

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

(Byzantine-Ukrainian Rite)

293 St. George's Avenue East

Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

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

August 31, 2025 – Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost; Octoechos Tone 3; ✙ The Placing of the Precious Sash of Our Most Holy Lady the Mother of God.

Intentions this Sunday
Saturday at 4:15pm: Parishioners; Sunday at 10am: Parishioners

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 3: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm.* He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead;* He saved us from the abyss of Hades* and granted great mercy to the world.

Troparion, Tone 8: Protection of humans, ever-Virgin Mother of God* as a mighty bulwark for your city* you gave your pure body's robe and sash.* They remained incorrupt by your giving birth without seed.* For in you are nature and time made new.* Therefore, we pray you, give peace to your city* and to our souls great mercy.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 3: You rose from the tomb, O compassionate Lord,* and led us out from the gates of death.* Today Adam exults and Eve rejoices,* and the prophets together with the patriarchs* unceasingly acclaim the divine might of Your power.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 2: Your womb which received divinity* was girded about by your precious sash, O Mother of God.* It became an unconquerable force for your city* and a generous treasury of good things:* O you, the only virgin who ever gave birth.

Prokeimenon, Tone 3

Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

Repeat: Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy.

Repeat: Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

Epistle

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Alleluia, Tone 3

verse: In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame for ever.

verse: Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me.



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SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER
H.E. MYKOLA CARDINAL BYCHOK, C.Ss.R.



THE YOUNGEST CARDINAL
IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.
APPOINTED BY POPE FRANCIS IN 2024.
BORN IN UKRAINE AND NOW SERVING AS THE EPARCH
OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL IN MELBOURNE.
CARDINAL BYCHOK IS A DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF
THE REDEMPTORIST ORDER WHO PLAYED A PIVOTAL
ROLE IN THE CONCLAVE THAT ELECTED POPE LEO.

1st Annual

Bishop's Dinner

EPARCHY ANNUAL APPEAL

PEARSON CONVENTION CENTRE

2638 STEELES AVENUE EAST, BRAMPTON, ON L6S 6J9

Sept. 11th, 2025

Reception at 5:30 pm | Dinner and Wine at 6:30 pm

 **TICKETS:**
\$200.00 PER PERSON
CASH BAR AVAILABLE
FREE PARKING



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FOR TICKETS GO TO:

WWW.EVENTBRITE.CA SEARCH FOR "1ST ANNUAL BISHOP'S DINNER - ANNUAL EPARCHIAL APPEAL"



Starting on Thursday
September 25, 2025 at 6:00 PM
St. Veronica's Church (559 Douglas St.)

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the basics of Christian faith and is designed to create conversation. (11 week event)

Register at www.veronica.church
or call the office at (705) 253-9411

IS THERE MORE TO LIFE THAN THIS?

Free Meal

Inspiring Video

Answers to life's big questions





Gospel
Matthew 19:16-26

Communion Hymn
Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* I will take the cup of salvation;* and I will call upon the name of the Lord.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

Liturgical Schedule

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| Monday, Sept 1 Beginning of the Indiction, that is, the New Year. | 1 Timothy 2:1-7; Colossians 3:12-16 Luke 4:16-22; Matthew 11:27-30 | | | |
| Tuesday, Sept 2 The Holy Martyr Mamas | 2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5 Mark 3:13-19 | | | |
| Wednesday Sept 3 The Holy Hieromartyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia | 2 Corinthians 9:12-10:7 Mark 3:20-27 | 10am | Rosary and Divine Liturgy | |
| Thursday, Sept 4 The Holy Hieromartyr Babylas, Bishop of Antioch; | 2 Corinthians 10:7-18 Mark 3:28-35 | | | |
| Friday, Sept 5 The Holy Prophet Zachariah and the righteous Elizabeth, Parents of the honorable John the Baptist | 2 Corinthians 11:5-21 Mark 4:1-9 | | | Abstain from meat and meat products. |
| Saturday, Sept 6 Commemoration of the Miracle Performed at Colossus in Chone by the Archangel Michael | 1 Corinthians 2:6-9 Matthew 22:15-22 | 4pm | Great Vespers | |
| Sunday, Sept 7 Sunday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. | 1 Corinthians 16:13-24 Matthew 21:33-42 | 3pm | Divine Liturgy (Bilingual—Primarily English) | Intention: Parishioners |

