18 SEPTEMBER 2016

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

480 McIntyre Street West - North Bay, Ontario - P1B 2Z4

Welcome to Your Father's House!



The first reading reminds us that in our everyday affairs, we are called to act with justice and fairness toward all. In the second reading, Saint Paul explains that we are called to pray for everyone, especially those in authority. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the dishonest steward, who could not be trusted in small or larger matters. As disciples, our focus should not be on the material and passing things of this world, for true freedom is found in loving God and committing oneself to the Gospel message. When we keep our eyes firmly fixed on Jesus, our priorities shift, freeing us to live according to his teaching and help build up God's kingdom on earth.

Our Parish Mission Statement

We, the members of the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption community, believe that we have been called through Baptism to live the Good News of Jesus Christ under the patronage of Mary, our Mother. We accomplish this by proclaiming the Word, celebrating the Sacraments, & reaching out to others.

PASTOR **Most Rev. Marcel Damphousse , D. D.**
Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie

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Msgr. Dave Tramontini

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Rev. Rex Lumine

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Rev. A. Man-Son-Hing Pastor, St. Peter the Apostle & St. Elizabeth Temagami

PERMANENT MINISTERS

Deacons	*Diocesan Order of Women*
Rev. Mr. Albert Falconi	Mrs. Shirley Falconi
Rev. Mr. Donald Shago	Mrs. Norma Milligan
Rev. Mr. Rick Hamelin	Miss Ruth Godon
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Our faith community dates back to 1886 when we were **originally located on Main Street West and called St. Mary's** of the Lake and the cornerstone of the existing Cathedral was laid in 1904. The history of our parish is recorded in the memories of thousands of people who built our community.

Parish Liturgies



Marriage: Please pick up a Marriage Information Booklet in the Church Vestibule to review prior to contacting the parish office.

Anointing the Sick: Please call the parish office for more information.

Reconciliation: Every Saturday from 3:00 until 3:45 PM.

Eucharist: Please see mass schedule published in this bulletin. Call the parish office to arrange for a Eucharistic Minister to visit the sick and shut-in who are unable to attend Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: On the First Friday of each month from 10:00 AM until 12:00 noon.

Baptism: Please pick up a Baptism Information Booklet in the Church Vestibule to review prior to contacting the parish office.

The Pro-Cathedral is **wheel chair accessible**. The entrance to the elevator is on Algonquin Avenue. Please enter the vestibule and ring the bell for an attendant. Service available at all weekend masses. Weekday masses service available 11:30 AM to 12:45 PM. A **Hearing Aid System** is available for use by the hearing impaired. Please ask an Usher or Sacristan to assist you upon entering the church.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

MONDAY	**8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON**
TUESDAY to FRIDAY	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

WEEKLY READINGS: 19-25 SEPTEMBER

Monday	**Proverbs 3. 27-34; Luke 8. 16-18**
Tuesday	**Proverbs 21. 1-6, 10-13; Luke 8. 19-21**
Wednesday	**Ephesians 4. 1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9. 9-13**
Thursday	**Ecclesiastes 1. 2-11; Luke 9. 7-9**
Friday	**Ecclesiastes 3. 1-11; Luke 9. 18-22**
Saturday	**Ecclesiastes 11. 9-12.8; Luke 9. 43b-45**
Sunday	**Amos 6. 1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6. 11-16; Luke 16. 19-31**



Development and Peace
TAKE ACTION TODAY!

This year's campaign invites Canadians to continue to mobilize in solidarity with the poorest and most vulnerable in the Global South by signing a postcard addressed to the Prime Minister that asks how Canada expects to meet its commitment to invest $2.65 billion between now and 2020 in support of people in the Global South who are severely impacted by climate change.

It calls on the Canadian government to take into consideration the vital role of small family farmers in the Global South in cooling the planet and fighting against world hunger.

Without you, there would be no action, no change, no justice!
Sign the postcard at devp.org and click on "At the Heart of the Action"

Pope Francis SEPTEMBER 2016 Prayer Intentions

Universal: Centrality of the Human Person—That each may contribute to the common good and to the building of a society that places the human person at the center.

Evangelization: Mission to Evangelize—That by participating in the Sacraments and meditating on Scripture, Christians may become more aware of their mission to evangelize.

