PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

25 MARCH 2018

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!



Isaiah foretells that God's servant will suffer as a consequence of being a true and faithful disciple. Saint Paul reminds us that Jesus set aside his glory and power by becoming one with us in the flesh, but through his humility and suffering, he has become Lord of all. The Gospel tells the story of Jesus' passion and death. As we begin to recall and commemorate the events of that first Holy Week, when Jesus willingly laid aside his glory and embraced the cross for our salvation, may we be filled with gratitude and awe at one who loves us so much.

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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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.

READINGS: 26 March — 01 April

"He will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice …"

Monday	Isaiah 42. 1-7; John 12. 1-11
Tuesday	Isaiah 49. 1-6; John 13. 21-33, 36-38
Wednesday	Isaiah 50. 4-9a; Matthew 26. 14-26
Thursday	Exodus 12. 1-8, 11-14; 1 Corinthians 11. 23-26; John 13. 1-15
Friday	Isaiah 52. 13-53.12; Hebrews 4. 14-16; 5. 7-9; John 18. 1—19. 42
Saturday	Genesis 1. 1-2.2; Genesis 22. 1-18; Exodus 14. 15-31; 15. 20, 1; Isaiah 54. 5-14; Isaiah 55. 1-11; Baruch 3. 9-15, 32-4.4; Ezekiel 36. 16-17a, 18-28; **Romans 6. 3-11; Mark 16. 1-8**
Sunday	Acts 10. 34a, 37-43; Colossians 3. 1-4; John 20. 1-18

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!

FYI **Incense will be used at the Holy Thursday liturgy on March 29 at 7:00 PM, at the Easter Vigil on Saturday, March 31 at 8:00 PM and at our Easter Sunday, April 1 11:00 AM mass. The incense we use is Trinity Brand, made with hypo-allergenic, non-choking, high quality resin.**



Lent Fasting & Abstinence: We give up meat or other desirable foods especially on Good Friday, the day of Christ's saving death on the cross. Abstinence is for Catholics 14 years and older (as long as there are no health issues).



Monday of Holy Week - 26 March
Regular 12:05 Mass
Sam Verrillo - The Family
Marietta Castiglione - Ventura Castiglione and Family
Intention of Kristy and Nicolas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Tuesday of Holy Week - 27 March
Regular 12:05 PM Mass
Charles Ethier - Larry and Theresa Ethier
James and Lena Defonzo - Joe & Louise Defonzo & Family
Deceased Relatives of Jack and Monica Sullivan

Wednesday of Holy Week - 28 March
Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions
Regular 12:05 PM Mass
Bill Balfour - Mary-Ellen Balfour
Gertrude Souliere - Vivian Molnar
Bill McMahon - Denise McMahon

Thursday of Holy Week - 29 March
No 12:05 PM Mass Today
7:00 PM
Mass of the Lord's Supper
Followed by
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 PM

Good Friday - 30 March
10:30 AM
Children's Celebration of the Passion Liturgy
3:00 PM
Solemn Celebration of the Passion & Death of Christ
7:00 PM
Solemn Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday - 31 March
No 4:00 PM Mass Today
8:00 PM Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - 01 April
Resurrection of the Lord
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Mass

Intentions of the donors and in memory of those whose names have been received for our Easter Memorial List

Names to be Published in our Easter Sunday Bulletin

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Monday	**8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON**
Tuesday—Thursday	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**
Good Friday	**OFFICE CLOSED**

Sunday March 25	March 26	March 27	March 28	Holy Thursday March 29	Good Friday March 30	Saturday March 31	April 1
PALM SUNDAY	Monday of Holy Week	Tuesday of Holy Week	Wednesday of Holy Week	Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 PM Mass	Celebration of the Passion	Holy Saturday 8:00 PM	Easter Sunday! 9 & 11 AM Mass
	12:05 PM Mass	12:05 PM Mass	12:05 PM Mass	Adoration in Cathedral until 10:00 PM	10:30 AM Children	4 PM Mass Cancelled	
				12:05 PM Mass Cancelled	3:00 PM Solemn		
					5:00 PM Outdoor Walking Stations (See back page of bulletin for details)		
					7:00 PM Stations (Note Time Change)		





Development & Peace Share Lent 2018

Development and Peace – Caritas Canada thanks you for your Share Lent donation. The final total of donations will be reported after Easter. This sum will help support the actions of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East. If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the Offertory or to donate online at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.



INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION

A Baptismal Preparation Meeting will be held in the Lower Sacristy on TUESDAY, APRIL 10 beginning at 7:00 PM. Those who wish to register for this meeting to have their child baptized are asked to call the parish office by Monday, April 9. *Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan Policy.*

Catholic Women's League

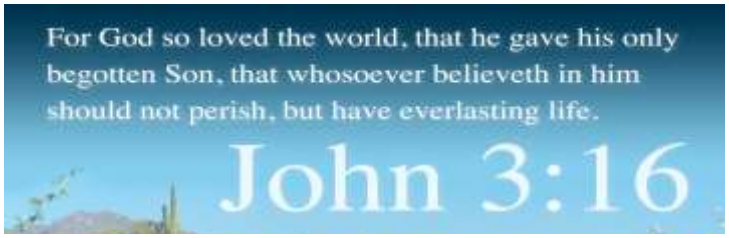
Save the date: The **Executive Meeting** will be held on Monday, March 26 at 7:00 PM in the Lower Sacristy. Members are welcome to attend.

The **General Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, April 4 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. All new members are welcome. Our 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.

