

ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH

Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

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Deacon Rob Thibodeau

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Fourth Sunday of Lent

Year B

Sunday, March 11th, 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 and Liturgies for Lent:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 7:00 p.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"



PRAY



FAST



GIVE

THE THREE PILLARS OF LENT

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St. Gregory's Parish News

Mass Intentions—March 12th—March 18th 2018



Monday, March 12—7:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Tuesday, March 13
No Scheduled Liturgy

Wednesday, March 14—7:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Thursday, March 15
No Scheduled Liturgy

Friday, March 16—7:00 p.m.
Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Saturday, March 17—5:00 p.m.
Bruno Garcea—Wife Maria & Family
Carmine Berlingieri— Lina Berlingieri & Families
Rosario Gatto— Daughter Linda & Agostino Fiore & Family

Sunday, March 18—9:00 a.m.
Intentions of Parishioners
Sunday, March 18—11:00 a.m.
Albina Prevedalo—Sister Bertilla Zambusi
Giuliana Calvano-Husband Vince Calvano & Family
Mario Sicolý—Gilda Sicolý & Family



Week of March 12—March 18

Monday	Isaiah 65.17-21/John 4.43-54
Tuesday	Ezekiel 47.1-9,12/John 5.1-16
Wednesday	Isaiah 49.8-15/John 5.16-30
Thursday	Exodus 32.7-14/John 5.18,31-47++
Friday	Wisdom 2.1,12-22/John 7.1-2,10,25-30
Saturday	Jeremiah 11.18-20/John 7.40-53

Fifth Sunday of Lent

1st READING	Jeremiah 31.31-34++
2nd READING	Hebrews 5.7-9
GOSPEL	John 12.20-33

We offer our condolences to the family of
Victor Zimbaro
May you find comfort and peace in the Eucharistic Celebration and in our faith community during this difficult time.
May his soul rest in peace.

We offer our condolences to the family of
Mafalda Cuglietta
May you find comfort and peace in the Eucharistic Celebration and in our faith community during this difficult time.
May her soul rest in peace.

Finance Report

Sunday, March 4, 2018	\$2,907.00
Building Fund	\$748.00
Initial Offering	\$5.00
Weekly Average Pre Authorized	\$369.00
Total Income	\$4,029.00

Thank you for your generosity!

Trivia Question of the Week

Last weeks question—How many people saw Jesus after He rose from the dead?
ANSWER: 500+ PEOPLE! Jesus was seen by more than 500 people on 12 separate occasions after He rose from the dead and before He ascended up into the sky and into heaven 40 days later.

Check next weeks bulletin for answers

Why did St. Patrick pick up a shamrock?



St. Gregory's Parish News

Join the Italian Prayer Group
for the Stations of the Cross in Italian.
March 20th 2018 at 2:00 pm
All are welcome to come and Pray.



Sunday March 11th, and Sunday March 18th, 2018.
The Men's Club of St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church (293 St George's Ave, E.) will be holding their –
"ALL-U-CAN-EAT-BREAKFAST-BRUNCH"
Sunday, March 18, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
in the Parish Hall.

Admission: \$9.00/Adults, \$4.00/Children under 12, and No Charge for Children under 6 years old.

Menu: Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, Roast Potatoes, Mini-Sausages, Ham, Baked Beans, Fruit Cocktail, Coffee, Tea, Orange & Apple Juice.
Everyone is Welcome!



TAIZÉ PRAYER EVENING

St. Jerome Church (26 Carmel Road) at 7:00 pm on the following dates:

Wednesday, March 14, 2018, Wednesday, April 11, 2018, Wednesday, May 9, 2018

Taizé is an Ecumenical Christian Community in France whose music and meditative reflection on God's Word has nourished people throughout the world.

All are welcome !



Needed HOST HOMES FOR NET TEAM!

The NET team is coming to Sault Ste. Marie to minister to our HSCDSB students. We need smoke-free families who can billet pairs/triads of team members for a week or more. The team will be in town from April 7-17. If you have space to host team members please call Sister Pat Carter at 945-5456 from March 19-29.

