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Sunday Masses:

5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass

9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 8:30 PM

Weekday Masses:

8:00 A.M.

No Mass on Wednesdays

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday 4:15 to 4:45 P.M.

Baptism:

Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements one month in advance by contacting the Parish Office.

Marriages:

Please make marriage arrangements six months in advance by contacting the Parish office.

Papal Blessing:

Please allow at least 6 months for Papal Blessing to arrive after the request has been made.

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Dorothy Yadivisiak

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before 11:00 A.M. on Wednesday

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 29, 2015

Pastor's Pen

The first Gospel today retells the story of Jesus triumphal entry into Jerusalem. It describes a vibrant scene of Jesus on a colt, cloaks spread, palm branches waving, and shouts of "Hosanna". The passage however, ends before Jesus enters Jerusalem. It looks like a moment of triumph but it is a moment on the brink, a moment on the edge. There is a choice, and depending on the choice that Jesus makes, all is about to change: for Jesus, for his disciples, and for us.

Often, we too find ourselves on the edge, on the brink. We have all experienced other "holy weeks" in our lives: the week before we lost a family member or close friend; the week before we were married, began a new job, retired, or sent a loved one off to school or to work away from home; the week before we moved, merged with another parish, or had our church closed. Life-changing choices followed. But this week is different. It defines us at our centre; it tells us who we are and who we are called to be. We are all on the brink. The choice is ours.

Prayer

God of salvation history, you have sent your son, Jesus, to redeem us and to give us a model for living. Help all of us to enter more deeply into this holiest week of our lives and allow space for the symbols, texts, and melodies of this week to wash over us, reminding us of who we are and what we have been called to be.

Amen. Hosanna !

Scripture Readings: March 30 – April 5

Monday	Isaiah 42.1-7; John 12.1-11
Tuesday	Isaiah 49.1-6; John 13.21-33, 36-38
Wednesday	Isaiah 50.4-9a; Matthew 26.14-26
Thursday	Exodus 12.1-8, 11-14; 1 Corinthians 11.23-26; John 13.1-15
Friday	Isaiah 52.13-53.12; Hebrews 4.14-16; 5.7-9; John 18.1-19.42
Saturday & Sunday	Acts 10.34a, 37-43; Colossians 3.1-4; John 20.1-18++

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 30 8:00 A.M.

† Joseph Rosso by his sister Mary & Family
 † Emma & Art Tadashore by Jack & Connie Moore

Tuesday, March 31 8:00 A.M.

† Glenn Stubbington by Seniors Services Staff

Wednesday, April 1 No Mass**Holy Thursday, April 2 7:00 P.M.**
No Intentions**Good Friday Friday, April 3 3:00 P. M.**
No Intentions**Holy Saturday, April 4 8:30 P.M.**
† Peter & Anne Furac by Martin, Judy & Girls & Mary**Sunday, April 5 9:00 A.M.**
† Jean Brassard by The Family**11:00 A.M.**
Intentions of Parishioners**8:30 P.M.**
No Mass

Sympathy

We offer our prayers and condolences to
 Elizabeth Bodnar on the death
 of her mother.



Please Note:
 The Parish Office will be closed
 Friday April 3.

4th ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT!

All children are welcome to participate in the egg hunt that follows 1st Mass Easter Sunday. Over 630 plastic eggs filled with goodies & prizes will be hidden, but whomever finds the empty egg wins the grand prize! It will be a fun egg-venture for the kids.



