15 OCTOBER 2017

28th 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 celebrates the generous and merciful nature of God, who blesses his people with an abundance of good gifts and saves them from sin and death. In the second reading from Philippians, Saint Paul teaches that it is through our faith in Jesus that we draw strength. The Gospel parable finds a king inviting guests to his son's wedding banquet, only to realize that most are not fit to join the celebration. Today's readings provide both comfort and challenge. We are reminded that God is gracious and merciful, forgiving our sins and providing for our needs. But we must actively listen for his call and heed it when it comes, lest we be unprepared to enter the heavenly kingdom and join in the eternal wedding feast.

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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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: 16—21 OCTOBER

Monday	**Romans 1. 1-7; Luke 11. 29-32**
Tuesday	**Romans 1. 16-25; Luke 11. 37-41**
Wednesday	**2 Timothy 4. 9-17a; Luke 10. 1-9**
Thursday	**Romans 3. 21-30; Luke 11. 47-54**
Friday	**Romans 4. 1-8; Luke 12. 1-7**
Saturday	**Romans 4. 13, 16-18; Luke 12. 8-12**
Sunday	**Isaiah 45. 1, 4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1. 1-5ab; Matthew 22. 15-21**



Mass for the Bereaved



Each year we celebrate All Souls Day as a way of remembering and celebrating the lives of all those who have died.

This year, our celebration will be held at the 11:00 am mass on Sunday, October 29.

Everyone is welcome to attend this mass and we extend a special invitation to those who have lost a loved one in the last year.

Each year at this time we also update "The Book of Life," our parish book that records the names of our deceased loved ones. The names of all those who have died from our parish during the past year (01 November 2016—31 October 2017) are recorded on the front page. For anyone who would like to update their page or add a page for their deceased loved ones, please contact the parish office.

All through November, the books will be open on display in the Cathedral and we pray each Sunday in our General Intercessions for all the faithful departed remembered in our Book of Life.

If you have lost a loved one in the last year call the office or drop us a note through the collection with the name of the deceased and your name and telephone number.

All names must be received by Friday, October 27

The National Federation of Presbyteral Councils, work in a spirit of unity and collegiality with priests and bishops in Canada. They serve the pastoral needs of the people of God by supporting Presbyteral Councils in their role as advisors to individual bishops and by assisting priests in the integration of their spirituality, ministry and leadership.

Msgr. Dave will be representing the Diocese while attending the national assembly held in Victoria, BC next week from Monday to Friday.
Please keep him in your prayers.

"Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God."

The point of the Parable of the Wedding Feast, is that God sent His Son into the world, and the very people who should have celebrated His coming rejected Him, bringing judgment upon themselves. As a result, the kingdom of heaven was opened up to anyone who sets aside his own righteousness and by faith accepts the righteousness God provides in Christ. The parable is also a warning to us, to make sure we are relying on God's provision of salvation, not on our own good works or religious service. Luke's emphasis is on the dinner table as an image of the kingdom. God is inviting his people to the eschatological banquet – anticipated even now in the ministry of Jesus – in which the sick will be healed, the poor will be fed and the last will be first. Those who refuse the invitation won't stop the banquet hall from being full; all they will accomplish is their own deprivation as they miss the kingdom feast.



Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, 16 October - St. Marguerite D'Youville, Religious
Roland Ethier - Larry and Theresa Ethier
Richard Falconi - Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Tuesday, 17 October - St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop/Martyr
Dec. Members of the Levesque & Martin Families - Richard Levesque
Shirley Hedican - Mary-Lynn and Dale Hall
Joan Piscitelli - Theresa, Diana and Family

Wednesday, 18 October - Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
James Siviter - Diane Falcioni-Ricci
Frances-Clare Fraboni - Bunty Swanson
Len Landry - Laurette Goyette and Family

Thursday, 19 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Carmela Patrizio - Children and Grandchildren
Denis Beaulieu - Philip Paquette
David Selander - Mary Lou and Paul Smith

Friday, 20 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Dorothy Bethune - Bob and Mary Lee Moynan
Richard Falconi - Al and Bette Lamothe
Shirley Laplante - Ray Laplante and Family

