  
OR SEE YOUR HIGH SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018  
ST. MARY'S COLLEGE  
SAULT STE. MARIE, ONTARIO

"AMAZING!"

"RIGHT WHAT I NEEDED."

"POWERFUL."

"OPENED MY EYES."

"I KNOW NOW THAT I AM LOVED."

FEATURING:



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**Yasinski**  
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OR CONTACT YOUR CHURCH OR  
YOUR HIGH SCHOOL CHAPLAIN

# Epiphany

We celebrate today the feast of the Epiphany. The New Testament was originally written in Greek, and **Epiphany** is a Greek word that means **revelation** or **revealing**. This feast has had a varied history, and has included in various times and places the birth of Jesus, his baptism, and the wedding feast at Cana, in addition to the present focus on the arrival of the Magi. It would appear that the notion of Epiphany came first, and that different scripture texts were then chosen to point to this theme. And with the image in our present Gospel reading of Jesus drawing attention from the royalty of his day, we find also the earliest suggestion of Jesus as **our King**; it would not be until 1925 that we would develop a separate feast in honour of the royalty of Jesus, the November feast of Christ the King.

The arrival of the Magi, or Wise Men, who were not Jewish and who did not share the Jewish faith, showed that God was beginning to **reveal** his plans for salvation to **all** the peoples of the world, not just the Jews. And it was becoming clearer that God intended the Kingdom to be much more inclusive than the Jews had expected, with room for non-Jews as well as for Jews.

As for us, we also are non-Jews; our participation in God's Kingdom is the result of efforts and sacrifices by many inspired people (such as St. Paul), efforts made to extend the Gospel beyond the Jewish community, beyond those who had met God through the Jewish traditions and faith. We rejoice in being included in God's plan of salvation. But are we, in turn, making the invitation of the Gospel available to others who have not yet really met the Lord?

Gratitude involves looking backward and saying "thank-you" (as we do in our weekend worship); but it also involves looking forward, and finding ways of being a blessing towards others in ways that we ourselves have been blessed.



# Epifania

Oggi celebriamo la festa dell'Epifania. Il Nuovo Testamento fu originalmente scritto in lingua Greca, ed **Epifania** è una parola Greca che significa **rivelazione** o **rivelare**. Questa festa ha una storia varia, ed ha incluso in vari tempi e posti la nascita di Gesù, il suo battesimo, e le nozze di Cana; ma nel presente fissa lo sguardo su l'arrivo dei Magi. Sembra che l'idea dell'Epifania fu formata prima, e poi furono scelte le varie scritture per indicare questo tema. E con l'immagine nella scrittura del Vangelo presente di Gesù che prende l'attenzione delle persone reali dei suoi tempi, si trova il primo suggerimento di Gesù come **nostro** Re; ma non fu fino il 1925 (mille-novecento-venticinque) che venne dichiarata una festa particolare in onore di Gesù come persona reale, la festa nel mese di Novembre di Cristo Re.

L'arrivo dei Magi, o Uomini Saggi, che non erano Ebrei e non credevano la fede Ebraica, dimostra che Dio incominciava a **rivelare** i suoi piani per la salvezza di **tutta** la gente del mondo, non soltanto per gli Ebrei. E si incominciava ad essere chiaro che Dio intendeva che il suo Regno includeva molto più di quanto gli Ebrei si pansavano, con posto per coloro non-Ebrei come pure per gli Ebrei.

E per noi, che neanche siamo Ebrei; la nostra partecipazione nel Regno di Dio è il risultato degli sforzi e sacrifici della gente ispirata (come San Paolo), sforzi fatti ad estendere il Vangelo oltre la comunità Ebraica, oltre coloro che avevano incontrato Dio tramite le tradizioni e la fede Ebraica. Ci dilettiamo nell'essere inclusi nei piani della salvezza di Dio. Ma da parte nostra, facciamo noi conoscere l'invito del Vangelo a coloro che non hanno ancora realmente incontrato il Signore?

