22 APRIL 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!



In the first reading, Peter says, *there is no salvation through anyone else* but Jesus. In the reading from the First Letter of John, we are called children of God. In the Gospel, Jesus says that he is the Good Shepherd, and he will lay his life down for us, his sheep. Our world often tells us that we should be strong, secure and self-sufficient on our own. We may be able to do this in certain areas of our lives, but not when it comes to salvation. Jesus is the Good Shepherd who is our strength, our protection and our salvation.

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.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Monday	**8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON**
Tuesday—Friday	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

SCRIPTURE READINGS
23 - 29 APRIL 2018

Monday	Acts 11. 1-18; John 10. 1-10
Tuesday	Acts 11. 19-26; John 10. 22-30
Wednesday	1 Peter 5. 5b-14; Mark 16. 15-20
Thursday	Acts 13. 13-25; John 13. 16-20
Friday	Acts 13. 26-33; John 14. 1-6
Saturday	Acts 13. 44-52; John 14. 7-14
Sunday	Acts 9. 26-31; 1 John 3. 18-24; John 15. 1-8



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.

Gospel Reflection



When Jesus wanted to describe himself, he did not compare himself to a magnificent king or a powerful ruler. He said, "I am the good shepherd." And the people of his time knew immediately that he was speaking of a humble caretaker of the flock that depended on him for survival. Some shepherds work only for pay and leave their sheep unprotected. The good shepherd lays down his life to save them. No one forces him to do so. He chooses to give his life for the sheep he knows by name and loves to the end.

In ancient Israel, a good shepherd was admired for his courage, dedication, and ability to provide everything his flock required.

Who do you think might be considered good shepherds in today's world? Why?

In what ways do you see Jesus as the Good Shepherd?

How are the followers of Jesus called to "shepherd" others who may be lost or afraid, weak or without guidance?

The Good Shepherd looks forward to the day when all people will "be one flock." They will recognize his voice and be gathered into his fold.

Good Shepherd,
your love for us never ceases.
Even in the face of death,
your love laid down its life for us. Thank you for never abandoning us, even when we may wander away.
May we never be so distracted that we do not recognize your call for us.

Amen

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 23 April - Weekday in the Easter Season
Claudette Murtha - Tom Murtha
Intention of Josie Verrillo - Angie McGuinty and Family
Intention of Sandy Eastwood - Judy and Robert

Tuesday, 24 April - Weekday in the Easter Season
Charles Ethier - Larry and Theresa Ethier
John Dafoe - Doris Chapman
Al Hart - Al and Diane Orlando

Wednesday, 25 April - Feast of St. Mark, Evangelist
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Parents of the Rosicki and Sokolowski Families - Joanne Sokolowski
Maurice McGuinty - Shirley Valenti
In Gratitude to Our Priests - A Parishioner

Thursday, 26 April - Weekday in the Easter Season
Marian Beddoe - Vivian Molnar
Leo Truchon - Richard Levesque
In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony - A Parishioner

Friday, 27 April - Weekday in the Easter Season
Nick Plutino - The Family
Jim Marmino - Joe and Louise Defonzo
Intention of Josie Verrillo - Don and Lorraine Shago

4:00 PM Saturday, 28 April - Fifth Sunday of Easter
Bill Balfour - Mary Ellen Balfour
In Thanksgiving - John and Carol Rowe
Lou MacInnis - Susan Bowman

Sunday, 29 April - Fifth Sunday of Easter
9:00 AM Deceased Relatives of Monica and Jack Sullivan
Laura and Addie Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo
Intentions of the Donors and those Remembered in the Pro-Cathedral Memorial Fund

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

Support Catholic Education



Catholic education has been an integral part of Ontario's history for more than 160 years. As a vital component of the province's publicly funded education system, Catholic schools educate nearly 600,000 students each year.
Did you Know? Your school support defaults to English Public each time you move residences. You must re-declare yourself as English Separate. It is important to regularly verify your tax-directed support by checking your property tax bill or speaking to your landlord. You may also call the Municipal Property Assessment Office at 1-866-296-6722 to complete school support changes for electoral purposes or to add a name(s) to an existing address.



