04 FEBRUARY 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!

Our first reading relates the suffering and despair of Job. In the second reading, Saint Paul tells us we must not keep the Good News to ourselves, but we are called to share it with those we meet. In the Gospel, we hear that Jesus comes to bring healing and peace to all those he encounters. In the Gospel, we hear that the Good News of Jesus is spreading to many towns and villages. Jesus tells his disciples that he has come for the purpose of preaching and teaching. That is our purpose as well. Let us strive to spread the Gospel in our everyday lives.



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.

WEEKLY READINGS: 05—11 FEBRUARY	
Monday	1 Kings 8. 1-7, 9-13; Mark 6. 53-56
Tuesday	**1 Kings 8. 22-23, 27-30; Mark 7. 1-13**
Wednesday	**1 Kings 10. 1-10; Mark 7. 14-23**
Thursday	1 Kings 11. 4-13; Mark 7. 24-30
Friday	**1 Kings 11. 29-32; 12. 19; Mark 7. 31-37**
Saturday	1 Kings 12. 26-32; 13. 33-34; Mark 8. 1-10
Sunday	Leviticus 13. 1-2, 45-46; 1 Corinthians 10. 31—11. 1; Mark 1. 40-45

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK	
MONDAY	**8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON**
TUESDAY to FRIDAY	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

Catholic Women's League

Upcoming General Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 7 at 7:00 PM** in the Parish Hall. All new members are welcome. *Wear pink or red to celebrate Saint Valentine's Day.*

Membership 2018 - CWL members and the Early Bird draw. Those who paid their annual $25 membership before January 31st have had their names entered into a draw for the return of the cost of the membership. The draw will be held at the General Meeting on February 7. Call Shirlene Condie-McVeigh at 476-2748 for more information

Pornography Hurts Campaign - Each year since the campaign was launched in August 2013, members have "blitzed" elected officials and government officers with postcards provided by the CWL. During the weekend of **February 3 and 4** members of the Pro-Cathedral will be provided with postcards at the back of the church to fill out and send to elected officials. Here is how you fill it out for the biggest impact:



- Ensure your name and return address is on the card in order for the minister (s) to respond to you;
- Ask a question or ask for feedback from the minister (i.e. will you take a stand by helping to ensure that just punishment is given to the perpetrators of this heinous crime to children and women)?
- Mail to Anthony Rota, MP Nipissing — Timiskaming and Jody Wilson-Raybould, MP Justice and Attorney General (Ottawa address provided on back and no postage required!)

Canadian Pilgrims Throng to St. Francis Xavier Relic



The right forearm and hand of St. Francis Xavier, patron saint of missions, is visiting 14 cities on a pilgrimage initiated by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast of Ottawa and organized by Catholic Christian Outreach (COO), Canada's national campus missionary movement.

The Canadian pilgrimage, which stopped in Kingston, Ontario, Jan. 9-10, has drawn pilgrims in far larger numbers than originally expected. In Quebec City, where cathedral organizers told the relic team to expect about 200 people, 1,500 came to venerate the relic. In St. John's, Newfoundland, there were 1,800. In the small town of Antigonish, Nova Scotia, home to St. Francis Xavier University, officials at the university thought only a few dozen would be interested. More than 1,000 attended. In Kingston, more than 2,000 people came to pray before the relic. A weekday noon Mass with Archbishop Brendan O'Brien was so full that it looked like Holy Week.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 05 February - St. Agatha, Virgin/Martyr
Charlie Ethier - Larry and Theresa Ethier
Victor Sokolowski - Ken and Barb Hebert
Intention of Pat Murphy - The Murphy Family

Tuesday, 06 February - St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs
Stephane Terbovc - Larry and Jacinthe Mask
Intention of Marlene Walter - Divine Will Prayer Group
Intention of Paul Smith - A Friend

Wednesday, 07 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Francesca and Mikey Paduano - The Family
Living and Deceased Members - Catholic Women's League
Glenna McAuley - Jean and June McAuley

Thursday, 08 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Eugenio Spina - Maria Gosselin and Family
Victor Sokolowski - Laurette Goyette
Jean Paquette - Lisa and Norm Paquette

Friday, 09 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Frank Toth - Aurelia Toth and Family
Carol Bethune - Margaret Ross

4:00 PM Saturday, 10 February - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Alice Hopkinson - Vivian Molnar
Victor Sokolowski - Joe and Louise Defonzo
Ida Bagno - Catholic Women's League

Sunday, 11 February - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Ian, Teresa and David Houston - Heather and Family
Jeannette Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu and Family
Cliff Dunn - Katherine and Lloyd Voisin

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

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Income tax receipts will be mailed out in February. If you were using the following envelope numbers in 2017—we don't know who you are and you will not receive an income tax receipt. Please contact the parish office as soon as possible to identify yourself. Thank you!

