23 September 2018

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

480 McIntyre Street West North Bay, ON P1B 2Z4

Welcome to Your Father's House!



In the first reading, we hear how the wicked plan to revile and torture the just one, putting God to the test of defending him. In the second reading, James contrasts the character of those who have wisdom from above with those who are bound by earthly things. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples of his impending death and resurrection. When they fail to understand, he exhorts them to have an attitude of service to the least among them. Our world is full of arguments and conflicts. People fight and despise one another out of jealousy and selfish desires. Today, Jesus calls on us to be different from the world and learn to serve others. This is how we can be the greatest in his eyes

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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Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie

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PERMANENT MINISTERS

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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.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

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

Readings: 24 — 30 September

Monday	**Proverbs 3. 27-34; Luke 8. 16-18**
Tuesday	Proverbs 21. 1-6, 10-13; Luke 8. 19-21
Wednesday	Revelation 7. 9-17; 2 Corinthians 4. 7-15; John 12. 24-26
Thursday	Ecclesiastes 1. 2-11; Luke 9. 7-9
Friday	Ecclesiastes 3. 1-11; Luke 9. 18-22
Saturday	Revelation 12. 7-12a; John 1. 47-51
Sunday	**Numbers 11. 25-29; James 5. 1-6; Mark 9. 38-43, 45, 47-48**

Pastoral Council Elections

Pastoral Council elections will be held this year in our parish.

This weekend and next weekend you will find a Parish Pastoral Council Nomination Form in the parish bulletin.

If you would like to nominate someone or nominate yourself, please complete the nomination form and return it to the parish office in an envelope marked:

"ATTENTION: KAREN STEEL - CONFIDENTIAL"



Once we have received nomination forms at the parish office, the nominated parties will be contacted to confirm their interest in serving on our Pastoral Council.

Candidate names and a bit of information regarding each candidate will be published in the 30 September and 07 October bulletins.

Elections will be held the weekend of 13-14 October at all masses and election results will be published in the 21 October bulletin.

Parish pastoral councils represent all areas of parish life: old and young, poor and rich, clergy, religious, laity, people with divergent points of view, and ethnic and cultural backgrounds. Members of a council, as well as all parishioners, are called forth to merge their expertise, insights, and diverse experiences out of love and concern for those to whom they minister. Hence, membership on the parish pastoral council ideally would reflect this rich diversity.

Please consider this opportunity to serve your parish community and let your name stand for Parish Pastoral Council. Thank you!

Circles of Dialogue and Reconciliation: Responding to the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action



Four-session series led by facilitator, Sister Priscilla Solomon, CSJ includes:

October 25: What is Reconciliation? What is Dialogue?
November 8: What Can a Maple Tree Teach Us about Reconciliation?
November 29: The Blanket Exercise: Learning the Untold Story
December 6: How Might We Move Forward Together?

Held in the Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Registration requested to prepare room and materials. **Call the Mother house at 474-3800 to register.** Attending all four sessions is the preferred option to facilitate dialogue and learning. Free will offering toward expenses accepted

Sr. Priscilla Solomon is an Ojibway woman and a Sister of St. Joseph of Sault Ste. Marie. She is the coordinator of the Faith and Justice ministry in her congregation with special attention to ecological justice, human trafficking and poverty issues.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 24 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
COMMUNION SERVICE TODAY

Tuesday, 25 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Catherina and Antonio Miscio - Maria Miscio and Family
John Murphy - Rosemary, Daniel and Thomas

Wednesday, 26 September - St. John de Brebeuf and St. Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Linda Leblanc - Carmela and Tony Campanaro
Lucy Saini - Judy and Robert
Murray Cangiano - Sybil Cangiano

Thursday, 27 September - St. Vincent de Paul, Priest
In Thanksgiving for Family - Judy and Robert
Intention of Dr. Frank Fazzari - Angie McGuinty and Family

Friday, 28 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Bill Balfour - Mary-Ellen Balfour
Ernie and Marie Follis - The Family

4:00 PM Saturday, 29 September - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Christaline Lobo - The Lobo Family
In Thanksgiving to St. Jude - Bunty and Roy Swanson
Intention of John and Carol Rowe - Louise Cappadocia

Sunday, 30 September - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Intention of Msgr. Norm Clement - Judy and Robert
Alice McKee - Ann and Richard Guy
Intention of the Donors and those Remembered in the Pro-Cathedral Memorial Fund

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

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Make a Joyful Noise!!