Blessed white candles are available ½ hour before and ½ hour after all masses on the weekend and weekdays. You may enter the Sacristy and ask our Sacristan for your vigil candle. It will be lit and at that time you may place your candle on the stand. An offering of $5 per candle is suggested to help defray costs.

My Soul Magnifies the Lord!
A Scriptural Journey with Mary
Each Wednesday in May



- **Begin with Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions**
- **Mass**
- **Stations of the Cross with Mary**
- **Followed by a Light Luncheon in the Parish Hall**

EVERYONE WELCOME!



INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION

A Baptismal Preparation Meeting will be held in the Lower Sacristy on TUESDAY, MAY 2 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, May 1. *Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan Policy.*

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.

PARISHIONERS
When using kneelers, please place them as gently as possible in place to avoid damage to the linoleum flooring and the metal kneeler part.
Repetitive action causes damage. Thank you!

Sunday Collection - 15 April	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$5,403.50	**$1,822.00**

April Visa/Mastercard Donations	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$2,584.00	**$506.00**

When we are fearful and worried all the time, we are living as if we don't believe that we have a strong and able Shepherd who is tenderhearted toward us, who only leads us to good places, who protects us and lovingly watches over us.

Catholic Women's League

Big thanks and God Bless! On behalf of Shirlene Condie-McVeigh, President Elect of our Council: *"On Saturday, April 14, the CWL held a diocesan-wide food drive, 'Hunger Knows no Season!'. Ladies from our parish, as well as from other parishes in our region participated. A special thanks to all our CWL Pro-Cathedral members who participated. Thank you for making phone calls, volunteering on Saturday at Jeff & Tanis' No Frills on Lakeshore Drive, and to all who contributed to the worthwhile cause with non-perishable food and cash donations. It was a great success. Locally, we collected 1,924.2 lbs of food and $1,025 divided between the North Bay Food Bank and the Gathering Place. Overall, the Sault Ste. Marie Dioceses, collectively, gathered 4,034 lbs of food and $4,271.80. Thank you and know that I am extremely blessed to work with such an amazing group and proud of each and every one!"*

Once again the League is sponsoring masses in April and May on Vision TV. The masses will be taped at Loretto Abbey Church in Toronto and are as follows:

Thursday, April 26 – Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel: The feast day of the League's patroness, this mass is being offered for living and deceased members. The mass will be *taped* on Wednesday, April 18 at 5:00 PM.

Friday, May 4 – Mass for 12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care: The League is co-sponsoring this mass, which will be *taped* on Thursday, April 26 at 4:00 PM.

Members are invited to watch the televised masses on the days noted above.

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

Save the date: The CWL Service Pins and Awards Dinner will be held on Wednesday, June 2. The Pro-Cathedral CWL Council will be hosting Women Helping Women: The African Connection Tea *(The fashion show has been dropped at this point due to logistical issues).*

Earth Day is celebrated April 22 and this year's theme is "End Plastic Pollution". Plastic accounts for 80 to 90% of ocean pollution. The average Canadian throws away 100 kilograms or 220.462 pounds of plastic per year!
Our Resolution 2015-02 is to ban thug l microbeads in personal care products. The microbeads have been identified as a toxic substance under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act.
Effective July 1, 2018 microbeads are banned in shower gels, toothpaste and facial scrubs. **Effective July 1, 2019** microbeads found in natural health products and non-prescription drugs will also be banned.

What's Happening in our Community?

North Bay Right to Life is chartering a bus to attend the Annual March For Life in Ottawa on Thursday, May 10. The bus will leave Staples parking lot at 7:00 AM and return about 9:00 PM. Adult $30 students $20. For information or to reserve your seat call Nancy 472-6099 or Jeannine Lebel 724-3424 or 474-3666.