41 178 233 253 386 401 415 454

ALSO! 2018 Envelope Users

We are already receiving 2018 envelopes with no name or address on them. Please call the office!

Envelopes: 122, 198, 216, 253, 330

It is very important that everyone write their name and address on their envelopes for the first 4-6 weeks of this New Year.

SATURDAY, 11 FEBRUARY
WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

The World Day of the Sick will be celebrated, as it is every year, on 11 February. (Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes). This annual observance was instituted in 1992 by Pope John Paul II and highlights the healing ministry of the Church. This event is an opportunity to remind Catholics of the necessity of:

- ensuring the sick have quality health care and better conditions,
- encouraging Christians communities to be involved in pastoral health care,
- recalling the need to provide spiritual and moral formation for those working with the sick,
- encouraging the involvement of volunteers,
- promoting reflection on the meaning of suffering, and inviting all those involved in medical care to appreciate the importance of their healing mission.

✝ MEMORIAL FUND ✝



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

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FIRST EUCHARIST REGISTRATION



Our second preparation meeting for First Eucharist will be held on Wednesday, April 25 at 5:15 PM in the Parish Hall.

To attend this meeting your child should have received his/her Sacrament of First Reconciliation. If your child has not received this sacrament, we will be offering preparation for this sacrament this Fall.

Together we will have an opportunity to discuss the Sacramental preparation of your child, making it an enjoyable experience for everyone!

This gathering includes a Pizza Dinner!
Please RSVP by Sunday, April 22
(kathystorie@icloud.com or Parish Office 472-3970)

If you still have your name tag from First Reconciliation sessions, bring it with you. If not, no worries, we'll get you a new one!

Children who are Celebrating and their Parents/Guardians Should Attend

If not already provided, bring your child's Baptismal Certificate to this meeting even if they were baptized at the Pro-Cathedral.

LENT IS ONLY 10 DAYS AWAY!!
Make this your BEST LENT EVER!



Dynamic Catholic's free email program will guide you on an incredible 40-day journey to become the-best-version-of-yourself, making this a truly life-changing Lent.

Sign up at: dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever

Watch Daily Videos: Starting Ash Wednesday (February 14), you'll receive daily emails with short inspirational videos from Matthew Kelly, practical tips to incorporate into your everyday life, and personal stories from Dynamic Catholic team members. **SIGN UP TODAY!**

Sunday Collection - 28 JANUARY	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$6,412.45	**$909.00**

Pope meets women prisoners

In the afternoon on January 16, the Pope made a brief visit to the women's prison in Santiago: "Female Central Penitentiary". After a brief welcome address from the head of pastoral care, a nun, the testimony of a detainee and a performance of a hymn by the prison choir, the Holy Father addressed those present.

"All of us need to ask forgiveness, me first of all, all of us, that is what makes us human. Without this attitude of asking forgiveness, we forget that we did wrong and that we can make mistakes and that every day is an invitation to start over, one way or another." Again, "As women, you have an incredible ability to adapt to new circumstances and move forward. Today I appeal to that ability to bring forth the future that is alive in each one of you."



Ever thought about being a member of our funeral lunch team?

We offer a luncheon for the bereaved family and their friends following a funeral celebration. Parish volunteers offer hospitality, food preparation, serving and/or clean-up. The setting up of the tables and chairs is completed by our custodian, Robert, so there is no heavy lifting.

This service is one of the last things we can do for our parish family members. *Call Maudena soon at 495-2532 for more information.*

Gentlemen, we need you too!
And you will not be asked to do any heavy lifting. Please consider volunteering.
The need is great!

