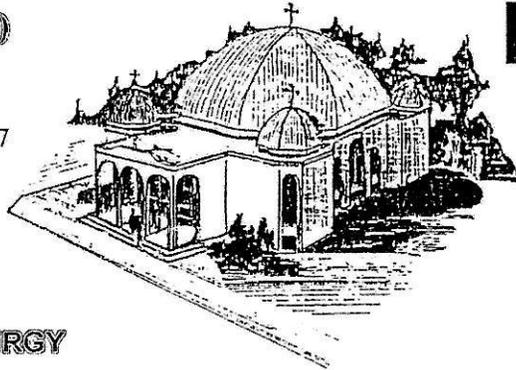


ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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

Sunday, January 3rd, 2021

SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY

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EPISTLE: 2 Timothy 4:5-8

LAY READERS

4:15 pm.

9:30 am.

GOSPEL: St. Mark 1:1-8

11:00 am.

DIVINE SERVICES: (January 4 – January 10)

MONDAY: 12:00 Noon Rosary
12:20p.m. Divine Liturgy

TUESDAY: 10:00 a.m. No Services

WEDNESDAY: **THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD**
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy with Blessing of the Holy Water

THURSDAY: No Services

FRIDAY: 10:00a.m. Divine Liturgy

SATURDAY: 4:15 p.m. + Mary Borowicz Req. Slava Jacula

SUNDAY: 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy for Parishioners (Ukr.)
11:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for Parishioners (Eng.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. A sincere Thank you to "ALL" who came out to help make pyropy and cabbage rolls for 2020. Take a well-deserved rest! We start-up again on Thursday January 14th, 2021 at 7:30 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. Parish e-mail address: soostmaryukr@bellnet.ca www.stmarysukrsm.ca

4. 2021 PARISH ENVELOPES – If you presently do not have Parish Envelopes and would like to Receive them, Please contact the Parish Office #705-942-1377 or if you have a Change of Address PLEASE UPDATE OUR RECORDS FOR US!!

5. Special Announcement:

Thank you to "All" who volunteered their time, effort or monetary donation to our "Sweet & Savoury Fund Raising Event 2020.

The result of this Christmas event raised \$6,481.41 for our Church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS:

Lorraine Wilson, Dora Notte, Anita Lutes, Msgr. Anton Szymychalski, Clair Crowley, Fr. Jaroslaw Lazoryk, Wanda Duczmal, Debbie Bromeley, Antoinette Blunt, Katheren Pasternak, Walter Borowicz, Pat Strachuk, Elsie Barrett, Betty Pauliuk, Doris Lebel, Jo-Anne Stone, Nikolaos Georgas, Denise Jacques, Reg Beaudette, Phil Marinelli, Mike Plastino, Theresa Barsanti, Patty-Ann Bellerive, Jim Parniak, Stephanie Parniak, Connie Sampson, Lee DeMelo, Fr. Ivan Trush, Fr. Oleh Yuryk, Fr. John Barszczyk, Dorothy McIntyre, Pauline Baiocchi, Andrea Stone Pietramale, Lynn Dunne, Fr. Andrew Kormanik, Ray Robinson, Dennis Conrad, Hunter Stone, Gavin Stone, Gerard Dosko, Anderson Knight, Jennie Yuskiw, Ron Barsanti, Borden Shewchuk, Peter Harlow, Larisa Pochmursky and Gloria Yeo.

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!

In Memory of Mary Borowicz: \$ Thank you!

Christmas Offering: \$ Thank you!

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The Teen Who Couponed His Way Into Buying \$1,000 Worth of Food for the Poor on Christmas Eve

Sixteen year old Jordan Cox has a knack for extreme couponing, a talent he uses to help he and his struggling mom get by, [according to the Telegraph](#). But this Christmas season, the savvy teen decided to also use his unique skill set to help struggling families in need. Jordan collected hundreds of coupons and purchased about \$935 worth of groceries for less than a penny. He then donated it all to Doorstep, a nonprofit that disperses food to disadvantaged families.

"I decided I wanted to help as many people as I can, and to also show that it's possible to shop very cheaply, if you know how," Jordan said.

May your days be merry, bright, and full of love. Next time you're feeling stressed about the holidays, we hope you remember this story, count your blessings, and try to pay it forward by giving to those that need it most right now. Merry Christmas to all!

10 words that will bring Christmas joy to your family

1. Generosity –Teach your family to believe in generosity. If everyone were open to giving rather than receiving, there would be much more harmony in our lives.
2. Peace - Pour every family decision through the filter of :Will this bring peace to my family?"

3. Others First - Put others ahead of yourself as a matter of routine. Imagine a world where there are no egotists!
 4. Hope - Find family projects that bring hope to someone else not only this Christmas, but throughout the whole year.
 5. Faith - Don't miss the central truth about Christmas. Focus on the real reason why we celebrate Christmas. Work on believing in the Baby Jesus and what He stands for.
 6. Story - Christmas is the lynchpin of the greatest story ever told. Share the story with your family - don't miss the most important part of Christmas.
 7. Joy - Think about joy as a gift you can share with others. Remember those who don't know freedom, and those who live in fear, and share your joy with them. Share this joy by opening your home to those who are sad. Embrace those who need it and make a difference in their lives.
 8. Celebration - Christmas is a celebration. Don't let the "busyness" spoil the fun.
 9. Love - Love is the only gift that your family really needs from you. Don't make the mistake of showing your love by presents that you give.
 10. Promise - Make sure that your family knows that they can count on you - be there for them and support them in their doubts, their needs, their dreams. This is one of the building blocks of the closeness that we all crave.
- Source: Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, VA

They see directly, before their eyes, the Lord restoring Zion. (Isaiah 52:8)

Two thousand years ago, something beautiful and earth-shattering happened. The eternal Son of God entered the world as a baby. Angels rejoiced that day. Shepherds exulted. Joseph was in awe. And Mary was filled with adoration. Yet for all that, anyone passing by the manger would have seen nothing more than a poor tradesman and his wife trying to make the best of a hard situation. That's the difference between the quick glance that comes from everyday "seeing" and the searching, penetrating vision that comes when God opens our hearts. One sees something ordinary and moves on, while the other senses Jesus' presence and kneels in worship. Today, more than any other day, we can imitate Mary and Joseph and the shepherds as they gazed on the infant in the manger. We can welcome Jesus as the Savior who came to redeem us, not to condemn us. We can embrace him as our Good Shepherd who has laid down his life for us. We can praise him as the King of kings and Lord of lords, who rules all creation from a cross of self-giving love. Don't miss this opportunity! Don't let the demands or the excitement of the day reduce you to "ordinary" seeing. Don't let the challenges of the present or the fear of the future or the pain of the past cloud your vision. Wherever you are and whatever you have to do, take some time alone to gaze at the sleeping Christ child. If it helps, use your nativity set. If you don't have one, use the cover of this magazine! Whatever it takes, focus on Jesus and ask the Holy Spirit to help you see him. Jesus has come to restore not only Zion but you and everyone around you. Come to him today, and let his promise of restoration fill you with hope and gratitude.

"O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.