Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 2, 2018
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Dt 4:1–2, 6–8
Jas 1:17–18, 21b–22, 27
Mk 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23

Human Rules and God's Rule

Today's painting is of the golden calf, produced by the Israelites when Moses disappeared up the mountain to receive God's law. Since Moses delayed, they melted gold brought from Egypt, made their own god, and began worshiping it. This is the essence of idolatry: We create a god to worship, but since it is our creation, we are really worshiping ourselves.

Jesus accused the Pharisees of falling into a similar trap. They slavishly revered human traditions that didn't reflect the heart of God. They hid behind laws created in the name of religion to serve themselves and their desire for power. Jesus overturns the tables of their self-justifications. He quotes the prophet as an accusation: "This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me" (Mark 7:6).

Piece: Fresco, Hall of the Saints, 1454-1513
Artist: Pinturicchio
Location: Borgia Apartments, Vatican Palace

Before pointing an accusatory finger, realize that the same can happen to us. We can cling to human traditions and laws while disregarding God's basic commands of love and mercy. We can hide behind those laws and traditions to justify our self-righteousness and look down on others who are not as pious as us, as noted by James: "Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves" (James 1:22).

Pope Francis makes a special effort to remind the Church, especially the clergy, of this truth: "Dangerous as it was then for the Pharisees, so too is it for us to consider ourselves acceptable or, even worse, better than others simply for observing the rules...even though we do not love our neighbor, we are hard of heart, we are arrogant and proud."

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I look down on others who are not as generous and faithful as I?
Is there is a subtle division in my heart between those who deserve my love and those who do not?

[Jesus said,] "You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition."
Mark 7:8

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Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish

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Weekday Liturgies

Monday… No Liturgy of Word (Labour Day!)
Tuesday…. 11:00 a.m. Mass Columbian Towers
Wednesday… 9:15 a.m. Celebration of Eucharist
Thursday… 9:15 a.m. Celebration of Eucharist
Friday……. 9:15 a.m. Celebration of Eucharist

Reconciliation

Saturday……. 3:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.
(or by appointment)

Sacrament of Initiation

(Baptism) *REGISTRATION FORMS* are available for pick up in the foyer of the church.

Marriage

Please contact the parish office.
A MINIMUM OF SIX MONTHS NOTICE IS REQUIRED.

Anointing of the Sick

If you are sick and go to the hospital, please call the parish office 705-942-8546. This will allow us to arrange that you have the Sacrament of the Sick and a Pastoral Visit. Also, Eucharist is brought once a week to those in the hospital by a Pastoral Team member.

"On Call" Priest

A priest is available in the city for emergencies 24/7.
You can notify the chaplain, nurse or nursing home coordinators to contact the priest ON CALL.

E-Mail: olgoodcoun@shaw.ca
Website: olgoodcounselssm.com

Office Hours:

Monday to Friday
9:00 a.m.—12:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses

Saturday 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Paul Conway
Deacons: Rev. Mr. Walter Morrow (retired)
Diocesan Order of Women: Raymonde Brant
Secretary: Cathy LaBlance

Parish Pastoral Council

Dan Drazenovich
Vincent LaRue
Outreach Member
Christian Formation Member
Randy Johnson
Finance Member
Liturgy Member

Adoration Chapel

Come spend some time alone with the Lord!
Open **18** hours ***Adorers needed….***
Please call either
Raffaela Medaglia 942-7891;
Susanne Quinn-Perron 450-7732

Prayer Line Requests

to place a prayer request, please phone:
Laverne…….. 942-7630 (ans. machine)
Betty……..649-3611 (ans. machine)

Church Envelopes

If you would like to begin using parish donation envelopes, please contact the parish office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #13655

On behalf of Grand Knight Micheal Miller we will be having our first general meeting on **Thursday September 6/18 at 7:00 pm** in our parish hall. **"Please"** plan to attend and support our newly elected officers. **"Special note"** our new incoming Financial Secretary For the Fraternal year 2018/19 is Brother John Umbrasas all dues will now be forwarded to him. Thank you God Bless you and your families

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

The Bishop has sent a directive that those children in grade 2 and up will be prepared for the **Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.** Therefore this coming year (2018-2019) all families with children **in grade 2** and up will be able to register for the Sacraments. Registration forms are now available in the entrance of the church with more details.

