

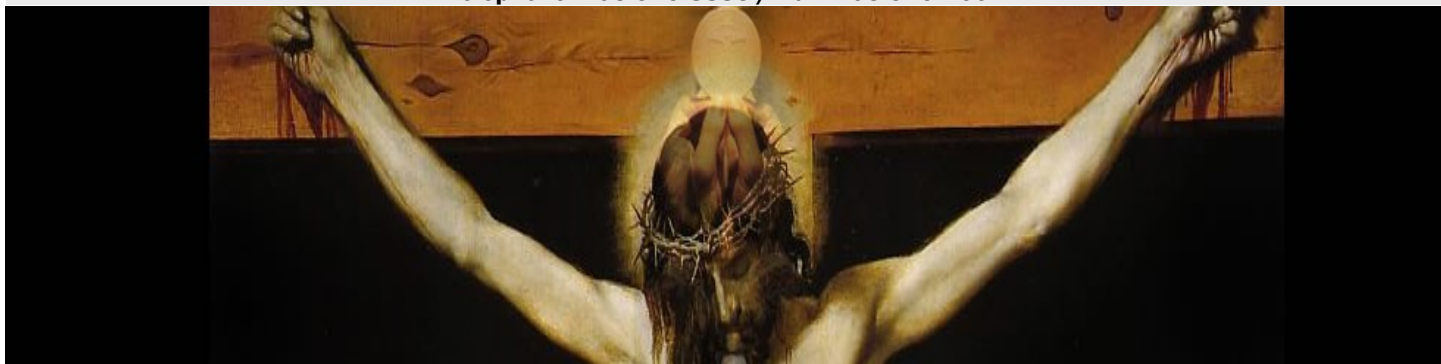
ST. GREGORY'S CHURCH

Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

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

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday to Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Telephone: 705-949-8883 / Fax: 705-949-4604



Parish Priest:

Father Alex Saurianthadathil C.Ss.R

Parish Secretary:

Paula Smith

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C

Sunday, September 11, 2016

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

The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy: The first weekend of every month, 20 minutes prior to all Masses.

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"

Top Stories:

Financial Report, Mass Intentions, Parish Activities, Alpha, Pilgrimage, Holy Door, Outdoor Mass, Year of Mercy Dinner & Dance, Youth Mass, Development and Peace, Confirmation

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St. Gregory's Parish News



Mass Intentions—September 12—September 18, 2016

Monday, September 12, to Friday, September 16—No Scheduled Liturgy. Fr. Alex is attending the annual Retreat for Priests.

Saturday, September 17—5:00 p.m.
Graziano Gulli—wife, Grazia & children

Sunday, September 18—9:00 a.m.
Intentions of Parishioners

11:00 a.m.
Annina Gallo—husband, Jim & children
Marco Villella—aunt, Carmella & family
Antonio Cicchelli—wife, Carmella & children

This weeks readings:

Monday	1 Cor 11:17-26, 33/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday	1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday	Nm 21:4-9/Jn 3:13-17
Thursday	Heb 5:7-9/Lk 2:33-35
Friday	1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday	1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-50/Lk 8:4-15

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time —YEAR C

1st READING	Am 8:4-7
2nd READING	1 Tm 2:1-7
GOSPEL	Lk 16: 1-13

JOURNEY LOTTERY WINNERS:



Shalom Place is offering 3 wonderful opportunities this fall to assist you in your life of prayer....

Moment By Moment: Retreat In Everyday Life—
September 28 until mid-May—every 2nd Wednesday, 4—6 p.m.

Men's Program: What Do You Really Want? - Thursdays,
October 13 to November 24, 7 - 9 p.m.

God's Unconditional Love: Healing Our Shame—Mondays,
October 17 to November 28, 7—9 p.m.

Please Register: 705-254-4690 or shalomssm@shaw.ca

The West-End Parishes of SSM are offering the Alpha Course this fall beginning on Wednesday evening September 21, 2016 at 6:00pm.

Our Churches warmly welcome you to a complimentary dinner and to explore the Meaning of Life.

Location: St. Veronica's Church (559 Douglas St.)
RSVP by September 11, 2016 at newalphawest@gmail.com
Child care available for children of all ages!!!

