11 MARCH 2018	PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION
FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT	480 McIntyre Street West - North Bay, Ontario - P1B 2Z4

Welcome to Your Father's House!



In the first reading from Second Chronicles, we hear of the fall of Judah. In Paul's Letter to the Ephesians, he reminds us that even when we were dead in our transgressions, God brought us to life through Christ. In the Gospel, John proclaims that God so loved the world that he sent his only Son. God does not love us conditionally, or despite our sins, but rather because he created us, and he is love. His mercy and compassion are that of a loving Father.

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. Mr. Albert Falconi
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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: 12 - 18 MARCH	
Monday	Isaiah 65. 17-21; John 4. 43-54
Tuesday	**Ezekiel 47. 1-9,12; John 5. 1-16**
Wednesday	**Isaiah 49. 8-15; John 5. 16-30**
Thursday	Exodus 32. 7-14; John 5. 18, 31-47
Friday	**Wisdom 2. 1a, 12-22; John 7. 1-2, 10,25-30**
Saturday	Jeremiah 11. 18-20; John 7. 40-53
Sunday	Jeremiah 31. 31-34; Hebrews 5. 7-9; John 12. 20-33

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

CONGRATULATIONS

to Deacon Al & Shirley Falconi, DOW
who on March 7, 2018
celebrated their 40th Anniversary
in service
to the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

With prayers of gratitude for sharing so generously the gifts you received from God with our parish community!

The Tweetable Pope:
"True charity requires courage: let us overcome the fear of getting our hands dirty so as to help those in need." Pope Francis

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If you or someone you know is unable to physically be with our community, please call the parish office for additional information on bringing the Blessed Sacrament to them.



We would love to be of assistance!

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

"Change my heart and help me to follow the way."

Sturgeon Falls - Our Lady of Sorrows
Thursday, 15 March at 4:30 PM

Regional Penitential Service - Tuesday, March 20
Holy Name of Jesus Church at 7:00 PM
Followed by Individual Confession

Regional Penitential Service in French
Wednesday, March 21 ~ St. Vincent de Paul at 7:00 PM
Followed by Individual Confession

All Day Individual Confessions - Friday, March 23
Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption - 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Prayers of Confession

✞ Gracious God, we want to hold on to what we know. We are afraid to take risks for the sake of the gospel; we want to keep our lives safe. Forgive us, O God, when we cling to comfort, when we build barriers to protect ourselves, when we choose the easy way. Transform our fears that we may deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow Jesus to serve the world. Amen.

✞ We confess, O God, that we are attracted to false gods and easy answers in life. We are vulnerable to temptations that could damage us in ways that are not obvious. Forgive us that sin draws us like moths to a flame. Restore us and fill us with godly resolve. In **Jesus's name, we pray**. Amen.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM



Monday, 12 March - Weekday in Lent
Stephane Terbovc - Paul and Geraldine Parent
Merril Hummel - A Family Friend

Tuesday, 13 March - Weekday in Lent
Deceased Relatives of Jack and Monica Sullivan
Charles Ethier - Larry and Theresa Ethier

Wednesday, 14 March - Weekday in Lent
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Teresa and Frank Piekarski - Trudy, George and Jillian
Maria Fenuta - Maria Miscio

Thursday, 15 March - Weekday in Lent
Victor Sokolowski - Laurette Goyette
Laurine Lalande - Ray and Karen Thomson

Friday, 16 March - Weekday in Lent
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu
Mike Gallagher - Tom and Dianne Wilson

4:00 PM Saturday, 17 March - Fifth Sunday of Lent
Ida Bagno - Nadine and Paul Condon
Zigmunt Kornacki - Toni Kornacki
Deceased Members of the Schiavone Family - Antonia Schiavone

Sunday, 18 March - Fifth Sunday of Lent
9:00 AM Stephanie Cosgrove - Catherine Cosgrove
Fred Radcliff - Karen Beaulieu

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS DURING LENT
5:00 PM in the Cathedral



NEXT FRIDAY
we host our Share Lent Hunger Meal
after the 12:05 PM Mass (See Bulletin Insert)
This same day, we celebrate the
Solidarity Way of the Cross at 5:00 PM.

