



Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church

DIOCESE OF SAULT STE. MARIE

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Sunday Mass Times

Saturday 6:30 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM
11:00 AM & Live Streamed
6:30 PM

Weekday Mass Times

All in-person & Live Streamed

Tuesday 10:00 AM
Wednesday 7:00 PM
With Perpetual Help Devotions
Thursday 6:30 PM
Friday 10:00 AM Followed by
Adoration (for 1 hour) & Benediction

Reconciliation Times:

- ♦ Wednesday from 6:30 – 6:50 PM
- ♦ By appointment with the Parish Priest
Call 705-566-8330 Ext 4

OFFICE HOURS 9 AM - 2 PM
Monday - Wednesday & Friday
705-566-8330
Email: holyredeemer@ssmd.ca



Time Travellers

Children ages 3 & up!

During Sunday's 11:00 AM Mass

SUNDAY MISSAL
2024 – 2025

Living with Christ
Living with Christ
Sunday Missals for
2024/2025 - Year C
\$5.00 ea.
Only a few left!

Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2025 – Year C



PASTORAL TEAM

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Building Blocks

In today's gospel, the evangelist records, **"Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him."** (Matthew 3: 13) Yes, Jesus himself, the sinless one, who didn't need to be baptized and to reform his life and renounce sin, decides to get baptized by his cousin John! Why would Jesus want to do that? We can speculate that Jesus' baptism is a means of providing his followers an example to follow. We can also speculate that Jesus is expressing through a concrete sign, the spiritual new life that God offers to all and wants all to embrace.

Indeed, the physical new life of Jesus that we celebrate in Christmas is strengthened through the witness of those already born who seek spiritual new life as part of the body of Christ, the Church. And even after our baptism, we continue to be able to experience the physical and spiritual new life that God brought to our world through receiving Jesus' living body and most precious blood at every mass.

It is this divine presence of Christ that we eat and drink that gives and inspires the hope that we have within us for a better world, one more like the Kingdom of God. It is this divine presence of Christ that continues to motivate us to revere human life from womb to tomb. It's God's divine presence within the heart of every believer that enables us to speak in God's name and to act with God's mercy toward all those who feel that they have fallen too far away from God's grace for them to matter at all. It is for this reason that each of us are called to be missionaries of hope, pilgrims of hope, and servants of hope in this year of the jubilee. So let's celebrate Jesus' baptism today, but also our own, as we live this week as messengers of hope. --- Fr. Sam

Beatification of Venerable John Merlini, CPPS



On January 12th, 2025, Pope Francis will beatify the third Moderator General of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood congregation, to which Fr. Sam belongs. His name is Giovanni Merlini (John Merlini). His intercession was responsible for the miraculous healing from a deadly blood disorder of a man in Benevento, Italy. His tomb is in the mother church for the Precious Blood congregation in Rome, Santa Maria in Trivio, just to the left of the Trevi Fountain. We are honored that this beatification will be the first of 2025 and will take place at St. John the Lateran Basilica. Fr. Sam will be attending as a representative of Canada and the Communications Director for his Province. Please pray for another miracle attributable to John Merlini, so that he may later be made a saint of the Church!

Thank you from Fr. Sam

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your gifts of prayers, time and talent, cards, and personal gifts for this Christmas season. Your generosity and sacrificial giving make you stand out as dedicated parishioners and faithful servants of God. We had an awesome turn-out this year, both in person and online! One characteristic that many newcomers note is how hospitable and welcomed they feel. May the Lord continue to bless all of you as we continue together on our pilgrim journey of faith, guided by the hope that the Christmas Star symbolizes and the love poured into our hearts by our Heavenly Father, the Christ Child, and the Holy Spirit. ---Fr Sam



What is the Jubilee?



“Jubilee” is the name given to a particular year; the name comes from the instrument used to mark its launch. In this case, the instrument in question is the *yobel*, the ram’s horn, used to proclaim the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur). This (Jewish) holiday occurs every year, but it takes on special significance when it marks the beginning of a Jubilee year. We can find an early indication of it in the Bible: a Jubilee year was to be marked every 50 years, since this would be an “extra” year, one which would happen every seven weeks of seven years, i.e., every 49 years (cf. Leviticus 25:8-13). Even though it wasn’t easy to organise, it was intended to be marked as a time to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation, and involved the forgiveness of debts, the return of misappropriated land, and a fallow period for the fields.

Quoting the prophet Isaiah, the Gospel of Luke describes Jesus’ mission in this way: “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord,” (Luke 4:18 -19; cf. Isaiah 61:1-2). Jesus lives out these words in his daily life, in his encounters with others and in his relationships, all of which bring about liberation and conversion.