Consider being a host family.

Meet a Missionary! Experience a couple of young people who live out a prayerful lifestyle and are always ready and willing to serve. We are looking for smoke-free host homes for Net team members for one or more week(s) in April; the Team will be in the Sault from April 7-17. There are ten Team members needing food and accommodation. If you have space to host a pair/triad of Net team members please contact Sister Pat Carter at 945-5456 from March 19-29. Hear what a Host home from Sudbury had to say about their experience: "They were clearly well prepared for staying in the home of virtual strangers, without causing disruptions of any sort to the household routines, beyond what would be expected. They were delightful, positive, helpful, thoughtful, and above all, clearly Christ-centered.

This was a very welcome addition to our home."

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE---SHARE LENT ---COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY MARCH 18

The Solidarity Sunday collection will be celebrated in all Canadian parishes next week.

We will appeal to your generosity in support of our sisters and brothers in the Global South who fight every day for peace, human dignity, and social justice.



Catholic Women's League News



Membership Fees

The 2018 membership fees (\$22.00) are now due. Please include your payment (cheque payable to St. Gregory's CWL) or cash in an envelope with your name, address, and telephone number.

Please put your payment in the collection basket on Sunday. **New members are welcome.!**

Dates to Remember:

March 24- Regional Luncheon at noon at Grand Gardens North.

April 15- Women's Spring Luncheon

Women's Spring Luncheon will be held on Sunday, April 15th, 2018 at 12:30p.m. at the Marconi Hall. All ladies are welcome. Tickets / \$25.00 each. Contact for tickets: Emma Bonin at 705-759-5193, Emily Thibeault at 705-942-1544 or Carmelina Spry at 705-942-3916

Youth MEDITATION Fourth Sunday in LENT B

God has endless mercy and very great love for us. St. Paul, in the second reading, says that because God loves us so much he saved us from sin and death. God saved us by raising Jesus from death. Our belief in Jesus is what saves us. God does not require us to earn a place in heaven. But St. Paul also says that doing good deeds is what we do because we believe. God created us to do good things and it should be the way we live.

What are the good things I do because I believe in Jesus?

What are good things I could or should be doing that I have not bothered doing?

We often call Jesus the Light of the World. The way Jesus lived is the way we should live. If we live like Jesus, then the Light of Jesus shines through us for other people to see. But St. John says that people who do not want to live like Jesus actually begin to love darkness; their deeds are evil, and so they hide from the Light because they don't want others to see what they have done.

Do other people see the Light of Jesus in me?

Do I see the Light of Jesus in other people? Which people show me his Light?

How can I be a better Light for others to see?

What things must I bring from the darkness into the Light of Jesus?



Adult MEDITATION Fourth Sunday in LENT B

Today's readings are about God's infinite mercy and love. St. Paul declares that in God's mercy and love, God has saved us. Furthermore, this salvation is a gift, freely given us by God. By His grace we have been saved, not by anything more than our faith, which is also a gift from God.

Do I truly believe God has gifted me with salvation? OR

Am I still trying to "earn my way into heaven" by doing things which will please God?

In the Gospel, St. John speaks of Jesus, the Son of Man, being lifted up so that whoever believes will have eternal life. The cross is a symbol of exaltation and victory over sin and death. Our belief in Jesus' triumph over sin and death is what gains us salvation. Salvation cannot be earned, bought or bartered - BUT this gift is not without responsibility. Belief is demonstrated in action. Good works are a natural response to the gift of our salvation. St. Paul actually says that we were created for good works, that God intends it to be our way of life.

What is my motive when I do something for another person?

For those who do not believe, there is only condemnation. St. John puts this in terms of light and darkness. We often refer to Jesus as the Light of the World. From this it follows that those who believe in Him also live in the Light and radiate that Light in the way they live. For those who do not believe, the darkness surrounds them and they even begin to love the darkness.

Are there times I love the darkness, not admitting my faults and sins?

What do I need to bring into the Light?

Are there tasks I ought to be doing which I am denying or trying to ignore?

How can I be a better light of God's love and mercy to those around me?