La gratitudine richiede guardare indietro e dire "grazie" (come noi facciamo nell'adorazione ogni Domenica); ma richiede anche guardare in avanti, e trovare modi di essere una benedizione verso gli altri in simile modi come noi siamo stati benedetti.



# Up and Coming Events

Mark your Calendar!

Revised January 3

Changes **highlighted**

- 
- Tue Jan 9 ..... **Mass**  
9:30am St. Gregory office Boardroom & Chapel
- Tue Jan 9 ..... **Regional Evangelization Team Meeting**  
7:00 - 9:00pm St. Jerome's Church
- Tue Jan 9** ..... **Choir Practice \*\*\* CANCELLED \*\*\***  
7:30pm St. Gregory Church
- Wed Jan 10 ..... **Mass**  
9:30am St. Gregory office Boardroom & Chapel
- Wed Jan 10 ..... **St. Basil's School classroom visits** Fr. Eric  
12:30 - 3:15pm Grades 7 & 8
- Thu Jan 11 ..... **Mass**  
9:30am St. Gregory office Boardroom & Chapel
- Thu Jan 11 ..... **Edge** Catholic Youth Night Grades 6,7,8  
7:00pm St. Jerome Parish Hall all parishes invited!
- Fri Jan 12 ..... **Mass**  
9:30am St. Gregory office Boardroom & Chapel
- Fri Jan 12 ..... **Elevate** Catholic Young Adults Evening 18-25 yrs  
6:30pm St. Jerome Parish Hall (includes dinner) all parishes invited!
- Fri Jan 12 ..... **Alcoholics Anonymous**  
8:00pm St. Gregory Parish Hall
- Sat Jan 13 ..... **Confessions**  
4:15 - 4:45pm St. Gregory Church
- Sat Jan 13 ..... **Mass**  
5:00pm St. Gregory Church
- Sun Jan 14 ..... **Mass**  
9:00am St. Gregory Church
- Sun Jan 14 ..... **Mass**  
11:00am St. Gregory Church
- Tue Jan 16 ..... **Mass**  
7:00pm St. Gregory Church
- Tue Jan 16 ..... **Lectors Workshop**  
7:30pm St. Gregory office Boardroom

- Tue Jan 16** ..... **Choir Practice \*\*\* CANCELLED \*\*\***  
7:30pm St. Gregory Church
- Wed Jan 17** ..... **Mass**  
9:30am St. Gregory office Boardroom & Chapel
- Wed Jan 17** ..... **St. Basil's School classroom visits** Fr. Eric  
12:30 - 3:15pm Grades 7 & 8
- Wed Jan 17** ..... **CWL Executive Meeting**  
7:15pm St. Gregory Parish Hall
- Thu Jan 18** ..... **Mass**  
9:30am St. Gregory office Boardroom & Chapel
- Thu Jan 18** ..... **Edge Catholic Youth Night** Grades 6,7,8  
7:00pm St. Jerome Parish Hall all parishes invited!
- Fri Jan 19** ..... **Mass**  
9:30am St. Gregory office Boardroom & Chapel
- Fri Jan 12** ..... **Elevate Catholic Young Adults Evening** 18-25 yrs  
6:30pm St. Jerome Parish Hall (includes dinner) all parishes invited!
- Fri Jan 19** ..... **Alcoholics Anonymous**  
8:00pm St. Gregory Parish Hall
- Sat Jan 20** ..... **Confessions**  
4:15 - 4:45pm St. Gregory Church
- Sat Jan 20** ..... **Mass**  
5:00pm St. Gregory Church
- Sun Jan 21** ..... **Mass**  
9:00am St. Gregory Church
- Sun Jan 21** ..... **Mass**  
11:00am St. Gregory Church
- Sun Jan 21** ..... **Inter-Faith Service** 400th Anniversary of the Reformation  
3:00pm Zion Lutheral Church
- Tue Jan 23** ..... **Mass**  
7:00pm St. Gregory Church
- Tue Jan 23** ..... **Choir Practice \*\*\* CANCELLED \*\*\***  
7:30pm St. Gregory Church
- Wed Jan 24** ..... **Mass**  
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