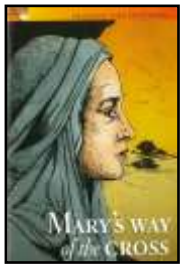
4:00 PM Saturday, 21 October - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lorraine, Frank, Patrick, and Michael Hanley - The Madden Family
Parents and Brothers of Antonia Schiavone
Dorothy Bethune - Dan and Judy Alexander

Sunday, 22 October - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Rev. Mr. Donald Milligan - Norma Milligan and Family
Leo Mai - Tan Mai and Family
Julie Gosselin-Deforest - Maria Gosselin and Family

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



NEW PARISHIONER?
Please register so we can get to know you better!



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

Dear Parents, Guardians & Confirmation Candidates,

Confirmation Preparation will once again involve candidates from the entire North Bay region. This is a great opportunity for you to meet other young people who are also preparing for their Confirmation and who will be celebrating the Sacrament along with you.

A Confirmation Information Night will be held Thursday, November 16 at St. Peter the Apostle Church on Airport Road from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. This meeting is mandatory as you will receive an overview of the preparation program. Candidates and parents are asked to attend this meeting.

We wish to congratulate you on taking this big step in your faith journey. Confirmation is a special time for a young person to commit to their faith and experience the Holy Spirit in their life. It is a sacrament that continues the welcoming and the belonging that began with Baptism and which continues with the celebration of Eucharist. We are hoping our Confirmation preparation will not only prepare you for the Sacrament of Confirmation, but will be a fun experience, that will help build new friendships, spark different interests and present personal challenges.

BOOK PREPARATION DATES IN YOUR CALENDAR!

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
THU NOV 16	6:30-8:00 PM	ST. PETER'S
SAT NOV 25	9:00 AM—9:00 PM	ST. PETER'S **RETREAT**
FRI DEC 1	6:30-9:00 PM	S.J.S.H SCHOOL
FRI JAN 12	6:30-9:00 PM	S.J.S.H. SCHOOL
FRI FEB 2	6:30-9:00 PM	S.J.S.H. SCHOOL
FRI MAR 2	6:30-9:00 PM	S.J.S.H. SCHOOL
FRI APR 6	6:30-9:00 PM	S.J.S.H. SCHOOL
FRI MAY 4	6:30-9:00 PM	S.J.S.H. SCHOOL
WED MAY 9	6:30—8:00 PM	PRO-CATHEDRAL **CONFIRMATION PRACTICE**
SAT MAY 12	10:00 AM	PRO-CATHEDRAL **CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION**

Please note that in requesting the Sacrament of Confirmation it is presumed that you are in Grade 7 or 8 (or older) and have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. If you are missing one or more of these sacraments, call your parish office as soon as possible.

To Register for Confirmation before November 13 visit our website at procathedral.ca Under SACRAMENTS click on CONFIRMATION then CONFIRMATION REGISTRTION

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.

COLLECTION: 08 OCTOBER 2017

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
$5,788.35	$784.50

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The following name has been received at the request of donors in memory of our deceased friends and relatives:

RICHARD FALCONI

Are You Using These Envelopes?

We have the following envelope numbers being used for 2017 and we do not know who you are. Please call the parish office as soon as possible to identify that you are the user of the following envelopes:

41, 178, 233, 253,
374, 386, 401, 415, 454

ALSO — Please do not use envelopes from any other year than 2017. It affects our record keeping.

Next Sunday World Mission Sunday is celebrated.



It represents a global sign of the universal Church and Mission and we are invited to reach out and help build the Church in the most remote areas across our world. Your prayers and donations will support churches, hospitals, schools, and vocations to priesthood and religious life. If you do not use collection envelopes in which a collection envelope is included, you can make a donation through the visitor envelopes in the pews. Please write your name and address on the envelope and mark it clearly "WORLD MISSION SUNDAY". Thank you!

What's Happening in our Community?

Holy Name of Jesus Turkey Dinner, 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.