North Bay Right to Life Fundraiser: North Bay And Area Right to Life will be a vendor at the Powassan Maple Syrup Festival, Saturday, April 28 8 AM to 4 PM. They will have a booth on the Main Street, selling baked goods, especially butter tarts, maple tarts, pecan tarts, homemade pies and various other homemade baking delights. Please stop by and support this important fundraiser. For more information, call 474-3666.

Help the Homeless Fundraising Dinner hosted by St. Alphonsus of Liguori Catholic Women's League. All proceeds will be donated to local agencies that work so diligently in the battle against homelessness. Sunday, May 6 at St. Alphonsus in Callander. Adults $15, Kids 10 & under $10 includes Salad, Shepard's Pie, Dessert, Tea/Coffee/Juice. Two sittings: 4:30 and 6:00 PM. For tickets or information call Maureen at 752-3626 or June at 492-2568. Grab a friend and come on out!

Knights of Columbus Council 12106 Soup and Card Party May 28 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 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.

CAN YOU HELP?

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





Pope Francis APRIL Prayer Intentions

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

The Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board Parent Involvement Committee is pleased to welcome **Dr. Michael Ungar,** founder and Director of the Resilience Research Centre and is Canada's Research Chair in Child, Family and Community Resilience. **Join us April 26** from 6:00-8:00 PM in the St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Auditorium **for an engaging presentation to learn practical strategies for parents and caregivers to help young people of all ages heal.** Free childcare is available, with RSVP. Register today at www.npsc.ca/nurturing-resilience/

Emmanuel United Church Beef Dinner Friday, April 27 4:15–6:30 PM. Adult $15, Children (5 to 10) $5, Take Out $15. For tickets, call Dalton or Karen at 472-5444.

Powassan Maple Syrup Festival Pancake Breakfast at St. Joseph's Church in Powassan on Saturday, April 28 from 7:00 to 11:30 AM. Adults $8, children 6 to 10 years $5, children 5 and under free. Everyone Welcome

Nunsense – a Musical Comedy will be held at Trinity United Church May 9-12 at 7:30 PM and May 13 at 2:00 PM. Tickets $20/person. Call 477-4982 or email dressingroomcollective@gmail.com Everyone Welcome!

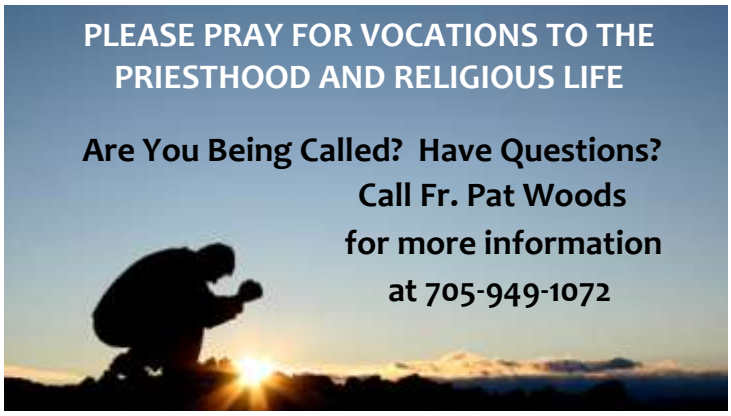
Summer Retreat at Villa Loyola "Throughout the years God lives with us" from Sunday August 12 (7pm) to Friday August 17 (1pm) with director Fr. Joseph Schner, S.J. $500 all-inclusive or $300, commuter. Register: Call 705-522-3502 Monday to Friday or email at loyola@isys.ca

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.



Food Bank Sunday ~ Next Weekend

Our next Food Bank Collection will be held NEXT WEEKEND!

Please be generous in helping to stock our shelves for our neighbours in need!

