

January 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord (C)

Is 60:1-6

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Mt 2:1-12



*And behold, the star that
they had seen at its rising
preceded them, until it came
and stopped over the place
where the child was.*

MATTHEW 2:9

ANTON JANKOV / SHUTTERSTOCK

Your Light has Come!

Many traditional religions have in some way ascribed divinity to light—either they claim that light emanates from a god or that light itself is divine. This is probably because light is a primal necessity, essential for life. We find such thinking in today's readings.

"Your light has come" (Isaiah 60:1) says today's Old Testament reading. This is Isaiah's glorious message for the people of Jerusalem. The city had been destroyed; the people scattered; the future looked bleak. This message must have filled the people with hope. Not only does light bring them hope, but the light actually streams from their God. It is the Lord who shines, bestowing his radiance upon them. This light is filled with promise.

The story of the Magi is not meant primarily for children who delight in moving figurines of the three kings a bit closer to the stable every day. This is an adult story about inner darkness and enlightenment. The strangers, ignorant of ancient Israel's traditions, were able to read the signs of the times. Because of their openness, they found the Light of the World. The learned men of Jerusalem were well-schooled in the ancient promises, for they knew where to send the strangers. However, they felt threatened by these signs. They closed their minds and hearts to any omens that might imperil their positions of privilege. They had a chance to benefit from this new light, but they turned their backs on it.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- * *What is your attitude toward new ways of understanding your faith?*
- * *Pray that all people will be open to read the signs of the times.*

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL PARISH

114 MacDonald Avenue, Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario P6B 1H3

Phone: (705) 942-8546 Fax: (705) 942-8674

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. & 1:00p.m.- 5:00 p.m.

Friday

CLOSED

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 7:00 p.m.

Sunday

9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Tuesday to Friday

9:15 a.m.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Paul Conway

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Walter Morrow (retired)

Diocesan Order of Women: Raymonde Brant

Secretary: Sue Solomon

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Dan Drazenovich

Randy Johnson

Vincent LaRue

Finance Member

Outreach Member

Liturgy Member

Christian Formation Member

ADORATION CHAPEL

Closed until further notice

PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

to place a prayer request, please phone:

Laverne..... 942-7630 (answering machine)

Betty.....649-3611 (answering machine)

CHURCH ENVELOPES

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

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E-MAIL: olgoodcoun@shaw.ca

WEBSITE: olgoodcounselssm.com

RECONCILIATION

(At this time by appointment only)

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.

"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.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL CHURCH

Our Lady of Good Counsel has resumed Masses

The church will be open 30 minutes before the scheduled Mass is set to begin.

Attendance **must** be reserved by **Thursday 12PM** by phone
before the service

Please call the following contacts for the mass you would like to attend

For **Saturday's at 7:00PM** please contact: **Raffaela 705-206-3968**

For **Sunday at 9:00AM** please contact: **Shelly 705-942-3551**

For **Sunday at 11:30AM** please contact: **Rose-Marie 705-253-8797**

60 people being the **maximum** number who can attend
(plus 8 ministers)

All people must wear a mask in order to enter the church.

If you are experiencing:
a cough
a fever
a sore throat
headache
shortness of breath

please **DO NOT** attend.



A big thank you to all who were so generous with Christmas blessings and wishes and the generous gifts bestowed on me at Christmas. It is greatly appreciated.

Fr. Paul Conway



Sacrament of Baptism

We welcome into our faith community....

Hudson Benjamin Hurd

Son of Cherisse & Ben

who was baptized Sunday, December 26th

THE EARTH, OUR COMMON HOME Green Church Committee Updates for January

***"There is no such thing as 'away'.
When we throw anything 'away', it must go somewhere."***

1. The Green Church Committee acknowledges The Country Way on Brock Street for its use of paper bags in its store. If you are shopping there, please express your gratitude for this environment friendly practice!
2. Lower your thermostat by two degrees and wear a sweater to keep warm.
3. Only shop once a week for groceries this month.



*Brought to you by Our Lady of Good Counsel
Green Church Committee*

FOOD FOR ST. VINCENT de PAUL



St. Vincent de Paul Society is accepting food donations. Parishioners who still want to donate, can drop food items off on Albert St **between 10am and 3pm Monday to Friday.** The doors are locked but there is a buzzer beside the door that they can ring. If no one appears within a five minutes, they can either leave the food there, or bring it to the far door, which is the door to the men's shelter.



2022 Parish Donation Envelopes

Are available after mass or at the office

Please remember **TO USE** the new envelopes
The new numbering system begins in January 2022.

Attention

Pre-authorized Withdrawal Donation Plan Those donating through the pre-authorized plan, if you would like envelopes for the Special Collections for 2022, please leave a message for Sue at the parish office. When the new envelope boxes for 2022 are distributed your box of special envelopes will be included.

Thank you, Sue

This Week's Recap of Parish Activities:



Monday, January 03 9:00 a.m. **Parish Office** - Open
4:15 p.m. **Rosary** - Grotto Church Parking Lot

Tuesday, January 04 9:00 a.m. **Parish Office** - Open
9:15 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist** - Church
4:15 p.m. **Rosary** - Grotto Church Parking Lot

Wednesday, January 05 9:00 a.m. **Parish Office** - Open
9:15 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist** - Church
3:00 p.m. **Eucharistic Adoration** - Church
4:15 p.m. **Rosary** - Grotto Church Parking Lot

Thursday, January 06 9:00 a.m. **Parish Office** - Open
9:15 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist** - Church
10:30 a.m. **Choir Practice** - Parish Hall
4:15 p.m. **Rosary** - Grotto Church Parking Lot