Is there more to life than this

Alpha

Development and Peace is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada and the Canadian member of Caritas Internationalis. Parish representatives for Development and Peace will meet on Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church.

Finance Report

Sunday, September 4, 2016	\$2,580.75
Weekly Average Pre-Authorized	\$437.00
Kneeler Project	\$364.00
Kneeler Project—To Date	\$864.00
Total Income	\$3,381.75

Thank you for your generosity!

Parish Activities for the Week

September 12, 2016—September 18, 2016

Monday 12	7:00 p.m.—Italian Prayer Group Meeting
Tuesday 13	1:00 p.m. Craft Group—Parish Hall
Friday 16	8:00 p.m. A.A. Meeting (Parish Hall)
Sunday 18	11:00 a.m. Children's Liturgy 1:00 p.m. Youth Choir Practice

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OUTDOOR MASS

Celebrating the Year of Mercy

Mass for Deceased at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Mass Time: 6:30 p.m.

St. Gregory's Parish family welcomes everyone to join us in celebrating an outdoor Mass in honour of our deceased friends and family members at the northeast corner of the cemetery, by the mausoleum, where there is plenty of parking. You are welcome to bring your own chairs. If anyone needs a ride, please call the parish office at 705-949-8883 by September 16.

PLEASE NOTE: In the event the weather does not co-operate, Mass will be celebrated at St. Gregory's Church.



CELEBRATING

The Year of Mercy

With Family and Friends

Friday, October 21, 2016

Dinner & Dance

Marconi Hall

Cash Bar & Live Band

Social: 5:30—6:30 / Dinner: 6:30

Tickets: \$40.00/Adult

\$20.00/Child(12 & Under)

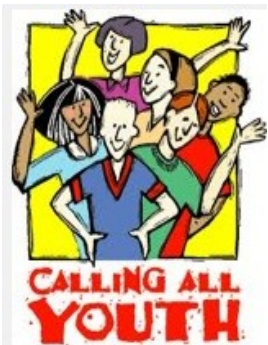
Free/Children 5 & Under

*Let Us Gather Together to
Celebrate the Mercy of God*

Tickets Are Available by
Contacting the Parish Office
or at the entrance of the
Church
before and after all weekend
Masses.
705-949-8883

INTRODUCING YOUTH MASS AT ST. GREGORY'S

On the Last Sunday of Every Month



The future of our church is in the hands of our youth!

Starting in September, St. Gregory's Parish has something new and exciting for the youth in our parish! We will be having youth Masses at 11 a.m., the last Sunday of every month. We are looking for children through to university age, to participate! We need volunteers to welcome, sing, read, bring up the gifts, alter serve and usher. We especially need singers for our contemporary music choir! Practices will be starting soon! If you want to participate, please contact **Anastasia Pasiak Bellini** at 705-256-0849.

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Invite your family and friends to join us....

Pilgrimage Celebrating the Year of Mercy September 19—20, 2016

We will be led by Father Alex and travel with AJ Bus Lines

Monday, September 19th—Leave SSM and travel to Killarney, Ontario where the group will celebrate Mass at St. Bonaventure Church followed by dinner and a relaxing evening.

Tuesday, September 20th—Travel to Midland, Ontario and visit The National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs. This holy and historic site honours the eight Jesuit Saints who lived, worked and died here over 350 years ago. The Holy door is a new feature open only this year. Catholics from all over the world have been called upon by His Holiness Pope Francis to make their way through one of the officially designated Holy doors in honour of this Jubilee Year of Mercy. Mass will be celebrated and we will travel back to SSM returning home in the evening.

Accommodation Prices:

1 room with 1 double bed—\$119.00

1 room with 2 double beds—\$137.00

1 room with 2 single beds—\$105.00

Cost of bus will be approximately \$100/person based on 40 travelers. Minimum of 30 people needed to travel. Meals not included. **Please call the Church office at 705-949-8883 if interested, as soon as possible so final arrangements can be made.** Deposit of \$100.00 required at time of booking.

Experience this pilgrimage and physically walk through the Holy Door to open your heart to God's Mercy.



What is a Holy Door?

