

The Parish of Saint John the Divine

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Our primary purpose as the Church of St. John the Divine in downtown North Bay is to be a welcoming, nurturing and worshipping community which demonstrates by word and deed the love of Jesus Christ for all creation.

The Last Sunday of Epiphany

February 19, 2012 ✕ 10:00 AM



“When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic,
“Son, your sins are forgiven.”

- St Mark 2. 5

THE HOLY EUCHARIST – *The Book of Common Prayer*

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rev. Fr. A. E. Nussey, Rector

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THE COMMUNION – *All baptized Christians who are communicants in their own churches are invited to share in the holy Communion. Those not receiving Communion but wishing to receive a blessing are invited to come to the altar rail and cross their arms over their chest. Please note that, according to our bishop’s directives, the practice of “intinction” (dipping the bread in the wine), is not permitted for sanitary reasons.*

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➤ *Cycles of Prayer*

Anglican Cycle: Pray for the Most Rev. Armando Guerra Soria, Primate of IARCA & Bishop of Guatemala in Central America.

Diocesan Cycle: Pray for the Parish of St. Luke’s in Thunder Bay and the Rev. Gordon Holroyd.

➤ *Prayer List*

The ill and recovering... Spencer Moore, Arlene Bartlett, Estelle Pelkey, Mark Kennedy, Sue, Margaret Dennewald, Sal Renshaw, Ann White, Margaret Park, Margaret Johnson, Marilyn Buchanan, Wayne & Diane, Jessie Turenne, Mark Rogers, Margaret Hall, Biff Gigg, Carol Komo, Charlene Higgins, Joan Gravelle, Helen Stanton, Robert Ure, Helen Atkinson, Rob Paterson.

➤ *Next Sunday’s Readings*

Genesis 9. 8-17	Psalms 25. 1-10	1 Peter 3. 18-22	St. Mark 1. 9-15
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➤ *Parish Calendar*

Feb. 21	5:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Pancake Supper
Feb. 22	9:00 AM	Bible Study
Feb. 22	11:00 AM & 5:30 PM	Ash Wednesday Services
Feb. 22	1:30 PM	Chancel Guild – Thornloe Room
Feb. 23	2:30 PM	Book Club – Nursery
Feb. 23	7:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal
Feb. 24	7:00 PM	Ultreya Reunion – Parish Hall

Have an event? Please contact the Parish Office by 12:00 Noon on Wednesdays.

➤ *Mary Sherwood Sunday—Today*

➤ *Parish Website*

If you have not yet checked out the Parish Website, please do so! There is a lot of up-to-date information posted. And if you have Facebook, remember to "Like" us! Thanks for stopping by: www.stjohndivine.ca

Opportunities for Daily Prayer in Lent

Beginning with Matins on Thurs., Feb. 23 and ending with Matins on Thursday in Holy Week, Thurs., April 5.

We will be praying for all our parishioners on our Parish List during these weekday services. Everyone will be prayed for twice. You are welcome to join us for prayer as you are able.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Matins	10:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Evensong	4:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	6:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.

Sometimes there may be changes to the above schedule: they will be announced ahead of time



O Come, Let us worship!

TRUE LENTEN DISCIPLINES

**Fast from judging others;
Feast on Christ dwelling in them.**

**Fast from fear of illness;
Feast on the healing power of God.**

**Fast from words that pollute;
Feast on speech that purifies.**

**Fast from discontent;
Feast on gratitude.**

**Fast from anger;
Feast on patience.**

**Fast from pessimism;
Feast on optimism.**

**Fast from negatives;
Feast on alternatives.**

**Fast from bitterness;
Feast on forgiveness.**

**Fast from self-concern;
Feast on compassion.**

**Fast from suspicion;
Feast on truth.**

**Fast from gossip;
Feast on purposeful silence.**

**Fast from problems that overwhelm;
Feast on prayer that sustains.**

**Fast from worry;
Feast on Faith.**

~ Anonymous

➤ *Food Shelves*

Next Sunday is Food Shelves Sunday

We served 16 people last week through the Food Shelves. Your contributions are greatly appreciated. We are in need of one more volunteer for Wednesday mornings: if you are willing and able to help, please contact Donna Sakaluk (705.476.1686).

