24 SEPTEMBER 2017

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!



In the first reading, Isaiah exhorts sinners to repent and turn to the Lord for mercy. The second reading reminds us of the importance of conducting ourselves in a manner worthy of the Gospel. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the good employer, which speaks of how God freely and generously bestows his love and forgiveness on all who are open to receiving it. We must be mindful that the Lord's ways truly differ from our ways. They are wonderful and mysterious. This is shown in the fact that God loves us unconditionally, and is ever-willing to forgive. God continually works by the power of the Holy Spirit to draw all people closer to himself. And God is near to all who call upon him.

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.

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Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie

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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: 25 SEPT—01 OCT

Monday	**Ezra 1. 1-6; Luke 8. 16-18**
Tuesday	**Rev. 7. 9-17; 2 Cor. 4. 7-15; Luke 9. 23-26**
Wednesday	**Ezra 9. 5-9; Luke 9. 1-6**
Thursday	**Haggai 1.1-8; Luke 9. 7-9**
Friday	**Revelation 12. 7-12a; John 1. 47-51**
Saturday	**Zechariah 2. 1-5, 10-11; Luke 9. 43b-45**
Sunday	**Ezekiel 18. 25-28; Philippians 2. 1-11; Matthew 21. 28-32**

Can You Help?



Thanksgiving Decorations

The Environment Committee would once again like to decorate for is beautiful season! If you and your family would like to contribute we would appreciate if you would place vegetables and/or pieces of fruit in the containers that will be placed at the back of the church shortly. **We will be decorating on Thursday afternoon (October 5th) and will need your donations by Wednesday, Oct. 4.**



We would suggest the following fruits or vegetables because they will last longer: Turnips, squash, pumpkins, gourds, zucchini, cucumbers, red and green peppers, potatoes, corn, cabbage, onions, apples, pineapples, grapefruit.

Thank you for helping to decorate for this wonderful season of Thanksgiving!

Are you familiar with researching items and their worth and posting items for sale on appropriate websites such as **ebay** and **kijiji**? From time to time we have items donated to the Cathedral and need to research their providence and value, and at times, possibly post such items for sale. Would this be something you might be interested in helping us out with Call the parish office if you can assist in any way. Thank you!



Sr. Mae leads a very timely Book Study at the Pro-Cathedral in October. This work considers the current hunger for spirituality, the crisis of individualism, ecological breakdown, the global divide between rich and poor and new understanding of our expanding universe.

October 10-17-24-31 ~ 1:30 to 3:00 PM

Held in the Parish Hall ~ Register by Calling the Parish Office Cost $20/Book Fee EVERYONE WELCOME!

Based on Albert Nolan's "Jesus Today A Spirituality of Radical Freedom" ~ Book Study with Sr. Mae Kierans

We can do more than just lament the flaws in character formation that we see so commonly manifest these days. We can commit ourselves to seizing every possible opportunity to strengthen, by our deliberate choices, our own sense of moral integrity, and we can influence constructively the growth of others, not only by our example but by encouraging, challenging, praising, and rewarding them, until the habits or virtues associated with moral maturity are firmly rooted in the depths of their being.

COLLECTION: 17 SEPTEMBER 2017	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$4,439.28	**$1,211.00**

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, 25 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Rocco and Maria Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo
Denis Beaulieu - Joe & Louise Defonzo, Nicholas, James and Alex Rivet
Mary Searles - Chuck and Joan Verge

Tuesday, 26 Sept. - St. John De Brebeuf & St. Isaaac Jogues
Linda Leblanc - Carmela and Tony Campanaro
Pasquale Marmina - Francine Noiseux
Julia Duggan - Rosemary Connell

Wednesday, 27 September - St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Teresa and Frank Piekarski - Trudy, George, Jillian and Family
Betty Dennis - Wilf and June Marleau
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu

Thursday, 28 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Bill Balfour - Mary-Ellen Balfour
Frances-Clare Fraboni - Paul and Mary Lou Smith
Dorothy Bethune - Annie Madigan

Friday, 29 September - St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael
Lucille Brisson - Andree Cornish
Christaline Lobo - The Lobo Family
Madeline Wynne - E. Roy

