# Our Parish

January 8, 2023
Epiphany of the Lord (A)

Isaiah 60:1-6 / Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6 / Matthew 2:1-12





# A Trip Called Life

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

ne way to pray with sacred Scripture is to ask,
"How is this biblical story my story?" So then,
how is the story of the Magi our story?
Like those journeyers from the East, we may sense

there is more to our lives than what is now. Some inner angst can send us on a life search without really knowing where it will take us or even what we are really seeking. Yet through it all we are led by an inner star that lures us on. Some might call it a spiritual journey.

Like the *Magi* who stopped in Jerusalem and asked if anyone knew something about what they were seeking, we begin asking around. Some people we ask aren't sure what we are asking, like Herod. Others seem able to offer suggestions, but for our purposes it is not an answer but only points the way.

Then one day we happen to stumble on what we've been looking for all along. Some people call it a religious experience. To describe it to someone else, we might be at a loss for words. Yet it touches us so deeply that it seems to change our lives. We begin to let go of what we once thought was so important—the gold, frankincense, and myrrh of our lives. And like the Wise Men, we journey on with our lives, except by a different route, sensing that the path we had thus far traveled was no longer a safe journey home.

#### -Reflect-

Is anything of the Magi story also your story?

If so, reflect on yours.

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## OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL PARISH

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

#### **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. & 11:00 a.m.

#### **WEEKDAY LITURGIES**

Tuesday to Friday 9:15 a.m.

#### PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Paul Conway

**Deacons:** Rev. Mr. Walter Morrow (retired)

Secretary: vacant

#### **ADORATION CHAPEL**

6a.m. to 9 p.m. daily

## **PRAYER LINE REQUESTS**

to place a prayer request, please phone:

#### CHURCH ENVELOPES

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

# THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 08, 2023

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



**E-MAIL**: olgoodcoun@shaw.ca **WEBSITE**: olgoodcounselssm.com

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (or by appointment)

#### SACRAMENT OF INITIATION

(Baptism) <u>REGISTRATION FORMS</u> are available for pick up in the foyer of the church.

#### MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office.

A MINIMUM OF <u>SIX MONTHS</u> 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.

#### **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

At least once a year, Christians are reminded of Jesus' prayer for his

disciples that "they may be one so that the world may believe" (see John 17.21). Hearts are touched and Christians come together to pray for their unity. Congregations and parishes all over the world exchange preachers or arrange special ecumenical celebrations and prayer services. The event that touches off this special experience is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.



This year, The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, held 18-25 January, will draw together churches across the globe to "Do good; seek justice (Isaiah 1:17)."

The Minnesota Council of Churches, based in the USA, was the convener for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2023 drafting group. go to <a href="https://www.oikoumene.org/resources/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity">https://www.oikoumene.org/resources/week-of-prayer-for-christian-unity</a>



# Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

With more than 100 years of history, this annual observance involves Christian communities throughout the world.

www.oikoumene.org

The reflections explore how learning to do right requires the decision to engage in self-reflection. The Week of Prayer is presented as the perfect time for Christians to recognize that the divisions between our churches and confessions cannot be separated from the divisions within the wider human family.

### .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.

# Clothing/Gift Swap Feb 4-5 After Masses in the Church Hall

De-clutter after Christmas with a **free** clothing/gift exchange.

**Donate** your **clean**, unwanted new clothing/gift or **clean**, gently used clothing to the church hall on **Saturday January 28** (6:30 – 7:00pm) or

**Sunday January 29** (8:30 – 9:00 am, 10:30 – 11:00 am).

Then, on **February 4- 5** join us in the church hall **after Masses** for coffee and to check out the items and see if there is anything you need. Everything is **free**.

After the event, any surplus will be donated to one of: Women in Crisis, Pauline's Place, The Community Soup Kitchen or St. Vincent de Paul.





