25 JUNE 2017

12th 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 prophet Jeremiah reminds his listeners that he lives under constant threat from outsiders, but he is confident the Lord is with him. Saint Paul reminds the Romans that Adam brought sin and death into the world, but Jesus' sacrificial act brought new life and a new creation. In Matthew's Gospel, Christ reminds his disciples to remain steadfast in their witness to the truth. Each of us is called to testify to the spirit of truth that is Jesus. When we give faithful witness, we hear in today's Gospel, Jesus says he will acknowledge us before the Father. Let us not be afraid to testify to our belief in Jesus.

### *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

**RECTOR**
**Msgr. Dave Tramontini**

**ASSISTANT**
**Rev. Rex Lumine**

### IN RESIDENCE

**Msgr. Normand Clement** Chaplain, Nipissing-Parry Sound District Schools
**Rev. A. Man-Son-Hing** Pastor, St. Peter the Apostle & St. Elizabeth

### PERMANENT MINISTERS

| *Deacons* | *Diocesan Order of Women* |
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| Rev. Mr. Albert Falconi | Mrs. Shirley Falconi |
| Rev. Mr. Donald Shago | Mrs. Norma Milligan |
| Rev. Mr. Rick Hamelin | Miss Ruth Godon |
| Rev. Mr. Gary Westenenk | Mrs. Frances-Clare Fraboni |



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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

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| **MONDAY** | **8:30 AM to NOON** |
| **TUESDAY to THURSDAY** | **8:30 AM to 4:30 PM** |
| **FRIDAY** | **OFFICE CLOSED** |

### WEEKLY READINGS: 26 June—02 July

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| Monday | **Genesis 12. 1-9; Matthew 7. 1-5** |
| Tuesday | **Genesis 13. 2, 5-18; Matthew 7. 6, 12-14** |
| Wednesday | **Genesis 15. 1-12, 17-18; Matthew 7. 15-20** |
| Thursday | **Acts 12. 1-11; 2 Tim. 4. 6-8, 17-18; Mt. 16.13-19** |
| Friday | **Genesis 17. 1, 5, 9-10, 15-22; Matthew 8. 1-4** |
| Saturday | **Genesis 18. 1-15; Matthew 8. 5-17** |
| Sunday | **2 Kings 4. 8-12a, 14-16; Romans 6. 3-4, 8-11; Matthew 10. 37-42** |

## NEXT WEEKEND!
## CANADA DAY CELEBRATION

**The Parish Council with the Knights of Columbus, the Parish Men's Club and the Catholic Women's League Members, invite everyone to join together to celebrate this great country at our special 150th Anniversary Celebration!**

**Join together at our Outdoor Garden Party**
**Saturday, July 1 ~ 1:30 to 3:30 PM**
**Cake, ice cream and strawberries!**
**Live Music & Celebration**
**Followed by 4:00 PM Mass**

If it rains we will move the celebration to the parish hall!

## First Communion Celebration

A special Congratulations to those children in the Parish who made their First Communion last Sunday, June 18.



Ayvah Chatelaine
Thomas Corrigan
Morgan Curran
Abigail Ferreira
Jacob Jutras
Jasmine-Lily Lane
Sophia Lewicki
Ben Marshall
Jo-zef Mathieu
Wyatt Murphy
Molly-Jean Pritchard
Winston Schewe
Gina Scott
Tessa Shago
Ashton Spence
Remi St. Pierre
Leland Sutherland-Spence
Seth Sutherland-Spence
Grace Tomlinson

Thanks to all those who made this day happen. To the parents for their support in attending the Parish meetings and helping their child work through their Journals.

A SPECIAL thanks to the Parish Sacramental Team. Mary Lou Smith who supported the parents in going over the KEY ideas in each Theme. She loved to meet with the children to discuss their responses. I would also like to thank Angela Ceccanese and Carole Anne Renton who assisted in the preparation. A BIG thanks to Karen Steel who spent many hours preparing material.

We all say Thanks to Monsignor Dave for a beautiful Celebration. Thank You again to EVERYONE involved.

