20 January 2019

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!



In relaying the words of the Lord to Israel, Isaiah uses the image of a marriage to describe the relationship between God and his Chosen People. Saint Paul reminds us that the Spirit gives many different gifts to be used to build up the community. The Gospel tells the story of Jesus' first miracle – turning water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana. The wedding at Cana has Jesus at the heart of the celebration. He is present now as we gather to celebrate. Here today he bestows upon us his blessings and his gifts – bringing forth faith and reassuring us of his fidelity and abundant grace.

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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Rev. Mr. Donald Shago
Rev. Mr. Rick Hamelin
Rev. Mr. Gary Westenenk

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Mrs. Shirley Falconi
Mrs. Norma Milligan
Miss Ruth Godon

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.



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

Readings for the Week

Monday	Hebrews 5. 1-10; Mark 2. 18-22
Tuesday	Hebrews 6. 10-20; Mark 2. 23-28
Wednesday	Hebrews 7. 1-3, 15-17; Mark 3. 1-6
Thursday	Hebrews 7. 25—8.6; Mark 3. 7-12
Friday	Acts 22. 3-16; Mark 16. 15-18
Saturday	2 Timothy 1. 1-8; Luke 10. 1-9
Sunday	Nehemiah 8. 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12. 12. 14, 27; Luke 1. 1-4; 4. 14-21

Catholic Women's League

The New Executive will be installed on January 27 at the 11:00 AM Mass.

Executive Meeting: Monday, 28 January at 7:00 PM in the Lower Sacristy.

General Meeting: Wednesday, 05 February at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall - Join us!!!

Attention Parents



We will be preparing children for their First Eucharist beginning in May. ***If your child has already celebrated their First Confession*** and you wish to register them for First Eucharist, please complete a registration form found in the Cathedral and drop it in to the collection basket or at the parish office to get them registered.

If your child did not celebrate First Confession at the Pro-Cathedral—please attach a copy of their First Confession certificate to the registration form for First Eucharist.

We will be preparing children for First Reconciliation in the Fall of 2019—watch for news on this sacrament in late summer. Thank you!

Widows Helping Widow's Group

(We Welcome all Women to Join Us!)

Hey ladies! Our next gathering will be held on Sunday, 27 January at 1:30 PM in the Lower Sacristy (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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 21 January - Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin/Martyr
Maudena Farnsworth - Joe and Louise Defonzo
Intention of Jesse Boudreau - Aurele and Sue Boudreau & Family

Tuesday, 22 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Holy Souls in Purgatory - A Friend
Maudena Farnsworth - Diane Carmichael

Wednesday, 23 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Olga Rota - Joe and Louise Defonzo and Family
Teresa and Frank Piekarski - Trudy, George and Jillian

Thursday, 24 January - St. Francis De Sales, Bishop/Doctor
Intention of Jennifer and Brent Conley - Jim and Anne Marie Seguin
Olga Rota - Egidio and Teresa Tignanelli

Friday, 25 January - Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle
John Doyle - Mary Doyle and Family
Jack Veltri - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo

4:00 PM Saturday, 26 January - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Nick Plutino - Dora Plutino and Family
Maudena Farnsworth - Sharon Brown

Sunday, 27 January - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Intention of Vincent Lobo in Thanksgiving - Marisa Lobo
Intentions of the Donors and those Remembered in the Pro-Cathedral Memorial Fund

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

Reminder: Masses scheduled on a Saturday or Sunday are not verbally announced masses.

THIS WEEKEND!

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Every year in communities all over the world, Christians of all stripes gather to worship and pray for deeper unity amongst the Christian faithful. This year, the theme of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity was chosen by the churches in Indonesia:
"*Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue.*"
Please come and worship with us this year at Trinity United Church (Ferguson & McIntyre) on Sunday January 20 at 2:00 PM.