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

## **This Week's Recap of Parish Activities:**



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|------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| Monday, January 09     | 9:00 a.m. Parish Office - Open  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 4:00 p.m. <b>Rosary</b> - Adoration Chapel  |  |  |  |  |
| Tuesday, January 10    | 9:00 a.m. Parish Office - Open  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 9:15 a.m. <b>Celebration of Eucharist</b> - Church  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 4:00 p.m. <b>Rosary</b> - Adoration Chapel  |  |  |  |  |
| Mada and a lance and 1 | 7:00 p.m. Celebration of First Reconciliation   |  |  |  |  |
| Wednesday, January 11  | 9:00 a.m. <b>Parish Office -</b> Open   |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 9:15 a.m. <b>Celebration of Eucharist</b> - Church  |  |  |  |  |
| Thursday, January 12   | 4:00 p.m. <b>Rosary</b> - Adoration Chapel  |  |  |  |  |
| Thursday, January 12   | 9:00 a.m. Parish Office - Open  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 9:15 a.m. <b>Celebration of Eucharist</b> - Church 10:30 a.m. <b>Choir Practice</b> - Parish Hall |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 4:00 p.m. <b>Rosary</b> - Adoration Chapel  |  |  |  |  |
| Friday, January 13     | 9:00 a.m. <b>Parish Office - CLOSED</b>   |  |  |  |  |
| Triday, January 15     | 9:15 a.m. <b>Celebration of Eucharist</b> - Church  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 4:00 p.m. <b>Rosary</b> - Adoration Chapel  |  |  |  |  |
| Saturday, January 14   | 10:00 a.m. Rosary for Vocations—Church  |  |  |  |  |
| Saturday, January 14   | 4:15 p.m. Rosary - Cross on St. George's Avenue   |  |  |  |  |
|                        | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A   |  |  |  |  |
| Saturday, January 14   | 7:00 p.m. Celebration of Eucharist  |  |  |  |  |
| Sunday, January 15     | 9:00 a.m. Celebration of Eucharist - Church   |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 11:00 a.m. Celebration of Eucharist - Church  |  |  |  |  |
|                        | 4:00 p.m. <b>Rosary</b> - Adoration Chapel  |  |  |  |  |
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# The Rosary at Our Lady of Fatima

<u>Rosary:</u> The Rosary will be prayed at **4:00pm EVERY DAY.**Sunday to Friday in the Adoration Chapel and on Saturdays, it will be at the Cross by St Basil school.



 ${\it Great \ News...}$  we are now set-up to receive  ${\it e-transfers}$  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



# Financial Report

| Monthly Financial Statement - December 2022 |             |                                |             |  |  |  |  |
|---|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| INCOME                                      |             | EXPENSE:                       |             |  |  |  |  |
| Sunday Envelopes                            | \$24,289.25 | Church                         | \$17,035.27 |  |  |  |  |
| Christmas Collection                        | 3,960.00    | Rectory                        | 716.35      |  |  |  |  |
| Loose                                       | 326.15      | Office & Salary                | 10,719.03   |  |  |  |  |
| Other                                       | 1,748.35    | Liturgy                        | 1,041.44    |  |  |  |  |
| Friendship Meal                             | 90.00       |                                |             |  |  |  |  |
| Donations to the poor                       | 1,510.35    | Donations to the Poor          | 10,558.09   |  |  |  |  |
| Memorial Fund—Building                      | 1,355.00    |                                |             |  |  |  |  |
| Development & Peace—Share Lent              | 25.00       | Development & Peace—Share Lent | 25.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Evangelization/World Mission                | 67.00       | Evangelization/World Mission   | 67.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Ministry Formation                          | 15.00       | Ministry Formation             | 15.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Pope's Pastoral Care                        | 12.00       | Pope's Pastoral Care           | 12.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Canadian Missions Initiative                | 121.00      | Canadian Missions Initiative   | 121.00      |  |  |  |  |
| Christmas Flower Fund                       | 1,407.05    |                                |             |  |  |  |  |
| Room & Board                                | 900.56      |                                |             |  |  |  |  |
| Total Income                                | \$35,826.71 | Total Expense                  | \$40,310.18 |  |  |  |  |