➤ *Intinction*

It is the policy in our diocese to not permit the practice of 'intinction' (dipping the bread in the wine) during the reception of Holy Communion. This directive is from the bishop. Thank you for your co-operation.

➤ *No Scents Makes Sense*

Some people suffer allergic reactions to scents. Please refrain from wearing heavily scented products. Thank you for your consideration.

➤ *Kitchen cleaning*

In order that our church kitchen stay well within the health requirements, and to help keep members of our church family healthy as well as guests whom we entertain on our premises, we are asking for volunteers to share in this task. Groups will consist of 4 persons per team each month to give our kitchen that little extra "spit and polish" for approximately 1 to 1½ hours per cleaning session. A list in the narthex has been posted for volunteers to sign up. You may also speak with Phyllis Macdonald (497.3571). Thank you for helping out.

➤ *Near North Voices Concerts*

The Near North Voices Chamber Choir hosts the St. Mary's Chamber Choir Singers (of Minnesota) on Wednesday, March 7 at 8:00 p.m. at **St. John's Church**. Adults: \$15; Students: \$10.

Near North Voices presents Leonard Bernstein and Sarah Quartel on Palm Sunday, April 1 at 7:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's United Church. Adults: \$15; Students: \$10.

For more information, contact adama@nipissingu.ca

➤ **Lenten Bible Study:** **“The Freedom of Forgiveness”**

Lent is such a wonderful time for us to look at forgiveness as we experience God’s forgiveness through the life and death of Jesus. This is a six-week Wednesday morning Bible Study starting Ash Wednesday, February 22 at 9:00 a.m. and ending Wednesday, March 28. We will be discussing what forgiveness is not, what real forgiveness looks like, how do I get from here to there, forgiving myself and God, and reflecting on the process—the process of forgiveness increases our awareness of the miracle of God’s grace for us. This Bible Study, which will be led by Peggy Morrison, is open to both men and women and the Rector will be participating. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

➤ **Parish Lenten Book Club**

The Rector is hosting a six-week study of the Archbishop of Canterbury's book *Christ on Trial: How the Gospel Unsettles Our Judgement*. For more information, please speak with the Rector.

➤ **Visit Requests**

If you or someone you know would like a visit from the Rector, please inform the office or the Rector directly so that he may have opportunity to respond to pastoral needs. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

➤ **Prayer Care for each other**

Your Parish Advisory Council has taken on the responsibility of praying for all of us throughout Lent. Each parishioner on our parish list will be prayed for twice during Lent. Parishioners will be publicly prayed for during our weekday services of Matins and Evensong. Please join us in prayer.

➤ **Confirmation**

God willing, the bishop will Confirmation on the feast of St. Mark, Wednesday, April 25. Please remember in your prayers the candidates who are being prepared for Confirmation on this date: Cameron Cleator, Colin Cleator, Vincent Cyr, Gillian McCann, Grant Hatherley, William Hatherley, Colton Point, Mashall Point, Liam Smith, Cassandra Wagner and Shelby Wallace.

➤ **Parish Advisory Council Update**

The Parish Advisory Council (PAC) met last Thursday. At that meeting, Derek Neal was elected as Chair and Marg van Toen was elected as Secretary. Please uphold the members of the PAC in prayer.

➤ **Worship & Education Committee**

The Worship and Education Committee met last Thursday. At that meeting, Kayla Krasnor was elected as Chair and Derek Neal was elected as Secretary. Please uphold the members of this committee in prayer.

We want to hear from you! The Rector and committee members are open to hearing from the parishioners and to enter into dialogue concerning our common task of worship and education in our parish. At the next meeting of the committee (Thursday, March 15 at 2:30 p.m.) we are inviting any parishioners who wish to discuss hymnody and music selection to join us for about the first half-hour of our meeting. At the following meeting (April 19 at 2:30 p.m.) we are inviting discussion concerning liturgy and worship for the same time-frame. The Rector and committee members are committed to consultation and we value your voice.

➤ **World Day of Prayer**

Calvin Presbyterian Church will host the World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 2 at 7:00 PM. The service is written by the ‘Women of Malaysia’. Please join us.