A Holy Door is a symbol of oneness with the universal Church. It is also a symbol of convocation, an invitation to persons of good will to enter, whatever their religious denominations. It is a visual symbol of internal renewal, which begins with the willing desire to make peace with God, reconcile with your neighbors, restore in yourself everything that has been damaged in the past, and reshape your heart through conversion.



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WHAT IS THIS?

The logo and the motto together provide a fitting summary of what the Jubilee Year is all about.

Motto: Merciful Like the Father (taken from the Gospel of Luke, 6:36) serves as an invitation to follow the merciful example of the Father who asks us not to judge or condemn but to forgive and to give love and forgiveness without measure (cfr. Lk 6:37-38).

Logo: It is the work of Jesuit Father Marko I. Rupnik. It represents an image quite important to the early Church: that of the Son having taken upon his shoulders the lost soul demonstrating that it is the love of Christ that brings to completion the mystery of his incarnation culminating in redemption. The logo has been designed in such a way so as to express the profound way in which the good shepherd touches the flesh of humanity and does so with a love with the power to change one's life. One particular feature worthy of note is that while the Good Shepherd, in his great mercy, takes humanity upon himself, his eyes are merged with those of man. Christ sees with the eyes of Adam, and Adam with the eyes of Christ. Every person discovers in Christ, the new Adam, one's own humanity and the future that lies ahead, contemplating, in his gaze, the love of the Father.

The scene is captured within the so called mandorla (the shape of an almond), a figure quite important in early and medieval iconography, for it calls to mind the two natures of Christ, divine and human. The three concentric ovals, with colours progressively lighter as we move outward, suggest the movement of who carries humanity out of the night of sin and death. Conversely, the depth of the darker colour suggests the impenetrability of the love of the Father who forgives all.



"Called to be Neighbour in This Year of Mercy".

A Development and Peace—Caritas Canada Social Justice Weekend

is being held Friday evening through Sunday noon, October 14, 15, 16, 2016 at Anishinabe Spiritual Centre, Anderson Lake Rd., Espanola, On. The retreat will be facilitated by Sr. Priscilla Solomon, CSJ. The weekend will focus on Truth, Reconciliation, Justice and Mercy, how through prayer, reflection, sharing and conversation we can listen to our call to be Christ-like neighbours. Cost (includes 5 meals and 2 nights lodging): Adults / \$140 (\$155 after Sept. 30), Youth (Grade 10 and up) \$50 (\$55 after Sept 30).

Registration forms are now available at the parish. For further information contact Doreen Merkas at 705-693-0424 or zagorja@sympatico.ca



ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT-BREAKFAST-BRUNCH

Sunday, September 18, 2016—10:00a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall

Admission: \$9:00/adults, \$4.00/children and no charge for Children under 6 yrs old

MENU: Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, Roast Potatoes, Mini-Sausages, Ham, Baked Beans, Fruit Cocktail, Coffee, Tea, Orange & Apple Juice. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

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WITH

FAMILY & FRIENDS



Friday October 21, 2016

Marconi Hall

Cash Bar & Live Band

Social 5:30-6:30

Dinner 6:30

Tickets:

\$40/Adult

\$20/Child (12 & Under)

Free/Children 5 & Under

Table ____

CELEBRATING *The Year of Mercy*



Menu

Bread & Butter

Italian Wedding Soup

Fettuccine & Meatballs

Chicken Breast Cutlets
with Mushroom Sauce

Roasted Potatoes

Tossed Salad

Ice Cream

Tea & Coffee

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Application forms for the sacrament of Confirmation for 2016 are available at the entrance of the Church.

Applicants must be in grade 7 or higher as of September 2016.



BIBLE STUDY

at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 114 MacDonald Ave.

Beginning Monday, September 26th.

to be held on Mondays (from 6:30—8:00 p.m.)

Pre-Registration is required by Friday, September 16th.

Please contact OLGC's parish office at 705-942-8546,

And leave our name & phone number.

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



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Dear Parishioners,

It is a special joy to see young families taking part in the Mass and engaged in the life of the parish. We welcome crying babies! It is a sign that the church is young and alive. We have a very talented, caring and energetic team organizing Children's Liturgy program every Sunday.

I encourage parents to bring your children to participate in the Liturgy of the Word with children during our Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Let us try our best to keep the gift of faith alive and active.