RELAY FOR LIFE RELAIS POUR LA VIE

For the third year in a row, the CWL council of the Pro-Cathedral is forming a **Relay For Life** team, 'Inspired by the Spirit'. This year's Relay event will take place on Friday, June 22 from 6 to 11 PM at the athletic field at CFB North Bay. If you are interested in joining our team or would like more information please Leah Pierce at pn.thebay@gmail.com or at 472-5687. If you cannot relay that is ok. Instead, support one of our wonderful team members! For more information about Relay For Life visit www.relayforlife.ca

The North Bay Regional CWL Spring Luncheon Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 7. Details and ticket information may be found under the "What's Happening in our Community" section of this bulletin.



It's Not to Late to Prepare Your Soul For Easter

The celebration of Christ's resurrection takes on even greater meaning when we are rightly prepared. If you have not been observing Lent, or even if you have, here are some ways to make Holy Week—the week before Easter—a time to quietly and repentantly reflect upon the most important event in the history of the world.

The Triduum, or Three Days, includes the liturgies of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil. Maundy Thursday commemorates Christ's Last Supper with the apostles, Good Friday marks His crucifixion and death, and the Easter Vigil, traditionally beginning at sundown on Holy Saturday, provides a bridge between Lent and Easter by moving from dark and quiet reverence to bells, alleluias, and joyful celebration of the Resurrection.

The visual and aural changes in a short span of time are quite striking. In a matter of days, the sanctuary moves from palms and hosannas to an altar that is first stripped, starkly decorated, then resplendent with lilies at Easter!

Maybe you thought about participating in a Lenten discipline but didn't quite get around to doing so. You're not alone.

But it's not too late! Beginning Palm Sunday and carrying through to Easter Sunday, consider engaging in an act of sacrifice or devotion. Give up the chocolate or the swearing. Alternatively, or additionally, commit to a daily activity designed to help focus your mind on the business at hand. Consider a reading plan for the week, or if you aren't already in the habit, commit to regular daily prayer. If you aren't sure how or what to pray, you can't go wrong with The Lord's Prayer. Or you could choose a psalm to read at each prayer time.

Consider fasting from the conclusion of Good Friday worship through sundown on Saturday. You don't have to give up all sustenance to reap the spiritual benefit of fasting. You might simply eat less, eat more simply, or skip supper Friday, eat a light breakfast Saturday, and then have a meal after the Easter Vigil. The point of fasting to help focus one's mind and spirit on Easter.

Turn off the TV, shut down the computer and cell phone, and sign off social media. This would have the effect of helping you stay tuned in to the amazing story that is being played out before you in Word, worship and song.

These ideas are not to be a burden but a blessing. If your life is such that waking up, putting two feet on the floor and getting out of bed takes great effort, skip all of the above. It's okay. Come to church on Easter and hear of God's love for you!

Sunday Collection - 18 March	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$5,743.85	**$909.45**

March Visa/Mastercard Donations	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$	**$**

February Pre-Authorized Donations	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$5,813.00	**$879.00**

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.

What's Happening in our Community?

Knights of Columbus Council 12106 Soup and Card Party March 26 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Parish. $6 entry fee includes lunch. For table reservation call John at 845-1020 or Roy at 477-4084.

The **North Bay Regional CWL Spring Luncheon Meeting** will be held on Saturday, April 7 at 11:30 am in Holy Name Parish Hall. Luncheon will be catered by Shirlene Condie-McVeigh, and cost is $18.00 per person. Patricia Clizia, Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Communications Chairperson will be guest speaker. Her timely presentation is entitled "Let's Get Social," a fun and interactive look at social media with some tips included. Deadline for tickets is April 2 — available from Council Presidents. Members of the Pro-Cathedral CWL can contact Mary-Lynn Truchon for tickets at 474-3082 or at mlrontruchon@sympatico.ca

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"

New Evangelization Summit - Friday, April 27th from 7:00p.m. - 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 28th -8:45 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. the New Evangelization Summit will be live-streamed from Ottawa to No rth 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 The site for online registrations for NEW is online at http://nesnorthbay.ca For further inquiries contact Len at lslanthier@gmail.com 492-8311 or your local parish.



Regional Outdoor Way of the Cross on Good Friday, March 30 begins at St. John's Anglican Church (301 Main St. East) at 5:00 PM and up Main Street to Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Parish. The youth stop along the way to enact each Station. **All are welcome to come and support our youth** in this sacred evening by walking with us or joining us at the Cathedral at approximately 5:45 PM for Regional Indoor Way of the Cross at 7:00 PM.



Would you like a Parish Visit?

We have a new ministry and volunteers who can visit our shut-ins. Want to reconnect with your parish and have a chat with a fellow-parishioner? Want to make a new friend? Call the parish office! This is a ministry of friendship and good cheer that strives to help you feel less isolated and more connected to your parish.

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.

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.

April Showers Tea and Book Sale at St. Brice's Anglican Church Saturday April 14 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Sandwiches, pickles, dessert, tea and coffee for $5.00. Children under 10 years $2.50. Unique greeting cards will also be for sale. All welcome.

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.

Marriage Preparation Weekends 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!

Summer Retreat at Villa Loyola "Throughout the years God lives with us" from Sunday August 12 (7pm) to Friday August 17 (1pm) with director Fr. Joseph Schner, S.J. $500 all-inclusive or $300, commuter. Register: Call 705-522-3502 Monday to Friday or email at loyola@isys.ca

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