*** The last weekly bulletin will be published next week ***

The Parish Advisory Council has agreed to publish a monthly bulletin in place of a weekly one. This is in an effort to effectively manage time, energy, and resources. This will also avoid the reprinting of the same material week-by-week. Copies of the monthly bulletin will be available every week throughout the month. In addition, you will still receive an Order of Service every Sunday. The first monthly bulletin will be published for Sunday, March 4. The deadline for any and all submissions for next month’s bulletin should be submitted to the office (or sjdbulletin@gmail.com) by no later than Wed., February 29 at 12:00 noon.

Ash Wednesday (February 22)

11:00 a.m. - A Penitential Service and Ante-Communion* (BCP)

5:30 p.m. - Holy Eucharist for Ash Wednesday (BAS)

** Please note that "Ante-Communion" refers to those parts of the service before the Celebration of the Eucharist. There will not be a celebration of the Holy Eucharist at the 11:00 a.m. service.*

The Imposition of Ashes will take place at both services

➤ **Guest Preacher**

The Rev. Dan Colborne will be our guest preacher on the First Sunday in Lent, February 26. Mr. Colborne has a B.Ed. from University of Alberta (1972) and an M.Div. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville Kentucky (1977). He was a Senior Pastor in Western Canada from 1978 to 2010 in Jasper, Calgary, Edmonton, and Victoria, and he also served as an Interim Pastor in Leduc, AB in a North American Baptist church (1998) and Edmonton (2010). Mr. Colborne was ordained in 1979 in the Baptist Union of Western Canada (now Canadian Baptists of Western Canada) affiliated with the Canadian Baptists of Ontario and Quebec. We look forward to having Mr. Colborne open up the Word for us.

RULE OF LIFE

Especially as Lent approaches, all parishioners are invited to consider the following as set forth in our Prayer Book (page 555):

Every Christian man or woman should from time to time frame for himself a RULE OF LIFE in accordance with the precepts of the Gospel and the faith and order of the Church; wherein he may consider the following:

1. The regularity of his attendance at public worship and especially at the holy Communion.
2. The practice of private prayer, Bible-reading, and self-discipline.
3. Bringing the teaching and example of Christ into his everyday life.
4. The boldness of his spoken witness to his faith in Christ.
5. His personal service to the Church and the community.
6. The offering of money according to his means for the support of the work of the Church at home and overseas.

Processional Hymn: "Faith of Our Fathers! Living Still"

Faith of our fathers! Living still
In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!
*Faith of our fathers! Holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!*

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark,
Were still in heart and conscience free;
How sweet would be their children's fate,
If they, like them, could die for thee!
*Faith of our fathers! Holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!*

Faith of our fathers! We will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife;
And preach thee too, as love knows how,
By kindly words and virtuous life.
*Faith of our fathers! Holy faith!
We will be true to thee till death!*

Children's Hymn: "Jesus, Friend of Little Children"

Jesus, friend of little children,
Be a friend to me;
Take my hand, and ever keep me
Close to thee.

Teach me how to grow in goodness,
Daily as I grow:
Thou hast been a child, and surely
Thou dost know.

Never leave me, nor forsake me;
Ever be my friend;
For I need thee, from life's dawning
To its end.

Communion Hymn: “Lord Jesus, Think On Me”

Lord Jesus, think on me
And purge away my sin:
From earthborn passions set me free,
And make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me,
With many a care oppressed;
Let me thy loving servant be,
And taste thy promised rest.

Lord Jesus, think on me,
Nor let me go astray;
Through darkness and perplexity
Point thou the heavenly way.

Lord Jesus, think on me,
That when the flood is past,
I may the eternal brightness see,
And share thy joy at last.

Lord Jesus, think on me,
That I may sing above
To Father, Holy Ghost, and thee
The songs of praise and love.

**“THE ULTIMATE MEASURE OF A MAN IS NOT WHERE HE STANDS
IN MOMENTS OF COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE, BUT WHERE HE
STANDS AT TIMES OF CHALLENGE AND CONTROVERSY”**

- The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, JR.

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Sunday Worship Schedule – 10:00 AM

First & Third Sundays: Holy Eucharist, Book of Common Prayer

Second & Fourth Sundays: Holy Eucharist, Book of Alternative Services

Fifth Sunday (when it occurs): Sung Matins, Book of Common Prayer

Welcome to worship at St. John's!

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today.

Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the service.

Newcomers are kindly asked to make themselves known to a greeter—we would be pleased to assist you however we can. Special

“Welcome Envelopes” are available in the pews should you wish to use one. Nursery facilities are available