Friday, January 07 9:00 a.m. **Parish Office** - **CLOSED**
9:15 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist** - Church
4:15 p.m. **Rosary** - Cross on St. George's Avenue

Saturday, January 08 4:15 p.m. **Rosary** - Cross on St. George's Avenue

The Baptism of the Lord—Year C

Saturday, January 08 7:00 p.m. **Celebration of Eucharist** - Church

Sunday, January 09 9:00 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist** - Church
11:30 a.m. **Celebration of Eucharist** - Church
4:15 p.m. **Rosary** - Grotto Church Parking Lot

The Rosary at Our Lady of Fatima Grotto

Rosary: The Rosary will be prayed at **4:15pm EVERY DAY**. Sunday to Friday at the Grotto of Our Lady of Fatima in the parking lot of Our Lady of Good Counsel and on Saturdays, it will be at the Cross by St Basil school.



To avoid having the same channel open at the same time, We are going to change the channel from which the Mass will be transmitted. The **radio channel** for the Mass will be 92.3 FM. New posters with both frequencies noting Mass 92.3 FM and **Rosary 92.5 FM** will be posted.

Great News...we are now set-up to receive **e-transfers** for donations . Please check with your bank on setting this up and **please note** that some banks do **charge a fee** for this service .

This is the information needed to set up the church as a **Recipient:**

Name: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

Contact Method: (Email only) - olgoodcoun@shaw.ca



Christmas Flowers Memorial Fund.....

also included in our memorial fund intentions were

**In memory of
Ira Cleaves & Ines & Umberto Tonello**



HAPPY NEW YEAR !!! GETTING MARRIED IN 2022 OR 2023?

To all engaged couples, sign up for "A Decision to Love" Marriage Preparation ONLINE program being offered from January until Apr. 15th 2022. The program is a self-paced and collaborative experience for both the engaged couple and our married couples prep team. We provide you with all the material you will need including video presentations from the married couples team.

For more information or to enroll, call or text: Deacon Rob Thibodeau 705.975.2893 or email marriageprepsm@hotmail.com

Synodal Process in our Diocese:

During the month of January 2022, everyone is invited to participate in the consultation phase of the Synodal Process in our Diocese. The documents ('Synodal Process' and 'Questions for the Synodal Process') which will serve to assist and guide you during this process are available online on the Synod page of the diocesan website: <https://dioceseofsaultstemarie.org/synod>. Should you require a printed version of this package, please contact your parish or Father Roch Martin at the Diocesan Centre.



The Prayer of the Synod:
Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.
All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF..... Monday, January 03 to Sunday, January 09, 2022

Date & Time	Mass Intention	Readings	Readers	Adult Altar Servers	Ushers	
January 03 Monday – No Mass		1 John 3.22 – 4.6 Ps 2.7– 11 Matthew 4.12–25				<p>LITURGY SCHEDULES for January 2022 are available on our parish website or a printed copy is available in the Sacristy.</p> <p><u>Contact Geri Plecash for the ministry scheduling at 705-297-7044 (either call or text) or gplecash@hotmail.com</u></p>
January 04 Tuesday – 9:15AM	Eleanor & Frank Lewis by Martin Lewis	1 John 4.7–10 Ps 72.1–8 Mark 6.34–44	John Plecash	Geri Plecash		
January 05 Wednesday – 9:15AM	Duarte Carpinteiro by Amelia Alfonso & Family	1 John 4.11–18 Ps 72.1–13 Mark 6.45–52	Arlette Beaulieu	Randy Johnson		
January 06 Thursday – 9:15 a.m.	Intentions of Marcel Bertrand by Raffaella	1 John 4.19 – 5.4 Ps 72.1–17 Luke 4.14–22	Rose-Marie Valade	Marg Twentyman		
January 07 Friday – 9:15 a.m.	Nick Malone by LaRue Family	1 John 5.5–13 Ps 147.12–20 Luke 5.12–16	Helen Lamon	Dennis Smith		
January 08 Saturday – 7:00 p.m.	Lucio Boin by Lombardo Family Edna Brisebois by Paulette & John Lesnick Intentions of Raffaella by Raffaella Medaglia	<u>The Baptism Of The Lord</u> Isaiah 40.1–11 Ps 104.1–30 Titus 2:11–14; 3:4–7 Luke 3.15–22	7:00P Domenic Lombardo	7:00PM Dan Lance	7:00PM Arlette Beaulieu Shirley Nantais	<hr/> <p>9:00AM – Cleaners</p> <p>Paulette Lesnick John Lesnick Wanda Taillefer Yvan Besner Norma Poirier</p>
January 09 Sunday – 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of all parishioners Pro Populo Mass Joyce Libby by Mary Denomme		9:00AM Helen Lamon	9:00 AM Dennis Smith	9:00AM Richard Luciani Tony Bortone	
Sunday – 11:30 a.m.	Intentions of Padeleoni Lunelli by Blanche Pat Ruscio by Arlette & Ed Beaulieu Joan O’Leary by Elva & Cormac O’Connor		11:30AM Daniel Deluney	11:30AM Geri Plecash	11:30AM Norman Cardiff Andrew Deluney	

Note: If you see a **TBA** in your ministry posted in this bulletin and you are available to volunteer for that date, please contact the **PARISH OFFICE**. Thank you



“A Holy Hour of adoration before the Most Blessed Sacrament
opens up the floodgates of God's merciful Love upon the world.”
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED
ESPECIALLY FOR
MICHAEL GOUR, HUSBAND OF MARY GOUR
AND
ALL OUR DECEASED FAMILY & FRIENDS.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: ALL THE SICK & SHUT-INS IN
OUR PARISH COMMUNITY.