Deadline for registration is Wed., October 24th.

"The Word Among Us"

is a monthly magazine that has the readings for each day, the prayers for the mass and several articles that speak of our faith and spirituality. You will find at the entrance of the church several of these magazines. You can make a free will offering by putting your donation in the vigil candle holders on either side of the church. *Fr. Paul Conway, Pastor*

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

We are not the first generation to promote a spirituality closer to Creation. Saint Francis of Assisi and many other witnesses have shown us how a living faith opens us on the well-being of our sisters and brothers of creation. *"For you love all things that are, and hate none of the things which you have made: for you did not appoint, or make any thing hating it."* (Wis 11, 25). Are we concerned about our planet earth? Are we willing to learn new ways to make our world more eco friendly?

We may well be leaving to coming generations debris, desolation and filth. The pace of consumption, waste and environmental change has so stretched the planet's capacity that our contemporary lifestyle, unsustainable as it is, can only precipitate catastrophes, such as those which even now periodically occur in different areas of the world. The effects of the present imbalance can only be reduced by our

Regional News will be listed below:

- **Pastoral ministry workshops this Fall** The Diocesan pastoral services team will host the following ministry workshops this coming Fall:

1) **Parish Pastoral councils & Pastoral ministry**

All pastors and members of Parish Pastoral Councils and anyone interested in learning more about pastoral ministry in the diocese, are invited to a special workshop on Tuesday, 18th September 7-9pm at St Veronica parish hall

2) **Baptism workshop 1: Infant Baptism & Evangelization**

This workshop will be a special forum on Infant Baptism and Evangelization - an opportunity to discuss Church teaching on Baptism and the challenges faced by pastoral teams. Wed., 19th September 7-9pm at St Jerome parish hall (26 Carmel Rd).

3) **Baptism workshop 2: Diocesan guidelines - Infant Baptism**

Following up from the previous workshop, there will be a presentation of proposed Diocesan guidelines for the Baptism of infants. This will be an opportunity to provide feedback/suggested amendments for this document. Thursday, 4th October 7-9pm at St Jerome parish hall.

- **Simple made Seminar—Being Prepared**—sponsored by Northwood Funeral Home
  Free Seminar—Wed., Sept 19th at 5:30 p.m. Grand Gardens North
  To reserve a seat call 705-945-7758
  Topics: Probate & Estate Information by Peter Bortolussi; Funeral Pre-planning; saving money through an eligible Funeral arrangement; ensuring your person wishes are understood & carried out; Will, Power of Attorney for Health Care, Power of Attorney for Property; safe return Travel Plan etc.

St Gerard Majella Parish is seeking a part-time [20 hours/week] Parish Secretary/Book keeper

Experience and skills: Strong organizational/time management skills and attention to detail; Proficient in the use of Simply Accounting, M S office, Desktop Publishing, Power Point and the use of the internet; Excellent interpersonal skills and a professional demeanor; Ability to handle confidential information; Strong oral and written communication skills; A minimum of 2 years office experience in either administration or finance; Knowledge of catholic faith would be considered an asset.

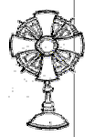
Duties: Prepare weekly bulletin; Process A/P, A/R and Payroll; Process incoming/outgoing mail; Order parish and office supplies; Maintain office and equipment; Answer telephone and email inquiries; Maintain current parish lists, databases and distribution lists; Co ordinate parish meeting room bookings; Complete special projects as assigned

Hours of work: 20 hours per week, Tuesday to Friday.

If you are interested in this position, please submit your resume including references and cover letter to St. Gerard Majella Church, 211 Pentagon Blvd.., Sault Ste. Marie, ON., by **Friday September 21st 2018. St. Gerard Majella church would like to thank all the interested candidates, only those selected for interviews will be contacted.**

Eucharistic Adoration Ministry of Sault Ste. Marie

Adoration Chapel



located at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

The Chapel is open from 6:00 a.m. until Midnight. Anyone can drop in for a visit during that time; however, we do need adorers committed to a weekly visit for an hour.

