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Easter message 2019

Dear brother priests, dear deacons, dear faithful,

Christ is risen! He truly is risen! These words of faith and joy spontaneously surge from within the hearts of Christians on Easter morning. Our conviction today is rooted in the faith lived out and proclaimed by Christians for more than two thousand years. However, for the first disciples who preceded us on our faith journey, it was more difficult to believe that Jesus triumphed over death. On the morning of the resurrection, their faith is shaken and challenged. Peter is filled with remorse for having denied knowing Jesus; Thomas doubts; Mary Magdalene is disheartened; the two disciples on the road to Emmaus are deeply disappointed. With loving kindness, Jesus responds to the specific needs of each person. He offers a word of restoration to those who have fallen, a word of encouragement to those who doubt, a word of comfort to those who are disheartened and a word of hope to those who are disappointed.

Among the apparitions of Christ recounted by the Gospels during the Easter season, the meeting of the risen Jesus with the disciples of Emmaus (Lk 24,13-35) appears particularly relevant for our times. As it was for them, it is sometimes difficult for us to believe that Jesus' passion and death result in LIFE. Do we not ask ourselves, as they did, where is our God in these times when we often feel disconcerted by the situation of the Church and of society? Do we feel our hope weaken when we see our world devastated by hatred, violence and multiple conflicts? And the lack of human and Christian values in many political leaders? And the instability of families where young people feel torn? And the scandals within the Church, etc.? Do we sometimes feel defeated and ask ourselves what is the purpose of our faith when God seems so far removed from us?

And yet, Jesus is truly risen! As it did for the disciples of Emmaus, a new hope can be rekindled in us. Let us remember that Jesus always walks with us, whatever our journey may be. Let us also remember that, through Jesus, life triumphs over death. Easter invites us to relive the experience of the disciples of Emmaus: by opening our heart and being attentive to Jesus who walks with us; by learning to recognize him in his Word and in the Eucharist, by allowing him to fill our hearts with the fire of his love, so that we may proclaim loudly and clearly, here and now, by our words and by our actions : "Christ is truly risen! "

To each and every one of you, I wish the joy and the hope of Easter.

+Marcel Damphousse
Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie



EASTER MEMORIAL Decorations



With the Memorial donations received, we were able to decorate the church for the Easter Season. The Easter Sunday Masses are offered in remembrance of all those whose names were received. ***Please keep these people in your thoughts and prayers.***

Doreen Drysdale
Jack Slowther
Lou Gosselin
Gino Tedesco
Virginia Tedesco
Giuseppe Tedesco
Dr. Rocci Zimbalatte
Stephen Zimbalatte
Judge James and Kathleen McCurry
Members of the McCurry Family
Margaret McCabe
Members of the Casey Family
Janet Lanos
Members of the Zimbalatte Family
Rene Duquette
Members of the Parslow Family
Frank Toth
Members of the Allen Family
George and Sylvia Renette
Members of the Priolo Family
Members of the Zappala Family
Larry and Kitsy Rymes
John Bennison
Rita Backer
Marion McDermott
Fred Cunningham
Members of the Girard Family
Bud and Claire Clayton
Members of the Smits Family
Harold and Margot Pedersen Family
Members of the Morrissette Family
Robert and Isabella Hummel Family
Marilyn Campbell
Glenna McAuley
Eleanor Gauthier
W. and G. St. Louis and Pauline
Americo and Maria Stroppa
Laurel Stroppa
Adalgisa and Giuseppe Falconi
Coleen Delvecchio
Georgia Garand
Jason Delvecchio
Donald Stone
Paul Donnelly
John and Theresa Dawson
Lou Goyette
Marty Martinello
Russell and Isabel Morin

Members of the Valade Family
Emily and Oscar Paquette
Jeanne Hodgins
Dora and Ormeus Bedard
Alice Hopkinson
Florence and Leo Paquette
Gertrude and Eugene Souliere
Florence and Paul Paquette
Evelyn and Art Souliere
Theresa and Fernand Guerette
Shirley Hedican
Henry Gauthier
Theron Piper
Lorne and Katie Brownson
Donald Cameron
Members of the Cadrin Family
Livio and Lucy Cappadocia
Members of the de Blois Family
John Doyle
Members of the Appleton Family
Members of the Worth Family
Ollie and Tony Dominico
Dot Evers
Giuseppina and Giuseppe Bitonti
Clifford McParland
Salvatore and Carmela Patrizio
John Patrizio
Gilda and Candido Ceccanese
Nello Ortepi
Gianluca Gerardi
Members of the Hlusek Family
Anne Renton
Gerry and Carol Mantha
Mike Forte
Mathieu Renaud
Denis Amo
Members of the Lamont Family
Giuseppe and Giuseppina Bitonti
Carmine and Aurelia Canarino
Members of the Deviveiros Family
Members of the Aguiar Family
John and Brian Cotter
Members of the Carreiro Family
Matthias and Margaret Kelly & Family
Leo and Agnes Fournier

Members of the Landry Family
Patricia Murphy
Members of the Goyette Family
Len and Leona Murphy
Jean Fitzgerald
Philip and Rosey Andrade
Members of the D'Sousa Family
Henry Andrade
Earl and Helen Turner
Tom and Harry Turner
Grace Boudreau
Richard Cuthbertson
Al Hart
Nicholas and Nicholine Cangiano
Simon Boulanger
Deceased Parents of Theresa and Silvio Ricci
Parents & Relatives
of Ben & Theresa Boudreau
Relatives and Friends of the Potvin Family
Michael Dolighan
Glennis Dolighan
Members of the Goulais Family
Colleen Normanbeau
Durand Family Members
Members of the Jennings Family
Relatives of Stewart and Denise Hogan
Marisa Urso
Adelina and Francesco Tignanelli
Madeleine and Frank Calarco
Members of the Busch Family
Members of the Renette Family
Marguerite "Dolly" Reny
Marie Guillemette
Members of the Sherry Family
Joseph Tripodi
Members of the Fitzmaurice Family
Members of the Vendetti Family
Jean-Claude Hebert
Members of the Condon Family
Members of the Lafleur Family
Relatives of Cliff and Marg Riopelle
Brian Kavanagh
Nancy Kavanagh
Relatives of Tom and Dianne Wilson

Names continue on reverse.