In 1300, Pope Boniface VIII called the first Jubilee, also known as a “Holy Year,” since it is a time in which God’s holiness transforms us. The frequency of Holy Years has changed over time: at first, they were celebrated every 100 years; later, in 1343 Pope Clement VI reduced the gap between Jubilees to every 50 years, and in 1470 Pope Paul II made it every 25 years. There have also been “extraordinary” Holy Years: for example, in 1933 Pope Pius XI chose to commemorate the 1900th anniversary of the Redemption, and in 2015 Pope Francis proclaimed the Year of Mercy as an extraordinary jubilee. The way in which Jubilee Years are marked has also changed through the centuries: originally the Holy Year consisted of a pilgrimage to the Roman Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul, later other signs were added, such as the Holy Door. By participating in the Holy Year, one is granted a plenary indulgence.

Experience the Jubilee of Hope with Holy Redeemer Church!

Join Father Sam in a transformative journey celebrating the Pope’s 2025 Jubilee of Hope. Every month, we’ll release inspiring videos designed to help you uncover hope and renewal in every corner of your life.



Got a Story to Share?

We’d love to hear how you’ve found hope! **Record a short video and send it to our Ministry Assistant, Claudia Rodriguez. Your story could inspire countless others in our community!**

This Month’s Theme: Balance for Body, Mind, Soul and Spirit

Discover how embracing your whole self - physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually - can bring profound peace and a fresh sense of hope.

Simple Ways to Start Living in Hope Today:

- Take a walk in nature or with a friend
- Dive into an inspiring book or passage
- Share moments of love and laughter with family and friends
- Be a light to someone in need -a smile can change a day

Let’s build a world filled with hope, one step at a time.

Follow us on social media and visit our website each month for fresh themes and uplifting messages.

Together, let’s make hope contagious!
#JubileeOfHope #SpreadTheLight

Pilgrims of Hope



A Global Feast You Won't Want to Miss!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, 26 January 2025 — because after 11 a.m. Mass, your taste buds are in for a world tour!

The Holy Redeemer Parish and the Knights of Columbus invite you to our International Lunch — an event so delicious, it's practically an international incident!

Prepare for a mouthwatering journey across the globe as our talented parishioners serve up dishes from **South America, Africa, India, Burma (Myanmar), the Philippines**, and beyond.

Last year, we packed the house with so much flavor and fun that people were already asking, *"When's the next one?"* Well, wait no longer! **This year, we've cooked up something even bigger and better — and the best part? You're invited!**

Here's the plan:

- **Date:** Sunday, 26 January 2025
- **Time:** Directly after 11 a.m. Mass
- **Where:** Holy Redeemer Parish Hall

Whether you're a seasoned food explorer or just looking for a warm, community-centered meal, come hungry for **good food** and **great company**.

There's no ticket required, just bring your appetite and love for culture!

And while the event is free, any donations to help cover costs are warmly welcomed.

So, mark your calendar, bring your biggest appetite, and get ready for a lunch that's a true **celebration of faith, fellowship, and food** from all corners of the world. We can't wait to see you there — because this is one lunch you'll be talking about long after it's over.



Jan 14 -19, 2025

† Mass for one who is deceased

Tuesday, Jan 14 – 10 AM

† Doreen Laderoute by HR CWL

Wednesday, Jan 15 - 7 PM

† Lee Thomson, brother of Linda Dupuis

Thursday, Jan 16 - 10:00 AM

† Elvia Cecotti by Sergio & Lori

Friday, Jan 17 – 10:00 AM

Special Intention for St. Joseph by Antonietta Polite

Saturday, Jan 18 – 6:30 PM

† Jeanne Dignard by Madeleine Paquette & Patricia Delorme

Sunday, Jan. 19

9 AM - Mass

The People of the Parish

11 AM - Mass

† Dean Malito by Melissa Marcuccio

6:30 PM

† Graziano Simoni by Romilda Simoni & Family

“To Become Like God”



Bishop Dowd has released a **2nd Pastoral Letter** for the Jubilee of Hope titled **“To Become like God”**. This Pastoral Letter can be used as a prayerful help during the Jubilee year. Read the Pastoral Letter, complete with Reflection Questions & Group Discussion Starters at

<https://dioceseofsaultstemarie.org/jubilee>

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

**Please Register for Confirmation Now!
Prep begins January 28th, 2025!**

Candidates for Confirmation, Grade 7 or up are required to complete an online registration form that can be found on our website under Sacraments. Go to holyredeemersudbury.com

Did you know? Once Confirmed, we are fully initiated into the church and are then able to stand as a Godparent or sponsor for a Baptism. The Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, Confirmation & Holy Communion.

**MEET in SCRIPTURE
THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 10:30 AM
following morning Mass**



Come when you can!

Meet in the upper room as we ponder the Gospel for the coming Sunday.

