ST. KEVIN'S PARISH

SERVING THE ENGLISH SPEAKING ROMAN CATHOLICS OF CAPREOL & VALLEY EAST

ST. KEVIN SITE IN VAL THERESE & OUR LADY OF PEACE SITE IN CAPREOL

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Rev. Mr. Gord Jenkinson

Parish Pastoral Council

Gord Jenkinson (SK)

Pat Hinds (SK)

Denise Waltenbury (SK)

Anne Marie Duff (SK)

Gerard Regimbal (OLP)

Marlynn Paul (OLP)

Jeannette Rainville (OLP)

Gail Crawford (OLP)

Parish Finance Committee

Lynda Mantha (SK)
Jacques Mantha (SK)
Russ James (SK)
Tyler Roberge (SK)

Mark Patterson (OLP)
Denis Richard (OLP)
Mario Mauro (OLP)
Lara Foucault (OLP)

Screening Committee

Nancy Dube (OLP)

Joan Yawney-Matz (SK)

Moira Swiatek (SK)

Coordinators of Ministries

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Anne Marie Duff - SK Site Lorraine Green - OLP Site

Lectors

Ed & Aline Zickar - SK Site Laura Stirrett - OLP Site

Children's Liturgy

Moira Swiatek - SK Site Jen Smith - OLP Site

Pauline Gareau - SK Site

Baptism Confirmation RCIA

Teresa Cloutier Gord Jenkinson Pat Partington

Jeannette Rainville

Fifth Sunday of Easter April 28, 2024



Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00pm to 4:30pm at the St. Kevin's, Val Therese

Sundays: 11:00-11:20 at Our Lady of Peace, Capreol

<u>Baptisms</u>

Please call the parish office and the secretary will help you.

Marriage

Please contact the parish office at least eight months before your proposed date.

Registration in the Parish

Please call the parish office and the secretary will help you.



Prayer Line

Dina Farinon - SK Site 897-4608 Gloria Keegan - SK Site 969-3771 Helen Gustafson-OLP Site 858-1783 Gaye Martel - OLP Site 858-2682

Mass Schedule

Monday, April 29th to Sunday, May 5th

Fr. Peter Wayow will be celebrating Masses while Fr.Rex is away

Day		and Intentions	Readings	
Monday 29th	No Mass		St.Catherine of Siena Acts 14.5-18 John 14.21-26	
Tuesday 30th	9:30 a.m. OLP	+ For Gerald Hummel By Helen Gustafson & family	St.Marie De L'Incarnation Acts 14.19-28 John 14.27-31a	
Wednesday May 1st	9:30 a.m. St. Kevin	+ For Eric Shepherd By Wilde Pegoraro	Acts 15.1-6 John 15.1-8	
Thursday 2nd	9:30 a.m. OLP	+ For Pat Jones By Patricia Newman	<i>St.Athanasius</i> Acts 15.7-21 John 15.9-11	
Friday 3rd	9:30 a.m. St. Kevin	In Thanksgiving By Rolande Michaud	St.Philip & St.James 1 Corinthians 15.1-8 John 14.6-14	
Saturday 4th	5:00 p.m. St. Kevin	+ For Marion Dwyer By Mary Saftic	Sixth Sunday of Easter	
Caran Lan	9:30 a.m. St. Kevin	+ For Thomas & Patrick Cunningham By Marie McNab	Acts 10.25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4.7-10	
Sunday 5th	11:30 a.m. Our Lady of Peace	For the parishioners By Fr. Peter	John 15.9-17	

After almost 6 years as the secretary/bookkeeper for St.Kevin's Parish, I have decided it is time to retire. This could be a great job opportunity for the right person, as it was for me, and we are hoping you will help 'spread the word'. The work is both challenging and interesting, and serving the church alongside enthusiastic volunteers brings a special sense of pride.

Mary

Job Opportunity - St. Kevin's Parish , Val Therese

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Secretary / Bookkeeper Position

We are seeking an individual to support the overall efficient operation of St.Kevin's Parish. Our ideal candidate will possess the experience and skills to perform both the clerical and bookkeeping requirements of this position, or the interest & ability to develop these skills. Training will be provided in parish specific software and job responsibilities.