Other Events this Week

- Wednesday, Sept 3 – Senior Exercise Class from 11-11:30am.
- Thursday, Sept 4 – Cabbage Roll and Perogy making from 7am to noon. Lunch is provided.
- Sunday, Sept 7 – PARISH PRAZNYK: Divine Liturgy at 3pm followed by Potluck.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We welcome our guests and visitors. Thank you for worshiping with us! Our Liturgy on Saturday evening is in English. Our Liturgy on Sunday morning is mostly in English. After Liturgy on Sunday, coffee and fellowship with final catechism of the summer: Open Questions! Ask Fr. Michael anything.
- PARISH PRAZNYK NEXT WEEKEND: Divine Liturgy at 3pm. Blessing of students and teachers at the beginning of the new academic year. Potluck meal afterwards. Please plan to attend and sign up to bring a dish!

3. THANK YOU to all who contributed to the Salvation Army back to school program. Our parish’s total contribution (parish + Men’s League + individual donations) was \$440 plus more worth of actual supplies.

Outreach to Homebound Parishioners: Know of someone who might like a priest’s visit? Contact the office or Fr. Michael to arrange.

PRAYER LIST OF SICK, SHUT-INS, AND DEAR ONES FAR AND NEAR: Lorraine Wilson, Msgr. Anton Szymychalski, Fr. Jaroslaw Lazoryk, Wanda Duczmal, Debbie Bromeley, Antoinette Blunt, Katherine Pasternak, Walter Borowicz, Pat Stratichuk, Elsie Barrett, Betty Pauliuk, Doris Lebel, Jo-Anne Stone, Denise Jacques, Phil Marinelli, Theresa Barsanti, Patty-Ann Bellerive, Jim Parniak, Connie Sampson, Fr. Oleh Yuryk, Fr. John Barszczyk, Dorothy McIntyre, Andrea Stone Pietramale, Lynn Dunne, Fr. Andrew Kormanik, Ray Robinson, Hunter Stone, Gavin Stone, Gerard Dosko, Anderson Knight, Jann, Ron Barasanti, Peter Harlow, Larisa Pochmursky, Elizabeth Cepecawer, MaryAnn & Art Spadoni, Paul Taillefer, Erin, Dave Kowalyk, Mary Romanchuk, McGill Perry, Tammy Zalewski, Fernando Mannarino, Dave Redfern, Ora, Paul M, June, Bob, Dustin Wenmany and Tracey Burmaster, Mel Stanghetta, Norna Martynuck, Sylvie B, Bill McConnell, Anastasiia Pavliuk, Wanda Featherston, Roger McMillan, Clark Hutton, Gerry, Moira O’Pallie, Karen Conway, Chris Applejohn, Barb and Gerry.

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

DONATIONS Sunday, August 24
Collection \$432 – Building Fund \$50 – Funeral \$30

THANK YOU!

“On Call Priest”

A priest is available in the city for emergencies 24/7. You can notify the chaplain, nurse or nursing home coordinators to contact the priest ON CALL. (705-256-6675)

Parish Praznyk: September 7

One of the highlights of the Church year in every parish is its Patronal Feast Day, usually called ‘Praznyk’ in Ukrainian. This is the yearly celebration of the feast or saint after which the parish is named—in our case, the Nativity of the Mother of God, one of the twelve Great Feasts, observed on September 8th.

We will have our parish celebration on **Sunday, September 7th** with a single Divine Liturgy at **3pm** followed by a potluck in the hall downstairs. This is one of the few opportunities during the year to worship and share a festive meal with the rest of your fellow parishioners.