**FOR MORE INFO CONTACT JULIE AT
705-585-2414 OR 705-626-0364**

**Church Offering Envelope #209
(in 2024) Did this belong to you?**



If so, please contact the office to identify yourself.

Your name is needed for a receipt to be issued at income tax time.



We are looking for you #209

Small Christian Groups - Join us!

As part of our Rebuilt programme, we have started small Christian groups. **Scripture Study on the book of Galatians** currently meets on **Wednesday evenings after the 7pm mass**. If this interests you we invite you to join! Sign-up sheets are available at the kiosk. There are currently 4 topics listed. They are Synodality, Catechesis, Scripture Study and Widows & Widowers. Ideally would be to have at least 4-5 people per group. Each group will have a leader who will help to facilitate discussion and participation among the members. Groups can also select times and dates that may be best suited to their schedules. If you think you would like to participate or facilitate, please let Claudia know by contacting her at hrministrymission@gmail.com or by phone at 705-566-8330. It is a sign of the Spirit among us that there is interest in Small Christian groups!

Neighbors
Helping
Neighbors

“Christmas Grocery Card Drive”

Thank you to all who supported the 2024 Christmas Grocery Card Drive!

We are extremely grateful that your generosity allowed us to support 183 families this year, who received a total of \$21,350.00 in cards. These families were able to purchase culturally appropriate foods for their Christmas with this support – thank you, thank you, thank you!



Prayer Service for Christian Unity

Hosted by the
Anglican Church of the
Ascension
1476 Sparks Street



Wednesday January 22
@ 6:30 pm

Sponsored by the North East Ministerial Association

- + Anglican Church of the Ascension
- + St. Stephen’s on the Hill United Church
- + Restoration Church
- + St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
- + Grace United Church
- + Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church

Questions? Contact holyredeemer@ssmd.ca

Called to Unity through Faith in Action

2025 NORTHERN ONTARIO CATHOLIC LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

AWAKEN
LIVE FOR MORE
2.22.25

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22
ST. JOSEPH-SCOLLARD HALL
NORTH BAY, ONTARIO
10AM-8PM | FOR AGES 13-19

WITH INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER, SINGER AND DISCIPLE OF JESUS
PAUL J. KIM

HOSTED BY THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SAULT STE. MARIE

REGISTER AT WWW.NORTHERNCATHOLIC.CA

Collection Overview for Dec. 15, 2024 through to Jan. 5, 2025

Date	Dec. 15	Dec. 22	Dec. 25	Dec 29	Jan 1	Jan 5
Sunday PADP	\$1,990.00	\$1,990.00	\$1,990.00	\$1,990.00	\$1,990.00	\$1,990.00
Building PADP	\$338.20	\$338.20	\$338.20	\$338.20	\$338.20	\$338.20
Office Income – various sources (funeral; rent; etc)	\$1,070.00	\$1,070.00	\$1,070.00	\$1,070.00	\$1,070.00	\$1,070.00
Sunday Collection	\$3,830.00	\$3,002.00	\$395.00	\$3,738.75	\$6.00	\$2,015.00
Loose Cash	\$522.20	\$574.35		\$648.80		\$767.70
Building	\$110.00	\$2,330.00	\$75.00	\$20.00		\$85.00
Christmas	\$330.00	\$345.00	\$3,788.50	\$591.00		
Christmas PADP	\$493.00	\$493.00	\$493.00	\$493.00		
Christmas Loose			\$2,364.60			
Christmas Flowers/ Decor	\$370.00					
New Year’s Day					\$1,071.00	\$205.00
New Year’s Loose					\$408.00	
Initial Offering			\$600.00		\$145.00	\$285.00
Salary Offering	\$10.00					
Total Weekly Income	9,063.40	\$10,142.55	\$10,514.30	\$8,889.75	\$5,028.20	\$6,755.90
Christmas Grocery Cards	\$130.00	\$20.00	\$200.00			
Food Bank	\$1,839.00	\$8,625.00				\$200.00
Special Collections	\$20.00					\$21.00

Your Continued Generosity is Appreciated - Thank You!

PARISH PROJECT - **CATHOLIC CULTURAL COOKBOOK**

We hope to create a Catholic Cultural Cookbook, by reaching out to our incredibly diverse parishioners and collecting family recipes that are traditionally used for specific feast days. The obvious feast days would be Christmas and Easter, but different cultures may have a special food that is served only on a specific feast day, such as St Patrick’s Day, or the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, All Saints Day, the Feast of the Transfiguration – the list is huge! So start thinking about the recipes that you might have to share. More to come!

If you are interested in being part of the working group for this project, please contact Linda at hrvolunteercoordinator@gmail.com.

Where Faith meets Food!



During the Holy Year, we are called to be tangible signs of hope for those of our brothers and sisters who experience hardships of any kind.

(Spes Non Confundit, 10)

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