Liberato Campanaro
Linda Leblanc
Laurier and Lucille Brisson
Aurore Brisson
Aline Lalande
Lisa Lafontaine
Gord Evans
Laurie Lafontaine
Foy Gulick
Marie Rapoport



Dan Lafontaine
Wilfred and Marie Estelle Lindsay
Edward and Malvina Foubert
Andy and Anne Dorschener
Mr. and Mrs. Natale Falconi
Hermine Page
Arthur Morrissette
Bob Morrissette
Norman Lafontaine

"Do not Weep"
We believe in Jesus
and he gives us eternal life!



Alleluia!

Christ is risen, and we are no longer afraid.





Thank you to everyone who donated generously to our Easter Memorial Flowers and Decorations celebrating the resurrection. We remember your loved ones during this holy season and pray in a special way for them this Easter Sunday.
Names received after April 16 will be printed in next weekend's bulletin.

Easter blessings of love, hope and peace to you and your loved ones!

Parents, don't forget!
Our next First Eucharist gathering begins with a pizza dinner at 5:15 in the parish hall on Wednesday, May 15.
You must RSVP to Kathy at kathystorie@icloud.com or Parish Office 472-3970.
RSVP by May 13 Please!



Spring is Here Social!

April 28 after the 11 am Mass

Come out to Brunch!



Chat with friends and see what everyone's plans are for the holidays!

Why not come out and discuss the weekend's homily?

Or ... just come out to our gathering and enjoy some great food.

Great food, friendships and fun!





Looking for volunteers who can periodically water plants in the Cathedral as needed especially after Easter. If you are interested in helping out please contact the parish office. Many hands make for light work!



All in! Why God Wants you to Live with Purpose! Northern Ontario Youth Conference will be held Saturday, May 4 at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall featuring speaker, musician and TV host, Michael Chiasson. Sponsored by the Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board and the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie this day will include time for socializing, recreation, personal reflection, prayer and reconciliation. The theme will help students to reflect on their relationships with others and with God, and encourage them to live out their unique mission in life with purpose.

Visit www.procathedral.ca under NEWS for more information and to register online or call or visit your parish office.

YOUTH CONFERENCE

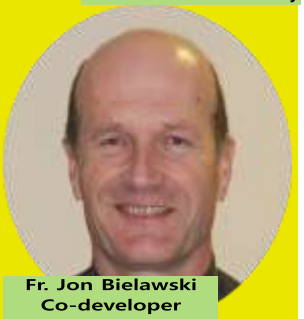
Pope Francis APRIL Prayer Intentions

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

THE NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT

On May 4, join thousands of Catholics from around the world at the premier conference on the New Evangelization. The event will be held live in Ottawa and webcast to host sites across Canada, the US, the UK, and Australia. This year's Summit is once again featuring world-class Catholic speakers: Fr. James Mallon, Michael Dopp, Cardinal Gérald Lacroix , Michelle Moran, Fr. Jon Bielawski, and Michele Thompson. The NES has been designed to inspire Catholics and help them live out their personal call to evangelize. North Bay is incredibly excited to be a host site for NES. **This year, the Summit is FREE for all attendees!** Be inspired, receive formation, and connect with other Catholics. Register now at **www.newevangelization.ca**


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Author & Founder
Divine Renovation Ministry


Fr. Jon Bielawski
Co-developer
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Michael Dopp
Founder, Mission of
the Redeemer Ministries


Michele Thompson
Co-developer
The Genesis Mission


Michelle Moran
Founding Member
Sion Catholic


Gerald Cardinal Lacroix
Archbishop of Quebec

Location: Pro-Cathedral **When:** Saturday, May 4

Time: 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM **Cost:** FREE

Those without online registration contact Len at 705-492-8311

Our Goals To Inspire To Form To Connect

Speakers who are leaders in the New Evangelization will provide inspiration, encouragement, training, practical wisdom and resources on how Catholics can effectively evangelize.

All Catholics – pastors, missionaries, lay ministers, and the lay faithful – will benefit from this powerful opportunity to be further equipped in the fundamental mission of the Church.

Our hearts need to be set on fire with a love for Christ and a desire to make Him known. Only a person that is deeply convinced of the need for evangelization will begin to go out and do it. It is easy for our love to grow lukewarm and our hearts to grow cold. We need to be reminded and inspired regularly of the tremendous gift God has for us: to be an instrument in leading other people to salvation.

The Holy Father sends greetings and the assurance of his closeness in prayer to all taking part in the forthcoming "New Evangelization Summit". He trusts that this significant pastoral event will provide inspiration and direction to local Churches across North America as they strive to proclaim "the joy of the Gospel" in a spirit of missionary discipleship, offering the world the reasons for our hope in Christ the Saviour (cf 1 Pet 3:15). Commending the participants to the loving protection of Mary, Mother of the Church, His Holiness cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing as a pledge of joy and peace in the Lord.

Cardinal Pietro Parolin
Secretary of State