REMINDER

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	Lectors	Eucharistic Minister
April 2, Holy Thursday 7:00pm	Catherine Mansfield Tyler Smith	Jean Scott Denise Colizza Louise Adams
April 3, Good Friday 3:00pm	Evelyn Theriault Bernie Doran Sonya Masotti Susan Colizza	Robert Dugas Myrtle Corelli Monique Staruck

Jesus was deeply troubled and testified, "One of you will betray me." One of his disciples, the one whom Jesus loved, was reclining at Jesus' side. He leaned back against Jesus' chest and said to him, "Master, who is it?"
John 13

April 4/5	Lectors	Eucharistic Minister	Ushers	Greeters
Saturday 8:30 PM	Janet Brown Jill Micomonaco Louise Bichler Tom Walton	Jean Scott Michelle Inch Monique Staruck	Bernard Lysiak Neil Conway John Slobodecki	
Sunday 9:00 AM	Hannah Lettieri Fil Lettieri	Louise McGuire Clare Lennox Alfredo Bruni	Rudy Wheatley Brian Lidstone	
Sunday 11:00 AM	Marie Bruno Danny Viotto	Michael Currier Myrtle Corelli Thi Quy Tran	Ted & Norma Wall Phil Bellerose Tony Pino	

Sick and Shut In

Please remember in your prayers, all the sick and shut in especially Margaret Nicholson, Mae Roberts, Bernice Corcoran, Gerald Nolan & Ted Kobinski

This week at Precious Blood Cathedral

Wed. Apr. 1 6:30pm ARISE Meeting in Boardroom
Thurs. Apr. 2 7:00pm Choir Practice



Holy Thursday, April 2, 2015

7:00 pm

Adoration: 8:00 pm-10:00 pm Ste. Anne's Room

Good Friday, April 3, 2015

3:00 pm

Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm

Easter Vigil, April 4, 2015

8:30 pm

Easter Basket Blessing: 11:00 am

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015

9:00 am and 11:00 am

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Pasta & Meatball Supper: Our monthly supper is growing in attendance. A special thank you to all who have attended & helping make this event a success. Monies raised at this supper is dedicated to the Journey. The next supper will be held on **Tuesday, April 7** at the **Grand Gardens on Dennis Street** from **5pm-7pm. Adults \$9.99/Children \$5.99.**

International Pub Night: Third Annual. Thursday, April 30 at the Grand Gardens on Dennis St. Tickets are \$20.00 and are available from Otto Volpe, 705-949-4409, or John Komhyr, 705-253-5521.

Catholic Women's League

Tuesday April 7– General meeting. It will be held in the Boardroom at 7pm. Please join us and bring a friend or family member.

Monday April 13– Verdi Commitment – If you are able to make sandwiches or squares please call Louise at 254-7869. These items are to be brought to the church no later than 10:30am on April 13th. They may be left on the bench by the back entrance. We thank Lucille who has been committed for so many years in organizing this luncheon for the mentally challenged adults. At times she ensures there is enough food for over 100.

Development and Peace...Let Us Pray



During this Holy Week let us pray:

- For each and every person for whom hunger is a daily reality.
- For all leaders and public authorities with the power to affect the lives of small family farmers within their countries. May their decisions protect the livelihoods of those who labour to bring food from the earth, ensuring access to vital resources such as seeds, land, and water.
- For all creation, threatened by human greed and apathy. May God inspire people to protect and preserve the earth so that it may continue to nourish our human family from generation to generation.
- For all members of our community whose faith motivates them to work for justice. We pray especially for those who are volunteer members with Development and Peace here in Canada and who work to promote its mission. May they be blessed in their work and continue to inspire generosity of both talent and treasure from their fellow Canadian Catholics.

For further information contact www.devp.org or contact Jan Poulin-Zurawinski by email at jezurawinski@shaw.ca or phone 705 253-7536.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY, FRANCE, SPAIN, PORTUGAL

Tour of the Major Shrines of Europe has been arranged for the Fall of 2015. Led by Father Hamish Currie, we will pray and have mass at all the major Shrines including Rome, Assisi, Florence, Monte Carlo, Avignon, Lourdes, Madrid, Toledo, Avila and Fatima. September 26-October 11, 2015 from Sault Ste. Marie. All-Inclusive (including all travel, tours, superior accommodation, breakfast and dinner) \$3690. Per person (airport taxes \$583). For further information check the website www.preciousbloodssm.com or call parish office 705-256-8474.