Needs of the Canadian Church in Canada
Next Weekend ~ September 25

The collection taken for Needs of the Church in Canada provides financial support for the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops which is crucial in helping Bishops in Canada exercise their pastoral ministries (i.e. evangelization, faith education, ecumenism, social justice, liturgy, theology, the marriage tribunal, etc.) Monies raised are sent to the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, which will use the total amount collected to pay its annual contribution to the CCCB (calculation takes into account the number of Catholics in each diocese of Canada).

In addition to contributions, the members of the Church are also asked to pray for the work of the Bishops and to participate in and cooperate with the various projects of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

CAN YOU HELP?



The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium is located right here at the Pro-Cathedral in our Lower Sacristy Gathering Room. Our catechists are looking for a volunteer (or volunteers) who might be able to help with building some shelving for their articles. All materials will be provided.

Please contact Erin for more information at 476-8509 if you think you might be able to help. Thank you!

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, 19 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Intention of Nancy Tremblay - Julia Duggan
Intention of Johnny Kervin - Leona Kervin

Tuesday, 20 September - St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Priest Paul Chong Ha-Sang & Companions, Martyrs
Leona Chamberlain - Jeannette Dominico
Intention of Maria Palladino - Maria Santarossa

Wednesday, 21 September - St. Matthew, Apostle/Evangelist
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
George Markham - The Markham Family
Lou Goyette - Laurette Goyette and Family

Thursday, 22 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Sister Anne Keenan - The Family
Intention of Matt Tucker - Pauline Borden

Friday, 23 September - St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)
Intention of Bertha Yzereef - Jeannette Dominico
John Palangio - The Family

4:00 PM Saturday, 24 Sept. - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Helene Lariviere - Faye Grottoli
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen and Denis Beaulieu
Emilie Eppich - Erika Eppich and Family

Sunday, 25 September - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Rev. Mr. Don Milligan - Norma Milligan and Family
Rev. Myles Sharpe - The Hedican Family
Intentions of the Donors and those Remembered in the Pro-Cathedral Memorial Fund

11:00 AM Intention of the Parishioners - Msgr. Dave Tramontini

Don't let anything distract you from living as a disciple of Jesus.



VIGIL CANDLES

Blessed white candles are available ½ hour before and ½ hour after all masses on the weekend and weekdays. You may enter the Sacristy and ask our Sacristan for your vigil candle. It will be lit and at that time you may place your candle on the stand. An offering of $5 per candle is suggested to help defray costs. The act of lighting your vigil candle is a meaningful prayer offering—a silent way to show our love of God and our desire to express our love for others.

Collection: 11 September 2016

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
$5,218.25	$572.75

Catholic Women's League

Our next **General Meeting** is Wednesday October 12 at 7:00 PM. Our movie will be "FIREPROOF". "This gripping story follows one man's desire to transform his life and marriage through the healing power of faith and fully embrace the fireman's code: ***Never Leave Your Partner behind.***" It runs 118 minutes. Reports will be tabled.



Annual Christmas Bazaar & Tea
Saturday, 19 November ~ Parish Hall
Doors open at 11:00 AM

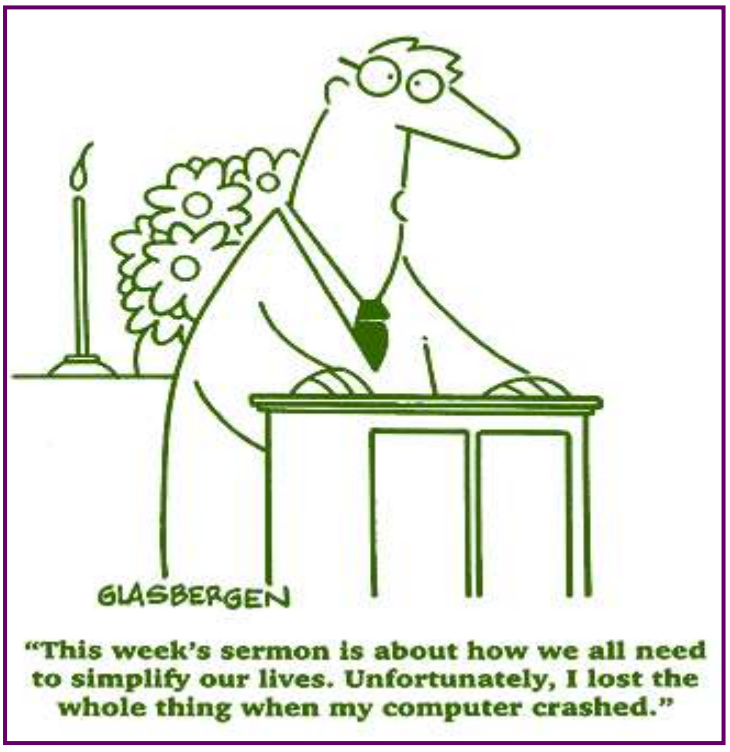


Looking for a new home for your gently used items? Our convener for our **Heritage and Hidden Treasures** would love to hear from you! Please contact Wilda Beaupré at 497-8124.