This Way of the Cross invites us to follow Jesus as he walks towards his crucifixion. Death cannot hold him; he rises again.
Peacemakers must also rise against repeated obstacles as they work for peace and reconciliation through dialogue.
Whether working for peace at the community, national or international level; whether addressing family, intercultural or land issues; they are a sign of hope in a world of conflict.
Development and Peace – Caritas Canada invites you to walk this Way of the Cross in solidarity with those working for peace through dialogue.

Quote from next week's Solidarity Way of the Cross

"All of us want peace. Many people build it day by day through small gestures and acts; many of them are suffering, yet patiently persevere in their efforts to be peacemakers. All of us … have the duty to become instruments and artisans of peace."
(Pope Francis, *Regina Cæli*, Bethlehem)

Development & Peace Share Lent 2018

A school of community leaders in Peru

For the fourth week of Lent, let's go to Peru and discover one of Development and Peace's partners, the Bartolomé de Las Casas Institute! It runs the Hugo Echegaray leadership school, where students strengthen their capacity for dialogue, consensus, participation, and consulta-tion in order to exercise ethical and responsible civic leadership in their communities.



"In Peru, many social conflicts stem from a lack of dialogue between citizens and the state. This has often caused deaths, which in turn reinforces mistrust of the country's representatives. Through dialogue, citizens formulate their demands and opinions on the use of the resources and services provided by the state. The Hugo Echegaray School teaches us to value and promote spaces for dialogue and listening.

— **Lidia Rojas,** IBC Project Coordinator

Solidarity Sunday is celebrated in all Canadian parishes next weekend and the **Development and Peace—Share Lent Collection will be taken. Please respond to this appeal with your usual generosity** in support of our sisters and brothers in the Global South who fight every day for peace, human dignity, and social justice.



Development and Peace envelopes will be in the pews or if you use another envelope, please be sure to mark it clearly "SHARE LENT" and put your name and address on the envelope. Thank you!



✝ MEMORIAL FUND ✝

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

KATHY MORRIS ALEXA CORNEIL

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.

Sunday Collection - 05 March	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$6,598.40	**$961.00**

Catholic Women's League

2018 MEMBERSHIPS ARE DUE

Ladies, perhaps you do not use the church envelopes for collection and are doing it electronically! This means you would no longer get the pink CWL renewal envelope. Easily missed!! White envelopes for member's dues are on the table behind the pews. Please pick one up and come back. We have definitely missed you and will welcome your return.



Not a member yet? Please consider joining us. Come out for a meeting to see what we are all about. **Our next General Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, April 4 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. Guest speaker will be our very own *Evelyn Riddell-Gruber who will show a slide show and talk about her experiences with villagers in West Africa.*



2018 Membership cards are coming! As soon as they arrive they will be placed in a black box, also on the table behind the pews.

Be reconciled with your brother. Come to terms quickly with your opponent. Mt. 5. 23, 25

Forgiveness is Good for your Health.

REFLECTION: It never hurts to break the ice when hurt feelings are involved. Why not just call to say you're sorry if you are in any way at fault?
Decide to forgive, if you have been hurt in any way. Begin the process of healing, for peace of soul to return.

PRAYER: Lord, help me to forgive before I feel like it.

Easter Memorial Flowers & Decorations

A beautiful way to remember loved ones during this holy season is to donate memorial flowers and decorations in their memory. Your donation will help decorate the altar and sanctuary during the greatest season of the year ***... the Resurrection!***



Pre-printed white & green envelopes are available for your donation at the entrance to the church. Please fill out the requested information as neat as possible (printing would be best!).

Include your donation and return the envelope to the office or in the weekly collection. A listing of remembrances will be printed in the Easter Sunday Bulletin. All donations over $10 are tax deductible.