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE "MADE FOR MORE!" HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

All high school aged youth are invited to participate on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at St. Mary's College in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. Join high school students from across Northern Ontario for a day of faith, music, sharing, talks and powerful witness featuring popular Catholic Speaker Ken Yasinski. Ken is one of Canada's most sought after Catholic speakers, with 14 years of full time experience, proclaiming the fullness of the Catholic faith. His passion for the faith, fidelity to the Church, and his ability to communicate with clarity, inspires Catholics to an extraordinary life in Christ. At the core of every message, he challenges people to realize their full potential in life. His message at the Conference will revolve around how God calls us to more in our life. Registration is only $20 for this exciting event presented by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, the Huron Superior Catholic District School Board and the Knights of Columbus Council 932.

GO TO OUR HOMEPAGE AT PROCATHEDRAL.CA UNDER LATEST NEWS
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND A LINK TO THE REGISTRATION

What's Happening in our Community?

Development and Peace 2018 Share Lent Campaign Information Session will be held at St. Peter's Church, Sunday February 4 at 2:00 PM. Theme is "Together for Peace". Let us reflect together on how this campaign enables us to spread the Good News of Christ and be peacemakers. Call Shirley at 474-5379 for more information or come out to our gathering to find out how you can assist with the Share Lent Campaign.

2018 Marriage Preparation Weekends February 9 & 10, April 20 & 21, and Fall October 26-27 (5 PM Friday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday): 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!

North Bay Right to Life/Pro-Vie 27th Annual all you can eat Spaghetti & Meatballs/ Lasagna Dinner Sunday, March 4 at Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall. Adults/$12, Children 3-10 years/$5, take-out/$8. For tickets cal: Nancy Tremblay 472-6099, Harley 752 -4105, Jeannine Lebel 724-3424 or JP Lamarche 476-0953. A silent auction will also be held that night.

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.

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.

CLAY- (Catholic, Love, Attitude, Yes!): A Youth Program for JK to Grade 7, Thursday evenings 6:30-8:00 PM at St. Gregory's School Gym, back entrance. Come out and join us for games, crafts and faith teachings in a fun filled and positive environment. For more information please contact Laurie Dobbs at 724-1277 or Jessica Sheppard at 724-1835 or jessicasheppard@gmail.com.

YEO (Youth Evangelizing Others) is a Catholic Youth Group designed for grade 8-12 students with a mission to bring other teens to know Jesus through testimonies, talks, skits, and games. Friday nights at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Gym from 6:30 to 9:00 PM. For more information, contact Sam at 496-0456.

The bitter cold weather is upon us and the **North Bay Warming Centre needs your help** at their new location at 480 Fisher St., Suite 100. Contact Karrie at warmingcentrenbay@gmail.com or wWw.facebook.com/NorthBayWarmingCentre/

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 **Next Clinic February 20 & 21 at Best Western on Lakeshore Drive**

Silent Lenten Retreat "The Name of God is Mercy" at Villa Loyola Friday, March 2 7 PM to Sunday, March 4 1:00 PM Director: Fr. Scott Lewis, S.J., cost $230/live-in or $130/ commute. Call 705-522-3502 ext, 0 Monday to Friday or email at loyola@isys.ca. Where is God in our rather dark and scary world? How should we respond to the fearful and threatening pressures we face? How can religion heal the world, or is religion the problem? Many people feel estranged or distant from God. During this retreat we will pray with these passages for enlightenment, hope, and transformation on our spiritual journey

Calling all Women to the Great Canadian Bible Study with the women of First Baptist Church. Topic: Lessons on Mary Magdalene. Saturday, 24 February from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon beginning with breakfast. Free will offering of toonies will support literacy classes for women in Rwanda. Contact Sue Foote at 497-3382 or suzie@foote-ca.com to register – invite your friends!

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

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

Sisters of St. Joseph Present:

Lenten Renew Opportunity 3 Consecutive Fridays February 16 , 23 and March 2 McColgan Room St. Joseph's Motherhouse from 1:30---3:30 PM. "Conversion: Following the Call of Christ" Through the inspirational stories of six ordinary Biblical figures, the DVD Presentations by Bishop Robert Barron can help us understand the power of an encounter with Christ and help us recognize where Christ may be calling us personally. Facilitator Sr. Pauline Guindon, csj. Suggested Offering $30:00 for the series. Register by calling 705-474-3800 ext. 213

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.



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