Welcome New Members: Alyssa Atchison, Kathaleen Dudson (transfer from Holy Name of Jesus), Dawn Marie Duffy, Rose Mackie, Sr. Betty Mitchell, Nancy Pitre, Erin Richards and Sr. Marlene Roy.

We welcome all new League members and pray that your membership will be most enjoyable and fulfilling

Look for the next issue of Ponderings in Next Weekend's Bulletin





Our **Food Bank Collections** are taken on the last Sunday of each month at all our masses.

Did you know?

- That our collection stays here at the Cathedral to support our Catholic Charities Food Bank?
- That it is open EVERY Tuesday morning from 9:00 to 11:30 AM and supports the entire North Bay Community?
- That this charity is run by volunteers and only through the generosity of donations received?
- ***That the people they serve are like you and me?*** Having a tough time paying bills and putting food on the table due to the rising costs of utilities, food, insurance, etc.

The Catholic Charities Food Bank is in desperate need of items such as pasta (canned or dry); canned fish, chicken, ham; spaghetti sauce & pasta; canned goods (beans, soups, and stews); dairy (fresh, canned, and powdered milk); canned vegetables and fruit; and whole grain cereals.

Save your items now and let's kick off the Fall and make our September Food Bank Collection the best on the weekend of September 24-25! Please help if you can by bringing your donation to mass or you can also drop off donations to the rectory during office hours. Thank you!

Mary's Way of the Cross

Isn't the Way of the Cross the way of every person's life? Doesn't every life have suffering, falls, hurts, rejections, condemnations, death, burial … and resurrection?



It has been a Catholic tradition through the centuries to meditate on the Way of the Cross, so that it becomes our way of life.

Mary, the Mother of Jesus, made the first Way of the cross. In October, every Wednesday immediately following the 12:05 mass we will pray Mary's Way of the Cross. These stations will take approximately 20-30 minutes and are special in the way that we will be able to see through Mary's eyes what Jesus was experiencing on the way to Calvary. Then we can try to make practical applications to our own lives. Please join us on this spiritual journey to appreciate what Christ did for us and gain a deeper love for him and for our brothers and sisters.

Interested In Learning More About The Catholic Church? ***Call our parish office if you would like to speak with someone regarding the RCIA process.***

LIFE CHAIN

You are invited to attend Life Chain together with fellow Christians from more than 30 North Bay and area churches. Spend one hour in peaceful, prayerful, visible support on behalf of the unborn.

Life Chain 2016 will take place on Sunday, October 2 2:00 to 3:00 PM on Lakeshore Drive. Signs will be available at our location between Fodor and Charles Street.

REGIONAL NEWS

New Evangelization – Intercessory Prayer Team meeting Tuesday, September 20 at 7:00 PM in the Church Hall of the Pro- Cathedral. We are making the next steps for the Christ Life Series we are going to have for the Region and we need prayers. Come and join us for information on the program and the next steps in the process

ALPHA Course (10-week program) begins Thursday, September 22 at 5:00 PM. Delicious meal included followed by ALPHA video and small group discussion. Free will offering. Also looking for anyone who has taken ALPHA and would like to be on team. To register or for more information, call Karen Sherry 474-8673 or karensherry@sympatico.ca

Called to be Neighbour in this Year of Mercy" – a Development and Peace Social Justice Weekend. Friday evening through Sunday noon October 14-16 at Anishinabe Spiritual Centre in Espanola. Facilitated by Sr. Priscilla Solomon, CSJ the weekend will focus on truth, reconciliation, justice and mercy. Cost includes 5 meals and 2 nights lodging is $140 before September 30 and Youth Grade 10 and up $50. For further information contact Doreen at 705-693-0424 or zagorja@sympatico.ca

Prayers for the New Evangelization in our Region: If you feel called to pray for the New Evangelization in our Region, Join us every Tuesday at Holy Name Church from 10:45 AM to 11:45 AM. In front of the Blessed Sacrament, we will pray for the Holy Spirit to help us to be Evangelizers. For information contact Fran 476-4146 or Holy Name 495-1501

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help every Wednesday at 11:55 AM at Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption prior to the 12:05 PM mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held weekly at Holy Name of Jesus Church. Please come and visit Jesus even for a few minutes. He waits for us. Hours of Adoration: Monday and Thursday 12 noon to 5 pm; Tuesdays 12 noon to 9 PM; Wednesday and Friday: 12 noon to 6 pm. To make a weekly one -hour commitment, please call Lena Butler 497-3434.