Remember your loved ones this Easter and give glory to the Lord by helping to decorate for this beautiful season!

The Sisters of St. Joseph invite young men and women, single or married, ages 16 to 35, to fill in a survey which will assist us in planning programs for faith development. This will require approximately 10 minutes of your time. We thank you in advance for your help.

Here is the link: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NYZ57HD

What's Happening in our Community?

Mass of Chrism hosted at Pro-Cathedral Church at 7:00 PM on Thursday March 22. Everyone is invited as we witness our priests renew their vows. Reception to follow.

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at St. Peter's Church, Sunday, April 8 at 3:00 p.m. Fellowship will follow with a potluck to share. Reminder--Begin praying the Chaplet and nine-day Novena starting on Good Friday**.**

3rd Annual Pasta Dinner at Holy Name Church "With a Twist" – Lena's Lasagna & the Trimmings & Sophia's Crepes. April 14 at 5:15 PM. Adults/$15, Kids Under 10/$10, Kids Under 5/Free. Tickets available by calling 497-1367. Take out will be available. Entertainment by the "Singing Godfathers"

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.

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

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.

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.

North Bay Food Bank Diaper Drive will be held until March 15. Donations can be dropped off at St. Peter's Church on Airport Road from 1:00-3:00 PM on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

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.

Knights of Columbus Meetings

Fr. Michael Cundari Council, 12030 at Holy Name Church: General Meeting third 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 your cans at Holy Name Church beside the Garage.
Knights of Columbus Council #1007 Executive Meeting at 6:30 PM and General Meeting at 7:00 PM on the first Wednesday of each month September to June at St. Peter's Church in the Parish Hall. Refreshments served. New or transferring members can contact Mike Joly at 495-1792.

New Evangelization Summit - Friday, April 27th from 7:00 - 9:30 PM and Saturday, April 28 from 8:45 AM - 4:30 PM the New Evangelization Summit will be live-streamed from Ottawa to North Bay at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall School. The conference includes world class Catholic speakers Sr. Ann Shields, Curtis Martin, Michael Dopp, George Wiegel, Patrick Madrid, Christy Dupuis equipping us with the tools for evangelization and Catholicism in our world today. Cost of $25 includes lunch and light refreshments. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to register online or at their parish office. Make cheques payable to North Bay Regional Parishes. For information about the Summit visit the Ottawa website at www.newevangelization.ca For further inquiries contact Len at lslanthier@gmail.com 492-8311.

Sisters of St. Joseph Present:



Spring Equinox: A time of new beginnings Please join us as we celebrate the Sun's Pilgrimage on Tuesday, March 20 at 7:00 PM in the McColgan Room. Weather permitting—we will roast some marshmallows! Facilitators Daniel Currie and Sister Sharon Miller. No registration needed—small donation appreciated.

"Creation-And God Saw That It Was Good" A six session spiritual awakening program at St. Joseph's Motherhouse that will bring us closer to our ever-more-sacred home, and that we will experience ever more deeply the amazing love which holds us in this caring Universe. Presenters Sr. Noreen Muldoon, csj and Patty Dennis. Suggested Offering $60 for the series. Call 474-3800, ext 309 to register with Sr. Noreen. Begins April 10 and runs consecutively until June 12 from 9:15 to 11:45 AM

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: Taize Prayer is held the 3rd Thursday each month, from 7:00—8:00 pm in the Holy Family Chapel. The intention of this prayer is for the "Gift of Reconciliation", wherever brokenness exists. This includes song, scripture, and silence. All are welcome.

CONTACT CANA FOR YOUR RELIGIOUS ARTICLES
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Looking for Meaning in Your Life?
Are childhood memories surfacing?
Have you made mistakes?
Do you need to forgive others?
Do you need to be healed?
Looking for fullness of truth and grace?
Want your children to have a faith foundation?
Looking to be part of a community?
Want to help other people?
Do you hunger for the Eucharist?

Come back to the Catholic Church
We will Welcome You!
Have Questions?
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