The Pro-Cathedral Music Department has begun a new season and welcomes anyone who is interested in this special ministry. Singing at the 11:00 AM mass, warm-up takes place at 10:30 AM in the Lower Sacristy. Regular rehearsals are held at 6:30 PM in the Cathedral.

A choir is the perfect manifestation of the adage "the whole is greater than the sum of its parts." You don't need to have a particularly beautiful voice to contribute to a beautiful, collective sound. Being part of something bigger than yourself is both humbling and motivating.

"As long as I'm singing," writes Stacy Horn in *Imperfect Harmony*, her memoir of singing in a Manhattan amateur choir, "it's as if I'm inhabiting another reality. I become temporarily suspended in a world where everything bad is bearable, and everything good feels possible." ***Wouldn't you like to be part of this reality every Thursday night?***



If you have a love of music and want to be involved, contact Jane for more details at the Music Office …. 472-2032. No special skills needed - bring your voice and join us!

Do you play a musical instrument—Piano? Violin? Organ? Brass or Wind Instrument? Call Jane - our music ministry could use your talents!

Catholic Women's League

An **Executive Meeting** will be held on Monday, 24 September at 7:00 PM in the Lower Sacristy.

The next **General Meeting** will be a Movie Night held on Wednesday, October 3 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. All new members are welcome!



Please visit the newly designed CWL national web page at www.cwl.ca

Pro-Cathedral CWL wish all parishioners many blessings this fall!



It's that time of year again!
Annual Christmas Bazaar & Tea
Saturday, November 17
10 AM – 2 PM — Parish Hall

We need your help!
Please contact the following to lend support:

Bazaar Convener: Lisa Henry at 493-4164
Kitchen: Shirlene Condie at 493-0718
Baking: Theresa Duffy at 472-9036
Knitting: Mary-Lynn Truchon at 474-3082
Heritage & Hidden Treasures: Marilyn Halsall at 472-2194
Penny Sale: Judy Montgomery at 476-5638
Raffle: Elizabeth Delrosabel at 474-3925
Decorations: Annette Dutrisac at 495-3584
Phone Committee: Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613

Beautiful Holy Land Wood Art Display & Sale will be held THIS WEEKEND before and after all masses (Saturday 4:00 PM, Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 AM) at the Pro-Cathedral in support of the Christian community of Bethlehem which has suffered greatly due to political unrest.



For more information, visit LATEST NEWS at http://procathedral.diocesessm.org

Welcome NEW PARISHIONERS

Please complete a Parish Registration Form found in the pamphlet holder at the entrance to the Cathedral so we can get to know you better.

Widows Helping Widow's Group
(We Welcome all Women to Join Us!)

NOTE DATE CHANGE!

Hey ladies! Our next gathering will be held on Sunday, 30 September at 1:30 PM in the Parish Hall at 1:30 PM (Wheelchair Accessible).

A widow's grief can be isolating even when we have supportive friends and family. Sometimes we need to talk and be understood by others without the burden of explanation, to show our pain and not have to hide it for the sake of others who are grieving too.



Sometimes we just want to get out of the house; go to a movie or dinner with someone for companionship; share a smile and laugh and talk about anything – not just our grief.

These are very informal gatherings, no plans, no agenda, no organization or commitment. Come out for conversation, coffee/tea and see how we can support each other.

If you are interested in getting together, need a ride, or just want more information to decide if our gatherings are right for you — give Karen Beaulieu a call at 495-6675.

Your Journey with God Continues!

First Reconciliation & First Communion



Msgr. Dave and the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Sacramental Preparation team would like to invite families and their children discerning preparation for First Reconciliation & First Communion to our:

Registration and Welcome Gathering
Wednesday, September 26 at 5:15 PM
Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall

PIZZA & VEGGIES WILL BE PROVIDED
FOR THE *ENTIRE FAMILY*

Please RSVP the number of people who will be attending on or before Monday, September 24 so we will have enough food for all!

** Please inform us of any dietary needs **

kathystorie@icloud.com
or call the parish office at 472-3970

We look forward to meeting you all!