Darlene Truchon (Coordinator )

| COLLECTION: 18 JUNE 2017 | |
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| **Sunday Offering** | **Building Fund** |
| **$4,592.15** | **$682.00** |

| JUNE VISA/MASTERCARD DONATIONS | |
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| **Sunday Offering** | **Building Fund** |
| **$2,335.00** | **$461.00** |

**Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM**

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday, 26 June - Weekday in Ordinary Time**
Stephanie and Terry Cosgrove - Catherine and Family
Pat Hastie - Clifford and Margaret Riopelle

**Tuesday, 27 June - Weekday in Ordinary Time**
Vern Chapman - The Chapman Family
John Westenenk - Bill and Jennifer Demarco

**Wednesday, 28 June - St. Irenaeus, Bishop/Martyr**
**Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help**
Bill Balfour - Mary-Ellen Balfour
Intention of Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen and Denis Beaulieu
Julia Duggan - Oskar and Mary Hansen

**Thursday, 29 June - Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**
Jeanne Hodgins - Vivian Molnar
Intention of John and Lil Bottigoni - Randy and Jeannette Dominico

**Friday, 30 June - Weekday in Ordinary Time**
Anne Renton - Parish Sacramental Team
Rémi McNamara - Maudena and Jack Farnsworth

**4:00 PM Saturday, 01 July - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Lorraine, Frank, Patrick and Michael Hanley - The Madden Family
Helen McIsaac - Pro-Cathedral Catholic Women's League
For Special Intentions - John and Carol Rowe

**Sunday, 02 July - Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**9:00 AM** Maureen Pelletier - Peter and Linda Jamieson
For Special Intention - E. Roy
Deceased Relatives of Lloyd and Katherine Voisin

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

### Looking for Volunteer Visiting Teams

We have a number of shut-ins who would appreciate occasional visits in their homes. Depending on how many volunteers come forward we would like to organize teams for these visits.

If you are interested in making someone's life a little brighter, please submit your name to Karen in the parish



**We are all entrusted with the message to share the Good News.**

**Be brave!**

## Do you have Ideas you want to share?

We are forming a committee to look at social events for our parish community. Call the parish office at 472-3970 and let us know if you would like to help plan these events or share your ideas with us. ***What kind of event would you like to see? We need your ideas and input.***

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## Work Has Started!

Work on the tower has begun and will continue throughout the summer to repair our masonry, caulking and mortar joints on the Cathedral.




During repairs there may be times that the entrances will have to be blocked for your safety, however, access will be always be provided at alternate locations.

Thank you for your patience while this restoration takes place to keep our beautiful Cathedral in good repair!




## PRAYER LINE

The prayer line is a group of parishioners who pray for the needs of others. Concerns great and small are presented to the Lord on your behalf. If you have a prayer request or would like to join the group call Sister Shirley McNamara at 474-3800, Ext. 295 or Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613 and they will gladly pass them on to others who are waiting to receive your requests.

### Pope Francis' JUNE Prayer Intention

**That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.**

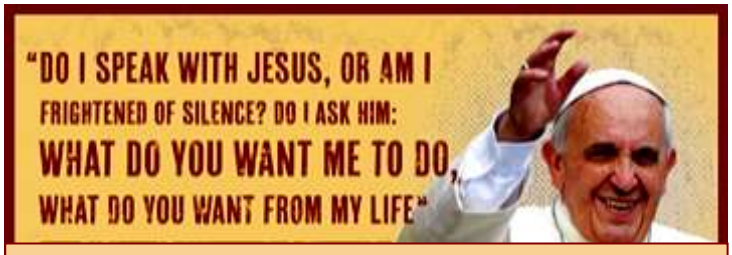



The evangelist Matthew presents Jesus as insisting that the Gospel is not something to be talked about and lived behind closed doors. It—and the values it enshrines—demands public witness and proclamation. This is the point of the opening sentences about "proclaiming from housetops, what you hear in whispers". To simply "whisper" the gospel among themselves will perhaps preserve believers from public hostility and threat.

The challenge of today's Gospel is to share the message even though we fear public hostility and threat. This may seem remote from the experience of Christians in Western societies today but throughout the world many Christians live out their commitment as a minority in a surrounding sea of intolerance.

All of us are challenged in attempting to live and give witness to the Gospel. We are told in the text this weekend, "Do not fear", "Do not be afraid ...." Jesus recognizes that there will be much that will cause his disciples to be afraid but tries to get them to distinguish appropriate from inappropriate fear. There is a false fear and a true fear. Disciples need not fear those (human persecutors) who can kill the body, because their entire physical existence is held within the hands of God and is precious in God's sight: if God values the life of sparrows sold two for a penny, marking when they fall to the ground, how much more does the heavenly Father value and protect the lives of believers, worth more than hundreds of sparrows! Those who stand firm in witness to the Gospel and the values it enshrines, even to the point of death, can be confident that their ultimate fate lies in the hand of God and will one day be vindicated.






***"What will you do with your life?***

Diocese Vocations / Youth Ministry Director
Sault Ste. Marie Regional Vocations
Contact Fr. Pat Woods Office of Vocations/Youth Ministry
705-674-2727 ext. 250 / pwoods@diocesecentre.com

**JUST A REMINDER THAT MASS STIPENDS ARE NOW $15/MASS AND NOW ADDED TO YOUR TAX RECEIPT AS A DONATION**

Beautiful Holy Land Wood Art Display & Sale will be held September 30 and October 1 before and after all masses (Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 AM) at the Pro-Cathedral in support of the Christian community of Bethlehem which has suffered greatly due to political unrest.