COLLECTION - 13 JANUARY	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$5,518.40	**$891.00**

Parish Social Committee Planning Meeting will be held on Wednesday 23 January in the Parish Hall. If you want to be part of this fun group who plan special events for our parish, come on out to this gathering!

discovering **Christ**

Discovering Christ begins Tuesday, February 12 at 6:00 PM – at Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall. A seven-week experience where anyone and everyone, from the baptized in the pews to the unbaptized, is invited to hear the Good News and personally encounter Jesus Christ. Discovering Christ helps people enter into or renew a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, experience the love of God the Father, and be empowered by the Holy Spirit to live as God's children.

A typical session consists of seven weekly sessions and a retreat day. The weekly sessions include four components: a meal, prayer time, a video teaching, and small group discussion.

This is a free program and everyone is welcome to attend! Consider this your personal invitation to make 2019 a year to renew your faith! For more information and to register visit our Christ Life website at www.ChristLifeNorthBay.org

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Vatican City (Agenzia Fides)

Young Missionaries, Witnesses of Christ



Fides News Agency recognizes young people who have not hesitated to "go forth" and put their lives in the hands of God to proclaim his Gospel and witness him, even by their very presence in particularly difficult situations: in hospital wards, with abandoned children, reaching a small, remote Catholic community, youth workers in an oratory in the middle of a war …

The youth of our times, similar to many of their contemporaries, certainly not naïve or unprepared, with high-school diplomas, lovers of music or dance, social media users, that have prepared themselves spiritually and culturally to face realities different to their own, evaluating objectively the risks in places where some thought of spending a period of time, others an entire lifetime.

"Let us go forth, then, let us go forth to offer everyone the life of Jesus" Pope Francis repeats continually. "If something should rightly disturb us and trouble our consciences, it is the fact that so many of our brothers and sisters are living without the strength, light and consolation born of friendship with Jesus Christ, without a community of faith to support them, without meaning and a goal in life" (Evangelii Gaudium 49).

This being "rightly disturbed" has certainly been felt by the many young people who have "gone forth" to help others, above all, the most despised, the abandoned and the forgotten, heedless of sacrificing a comfortable and, in some cases, affluent lifestyle, happy to give their life "to offer everyone the life of Jesus". They have not let that "missionary enthusiasm" be taken, that which pushed them to go forth in the name of God and that which the young of today are called upon to embrace as a precious inheritance from their contemporaries' bloodshed, and who continue to give life to the Church of Christ.

Missing Fr. Rex? No worries—he is still with us but is covering mass at St. Peter's for six weeks while Fr. Francis is on holidays.



We are creating a new group at the Pro-Cathedral to connect those who are going through the battle of coping with divorce, separation, or the end of a long-term relationship.

We all know what it is like to have our lives turned upside down. This group will allow our common ground to help each other and remind us that WE ARE NOT ALONE. This is not a psychotherapy group, but a social network that allows us to have conversations in a safe place with others who share some of the same emotions.

The end of a marriage is hard!! You may have realized that your current life is different than you had imagined. Your spouse may have just "dropped the bomb" that they do not want to be married anymore or maybe you are coming out of an unhealthy relationship. Everyone will have a different story but we are all linked by the common need to figure out how to get through the grief process. The emotions can be overwhelming, even family, friends, neighbours, or coworkers may not be able to relate or know how to support you even if they want to.

Please consider joining this group if you need someone to talk with. This group will be facilitated by Chad Franklin. Contact Karen at (705) 472-3970 or email office@procathedral.ca if you are interested in getting together. All calls are confidential.



✝ MEMORIAL FUND ✝

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

CARMELA CELEBRE OLGA ROTA

ROBERTA FITZSIMMONS

Are you putting your name & address on your 2019 envelopes? We already have several unknowns. Please make sure to identify yourself on your envelopes. Thank you!

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!



Did you miss registering for the Bible Study?

It's not too late to join the DVD led Bible Study,
The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation.
For your convenience you choose 2:00 PM OR 7:00 PM
Thursdays at the Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall.
Everyone welcome. Contact Loulou to register at
ml.delarosbel@hotmail.com or 705-825-2455
EVERYONE WELCOME!