Demonstrated Skills and Knowledge required:

- <u>Microsoft Office programs:</u> Outlook, Word, Excel, Publisher; <u>Booking programs:</u> Simply Accounting & Parish Friendly; <u>Internet skills:</u> updating WordPress website, experienced using Internet search engines
- Basic Knowledge in principles of bookkeeping
- Good written and verbal communication skills
- Good organizational skills with the ability and willingness to work effectively, independently and as a positive team member with the pastor & volunteers
- Demonstrated ability to develop work plans, prioritize work tasks and assist the Pastor in ensuring reports are prepared in a timely manner
- Demonstrated positive and collaborative interpersonal skills/relationships in the work environment

<u>Hours of Work:</u> 25 hours per week; some flexibility with scheduling; hours reduced in the summer

Wage: \$20 to \$22 / hour, dependent on applicant skills & experience

A job description, describing the job duties in greater detail, is available upon request & on our website. We wish to hire by June 1st. Please submit your resume or letter of interest by post or e-mail, outlining your qualifications for this position.

The successful applicant will be required to complete a criminal records check as per Diocesan policy.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Kevin's Conference

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, "Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." Indeed, by helping the poor we can "bear much fruit" and we find that with Jesus we can do everything.



Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will show that you are indeed the disciple of Jesus as it will bring your love to those who live in fear and doubt, loneliness, and dread.

The **2024 Northern Ontario Catholic Leadership Conference** "Quo Vadis" held February 24, 2024 at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall in North Bay brought together teenagers from across Northern Ontario and beyond! The day included faith sharing, prayer, music, the Sacraments, Holy Mass with Bishop Dowd, Adoration and inspirational talks from our Keynote Speaker David Patterson, who encouraged teenagers to live their own "yes" to God and lay down their burdens to Jesus. Thank you to the many priests, religious, volunteers, teachers, school chaplains, sponsors and Catholic organizations who helped make this Conference a great success. Thanks be to God! Photos of the event are available here: https://northerncatholic.ca/photoalbums/photos-from-2024

Faith Sharing

CHOOSING FAITH TODALS.

You are invited to join us for coffee and reflection on the Sunday

General Meetings					
CWL SK Council	SK	Every 2 nd Tuesday of each month. Executive meets at noon. General Meeting follows at 1:00pm. 2024 membership \$35 Contact: Mary Catherine Tremblay #705-969-4676			
CWL OLP Council	OLP hall	Every 2 nd Monday of each month at 1:30 p.m. (<i>if a holiday, moved to 1st Monday</i>). 2024 membership \$32 Contact: Marlynn #705-858-1857			
K of C Council #7368	SK hall	Every 1st Wednesday of the month. Executive meets at 6:30pm. General meeting follows at 7:00pm Contact: Greg Reilly (705) 969-5827			
St. Vincent de Paul Conference	SK Board room	General meetings are every 1st Thursday of the month, at 1 pm . Contact :Betty Macisaac 249-878-5443			

The Pope's Pastoral Works Collection May 5th

The special collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works plays a crucial role in supporting the Holy Father's charitable endeavours. This collection serves to gather financial resources that directly aid humanitarian efforts, such as disaster relief, education, and healthcare initiatives.

The collection was established to gather funds supporting the Pope's charitable activities worldwide. It provides direct assistance to marginalized communities, promotes social justice, and alleviates poverty.

REMINDER WHEN USING THE GREEN BUILDING FUND ENVELOPES

Some parishioners have already started using the green Building Fund offering envelopes and we are so appreciative of your generosity. The counters have noticed though that some envelopes had no information completed on their front. If you wish to be credited with an income tax receipt, either your envelope #, or your name needs to be indicated on the envelope. If you have guests using the envelopes, the address field should also be completed. Thank you.



Invitation to attend 'Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory' play Marymount Academy - Sudbury

Marymount Academy is hosting a play during matinee performances, for area Catholic elementary schools, and have opened one evening performance for the general public. Here is the information:

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory
Friday, May 3rd ~ 6:30 pm
Cost: \$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 for students and seniors
Children under 8 are free for the evening performance
Tickets are available at the door

Safe Environment Program for Volunteers



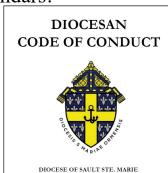
As part of the St.Kevin's Parish commitment to ensure we provide a safe and nurturing environment for children, young people and vulnerable individuals, our Screening Committee has been hard at work preparing a presentation that is for all of our volunteers. This presentation will share the documents developed by the Diocese of Sault Ste Marie under their *Safe Environment Program*.

Our committee members, Nancy Dube, Moira Swiatek and Joan Yawney-Matz want to invite you to attend one of the sessions below. Mark Your Calendars!

OLP: Tuesday May 14 ~ 10:15am (after Mass)

SK: Wednesday May 15 ~ 10:15am (after Mass)

More information will be provided closer to these dates.



International Worker's Day - May 1st

International Worker's Day is celebrated in many countries. This can be a day to recognize the value of human work, defend the dignity of working people, encourage all to be responsible in their work, and celebrate the role that the human work has in God's plan for creation.

WHAT IS HAPPENING this Week?