4:00 PM Saturday, 30 Sept. - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Intention of Nancy Tremblay - Eleanore Lunney
Deceased Relatives of Lloyd and Katherine Voisin
Zygmund Kornacki - Wife, Antonia

Sunday, 01 October - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Denis Beaulieu - J.P. and Lorraine Guillemette
For Special Intentions - E. Roy
Frances-Clare-Fraboni - Terry and Dolores O'Connor

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

MARRIAGE BANNS

There is a promise of marriage between:

Kevin Michael Connolly, son of Michael Connolly and Shirley (Thompson) and Katina Adele Matheson, daughter of Bernard Matheson and Rosanna (Islam). ♥



New research indicates that the Shroud of Turin, the linen cloth believed to have been used to wrap the body of Jesus after his Crucifixion, shows signs of blood from a victim of torture. Very small particles attached to the linen fibres of the shroud "have recorded a scenario of great suffering, whose victim was wrapped up in the funeral cloth" said Elvio Carlino, a researcher at the Institute of Crystallography in Bari, Italy. These "nanoparticles" had a "peculiar structure, size and distribution that show high levels of creatinine and ferritin, found in patients who suffer forceful multiple traumas like torture.

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Registration and Orientation

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium

Saturday, September 23 & 30

Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall

Level I: ages 3 to 5 years

Atrium Orientation Saturday, September 23 & 30 - Parent and Child to attend for 1 hour. Arrive at 9:25 AM. Children will be spending time in the atrium with their catechist. Adult Orientation will be in the hall.

Level II: ages 6 to 12 years

Atrium Orientation Saturday, September 30. Parent need attend only - Level I children will be in the atrium at this time. Arrive at 9:45 am. Adult Orientation will be in the hall with all parents.



Level II children begin Tuesday October 10 after Thanksgiving from 4:15 – 6:00 PM.

Children love to come into the atrium because they have a sense that this is a sacred space for them; where they are encouraged to listen, and use the hands-on materials made to aid them in their relationship with Jesus the Good Shepherd. We can think of a nativity set as a hands-on material that we use to tell the event of Jesus birth. The atrium is filled with many wonder materials that tell us of the life of Jesus and the life of the Church.



The catechist's role is to prepare the environment; present works that call forth the child's response; then step back allowing God and the child to work together.

You can contact Erin at 476-8509 or the parish office at 472-3970. You can also visit our website at procathedral.ca for more information.

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 2017 will take place on October 1

2:00 to 3:00 PM on Lakeshore Drive.

Signs will be available at our location between Fodor and Charles Street.

Contact Jeannine for information at 724-3424

Canada has no law to protect the unborn and an abortion can be committed in the 9th month of gestation.

Join together to help save lives & change hearts!

Visitation Ministry



Personal visitation to our parishioners who can no longer attend church is an intentional direct encounter providing encouragement and assistance in the name of Jesus.

The Cathedral community is reaching out to anyone who can no longer attend mass and would like a personal home-visit to reconnect with our parish. These visits allow for our community to ask "how can we fully serve you and your family? What can we do to validate, comfort, or acknowledge your presence as a continued important part of our community even though you can no longer physically attend church?

Please note that these visits are not counselling services, just an opportunity for a fellow-parishioner to re-connect with you as an ambassador of encouragement and friendship.

If you would like a personal visit from one of our ministers, please call the parish office at 472-3970.



Our program for children aged 4-12 years of age gathers at our 9:00 AM mass each week beginning September 17. Our focus is to incorporate a variety of experiences that appeal to a young child's natural sense of wonder about God. This Fall — we welcome your children to experience the Celebration of God's Word with us!

FAITH is like Wi-Fil, it's invisible but it has the power to connect you to what you need.



Every Wednesday in October
Following 12:05 PM Mass

Each week, as people come together for these special Stations of the Cross we are reminded how carrying our own cross is a reality today. By praying the stations we open our eyes to the grace in our lives and we are moved to recognize those who are being crucified in our society today—by hate, prejudice, illness, poverty, disease, and illiteracy.

Join us each Wednesday in October after the 12:05 PM mass to pray the stations as a way to pray for peace and justice throughout the world.

SPECIAL BOOKLETS ARE PROVIDED
SO EVERYONE CAN EASILY PARTICIPATE

Don't we all suffer falls, hurts, rejections, condemnations, death, burial … and resurrection?