Our Christian life is not just me and Jesus—it is a shared journey with the rest of the people of God on the path of salvation. This is why communal worship and fellowship is necessary for the Christian faithful.

Please plan to attend this Liturgy. Please bring a dish for the potluck meal. Please offer your time to help set up or clean up if you are able. Please invite family or friends. The more the merrier!
We will also be blessing students and teachers as they are beginning the new academic year at this Liturgy. Bring your kids and grandkids and encourage them to bring the backpacks with their school supplies for blessing!

This event comes once per year—let’s make this a joyful celebration of the Lord’s work in and through our parish.

FEAST DAY THIS PAST WEEK: Beheading of St. John the Baptist

The Beheading of the Prophet, Forerunner of the Lord, John the Baptist: The Evangelists Matthew (Mt.14:1-12) and Mark (Mark 6:14-29) provide accounts about the martyric end of John the Baptist in the year 32 after the Birth of Christ.

Following the Baptism of the Lord, Saint John the Baptist was locked up in prison by Herod Antipas, the Tetrarch (ruler of one fourth of the Holy Land) and governor of Galilee. (After the death of king Herod the Great, the Romans divided the territory of Palestine into four parts, and put a governor in charge of each part. Herod Antipas received Galilee from the emperor Augustus).

The prophet of God John openly denounced Herod for having left his lawful wife, the daughter of the Arabian king Aretas, and then instead cohabiting with Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip (Luke 3:19-20). On his birthday, Herod made a feast for dignitaries, the elders and a thousand chief citizens. Salome, the daughter of Herod, danced before the guests and charmed Herod. In gratitude to the girl, he swore to give her whatever she would ask, up to half his kingdom.

The vile girl on the advice of her wicked mother Herodias asked that she be given the head of John the Baptist on a platter. Herod became apprehensive, for he feared the wrath of God for the murder of a prophet, whom earlier he had heeded. He also feared the people, who loved the holy Forerunner. But because of the guests and his careless oath, he gave orders to cut off the head of Saint John and to give it to Salome.

According to Tradition, the mouth of the dead preacher of repentance once more opened and proclaimed: “Herod, you should not have the wife of your brother Philip.” Salome took the platter with the head of Saint John and gave it to her mother. The frenzied Herodias repeatedly stabbed the tongue of the prophet with a needle and buried his holy head in a unclean place. But the pious Joanna, wife of Herod’s steward Chuza, buried the head of John the Baptist in an earthen vessel on the Mount of Olives, where Herod had a parcel of land. (The Uncovering of the Venerable Head is celebrated February 24). The holy body of John the Baptist was taken that night by his disciples and buried at Sebastia, there where the wicked deed had been done.

After the murder of Saint John the Baptist, Herod continued to govern for a certain time. Pontius Pilate, governor of Judea, later sent Jesus Christ to him, Whom he mocked (Luke 23:7-12).

The judgment of God came upon Herod, Herodias and Salome, even during their earthly life. Salome, crossing the River Sikoris in winter, fell through the ice. The ice gave way in such a way that her body was in the water, but her head was trapped above the ice. It was similar to how she once had danced with her feet upon the ground, but now she flailed helplessly in the icy water. Thus she was trapped until that time when the sharp ice cut through her neck.

Her corpse was not found, but they brought the head to Herod and Herodias, as once they had brought them the head of Saint John the Baptist. The Arab king Aretas, in revenge for the disrespect shown his daughter, made war against Herod. The defeated Herod suffered the wrath of the Roman emperor Caius Caligua (37-41) and was exiled with Herodias first to Gaul, and then to Spain.

The Beheading of Saint John the Baptist, a Feast day established by the Church, is also a strict fast day because of the grief of Christians at the violent death of the saint. In some cultures pious people will not eat food from a flat plate, use a knife, or eat food that is round in shape on this day.

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