- Coulson Court Christian Fellowship (8 Coulson Street, Capreol)
 Wednesday May 1st, 1:30pm All Welcome.
 Join us for a an hour of Worship, Song & Fellowship.
- Knights Columbus, Council 7368, General Mtg Wednesday May 1st, 7pm, at St. Kevin's in the boardroom
- Mass at Elizabeth Centre Friday, May 3rd, 10:30 a.m.

St. Kevin's Parish DONATIONS Collection Overview ~ 6 weeks

*PADP = Parish Auto Deposit Program

Sunday Collection & PADP	April 13/14 April 20/21	March 30/31 & April 6/7	Mar 16/17 & Mar 23/24
Sunday	3763	9278	4512
Sunday PADP	500	2270	260
Loose	331	1454	381
Heat Heat - PADP	154 10	580 190	
Candles		98	
Easter Easter - PADP	235	1868 655	95
New Years & Initial Offering			
Mass Intentions	50	325	215
Memorial & Flower Fund		570	570
Building Fund	145	260	100
Total Support of Parish	\$5188	\$17,548	\$6133
Other Income			
CWL - OLP	50		
Bingo Fundraiser	March 1940	February 2105	
Special Collections			
Share Lent Share Lent PADP	40	1861	1611 1780
Good Friday - Holy Land PADP	35	1075 210	30
Ministry Formation Pope's Pastoral Works Needs of Cdn Church Cdn Mission Initiative	478 10	115 5 5 5	5 5 5 5
Total Support of Other Charitable Works	\$563	\$3276	\$3441

Dear Parishioners,

As you know, both churches of the Parish of St Kevin's have undergone some extensive and expensive repairs over the past year or so. While some of this was covered by our insurance, most was not. The foyer repairs that are nearing completion at Our Lady of Peace cost the parish over \$120,000 and the new rooftop furnaces that were needed at St Kevin's site cost the parish close to \$70,000. Some of these costs were covered by withdrawing from our savings accounts (which are rapidly dwindling) and some were covered by a low interest loan from the Diocese. Future capital investments must also include addressing the deterioration of the bell tower at OLP.

Due to these rising capital costs, the Finance Committee requested permission from the Diocese to raise money for the purpose of recouping some of the capital costs already expended, and for the monies raised to be exempt from the Diocesan Administrative Expense (DAE) of 15%. The Parish has received approval to raise up to \$140,000 over the next 3 years. 100% of monies raised under this DAE exemption will stay here, in the parish, and are eligible for a tax receipt. These exempt monies can be raised through fundraising activities, and/or an additional collection for this purpose can be established. The Finance Committee believes both are important.

The CN Employee program and the volunteer hours worked at Delta Bingo & Gaming should continue to generate some good income, but we will need to continue with additional fundraisers as well, to raise monies under this exemption. The next Fundraising Meeting will be Wednesday May 8th, and all are welcome to attend.

The exempt monies can also be raised by establishing an additional collection for the stated purpose of recovering the capital costs incurred. The Finance Committee has also chosen this option. To identify this collection, green 'Building Fund Offering' envelopes have been purchased, and will be placed in the pews, and at the back of both church buildings. A donation can be made at any time of the year & any amount will help towards the ultimate goal; these envelopes can be placed in the collection basket at any mass, or delivered to the office.

We will keep a running total of monies raised to-date and share that information via the bulletin at regular intervals, so we can see the progression to our ultimate goal. I'm sure with your generosity, it can be achieved!

Sincerely, The Finance Team

* 'The DAE is a levy set by the Bishop of the Diocese of Sault Ste.Marie, following Canon 1263, to help meet the needs of the diocese in its mission of proclaiming the Gospel.' The funds provide staff, resources and programming to support the churches in our Diocese. Collection envelopes such as 'Sunday', 'Heat', 'Easter', 'Christmas' & 'New Years' are all subject to the DAE of 15% of monies collected.

WELCOME FR. PETER!

St.Kevin's Parish would like to extend a warm welcome to Fr.Peter Wayow, who is joining our parish community while Fr.Rex is away. Father Peter will reside in the parish at the rectory in Val Therese, and he will take care of the pastoral needs of the parish. As some of you may remember, Fr. Peter was with us for a few months back in December 2022 - January 2023, and we are so lucky that he has agreed to return & give us a hand.

St. Kevin's Catholic Women's League Announcement re Infant Food Bank Collection - Feb. 2024 -

This to advise that a cheque in the amount of \$1190.00 plus two extra-large bags of Baby Food have been presented to the Sudbury Pregnancy Center & Infant Food Bank on behalf of the parishioners of St. Kevin's Parish. They were most grateful for our donation. Thank you to our parishioners for your generous support of this worthy organization.