Beautiful Holy Land Wood Art Display NEXT WEEKEND!

DISPLAYS FOR PURCHASE WILL BE HELD

Sept 30 & Oct 1 Before & After all Masses

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

The Christian community of Bethlehem has suffered as a result of declining tourism due to political unrest. Christians have been fleeing the Holy Land and the absence of a living Christian community is a real threat to the survival of the Holy Sites such as the Church of The Nativity. **Funds raised are used to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.**

What's Happening in our Community?

You are invited to attend a **Mission** at **St Peter the Apostle Church** with **Father Eugene O'Reilly** from **Sunday, September 24 to Wednesday, 27th** inclusive. Mission talks begin **at 7:00 PM each evening** and will conclude Wednesday evening with Mass and an opportunity for questions and discussions with coffee in the Parish Hall. Father O'Reilly will celebrate Mass on Monday & Tuesday at 9:00 AM. Join us and allow Jesus Christ, through the richness of His Word, to love you into fullness of life and a deep sense of personal well-being. Not sure if this is for you? Please pray: for yourself, for others, for the success of the Mission. God will not refuse a heart raised to Him in sincere prayer.

Christian Meditation Contemplative Prayer each week from 1:30 to 2:30 in Holy Family Chapel at Motherhouse. All are welcome.

Bishop Damphousse announces the Ordination of Robert Thibodeau to the Sacred Order of Permanent Deacon Friday November 10 with Celebration of the Holy Eucharist & Conferral of the Sacrament of Holy Orders at 7:00 PM. Everyone welcome - reception to follow in parish hall. St. Gregory's Church 71 Estelle St. Sault Ste. Marie.

Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus Soup and Sandwich Card Party September 25 at Holy Name Church hall from 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM. $6.00 person. Contact Roy at 477-4084 or John at 845-1020 to register or for more information..

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Women's League Annual Harvest Tea & Bazaar October 14 from 10 AM to 2 PM. Penny sale, silent auction, knitting, sewing, crafts, bake table, used jewellery and used books. Adults $6; Children $3, under 5 years – free. Come and bring a friend or neighbour.

Holy Name of Jesus Turkey Dinner, will be held Sunday, October 22. Sittings: 4:30 and 6:00 PM. Adults $15, children (10 and under) $10, and under 5 FREE. Take out is available. For more information call 497-1367.

Canada Needs Our Lady holds a Public Square Rosary rally in cities across Canada on Saturday, October 14 at 12:00 noon. If anyone is interested in participating please call Suzanne Lukasik at 497-3706. Visit canadaneedsourlsady.org for more information.

Sister Bonnie Chesser will be hosting an evening once a month for single women who would like to share their faith. We will use the book "Cup of our Life" by Sister Joyce Rupp as a basis of prayer and refection. We will gather on either a Tuesday or Wednesday evening starting in September. If you are interested contact her at bchesser@cyberbeach.net or call 705-522-5245.

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.

"Journey of Love and Hope with Pope Francis" A Development and Peace – Caritas Canada Social Justice Weekend is being held Friday evening through Sunday noon, October 20, 21, 22, 2017 at Anishinabe Spiritual Centre

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.

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 7 PM; Wednesday and Friday: 12 noon to 6 pm. To make a weekly one-hour commitment, please call Gisele 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.

Youth Ministry in the North Training Day: This day of training will help give support to anyone working with youth (Sacramental Prep, youth ministry, etc.) and lay persons looking to bring or enhance youth programs in the Catholic Church. John MacMullen – Associate Director of Youth Ministry for the Archdiocese of Toronto will be presenter Session will include: Importance of Youth Ministry; Building a Vision for Youth Ministry in Northern Parishes; Bringing the Vision to Life; Recruiting and Training Volunteers; Finding the Teens; Working alongside our Catholic Schools. September 30 - St. Alexander Parish, 100 Gaudette St., Chelmsford from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM (Free – bring a bag lunch). Call Tammy Castonguay at 705-855-2525 for information.

Redeemer Lutheran Church Harvest Luncheon and Bake Sale Saturday, September 30 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Everyone welcome - join us for lunch or come and check out the baking!