Open Adoration: St. Alphonsus in Callander every Friday 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon. First Friday 8:30 AM to 8:30 AM (24Hrs).
St. Joseph's Motherhouse first Sunday of the month from 3:30-4:30 PM in Holy Family Chapel and Pro-Cathedral First Friday 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

Marriage Preparation Weekend: October 28-29. Call Regional Catholic Services at 472-5821 to reserve your place. Material cost is $40.00 per couple payable at time of registration. Couples should register early!

Special Retreat "I am Mercy" at Holy Redeemer Church in Sudbury on November 11 and 12. Bishop Marcel invites all those who are able to make this special retreat in this year of Mercy as declared by Pope Francis. Seating is limited so please register soon! E-mail: holyredeemer@diocesessm.org or call 705-566-8330 for more information.

Knights of Columbus Meetings

Fr. Michael Cundari Council, 12030 at Holy Name Church: General Meeting fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM
Contact: Joe Sinicrope at 497-0604

Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus Council 12106 now meet second Tuesday of each month with regular and executive meetings held the same day at the Canadian Forces Base Church (Queen of Peace). Contact: Art Tiernay at 358-1368
We also collect pop cans for charity work. Please drop off you cans at Holy Name Church beside the Garage.

Knights of Columbus Council #1007 General Meeting first Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at St. Peter's Church in the Church Hall, rosary at 6:30 PM. Refreshments served. Executive Meeting last Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at St. Peter's Church in the Church Hall. New or transferring members can contact Mike Maunsell at 491-0006 or mike@maunsell.ca

Good Shepherd Atrium is accepting registrations for this fall. Located at the Pro-Cathedral Church, the atrium for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program provides a special place for children 3 to 5 years old to follow the church calendar, come to know Jesus, through parables, songs, art work, geography and more. All materials are faithful to the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Faith. Our Regional Catholic Atrium is located at the Pro -Cathedral of the Assumption Parish in the lower sacristy. Registrations can be found at www.procathedral.ca (See Ministries – Children & Youth). Call Erin at 476-8509 for more information.

North Bay Right to Life Annual Dinner November 4 at Best Western Hotel Lakeshore Drive. Guest Speaker: Faytene Grasseschi "Stepping Up to the Line at a Critical Time in the Fight for Life and Freedom of Conscience in Canada." Tickets $30/ person. For information contact Jeannine Lebel at 724-3424.

THE EDGE Catholic Youth Group: Calling Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8's!! Check out what living on "The EDGE" is all about. Join us as we kick off another new season with a FUN/SOCIAL Night (free refreshments) begins meeting every Monday on September 26 at 6:45 PM in the downstair's hall of St. Joseph's Church, Clark St. Powassan. THE EDGE uses live music, drama, small group discussions, guest speakers, games, Scripture, crafts and other cool stuff to explore issues about our Faith, solid values, youth concerns and happy living!! Snacks and prizes! Every night a different theme and activities. All youth are welcome! Chill out with your friends and make new ones. No need to pre-register. Call Pauline at 724-5964 or Jeannine at 724-3424 for more information. Let us know if you need transportation.

St. Joseph's Motherhouse Presents:
Christian Meditation: Tuesdays September to December 13 from 1:30-2:30 PM. This contemplative prayer is the opening of oneself to the love and presence of the Spirit of God at the core of our being by the repetition of a mantra. It is a way of self-knowledge, self-acceptance and awareness of all that God can do in our lives when we allow it. Director: Sr. Margie Vezina,csj.
Taize Prayer: Third Thursday of month (Sept.—June) 7:00—8:00 PM Holy Family Chapel. Taize prayer includes song, scripture, and silence. Silence is to meditate and pray for openness to God's presence in our lives - join us as we pray for peace in the world.

Priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations should be constant concern in the hearts of God's people throughout the year.
If you know someone who might benefit from your encouragement toward a Catholic Church vocation invite them to consider being a priest, brother or sister.