YOU ARE AMAZING! GOD BLESS!

St. Kevin's Catholic Women's League... would like to thank our Members and St. Kevin's Parishioners for your generous response in contributing your time and <u>delicious</u> <u>baked goods</u> for our Easter Bake Sale. For those who took the time to attend the sale after our Masses on the weekend of March 23rd & 24th, thank you! Because of your generosity, we are happy to report that we were able to raise <u>\$970</u>. with this fundraiser. We are grateful to our volunteers who gave of their time to take in the baked goods, price the

baked goods, set up tables and clean up afterwards. Thanks also to our talented member, Uli Laflamme, for contributing her beautiful hand-made Easter Bunnies and Cross bookmarks to our sale.

Many hands <u>do</u> make light work. We couldn't have done it without your help!

BREAD & ROSES FOOD BANK, Capreol

On behalf of the Bread and Roses food bank we would like donations of **pasta products**, **pasta sauce and/or cereal** for the month of April. Items can be purchased at Foodland and a box is in the store for your items, or you can drop them off at Trinity United Church on Wed. or Friday morning between 9:30 and 11 am. A box has also been placed at the main entrance in the OLP lower foyer to accept your donations.

SAVE THE DATE

Junction Creek Clean-Up - May 4th An invitation from Sister Bonnie Chesser

We have another opportunity to respond to Pope Francis' encyclical, "Laudato Si".

Our Sisters of St. Joseph's Blue Community Committee was recently notified that the spring cleanup of a section of Junction Creek will take place for two hours, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 4th. The details on the exact location will follow.

It would be great to have a Catholic presence at this important environmental restoration project in our local waterways. It is a way to express our gratitude for God's gift of water which so many others in our country, and around the world, do not enjoy.

Students who want to use this for their service hours, can contact:

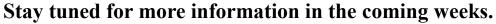
Miranda Virtanen, Executive Director of Junction Creek Stewardship Committee office: 705-525-8736 ~ cell: 705-988-8736 ~ https://junctioncreek.com/

SAVE THE DATE

Our Family Fun Day & BBQ was such a success in 2023 that we are doing it again! This year's date will be:

Saturday June 22nd, 2024

We will be trying some new activities such as 'The Tailgate YardSale'. For a small donation to the church, we will offer the opportunity to 'Just pack up your car, park, and sell" in the parking lot.





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- Wednesday May 1st, 7:00pm SK Knights of Columbus meeting
- Friday May 3rd, 10:30 a.m. Mass at Elizabeth Centre

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Universal Prayers April 28, 2024



That each of us may abide more fully in the Lord, such that others may recognize us as His disciples and be inspired by our faith.

We pray to the Lord.

For our children studying in Catholic schools, the teachers and staff as they enter into Education Week striving to explore the Truth and lasting Joy.

We pray to the Lord.

For all who are experiencing pruning through loss, transition, or change: that God will give them strength, guide them, and help them find courage and support through fellow believers.

We pray to the Lord.

For a renewed spirit of evangelization: that the Spirit will help us to give witness to the good news of God's love in deeds of loving service and justice.

We pray to the Lord.

For the sick and suffering members of our Parish family, and most especially for those who have been commended to our prayers through our Parish Prayer Ministry.

We pray to the Lord.

That our brothers and sisters who have died in Christ may be raised up, and those who mourn them may be comforted.

We pray to the Lord.

Our Parish community

April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)

Acts 9:26-31 / 1 John 3:18-24 / John 15:1-8



The Pruning Process

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

he common myth is that we receive a new body every seven years as cells die and are replaced. However, stomach cells are renewed every two days or so because of acids and enzymes. Skin cells are replaced every two to three weeks. Bone cells last about ten years, and our brain cells stay with us for our entire lives. In a sense, then, we might say that our bodies are pruned, part of us remaining long-term to nurture and sustain like the trunk of a tree, and part of us severed so that life may be renewed and continue on.

If so with our bodies, are not our spirits also pruned? There is a core part of who we are that wends its way throughout our lives. Yet that "who" has rough edges in need of being smoothed; barbs need to be dulled; and certain inclinations simply need to be severed. Spouses tend to prune one another, the grace of a loving marriage. Children sometimes keep parents honest. Life events may grind down our independence and self-sufficiency. Illnesses, aging, job loss, the death of loved ones—all forcing us to recognize that we are not in control of life. We are thus pruned, forced to surrender much of what we once thought we could control.

Where is God in all of this? If God is woven into the warp and woof of all life, then all the events and rhythms of life can draw us closer to God, pruning us into goodness and fruitfulness.

-Reflect-

How have you been pruned and has this pruning led to new growth, new life?

