

ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH

Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

71 Estelle Street,
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6C 2C3

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday to Saturday: 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon - 1:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.
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Parish Priest:

Father Alex Saurianthadathil C.Ss.R

Deacon:

Mr. Joseph LeBlance

Secretary:

Ms. Cathy D'Addario

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Year B

Sunday, 21 December, 2014



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"

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St. Gregory's Parish News

Readings for the week of December 22nd

Monday	1 Samuel 1.24-28; Luke 1.46-56
Tuesday	Malachi 3.1-4; 4.5-6; Luke 1.57-66
Wednesday	Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7; Luke 2.1-16
Thursday	Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7; Luke 2.1-16
Friday	Acts 6.8-10; 7.54-59; Matthew 10.17-22
Saturday	1 John 1.1-4; John 20.2-8

✱ **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph** (white)

1 st Reading	Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14
2 nd Reading	Colossians 3.12-21
Gospel	Luke 2.22, 25-27, 34-35, 39-40

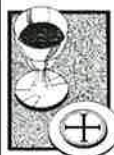
Parish Office Closed

The Parish office will be closed Tuesday, December 24th, 2014 and will re-open on Tuesday, January 6th, 2015. Have a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year!!

Parish Activities for the Week

December 22nd - 28th, 2014

TUESDAY 23	1:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	C.W.L. Craft Group (Parish Hall) Choir Practice (Church)
FRIDAY 26	8:00 p.m.	A.A. Meeting (Parish Hall)
SUNDAY 28	11:00 a.m.	Children's Liturgy (Parish Hall)



Mass Intentions

December 22nd - 28th, 2014

† Denotes a Mass for one who is deceased

☩ Denotes a Mass intention for the living

Monday, December 22nd

No scheduled liturgy

Tuesday, December 23rd - 7:00 p.m.

† Girolamo, Rosa & Anna Gallo - the family

† Luigi Rossi - Rosina & Salvatore Rota

† Livio Frani - wife, Dora & family

Wednesday, December 24th - Christmas Eve

5:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m.

12:00 midnight



Thursday, December 25th - Christmas Day

9:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Friday, December 26th

No scheduled liturgy

Saturday, December 27th - 5:00 p.m.

† Franca Guzzo - husband, Mike & children

† Fernando Gomes - wife, Olimpia & family

† Derek Vye - mom & dad, Evelyn & Delbert Vye

† Natalina & Vito Muzzi - the family

† Rita Vairo - Eugenio Caruso & family

Sunday, December 28th - 9:00 a.m.

Intentions of Parishioners

11:00 a.m.

† Giustina & Angelo Bruni - sister, Rosa Vecchio & family

† Silvio Mio - wife, Gina & family

† Frances Torchia

- daughter, Carmella Berardelli & family

† Gabriel Cuglietta

- grandparents, Mario & Carmella Berardelli

† Silvio Spadafora

- brother, sister & sister-in-law & families

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Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve
Wednesday, 24 December
5:00 p.m.
8:00 p.m.
12:00 midnight

Christmas Day
Thursday, 25 December
9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

Saturday, 27 December
5:00 p.m.

Sunday, 28 December
9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

New Year's Day
Thursday, 01 January
10:00 a.m.

Volunteers For Christmas 5:00 p.m. Mass

We are looking for volunteers to help coordinate the parking of vehicles specifically for the 5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. This Mass is very well attended and requires parking attendants to park vehicles in an organized manner to utilize the complete parking lot to the maximum. This will also cut down on the danger of someone getting injured due to cars being parked on both sides of Estelle Street. Please call Fr. Alex if you wish to volunteer.

Parking Lot Policy

When parking your vehicle:

- * There is no parking in front of the steps to the entrance of the church;
- * The Handicap zones are parallel to the side of the church;
- * Those who arrive first, please park in one direction facing Patrick Street away from the church;
- * Please park directly behind the vehicle in front of you, this will help to utilize our parking lot to it's full potential.

These policies are in accordance with the City Bylaws and our insurance company.

Envelope Users

This will be the last weekend for the "2015 Contribution Envelopes" to be picked up. Please verify your name and address on the side of the box and please notify the parish office of any errors. Please ensure you have picked up the right box of envelopes! If you have not been issued a box of envelopes, please call the secretary and one will be prepared for you. **"Please do not use your 2015 envelopes until January 2015!!"**

Our books close on Wednesday, December 31st, 2014; therefore, if you would like your donations to appear on the 2014 income tax receipt, please make the donation before the 31st of this month.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sign-up sheets for Eucharistic Ministers have been posted in the Sacristy. We encourage the Eucharistic ministers to help us by signing your name at a mass time you will be attending during the Christmas Mass celebrations.



