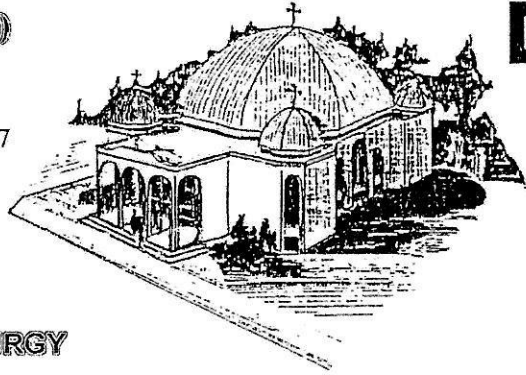


**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**(Byzantine-Ukrainian Rite)**

293 St. George's Avenue East  
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario  
P6B 6E8 Phone: (705) 942-1377

**Established in 1917**



**DIVINE LITURGY**

Saturday: 4:15 pm. - all in English  
Sunday: 9:30 am. - all in Ukrainian  
11:00 am. - all in English

**BAPTISM:** by prior arrangement

**MARRIAGE:** Please call the parish office  
3 months notice is required.

**RECONCILIATION:**

Saturday: 3:15 - 3:45 pm.  
Before & after weekday Liturgy  
Anytime by appointment

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

**HOME VISITATION:**

Please call the parish office to make  
arrangements.

*WELCOME to our parish...Enter expectantly...*

*Breathe prayerfully....*

*Worship reverently...*

*Relax restfully...*

*Greet others in love...*

*Leave touched by God, & come again soon!*

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**PASTOR:** Fr. Jaroslaw Lazoryk  
**RECTORY:** 91 Grand Blvd.  
Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6B 4S1  
Phone: (705) 256-1025

**OFFICE MANAGER:**  
Ms. Charlotte Conrad  
Monday: CLOSED  
Tues. - Fri. 10 am. - 4 pm.  
Closed on all holidays

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*We are each of us angels with only one wing...  
And we can only fly embracing each other...*  
Luciano DeCrenzenzo

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Sunday, December 2nd, 2018

28th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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<b>EPISTLE:</b> Colossians 1:12-18	<b>LAY READERS</b>	4:15 pm. 9:30 am.
<b>GOSPEL:</b> St. Luke 14:16-24		11:00 am.

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**DIVINE SERVICES:**

**MONDAY:** 12:00 Noon Rosary  
12:20 p.m. For Health & Well-being of Larysa, Nadia, Adrian, Olena, Bohdan  
Req. Bohdanna & George Domino

**TUESDAY:** 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**WEDNESDAY:** No Services

**THURSDAY:** No Services

**FRIDAY:** 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**SATURDAY:** 4:15 p.m. FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
+Dorothy Young Req. Rina Chalut

**SUNDAY:** 10:30 a.m. FEAST OF ST NICHOLAS  
+Robert Tindale Req. Oksana Tindale  
(Followed by Pot-Luck Luncheon & Entertainment by the Marichka Dancers)

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Ladies and Men of the parish are asked to help make pyrohy and cabbage rolls on Thursday December 6th, 2018 at 6:30 a.m. Preparation work (cabbage & potatoes) will take place Tuesday December 4th, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

2. Just a reminder about our **FOOD DRIVE**. Donations placed in our blue basket in the vestibule are delivered to the Salvation Army Food Bank regularly. **Jesus said: "Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers or sisters that you do unto me.**

3. Please Note: Parish e-mail address [soostmaryukr@bellnet.ca](mailto:soostmaryukr@bellnet.ca)  
[www.stmarysukrsm.ca](http://www.stmarysukrsm.ca)

**4. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THIS SPECIAL EVENT!!!**

*The Feast of St. Nicholas* will be celebrated on Sunday December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018, with ONE Mass (Ukrainian & English) at 10:30 a.m. followed by a “Pot Luck” Luncheon and Entertainment by the Children.

**5. Knights of Columbus Council 13655 ....Hosting A HAM DINNER & CWL BAKE SALE Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

**WHERE:** Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish Hall – Adults: \$12.00; Children 6 to 12 yrs.: \$5.00 Children under 5yrs. Free!

**6. A Celtic Christmas Celebration – SEASON OF JOY**

*Bethel Bible Chapel* presents a Christmas Musical Directed by Ed Dickey.

December 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00 p.m. December 9<sup>th</sup> ~ 11:00 a.m.