We urgently require an Adorer for the hours of:

Sunday	—8:00am-9:00am
	—9:00am-10:00am
	—11::00am-12noon
	—7:00pm-8:00pm
	—8:00pm-9:00pm
Monday	—10:00pm-11:00pm
	—11:00pm-12 Midnight
Friday	—10:00pm-11:00pm
	—11:00pm-12 Midnight
Saturday	—9:00pm-10:00pm
	—10:00pm-11:00pm
	—11:00pm-12 Midnight

Please call one of the following coordinators of the Chapel if you would like to come to the Chapel to experience the peace and tranquility of spending one hour weekly with Jesus:

Susanne Quinn-Perron 450-7732; and Raffaela Medaglia 206-3968.

The Roman Catholic community of the City of Sault Ste. Marie is privileged to have an Adoration Chapel where Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is present at all times.

This Week's recap of parish activities:

Mon., Sept., 3rd Labour Day! Parish Office Closed
Tues., Sept., 4th 11:00 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist —**Columbian Towers
Wed., Sept., 5th 9:15 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist —** Church—followed by the Rosary
Thurs., Sept., 6th 9:15 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist —**Church—followed by the Rosary
7:00 p.m. **K of C General Meeting**—Small Hall
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice (Mary Anne) - church
Fri., Sept., 7th 9:15 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist w/Anointing of the Sick—**Church—followed by the Rosary
Sat., Sept., 8th 9:00 a.m. **Prayer for Vocations**—Church
3:00 p.m. **Confession Time**– Church

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat., Sept., 8th 7:00 p.m. **Celebration of Eucharist—**Church
Sun., Sept., 9th 9:00 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist—**Church
11:00 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist—**Church
Children's Liturgy of the Word—dismissal at the beginning of Mass
6:00 p.m. **Pasta Dinner w/Sweet Adelines**—Parish Hall contact parish office for tickets

God is at work to make us who He intends us to be.

Anyone out there that would be interested in joining for next year's Study

BIBLE STUDY: Acts of the Apostles

to be held on Mondays at 6:30 p.m.
beginning Mon., September 24th in the parish hall
****Deadline to register is Friday, Sept 7th so material can be ordered.** The sessions will be held on Mondays for 20 sessions.
Contact Cathy, our parish office at 705-942-8546, and leave your name & phone number.

You will then be contacted by a Team Member with further details

FRIENDSHIP MEAL …..Now looking at 2019:

We are now into our 11th year of hosting Friendship Meals on the third Sunday of every month. We currently still **need hosts to commit for the following months** for the year of 2019:

May, June, December.

In order to fulfill a years commitment to this ministry we need to know by the end of September.

Please consider hosting a meal next year, contact the Parish Office 705-942-8546

decisive action, here and now.

And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it." (Genesis 2:15)

This scripture is at the heart of Christian ecology. In the beginning, a human being is placed in the Garden of Eden (which means delicacy). As the garden's farmer, he harvests his environment's resources and sows it again. As the garden's keeper, he makes sure that the beauty and fertility of creation will be maintained for the future. Here, at the very beginning of the Holy Scriptures, is the institution of sustainable development! Many churches throughout the world (Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant) celebrate the Care of Creation Day (September 1). They give thanks to the Lord for the generosity of His creation and pray for the wisdom and courage to tend it well. Have a great Creation Day!

You will notice that we have containers at the front of the church that we will accept the following items for the first three weeks of September:
used paint and varsol cans,
aerosol cans,
perfumes
and batteries

PRAYER MINISTRY

(praying for an "imprisoned" person)

We as a parish are connected with the Algoma Treatment and Remand Centre with a **PRAYER MINISTRY.** We receive names of clients from the Centre who would like to be prayed for. If you would like to be a Prayer person in this ministry and intercede for those that are imprisoned, please fill out the form below and return to the parish office directly or by way of the collection basket **by September 10th.**

The parish will receive from the Algoma Treatment & Remand Centre Chaplin, a list of the first name of the clients who wish for someone to pray for them. In filling out this form, you agree to pray daily for an imprisoned person whose name has been randomly assigned to you for one year.