The Diocesan Pastoral Services Office is holding a series of formation workshops for the faithful of our Diocese. These sessions are open to all who wish to attend and of special interest to those who serve in the particular ministry. Both gatherings are from 7:00 to 9:00 PM:
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will gather for a presentation of Diocesan norms, questions and discussion on November 9 at the Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall.
Parish Pastoral Councils will gather November 14 at St. Peter the Apostle Parish for presentation and discussion.

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.

Fall Lunch and Bake Sale at St. Brice's Church October 28 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Hearty Soup, rolls, dessert, tea and coffee will be served for $5.00/person. Cardmakers' unique cards are also for sale.

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.

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help every Wednesday at 11:55 AM at Pro-Cathedral 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 7 PM; Wednesday and Friday: 12 noon to 6 pm. To make a weekly one-hour commitment, please call Gisele Champagne at 497-1911.

Prayers for the New Evangelization ~ Every Tuesday at Holy Name Church from 10:45 AM to 11:45 AM in front of the Blessed Sacrament. For information call Fran at 476-4146 or Holy Name Parish Office at 495-1501

"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, Anderson Lake Rd., Espanola. The retreat will be facilitated by Tony Chezzi, Professor of Religious Studies at University of Sudbury. The weekend will focus on the theology underpinning the papacy of Pope Francis and how this theology is shaping his response to the world. Cost (includes 5 meals and 2 nights lodging): Adults $155 Youth (Grade 10 and up) $55. For further information contact Doreen Merkas at 705-693-0424 or zagorja@sympatico.ca.

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. Register soon!

Christian Meditation Contemplative Prayer each week beginning September 19 from 1:30 to 2:30 in Holy Family Chapel at Motherhouse. All are welcome.

L'Arche 8th Annual Craft Sale and Bake Table at Holy Name of Jesus Church on Saturday, November 25 - 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Lunch served 11:30 AM until 1:00 PM. Adults, $6.00, Children 10 and under, $3.00. Wheelchair accessible. All are welcome!

Advent Retreat at Villa Loyola LEO'S NARD – Fragrances, hues and textures from Leonard's Garden Friday December 1 (7 pm) to Sunday December 3 (1 pm), Director: Fr. Philip Chircop, S.J. Leonard Cohen, the iconic Canadian singer and poet left behind a life-line! His life-line is made of poetry, quotes, music and doo-dles! In this retreat we will avail of Cohen's poetry and music, hoping that his words and sounds will wake us up, snapping us out of our idleness and unconsciousness, into a possible new way forward. Cost: $230.00, all inclusive *(non-refundable $30 deposit required with registration)* For more information and registration 705-522-3502 ext. 0 or loyola@isys.ca

Call CANA for Cards, Rosaries, Sacramental Gifts, Books & More! Email Kas or Alana at cana12cana@gmail.com or call 776-2192

Sisters of St. Joseph Present:

Christian Meditation: Each Tuesday at 1:30—2:30 pm in Holy Family Chapel. This contemplative prayer is a way to self-knowledge, self-acceptance & awareness of all that God can do in our lives when we allow it.

Taize Prayer: The third Thursday each month from 7:00—8:00 PM in the Holy Family Chapel. This prayer includes song, scripture, and silence, praying to be open to God's presence in our lives. Everyone is welcome.

Sacred Rhythms: On Thursdays October 26 to November 30, 1:30 until 3:00 PM. Conference Room # 1. You will be introduced to six different methods of prayer, there will be an introduction, practice and conversation. Facilitator—Sr. Pauline Guindon, csj Limit of 8 participants. Offering $ 40:00 for series.
Advent Retreat Day: Saturday December 1 in the McColgan room from 9:00--3:00 pm. Advent is a season inviting us to wait and prepare ourselves to welcome God in a new way. Presenter Msgr. Dennis Murphy Suggested offering $30:00 (includes lunch)

Why not volunteer to be a Lector, Cantor, Usher, Minister of the Eucharist, Member of the Choir? Or join the Men's Club, the Knights of Columbus or the Catholic Women's League? Isn't it time?



Pope Francis October Prayer Intentions

For Workers and the Unemployed: That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