**FREE ADMISSION. 686 BLACK RD., Sault Ste. Marie, ON**

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS:**

Lorraine Wilson, Dora Notte, Jessie & Anita Lutes, Msgr. Anton Szymchalski, Clair Crowley, Fr. Jaroslaw Lazoryk, Wanda Duczmal, Debbie Bromelley, Oksana Sosidko, Antoinette Blunt, Katheren Pasternak, Walter Borowicz, Pat Strachuk, Roman Sosidko, Elsie Barrett, Betty Pauliuk, Doris Lebel, Jo-Anne Stone, Nikolaos Georgas, Denise Jacques, Reg Beaudette, Christine Telka, Phil Marinelli, Mike Plastino, Theresa Barsanti, Patty-Ann Bellerive, Jim Parniak, Stephanie Parniak, Connie Sampson, Lee DeMelo, Vanessa Desfreitas Fr. Ivan Trush, Fr. Oleh Yuryk, Fr. John Barszczyk, Dorothy McIntyre, Pauline Baiocchi, Andrea Stone Pietramale, Lynn Dunne and Jean Rudnicki

*Lord, Jesus Christ, You Who travelled throughout Galilee healing the sick, enabling the blind to see and the lame to walk, bring healing to Your people who need it this day. Grant relief to the ones who suffer pain and physical torment. Give peace to those whose minds are tortured by mental illness and anxiety. Comfort those who are alone in their suffering; may Your people reach out to them and to all the needy this day. Send Your grace to the caregivers that they may be gentle and effective agents of Your loving mercy. May our sufferings be joined with Yours to bring healing throughout the world. Amen.*

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**LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING: \$1,1466.25 Thank you!**

**BUILDING FUND:**

Caputo, Donna & Frank	50.00	Yeo, Art & Gloria	120.00
Dosko, Gerard & Jo-Anne	80.00		

**IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH LAUZON:**

Conrad, Charlotte 25.00

**IN MEMORY OF MRS AUDREY LEE:**

Kowalyk, Dave	25.00	Moroz, Michelle	20.00
Mancuso, Pat	25.00	Novakuske, Mary & Allan	20.00
Conrad, Charlotte	25.00	Parniak, John & Carla	20.00
Plotycia, Bob & Jill	40.00	Romanchuk, Mary & Family	30.00
Deplonty, Amelia & Gerry	20.00	Shoust, John & Donalma	25.00
Temelini, Bruno	40.00	Anonymous	20.00

Total Donations from Parishioners: \$310.00 Thank you!

Total Donations from Non-Parishioners: \$20.00 Thank you!

Thank-you! Errors or Omissions? Please call the Parish Office at #705-942-1377.

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## **The Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Celebrating God's Preservation of the Blessed Virgin Mary From Original Sin**

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is the subject of a lot of misconceptions (so to speak). Perhaps the most common one, held even by many Catholics, is that it celebrates the conception of Christ in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

That the feast occurs only 17 days before [Christmas](#) should make the error obvious! We celebrate another feast—the [Annunciation of the Lord](#)—on March 25, exactly nine months before Christmas. It was at the Annunciation, when the Blessed Virgin Mary humbly accepted the honor bestowed on her by God and announced by the angel Gabriel, that the conception of Christ took place.

**History of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception :** The Feast of the [Immaculate Conception](#), in its oldest form, goes back to the seventh century, when churches in the East began celebrating the Feast of the Conception of Saint Anne, the mother of Mary. In other words, this feast celebrates the conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the womb of [Saint Anne](#); and nine months later, on September 8, we celebrate the [Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#).

**Development of the Doctrine of the Immaculate Conception:** Because of the doctrine of [Original Sin](#), some in the West began to believe that Mary could not have been sinless unless she had been saved from Original Sin at the moment of her conception (thus making the conception "immaculate"). Others, however, including St. Thomas Aquinas, argued that Mary could not have been redeemed if she had not been subject to sin—at least, to Original Sin.

The answer to St. Thomas Aquinas's objection, as Blessed John Duns Scotus (d. 1308) showed, was that God had sanctified Mary at the moment of her conception in His foreknowledge that the Blessed Virgin would consent to bear Christ. In other words, she too had been redeemed—her redemption had simply been accomplished at the moment of her conception, rather than (as with all other Christians) in [Baptism](#).

**Spread of the Feast in the West:** After Duns Scotus's defense of the Immaculate Conception, the feast spread throughout the West, though it was still often celebrated at the Feast of the Conception of Saint Anne. On February 28, 1476, Pope Sixtus IV extended the feast to the entire Western Church, and in 1483 threatened with excommunication those who opposed the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception. By the middle of the 17th century, all opposition to the doctrine had died out in the Catholic Church.

**Promulgation of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception :** On December 8, 1854, Pope Pius IX officially declared the Immaculate Conception a dogma of the Church, which means that all Christians are bound to accept it as true. As the Holy Father wrote in the Apostolic Constitution [Ineffabilis Deus](#), "We declare, pronounce, and define that the doctrine which holds that the most Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instance of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege granted by Almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, was preserved free from all stain of original sin, is a doctrine revealed by God and therefore to be believed firmly and constantly by all the faithful."