REGIONAL EVENTS

Development and Peace Share Lent Presentation
Tara Hurford from the National Development and Peace Office will make a Share Lent 2019 Presentation on January 30 at St. Peter's Church at 7:00 PM. Refreshments will be served. Everyone welcome. For information call Shirley at 474-5379.

This Sunday, January 20 at 2:00 PM! The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Celebration: Every year in communities all over the world, Christians of all stripes gather to worship and pray for deeper unity amongst the Christian faithful. This year, the theme of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity was chosen by the churches in Indonesia: "Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue." Please come and worship with us this year at Trinity United Church.

Knights of Columbus Council 12106 Soup and Card Party January 28 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Parish. $8 entry fee includes lunch. For table reservation call John at 845-1020 or Roy at 477-4084.

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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.

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 – Motherhouse Present:
Christian Meditation: The last session for 2018 will be on Tuesday, December 11th from 1:30-2:30pm at the Motherhouse. Our first session of Christian Meditation for 2019 will be on Tuesday, January 15th and will continue on a weekly basis. Contemplative prayer is the opening of oneself to the love of the Spirit of God
Taize Prayer: Third Thursday each month 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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
St. Alphonsus in Callander: Every Friday 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon. First Friday 8:30 AM to 8:30 AM (24Hrs).
St. Peter the Apostle: First Wednesday of each month from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. Everyone is invited.
Holy Name of Jesus: Tuesday to Friday 11:30 AM to 4:30 PM. To make a weekly one-hour commitment, please call Gisele Champagne at 497-1911.
Pro-Cathedral: First Friday of the month 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon followed by 12:05 PM mass.
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.

Marriage Preparation Weekend February 8 & 9, May 31 & June 1, October 25-26 (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 payable at time of registration. Limited to 18 couples - register soon!

North Bay Community Blood Donor Clinics held every second Wednesday! Held 1-2:30 PM and 4-7:30 PM. Please book your appointment at www.blood.ca or call 1-888-236-6283 **Next Clinic dates January 23 at The Elks Lodge off Trout Lake Road.**

L'Arche North Bay is hosting a $10 Pasta Dinner Friday January 25 from 5-7 pm at St. Andrew's United Church, 399 Cassells Street. Come enjoy good food, good friends, and more! Participate in our First Annual "Signature Quilt" Draw. To book & buy your tickets please contact Phillip Penna at 705-474-0081 ext 7 or fundraiser@larchenorthbay.ca.

CONTACT CANA FOR YOUR RELIGIOUS ARTICLES
cana12cana@gmail.com or 705-776-2192

Going into or Have a Sick Family Member in Hospital? Mass is celebrated every Wednesday at 3:00 PM by a parish priest at the North Bay General Spiritual Centre (West Wing Entrance). And ... Eucharist is distributed Wednesday, Friday and Sunday by ministers of Holy Communion. Let pastoral care know your family member would like to be added to the list for visitation.

Catholic Charities collects clothing for free distribution to those in need. Clothing for men, women, children and infants, shoes, or accessories. Also towels, tea towels and sheet sets. Drop off to Catholic Charities entrance off Algonquin Tuesdays 9:00 to 11:30 AM or weekdays to the Pro-Cathedral Rectory (480 McIntyre Street West.). Items should be clean and in good repair. PLEASE — Due to Space Limitation Seasonal Clothing Only!

Service of Healing & Prayer, Christ Church Anglican on Greenwood Avenue 3rd Sunday of the Month 7 PM. **Next service 20 January.** Everyone welcome. Music, traditional and contemporary, scripture and teaching on theme of healing, opportunity for individual prayer.

Catholic Education Week – Special Event: The student Parish council of St-Ignace de Loyola Parish at the University of Sudbury invites students and young adults to join them for a Mass with Bishop Marcel Damphousse on February 3. Mass is at 10:15 AM and will be followed by lunch, the students will have the chance to chat with each other and with the Bishop. Interested? Have questions? Contact, mlemieux1@laurentian.ca.



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.