For more information, visit LATEST NEWS at http://procathedral.diocesessm.org

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

On Sunday July 30 through Monday July 31 about 30 canoe paddlers will be camped out at the Motherhouse in North Bay. The paddlers are part of **the *Canadian Canoe Pilgrimage***, a project inspired by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. The project is to promote dialogue between the Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples of Canada. The pilgrimage follows the traditional First Nations trading route, leaving Midland Ontario July 20th and arriving in Montreal August 15th. This route was travelled by early European settlers like Samuel de Champlain and St. Jean de Brébeuf, in the care of their Indigenous guides.

**You are invited to attend this very special celebratory family friendly event held at St. Joseph's Motherhouse.**

The celebration begins at 11:00 AM with opening ceremonies and greetings from local dignitaries; various activities and exhibits from 12:00 noon to 3:00 PM. In part the celebration also recognizes the founder of the Jesuits, St Ignatius of Loyola. The day concludes with a celebration of at the Eucharist at 4:00 PM. You are invited to come for part or the entire event, as your time permits.

**Prayers for the New Evangelization in our Region:** 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 more information call Fran at 476-4146 or Holy Name Parish Office at 495-1501

**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.

**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 Giselle Champagne at 497-1911.

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

**The Promises of Fatima:** Come pray the Rosary with a group of people who form a Fr. Gobbi Cenacle honouring our Blessed Virgin Mary. Wednesday mornings at 9:30 AM at St. Peter's Parish.

**North Bay pregnancy Help & Resource Centre**, 323 Algonquin Ave, North Bay, ON P1B 8J8. Open weekdays 10:00 AM–4:00 PM. Tel: 475-9270. Offering free pregnancy testing, optional counselling, a friendly non-judgmental ear, baby supplies, post-abortion grief counselling, and community service referrals.

**Call CANA for Cards, Rosaries, Sacramental Gifts, Books & More! Email Kas or Alana at cana12cana@gmail.com or call 776-2192 to see how they can help.**

**North Bay Community Blood Donor Clinics** are held each month in North Bay and blood donations are needed especially during the summer to meet patient needs. Please book your appointment at www.blood.ca or call 1-888-236-6283 You have the power to give life! **Next Clinic: July 4 & 5** at Best Western Lakeshore Drive

**Marriage Preparation Weekend October 27 & 28:** Call Regional Catholic Services at 472-5821 to reserve your place. Material cost is $40.00 per couple payable at time of registration. Register soon!

**Catholic Charities** collects clothing for free distribution to those in need. Clothing for men, women, children and infants, shoes, or accessories. Also towels, tea towels and sheet sets. Drop off to Catholic Charities entrance off Algonquin Tuesdays 9:00 to 11:30 AM or weekdays to the Pro-Cathedral Rectory (480 McIntyre Street West.). Items should be clean and in good repair. PLEASE — Due to Space Limitation Seasonal (SUMMER) Clothing Only!

**Going into or Have a Sick Family Member in Hospital?** Mass is celebrated every Wednesday at 3:00 PM by a parish priest at the North Bay General Spiritual Centre (West Wing Entrance). And ... Eucharist is distributed Wednesday, Friday and Sunday by ministers of Holy Communion. Let pastoral care know your family member would like to be added to the list for visitation.

**Near North Palliative Care Network presents its 8th Annual Live Butterfly Release** on Saturday, July 15 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Kiwanis Bandshell Waterfront. Last day to donate and reserve a butterfly is June 30. To reserve your butterflies, call 497-9239 or email office@nnpcn.com or visit our office at St. Joseph's Motherhouse, 2025 Main Street West.

**Free Literacy and Numeracy Adult Classes with Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic Alternative & Continuing Education for adults aged 19** and older. Improve your reading, writing, math and computer skills; upgrade your skills for secondary school credit, employment, college, apprenticeship or for a greater sense of independence; develop a personal learning plan and work at your own pace. Attend full or part-time. Enrol anytime – continuous intake all year!! Call 472-7771 or visit www.npsc.ca for information.

**Volunteers needed for Family Enrichment Program for parents and their preschool children.** Volunteers care for our infants, toddlers and preschoolers Monday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings from 9:15 am to 11:15 am. Located at St. Joseph School 570 First Avenue East. Call 472-2152 for more information.

**North Bay Food Bank - Can you help?** Call 495-3290 Monday & Friday between 9:00 AM & 2:00 PM and Wednesdays from 4:00 to 7:00 PM.




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