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PRAYER MINISTRY (praying for an imprisoned person)

Name_____

Address_____

Postal Code_____

Letters will be mailed/emailed in September to participating parishioners.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF..... Monday, September 3rd to Sunday, September 9th, 2018

Date & Time	Mass Intention	Readings	Readers	Extra-Ord. Min. of Holy Comm.	Servers	Welcoming/&Ushers
September 3rd Monday	**No—Liturgy of the Word with Communion (will resume September 10th)**	St. Gregory the Great 1 Cor. 2: 1-5; Ps 199: 97-102; Luke 4: 16-30				**Lectors, Ushers, Welcomers** **EMHC** — Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, **LITURGY SCHEDULES** for **September & October** are available on our parish website or a printed copy is available in the Sacristy.
September 4th Tuesday	**On the first Tuesday of the month Mass is celebrated at Columbian Towers at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome.**	1 Corinthians 2: 10-16; Ps 145: 8-11; Luke 4:31-37				
September 5th Wed., 9:15 a.m.	**Intentions of Carole Irwin** by friends & family of daughter, Brianna	1 Corinthians 3; 1-9; Ps 33: 12-21; Luke 4: 38-44	Judith Beduhn	Jim Ross	TBA	
September 6th Thur., 9:15 a.m.	**Jennie Lazarovitch** by daughter, Carol	1 Corinthians 3: 18-23; Ps 24: 1-6; Luke 5: 1-11	Walter Morrow	Margaret Twentyman	Randy Johnson	
September 7th Friday 9:15 a.m.	**Bill Lamon** by Helen Lamon	1 Corinthians 4: 1-5; Ps 37: 3-40; Luke 5: 33-39	Margie Skulech	Debbie Hermiston-Cyr	Aldo Zappacosta	
September 8th **Saturday,** **7:00 p.m.** Mass	**7:00 p.m.** **Intentions of Gaetano & Claudia Lombardo** by Mom & Dad **Peter Pope-ey-larsh** by Maria Lombardo **Luigi, Angela, & Carmela Mazzuca** by Bruno Chiarello	**Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** **Year B** **Isaiah 35: 4-7;** **Ps 146: 6-10;** **James 2: 1-5;** **Mark 7: 31-37**	**7:00 p.m.** (A) & (B) Helen Lamon	**7:00 p.m.** Laverne Guzzo & Norie Tapiru-Cormack **(2 only)**	**7:00 p.m.** Dan Lance	**7:00 p.m.** **Welcomer:** Jean-Louis & Lois Lemieux **Ushers:** Brian Kelly & Aldo Zappacosta
September 9th **Sunday** **9:00 a.m.**	**9:00 a.m.** **Ada & Enrico Pellegrino** Emma & Gino Catallo **Angela Fata-Nelli** by Mom		**9:00 a.m.** (A) & (B) Don Barill	**9:00 a.m.** Val Barill & Mary Lou Keene **(2 only)**	**9:00 a.m.** Bill O'Donnell	**9:00 a.m.** **Welcomer:** Jim & Joan Ross **Ushers:** Richard Luciani & John Nogalo
Sunday **11:00 a.m.**	**11:00 a.m.** **Intentions of all parishioners** Pro Populo Mass **David Marques** by wife, Prazeres & Family **Rose Martin** by Helen Lamon		**11:00 a.m.** (A) Frank Lepore (B) Karissa Lepore	**11:00 a.m.** Kim Lepore & Joe Ruscio **(2 only)**	**11:00 a.m.** Tony Fera	**11:00 a.m.** **Welcomer:** Susan Shepherd & son, Michael **Ushers:** Ken DiPasquale & Pat Ruscio

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth".
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

CHILDREN'S LITURGY of the WORD will resume in September and is held each Sunday at the **11:00 a.m. Mass for ages 5 to 12.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED
especially for **BONNIE DUNNE**, SISTER OF WANDA (PAUL) TAILLEFER
AND **ALL OUR DECEASED FAMILY & FRIENDS**

Celebration of Eucharist—Extendicare Van Daele Nursing Home will resume in September 12th at 10:45 a.m.

Please remember to pray for: all the **sick & Shut-ins** in our parish Community.