### Thank you for your weekly financial contributions



# HAPPY NEW YEAR !!! GETTING MARRIED IN 2023 0R 2024?

To all engaged couples, sign up for "A Decision to Love" Marriage Preparation ONLINE program being offered from January until Apr. 15th 2023. 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 marriageprepssm@hotmail.com

# MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF...... Monday, January 09 to Sunday, January 15, 2023

| Date & Time  | Mass Intention  | Readings  | Readers           | Adult Altar Servers               | Ushers                          |  |
|--|---|---|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| January 09<br>Monday - No Mass   | Baptism of the Lord   | Is. 42.1-4, 6-7<br>Ps 29.1-9<br>Acts 10.34-38<br>Matthew 3. 13-17 |                   |                                   |                                 | LITURGY SCHEDULES for January 2023 are available on our parish website or a printed copy is available in the Sacristy.  Contact Geri Plecash for the ministry scheduling at 705-297-7044 (either call or text) |
| January 10<br>Tuesday – 9:15AM   |   | Hebrews 2.5-12<br>Ps 8. 1-8<br>Mark 1.21-28                       | John Plecash      | Geri Plecash                      |                                 |  |
| January 11<br>Wednesday – 9:15AM   | <b>Sylvia Rollin</b><br>By Brian &Lorie McLeod  | Hebrews 2.14-18<br>Ps 105.1-9<br>Mark 1.29-39                     | Arlette Beaulieu  | Randy Johnson                     |                                 |  |
| January 12<br>Thursday – 9:15 a.m.   | <b>Joseph Offidani</b><br>By Nancy Serhan   | Hebrews 3.7-14<br>Ps 95.6-11<br>Mark 1.40-45                      | Rose-Marie Valade | Margaret Twentyman                |                                 |  |
| January 13<br>Friday - 9:15 a.m.   | Holy Souls in Purgatory<br>by Lombardo Family   | Hebrews 4.1–5, 11<br>Ps 78.3–8<br>Mark 2.1–12                     | Helen Lamon       | Tony Fera                         |                                 |  |
| January 14   | Mary Anne Hunt  |   | 7:OOP             | 7:OOPM                            | 7:OOPM                          |  |
| Saturday – 7:00 p.m.   | by Domenic & Barbara Lombardo<br>Fr. Roy McParland<br>By Domenic & Barbara Lombardo<br>Anna Marie Tucci<br>by Blanche Dilabio |   | Don Barill        | Randy Johnson                     | Claude Cormier<br>Mark Yurechuk |  |
| January 15   | Intentions of all parishioners  | Second Sunday in Ordinary Time                                    | 9:00AM            | 9:00 AM                           | 9:00AM                          |  |
| Sunday – 9:00 a.m.   | Pro Populo Mass<br><b>Ron Denomme</b><br>by Cathy & Joe LaBlance  | Isaiah 49.3, 5-6<br>Ps. 40.1-9                                    | Helen Lamon       | Margaret Twentyman                | Roland Pigeau<br>Tony Bortone   |  |
| Sunday - 11:00 a.m.  | <b>Benny Bortone</b> By Bortone Family  | 1 Cor. 1.1-3<br>John 1.29-34                                      |                   |                                   |                                 |  |
|  | Caterina Fabiano<br>Tony & Serenella Catallo<br>Mario & Sue DiPasquale  |   | 11:00AM           | 11:00AM                           | 11:00AM                         |  |
| by Kaaren & Ken DiPasquale<br><b>Joao Dos Reis</b><br>by Domingo Fernandes |   | Daniel Deluney  | Margie Skulech    | Quinto Medaglia<br>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
Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI
Terry Martinsen (father of Mona Martinsen)
ALL OUR DECEASED FAMILY & FRIENDS.
PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR: ALL THE SICK & SHUT-INS IN
OUR PARISH COMMUNITY.