In the Community

ARCH Hospice: Have you lost a loved one? ARCH Hospice Adult Grief Support Group. All are welcome. Free of charge, eight-week sessions, small, personal group sizes, warm atmosphere with friendly, trained volunteers & professionals. Pre-registration is required. 2015 sessions are Jan 14-March 4; March 25-May 13; June 3-July 29; Aug 19-Oct 14; Oct 28-Dec 16. Call Shaunagh Gravelines, Support Care Coordinator at 705-942-1556 ext 224 or email graveliness@archhospice.ca

THE NORTHLAND BARBERSHOP CHORUS: Presents their 51st Annual Show, "Vintage Vinyl". Featuring hit songs from 1957-1967: Vinyl Recording's Golden Era. Saturday, April 11, 2015, 7:30 p.m. Kiwanis Community Theatre Centre. All Tickets are non-reserved @ \$25.00* CDN Funds, available from: Hess Jewellers, Sault Theatre/STARS (Soo, Michigan), Theatre Centre Box Office* (Station Mall). *Box Office adds a \$3 surcharge/ticket. Total price if purchased at Mall Box Office outlet is \$28

SHALOM PLACE offers: Reconnecting With Your Inner Child. A workshop providing attentive time for acceptance and healing of the child within who may be wounded from life struggles from the past. Spend a day to engage the gifts of your inner child and to experience renewed freedom in your life. Saturday, April 18, 2015, 9 am to 3 pm, St. Jerome's Parish Hall and Church. Suggested Offering: \$40 (includes lunch and snacks). Facilitated by: Sister Bonnie Chesser, CSJ (North Bay, ON). PRE-REGISTER by calling 705-254-4690 or email shalomssm@shaw.ca

Easter Tea & Bazaar: Croatian Catholic Church, Our Lady of the Highways, 446 Second Line E., Saturday March 28 from 1pm-3pm. Adults \$5/Children under 10 are free.

Silent Auction: Central United Church, 160 Spring St., Sault Ste. Marie will be holding their 32nd Annual Silent Auction on Thurs. Apr. 16 and Fri. Apr. 17 from 10am-8pm. Numerous bid items will be available plus a large flea market, bake table, chuckwagon, and clothes closet. The flea market will also be open Sat. Apr. 18 from 9-12 noon with discounted prices. Come check us out.



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Beginning Holy Week

On **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord** we make our way into **Holy Week**. We read the gospel about Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, Paul's invitation to us to imitate Jesus who emptied himself, and the whole **Passion**, this year from **Mark's Gospel**.

The next three days - Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week - are the final days of Lent. The first readings are from the **Suffering Servant Songs** of **Isaiah**. Though originally sung about Israel, God's servant, and perhaps a specific servant, they clearly spoke to the early Christian community about Jesus and his mission.

Monday and Tuesday's gospels are from **John's Gospel**. The anointing at Bethany - at the home of Mary, Martha and Lazarus - has taken place at a wonderful celebration of Lazarus' return to life and a fine thanksgiving to Jesus. Mary anoints Jesus' feet with the precious oil that reminds us of his burial. Then, at the Last Supper (skipping over the reading we will use on Holy Thursday about the washing of feet) Jesus identifies his betrayer. Finally, Jesus talks with Peter who professes his loyalty to Jesus who predicts Peter would deny him three times later that night.

Wednesday's Gospel is the story of Judas' betrayal of Jesus, from **Matthew's** perspective. We can feel the tension and pressure Jesus is under. There is a sadness at hearing the arrangement Judas makes - 30 pieces of silver - to deliver Jesus into the hands of his enemies.

The stage is now set for the Triduum - [Holy Thursday](#), [Good Friday](#) and the [Easter Vigil](#).

INTERIOR RENOVATIONS...

Character Matters

What afflicts us is a corruption of the heart, a turning away in the soul. Our aspirations, our affections, and our desires are turned toward the wrong things. And only when we turn them toward the right things—toward enduring, noble, spiritual things—will things get better.

— John Buchanan



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