St. Gregory's Parish News

Memoriam Poinsettia's

Flowers donated this week in memory of:

Odo Barsanti

by wife, Mary Barsanti

Sam & Emilia Sicolý

Alberto & Emelia Barone

by children, Lena & Tony Barone

Rinaldo & Helen Carocci

Primo & Nila Monaco

by Reno & Isabel Monaco

Deceased Berardelli Family Members

Deceased Torchia Family Members

Gabriel Cuglietta

Marco Villella

by Mario & Carmella Berardelli

Almerinda & Filiberto Caputo

Emilio Pedatella

by Pat & Franca Caputo & family

Margherita & Antonio D'Ettorre

by daughter, Ann D'Ettorre

Linda Fleury

by Patricia & James Michaud

Fred & Billy Michaud

by James & Patricia Michaud

Palarchio & Coccimiglio Family Members

by Amedeo & Maria Palarchio

Chilelli & Napoletano Family Members

by Guerino & Maria Chilelli

Pasquale Mauro

by wife, Annina & family

Deceased Meraglia, Provenzano, Hryk & Pasiak

Family Members

by Bill & Yolanda Pasiak

Arturo & Filippina Carlucci

Antonio & Emilia Bruno

by Mike & Madelaine Bruno

Franca Guzzo

by husband, Mike & family

Giuseppe Medaglia

by Vittoria Medaglia



Catholic Women's League News

C.W.L. Membership Dues

The **2015** C.W.L. membership dues (\$22.00) must be paid by **January 1st, 2015** for insurance purposes. Please include your payment (cheque payable to St. Gregory's C.W.L.) or cash in an envelope with your name, address and phone number. Payment can be put in the collection basket on Sunday.



C.W.L. General Meeting

Our C.W.L. general meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 7th, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Please bring a friend. Hope to see you there!

St. Gregory's Parish News

Thank you to the families of *"Heidi Marie Schaer"* and *"Antonia Fabbricino"* who added 'St. Gregory's Church' among other charitable institutions for memorial donations. Your thoughtfulness and financial support to our parish is greatly appreciated. These donations will be used towards our 'Jubilee Project'.

I invite all parishioners to consider *'St. Gregory's Church'* when choosing a charitable institution for memorial donations to honour a loved one who has passed. Operational costs and church upkeep rely solely on the contributions and generosity of its people. This form of financial support and heartfelt gesture would truly bless and enrich the life of St. Gregory's Church.

Your brother in Christ, Father Alex



In Memoriam Poinsettia Donations

Please fill out the attached form and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office. We will ensure that you and your loved one are acknowledged in the church bulletin and any monetary donations are recorded for income tax purposes. When making a monetary donation, please place the form and donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers."

In Memoriam Poinsettia Donations

Poinsettia In Memory of: _____

By: _____

Phone # _____ Address: _____

Donation amount: \$ _____ Envelope # _____

WELCOME TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

If this is your spiritual home we invite you to register with the parish. Registration forms are available at entrance to the church and in the parish office. If you live outside the parish boundaries the only way we are able to assist you is if you are registered with St. Gregory's and this is the parish you attend on Sundays. If you are new to the parish please introduce yourself to our pastor.

INFANT BAPTISM

Please call the Parish Office at 705-949-8883 for an appointment. Parents must be registered parishioners. A Baptism Preparation Course is required for all parents and Godparents. A Godparent must be 16 years of age, baptized Catholic and be Confirmed. Baptisms are celebrated on the third Sunday of every month. Please make arrangements at least one month in advance by contacting the Parish office.

CARE OF THE SICK & HOME BOUND

To arrange for the Sacrament of the Sick and/or Eucharist for the home-bound, please contact the parish office. Visits to the hospital are made regularly; please call and let us know you would like a visit.

MASS REQUESTS

Please call the Parish office to schedule a Mass.

FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC

We are always ready to begin the process by which an adult or older child becomes a Catholic, either by full initiation in Baptism, or by reception into full communion. We are also happy to prepare you for adult Confirmation. For children aged 7-16, parents may call the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Please make marriage arrangements six (6) months in advance by contacting the Parish Office.

PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS

In Grade 3, children may receive the Sacraments of **Reconciliation** and **First Eucharist**. At our parish the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated in February and First Eucharist is celebrated in May. The sacrament of **Confirmation** is available to those who have been baptized, received Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Candidates should be in grade 7 or higher. Confirmation is generally celebrated in November. For more details please call the parish office.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Permanent Ministers:	Shirley Kindred Angelo Rosset	Children's Liturgy Co-ordinator:	Anastasia Bellini
C.W.L. President:	Carmelina Spry	Property & Maintenance:	Vittorio Bruno
Finance Committee Chair:	George Trevisan	Italian Prayer Group:	Olmina Bonassisa
Parish Pastoral Council Co-Chairs:	Robert Bressan John Febbraro	Funeral Team Chair:	Sam Medaglia
Liturgy Committee Chair:	Herv Rector	Sacristan Chair:	Darlene Novello
Ministers of the Eucharist:	Shirley Kindred Carmelina Spry	Usher Co-ordinator:	Andrew Michienzi
Welcomers:	Emma Bonin Leslie Amadio	C.W.L. Craft Group:	Yolanda D'Orazio
Mass Co-Ordinator:	Betty-Lou Mancuso	Decorators:	Sandi & Herv Rector
Lectors:	Danny Schaer	Music Co-ordinator:	Dorothy Fera
ARISE Parish Team Co-ordinator:	Rob Thibodeau	Parish Website:	Leo & Tessa Vecchio
Altar Server Co-ordinator:	Mary Ellen Perlini		

SACRAMENTS

Baptism:	Olinda Bruno
Reconciliation:	Shirley Kindred
Eucharist:	Franca Huckson
Confirmation:	Carmelina Purificati