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





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...

Dalay ractfully.

Relax restfully...

Greet others in love...

Leave touched by God, & come again soon!





PASTOR: Fr. Jaroslaw Lazoryk OFFICE MANAGER:

RECTORY: 91 Grand Blvd.

Monday: CLOSED Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6B 4S1 Tues. - Fri.10 am. - 4 pm. Phone: (705) 256-1025 Closed on all holidays

We are each of us angels with only one wing...

And we can only fly embracing each other ...

Luciano DeCrenzcenzo

Sunday, May 6, 2018

6th SUNDAY AFTER EASTER FIRST SOLEMN COMMUNION SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

Tone: Special

EPISTLE: Acts 16:16-34 **LAY READERS** 4:15 pm.

9:30 am.

Ms. Charlotte Conrad

GOSPE: St. John 9:1-39 11:00 am.

DIVINE SERVICES:

MONDAY: 12:00 Noon Rosary

12:20 p.m. All Deceased Members of Perri Family Req. Jessie Lutes

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

WEDNESDAY: **No Services**

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

THURSDAY: 7:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy

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

SATURDAY: +Ann Conrad Reg. Charlotte 4:15 p.m.

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 1ST ECUMENICAL COUNCEL – MOTHER'S DAY

SUNDAY: 9:30 a.m. **Divine Liturgy for Parishioners (Ukr.)**

> Liturgy of Thanksgiving to Celebrate the 21st Anniversary 11:00 a.m.

> > of the Ordination of Fr. Jaroslaw (Jerry) Lazoryk

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Ladies and Men of the parish are asked to help make pyrohy and cabbage rolls on Thursday May 10th, 2018 at 6:30 a.m. Preparation work (cabbage & potatoes) will take place Tuesday May 8th, 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.

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- 4. GARAGE SALE ITEMS (Clean & In Working Order) are being accepted for the Men's Club Garage Sale scheduled for Saturday June 2nd, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon. PLEASE REMEMBER NO CLOTHES!
- 5. "Central United Church Men's Club is hosting a Pasta & Meatball Supper on Wednesday, May 16 from 4:30 - 6:30. Tickets for adults are \$10.00, children 5-12 \$5.00 or \$25.00 per family. Tickets are available from the church office, members of the Men's Club or at the door."
- 6. A warm welcome to all our visitors today who have come to share in our First Solemn Communion. May you find our worship fulfilling and may you leave knowing that God is with you and experience His love daily. Congratulations to Alexandra Kitchen, Zack Dunne and Melissa Jakubsky for receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time. May the Lord our God continue to guide, protect, and nourish them in their spiritual life.
- Special Welcome all their parents, godparents, relatives, friends. This is a very important day in the lives of our children as it brings them closer to God in the development of their spirituality. Being a Christian means living as Jesus Christ taught us. Knowing what He taught us means nothing if we don't live the life He wants for us. May the Good Lord lead you in all truth and righteousness in this life and may He be your path to Heaven! For Jesus said: "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me" (John 14:6). The beautiful ceremony and the celebrations are only the reflection of who we truly are. Parents not only have the obligation to teach but also to be an example to their children of true Christian living, to keep their children on this road
- 7. Weather permitting, Cemetery Services for Pentecost Sunday will be Sunday May 20th, 2018 at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

We will begin with Panachyda at the grave of Fr. Siry at 1p.m. and then move from grave-side to

If you wish prayers at Greenwood Cemetery, please let Fr. Jaroslaw know in advance.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS:

Lorraine Wilson, Dora Notte, Louise Yarema, Jessie & Anita Lutes, Msgr. Anton Szymychalski, Clair Crowley, Fr. Jaroslaw Lazoryk, Wanda Duczmal, Debbie Bromeley, Oksana Sosidko, Antoinette Blunt, Katheren Pasternak, Walter Borowicz, Pat Stratichuk, Roman Sosidko, Lynn & Bonnie Dunne, Elsie Barrett, Betty Pauliuk, Doris Lebel, Jo-Anne Stone, Norma Timmermans, 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, and Pauline Baiocchi.

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.

LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERING: \$ Thank you!

BUILDING FUND:

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

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth." And when he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Acts of the Apostles 1:8-11

The Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ is described in the above passage from the Acts of the Apostles, and is also noted in Mark 16:19 and Luke 24:50-53. Jesus refers to his Ascension in the Gospel of John when he tells Mary Magdalene, "Stop holding on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father, but go to my brothers and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God" (John 20:17). Before his Ascension, Christ spent forty days teaching the Apostles and disciples about the Kingdom of God (Acts 1:3). The Lord informed them that they would receive power from the Holy Spirit to be his witnesses to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8). The Ascension occurred at Bethany on the Mount of Olives (Luke 19:29). Christ's work of redemption has become known as the Paschal Mystery of Christ and was accomplished principally by his Passion, death, Resurrection, and Glorious Ascension into Heaven. The Paschal Mystery of Christ constitutes one action for the salvation of mankind, for Jesus "was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification" (Romans 4:25).

Jesus Christ made multiple appearances in several locations to his disciples for forty days following his Resurrection. For example, Jesus appeared first to Mary Magdalene in Jerusalem (Matthew 28:9-10, Mark 16:9, John 20:14-17), to two disciples on the Road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-32), to Simon Peter (Luke 24:34, First Corinthians 15:5), to his disciples in the evening of that first day (John 20:19), and a week later to Thomas and the disciples (John 20:26). He appeared to James (First Corinthians 15:7), and to Peter and the Apostles in Galilee (Matthew 28:16, John 21:1).

At the same time, Christ Jesus appeared to his disciples even *after* his Ascension into Heaven. Stephen saw Jesus "standing at the right hand of God" prior to his martyrdom (Acts 7:55). Saul experienced Conversion on the road to Damascus when he was blinded by a bright light and told "I am Jesus whom you are persecuting" (Acts 9:3-5). The Lord Jesus appeared to Ananias in Damascus, instructing him to baptize Saul of Tarsus (Acts 9:10-19). The "Spirit of Jesus" redirected Paul, Silas, Timothy, and Luke on the second missionary journey towards Troas, where they boarded a ship for Macedonia, the first recorded introduction of Christianity into Europe (Acts 16:7-10). The Lord reassured Paul to stay in Corinth after he had baptized Crispus, the ruler of the synagogue (Acts 18:9). Jesus appeared to Paul in the Temple of Jerusalem (Acts 22:17-18)! The Lord stood by Paul in Jerusalem and advised him that he was to "bear witness" to Him in Rome (Acts 23:11). His final appearance in Scripture was to John on the island of Patmos in the Book of Revelation (1:10-1:20).

His glorious Ascension signified the completion of his time on earth, which is celebrated by the Church forty days after the Resurrection and ten days before the Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit. Our Lord Jesus Christ gave us hope by promising that "when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also" (John 14:3).