LIFE CHAIN

You are invited to attend Life Chain together with fellow Christians from more than 30 North Bay and area churches. Spend one hour in peaceful, prayerful, visible support on behalf of the unborn.
Life Chain 2018 will take place Sunday, September 30
2:00 to 3:00 PM on Lakeshore Drive.
Signs will be available at our location between Fodor and Charles Street.
Contact Jeannine for information at 724-3424
Canada has no law to protect the unborn and an abortion can be committed in the 9th month of gestation.

Knights of Columbus Council 12106 Soup and Card Party September 24 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.

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Women's League Annual Harvest Tea & Bazaar October 20, 2018 from 10 AM to 3 PM; lunch served from 11-2. Penny sale, silent auction, knitting, sewing, crafts and bake table. Adults $6; Children $3, under 5 years – free. Come and bring a friend or neighbour.

Sharing the Journey" A Development and Peace-Caritas Canada Social Justice Weekend - is being held Friday evening through Sunday noon, October 19, 20, 21, 2018 at the Anishinabe Spiritual Centre, Anderson Lake Rd., Espanola. The retreat will be facilitated by DR. Christopher Duncanson-Hales and Rose-Marie Valade. The weekend will focus on the forced migration of millions displaced children, women, and men through-out the world who are yearning to return home to a secure place of peace. Cost (includes 5 meals and 2 nights lodging): Adults / $140 ($155 after Sept. 30) Youth (Grade 10 and up) $50 ($55 after October 5). Registration forms are now available at the parish. For further information contact Doreen Merkas at 705-693-0424 or zagorja@sympatico.ca

MORE REGIONALS POSTED IN CATHEDRAL DISPLAY CASE



The Sacrament of Reconciliation is one of the most unique and beautiful aspects of Catholicism. Jesus Christ, in His abundant love and mercy, established the Sacrament of Confession, so that we as sinners can obtain forgiveness for our sins and reconcile with God and the Church. The sacrament "washes us clean," and renews us in Christ.

"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you.' And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained'" (John 20:21-23).

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD IN THE CATHEDRAL EVERY SATURDAY FROM 3:00 TO 3:45 PM JUST PRIOR TO THE 4:00 PM MASS.

If you haven't been to Confession in a while, the Catholic Church wants to welcome you back, and invites you to participate in this beautiful sacrament of healing. Take a step in faith. You'll be surprised about how free you feel after taking part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. So many Catholics describe incredible feelings of peace, joy, relief, and love that they never expected. Jesus is calling you to experience His mercy in this way too.

Development and Peace Stamp Collection



The stamps affixed on the right corner of your envelopes can be very useful. Members of Development and Peace, who are philatelists, sell them to stamp collectors. The proceeds will help fund development projects. If you wish to support this initiative, simply cut off the stamps from your envelopes without damaging perforations, and drop them into the collection basket in baggies or envelopes.

Our D & P Coordinator, Lorraine Atchison, will make sure they are sent to the Stamp Project. Thank you for your support!!!

Why RCIA?



Our lives are a journey to God until the day when we all join together in our eternal home and worship the Lord face -to-face. You are among friends. As we build community through our RCIA sessions, it becomes clear that we all have times of doubt, fear, and frustration. During RCIA, we come together to look at our lives in light of the Gospel so that we can embrace a fuller discipleship of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

There are many reasons people decide that they are interested in becoming a Catholic. It makes no difference if you have been raised in another denomination, have no church affiliation or experience or even if you were never baptized. You may have started out Catholic but never completed your initiation with the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. RCIA is the process by which we welcome and prepare adults to enter the Catholic faith.

The RCIA process is sensitive to your needs before you make any commitment to the Catholic Church. The extent and the requirements of the process are adapted to your specific needs.



Is The Time Right For You?

Why not make the time to come and see how God works in your life. The only regret you may have is that you didn't do it earlier! Call the Parish Office at 472-3970 to see how we can welcome you into the Church.

The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will be held next weekend, coinciding with the beginning of the 75th anniversary year (1943-2018) of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB). In his message to pastors and pastoral agents, the Most Reverend Lionel Gendron, P.S.S., Bishop of Saint-Jean-Longueuil and President of the CCCB, recalls that when the Conference began, the Bishops with the encouragement of Pope Pius XII had decided the urgent pastoral, liturgical, religious, and socio-political questions of the day needed the collaboration of all the country's Bishops. Canada at the time was engaged in the Second World War, still feeling the effects of the Depression, and already understood the priority of post-war reconstruction.