09 September 2018

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

480 McIntyre Street West North Bay, ON P1B 2Z4

Welcome to Your Father's House!



Isaiah tells the people to be strong and not be afraid, for great things are about to happen. In the second reading, we hear from Saint James to show no partiality toward those who enter our lives. In the Gospel, Jesus cures a man and then orders the crowd not to tell anyone. It is never a good idea for someone to close themselves off from others. It is never a good idea to close our ears or to be silent to the plight of the most vulnerable among us. "Ephphatha! – that is – Be opened!"

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**
Wednesday to Friday	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

Readings: 10—16 September

Monday	**1 Corinthians 5. 1-8; Luke 6. 6-11**
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 6. 1-11; Luke 6. 12-19
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 7. 1, 17, 24-31; Luke 6. 20-26
Thursday	1 Corinthians 8. 1b-7, 11-13; Luke 6. 27-38
Friday	Numbers 21. 4-9; John 3. 13-17
Saturday	Hebrews 5. 7-9; John 19. 25-27
Sunday	**Isaiah 50. 5-9; James 2. 14-18; Mark 8. 27-35**

It's not too late! Sign up for Sharing Christ. See registration form in this weekend's bulletin!

ChristLife equips Catholics for the essential work of evangelization so that all people might personally encounter Jesus Christ and be transformed into His missionary disciples.

The ChristLife Evangelization Process, which is a relational way to make missionary disciples by helping people discover, follow, and share Jesus Christ. Our ministry partners with parishes, priests, clergy, religious and lay leaders who are seeking to answer the Church's call for the New Evangelization through a proven method of parish evangelization and outreach.



SHARING CHRIST a seven-week mission that trains Catholics to share Jesus Christ with others and invite them to be part of the Church.

11 September to 16 October

Visit: christlife.org for More Information

Visit: christlifenorthbay.org to Register

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!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 10 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Lucy Saini - Fernando and Colleen Cicci
Frances-Clare Fraboni - Alan, Leslie and Bill Noble
Patricia Murphy - Yvon and Jacqueline Cadrin

Tuesday, 11 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Marguerite Fullerton - Jeannette and Randy Dominico
Santo Scarfone - Nicolina and Domenic Mascioli
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Wednesday, 12 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Teresa and Frank Piekarski - Trudy, George and Jillian
Bev Brown - Robert and Judy
Intention of Jesse Boudreau - Aurele and Sue Boudreau and Family

Thursday, 13 September - St. John Chrysostom, Bishop/Dr.
In Thanksgiving for Prayers - Bernice Davis
Lucy Saini - Nicolina and Domenic Mascioli
Intention of Lorraine Atchison - Connie Zimbalatte

Friday, 14 September - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Sam Verrillo - The Family
Ab Klein - Colleen and Family
Ron Cook - Garry Murphy and Family

4:00 PM Saturday, 15 September - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lidia Rossi - The Family
Lucy Saini - Don and Lorraine Shago
Intention of Paul Smith - From Friends

Sunday, 16 September - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Brother Raymond Deschenes - Connie Zimbalatte
Dick Cuthbertson - Art and Elizabeth Appleton
Intention of Victor Sokolowski - Joanne and Family

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

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Pope Francis devoted his August 29 Wednesday general audience to his apostolic visit to Ireland on the occasion of the World Meeting of Families in Dublin.

This past weekend I travelled to Ireland for the Ninth World Meeting of Families, whose theme was The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World. Husbands, wives and children from throughout the world came together to witness to God's loving plan for marriage and family life. I was moved by the testimonies of faith, love, reconciliation and solidarity given by families living in vastly different situations. In my address to the authorities, I spoke of the need to support families in their essential role in society, while in my meetings in the Cathedral and at the great Vigil in Phoenix Park, I stressed the importance of cultivating God's gift of love and passing on the faith, as it were, "around the family table" in the daily dialogue of grandparents, parents and children. At Knock Shrine, I commended all families to Our Lady and offered a warm greeting to the people of Northern Ireland. Sadly, the joy of my Visit was clouded by the recognition of the suffering caused by the abuse of minors and young people by some members of the Church. I begged forgiveness for these crimes and encouraged the efforts made to ensure that they are not repeated. As we look forward to the next World Meeting of Families, to be held in Rome in 2021, let us pray that families everywhere will grow in faith, love and missionary zeal, and truly become, as they are meant to be, "joy for the world".

Catholic Women's League

It's that time of year again!

Pro-**Cathedral Catholic Women's League**

Annual Bazaar & Tea

Saturday, November 17, 2018 - 11 AM – 2 PM

Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall



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

Bazaar Convener: Lisa Henry at 493-4164

Tea Room: Position is vacant!

Can you help? Call Lisa Henry

Kitchen: Shirlene Condie 493-0718

Baking: Theresa Duffy 472-9036

Knitting: Mary-Lynn Truchon 474-3082

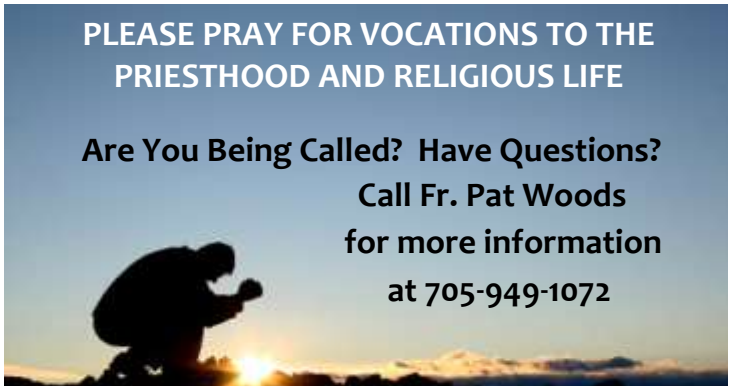
Heritage & Hidden Treasures: Marilyn Halsall 472-2194

Penny Sale: Judy Montgomery 476-5638

Raffle: Elizabeth Delrosabel 474-3925

Decorations: Annette Dutrisac 495-3584

Phone Committee: Lorraine Atchison 474-0613





INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION

A Baptismal Preparation Meeting will be held in the Lower Sacristy on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 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, September 17.

Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan Policy.

SUNDAY COLLECTION - 02 SEPT	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$6,590.40	**$957.65**



Attention all women: Are you nervous about speaking in public? Do your knees knock? Come out and learn effective public speaking techniques in a safe, supportive and fun environment on Saturday, September 15 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM in St. Peter's Parish Hall (handicap accessible), 299 Airport Road. Please bring a **brown bag lunch**. Coffee and tea will be available throughout the day. This interactive workshop is sponsored by the Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada. Hosted by St. Peter's CWL. **All women are welcome**. For more information and to register please call Mary-Lynn at 474-3082 (*pre-registration not mandatory). Hope to see you there!

Men's Club Dinner Meeting

The next Men's Club Dinner Meeting will be held **Wednesday, September 12**.

Join us at 5:30 PM for a great evening! At our meetings we discuss how we can be a positive influence on helping to build up our parish community. In the past we have, fund raised, hosted golf tournaments and dinners, gathered food for the food bank, run garage sales and much more!

If you are a gentleman over the age of 18 years, why not come out and see what we are all about ~ we can do good things together!

The Men's Club was formed to foster fraternity and attend to the needs of the Cathedral community.



Christians sentenced for practising their faith

Iranian Christians, Victor Bet-Tamraz, his wife Shamiram Issavi, Amin Afshar-Naderi and Hadi Asgari, have been sentenced to a combined total of 45 years in prison solely for practising their Christian faith, including through attending Christmas gatherings and organizing house churches. If imprisoned, they would be prisoners of conscience.

Meanwhile, in Nepal, the enactment of new legislation criminalizing religious conversion in Nepal has sparked a heightened sense of fear and insecurity among Christian minorities. One new law that came into effect on Aug.17 states that anybody who encourages or is involved in religious conversion using any means will be booked under a criminal offense and will face a jail term of five years and a fine of 50,000 Nepalese rupees (US$445). "The Christian community is alarmed about this new law. This is like a saw that is always hanging on top of us and can be used any time against us," said Father Silas Bogati, vicar general of the Apostolic Vicariate of Nepal, a Hindu-majority nation. It is a basic fundamental right of an individual to accept or practice any religion or any belief, he said.

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.

Join together to help save lives & change hearts!

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Please prayerfully consider your gifts and how you are being called to use them. We are in need of Eucharistic ministers for both home and church ministry. This ministry is a very special way to become more active in, and to help nourish our Parish Community. We are meant to give to and receive from one another. Why not give it a try for a few months? There is training and scheduling to meet your needs. Call the parish office if you are interested in this ministry.



REGIONAL EVENTS

Knights of Columbus Cemetery Sunday THIS WEEKEND - September 9: Provides our Catholic community with a special opportunity to visit and pray for family and friends, a time to socialize and remember old times and a place where children can learn about their family history. 1:30 PM at St. Mary's Cemetery and 2:30 PM at Holy Cross Cemetery.

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.

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.

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.

Sisters of St. Joseph present Theology on Tap – Join us as we meet at The Laughing Buddha on Elgin Street in Sudbury with Deacon Bruno Michel. **Discussion – Religion, the Driving Force Behind Science?** September 21 at 8:00 PM. Must be 18 to 30. A casual evening of discussion, socializing and free appetizers.

Redeemer Lutheran Church (Ferguson Street) Harvest Luncheon & Bake Sale September 15 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Everyone welcome!

Habitat for Humanity knows that safe, decent and affordable home ownership plays an absolutely critical role in helping families to create a new cycle, one filled with possibilities and progress. We are currently accepting applications from area families seeking safe, clean affordable homeownership. **Applications must be submitted prior to September 30.** Contact John Humble at 494-9143 or Peter Gregory at 845-1277 for more information.

Soles4Souls Charitable organization is looking for shoes, boots for kids, youth, adults, seniors in any condition to go to 3rd world countries. To donate, drop off on the porch/steps at 248 Sixth Avenue West. For more information call Carl at 498-1770.

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.

Sisters of St. Joseph – Motherhouse Present:

Christian Meditation: Tuesdays each month beginning September 11 from 1:30—2:30 PM in the Holy Family Chapel. This contemplative prayer is the opening of oneself to the love of the Spirit of God at the core of our being by the repetition of a Mantra. It is a way to self-knowledge, self-acceptance and awareness of all that God can do in our lives when we allow it.

Taize Prayer: Third Thursday each month (beginning September 20 7:00--8:00 pm in the Holy Family Chapel. Taize prayer includes song, scripture, and silence. The silence is to meditate and pray for openness to God's presence in our lives, and Peace in the world.

Fall Equinox: These are astronomical events that happen as the earth moves around the sun. Join us in celebrating the change of Seasons. Saturday, September 22 at 7:00 pm in the McColgan Room. Everyone is welcome….good will offering.

Spiritual Life Program on Creation: We will experience more deeply the amazing love which holds us in this caring universe. Using scripture, Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato si, DVD, music and prayer, we will explore the following themes:
The human person Sept. 19, Respect Oct. 10, Groaning Oct. 24, Grammar of Creation Nov. 7, Integral Ecology Nov. 21. Presenters: Sr. Noreen Muldoon, csj and Patty Dennis. Suggested offering: $ 60:00 for the series. Register by calling Sr. Noreen 474-3800 ext. 309



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.