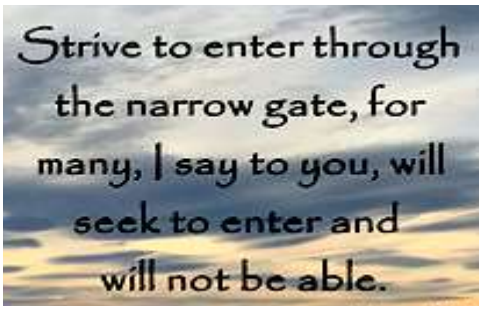
25 August 2019

21st 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, God proclaims that he comes to gather all nations. The second reading exhorts the Christian community not to disdain discipline, as it originates from God's love. In the Gospel from Luke, Jesus tells his followers to strive for salvation through the narrow gate. Today we are given fair warning by Jesus that we should strive earnestly to enter the kingdom of God, and not simply assume a place will be reserved for us. So let's make an effort, as we travel the path of discipleship, to travel lightly, unencumbered by unnecessary attachments to the things of this world.

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

RECTOR
Msgr. Dave Tramontini

ASSISTANT
Rev. Rex Lumine

PERMANENT MINISTERS

Deacons
Rev. Mr. Albert Falconi
Rev. Mr. Donald Shago
Rev. Mr. Rick Hamelin
Rev. Mr. Gary Westenenk

Diocesan Order of Women
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 Sacraments



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 Thursday	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**
Friday	**OFFICE CLOSED**

READINGS 26 AUG—01 SEPT

Monday	1 Thessalonians 1. 1-5, 8b-10; Mt. 23. 13-22
Tuesday	1 Thessalonians 2. 1-8; Matthew 23. 23-26
Wednesday	1 Thessalonians 2. 9-13; Matthew 23. 27-32
Thursday	Jeremiah 1. 17-19; Mark 6. 17-29
Friday	1 Thessalonians 4. 1-8; Matthew 25. 1-13
Saturday	1 Thessalonians 4. 9-11; Matthew 25. 14-30
Sunday	Sirach 3. 17-20, 28-29; Hebrews 12. 18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14. 1, 7-14

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Membership reminder – On behalf of Brenda Passmore, Membership Chairperson, CWL members who have paid their 2019 membership can pick up their membership cards from the CWL box on the table on the right hand side when you come into the church.

Bazaar 2019 – Want to help out? Please contact Leah Pierce, Convener, at 472-5687, or by email at pn.thebay@gmail.com. ***We require many volunteers to make our bazaar a success. Join us!***



SAVE THESE DATES!

Our next **Executive Meeting** will be held on Monday, August 26 at 7:00 PM in the Lower Sacristy.

The next **Christmas Bazaar & Tea meeting** will be held on Thursday, August 29 at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall.



General Meeting September 4 at 6:30 PM in the Parish Hall. We will have our New Members Ceremony at this gathering - please come out to welcome and meet our new members! If you are not a new member yet—please come out to our meeting and see what we are all about! We would love to have you join us!



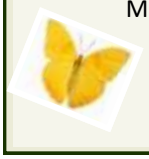
Donations Welcome!

On Saturday, October 5, 2019, the CWL will be hosting a Pasta Dinner in the Parish Hall following Mass.

A Silent Auction Fundraiser will be held at this dinner and we are now soliciting PRIZES for this Auction.

If you have something to donate, please contact Marilyn Halsall at 472-2194 or dhalsall@cogeco.ca

Thank you for your generosity, and mark your calendar for the Pasta Dinner on October 5.





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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 26 August - Weekday in Ordinary Time
COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday, 27 August - Memorial of St. Monica
Omer Gauthier - Aurele and Susan Boudreau
In Honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus - Mildred Puddister
Lidia Rossi - Michael Rossi and Mary Lou Peddle and Families

Wednesday, 28 August - St. Augustine, Bishop/Martyr
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Linda Leblanc - Carmela and Tony Campanaro
Gaetane Trudel - The Family
Denis Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu and Family

Thursday, 29 August - The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Rocco and Maria Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo
Intention of Bev Brown - Robert and Judy
Intention of Danielle Florio Karen Beaulieu

Friday, 30 August - Weekday in Ordinary Time
For Holy Souls in Purgatory
Kay McInnes - Clifford and Margaret Riopelle

4:00 PM Saturday, 31 Aug - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark and Jacob Lugli - Marthe Smith
Intention of Rosemary Ronan - William DeGrosbois

Sunday, 01 September - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Raymond Patrie Sr. - Raymond Patrie Jr.
Intention of Bev Brown - Robert and Judy

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

Note: Only weekday masses are announced verbally.

Pope Francis on protecting the environment, even as we continue to advance technologically…

"Now is the time for courageous actions and strategies, aimed at implementing a culture of care and an integrated approach to combating poverty, restoring dignity to the excluded, and at the same time protecting nature. We have the freedom needed to limit and direct technology; to devise intelligent ways of developing and limiting our power; and to put technology at the service of another type of progress, one which is healthier, more human, more social, more integral."

Congratulations to
Lynn and Bob Dufort who celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary on August 29

May God, who has given you these years together, of his infinite goodness and mercy continue to bless you and your union.
With all our love on your special day,
may God bless you both!
Love, your family and friends

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. Call the Parish Office at 472-3970 to see how we can welcome you into the Church.

COLLECTION - 11 AUGUST	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$4,545.20	**$5,519.00**

COLLECTION - 18 AUGUST	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$4,504.43	**$1,064.00**

PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATIONS JULY	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$6,214.00	**$1,529.00**

Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide

Questions of life and death always provoke impassioned debates. It is impossible to remain indifferent to the danger posed to the most vulnerable among us.

Being well informed is essential in order to participate effectively in the public debate and to propose truly human and Christian solutions.

The Catholic Organization for Life and Family published a very informative leaflet in 2016 answering many of the questions you may have. In this brochure, written in a clear and accessible style, the COLF answers 14 questions related to euthanasia and assisted suicide.

Love, compassion, dignity...discover the true meaning of these words. View the document by:

Typing the following into your browser:
colf.ca/en/publications/item/84

Visiting our website at procathedral.ca
and view this document under CURRENT NEWS

Requesting a paper copy by calling the parish office.

Looking for Meaning in Your Life?

Are childhood memories surfacing?
Have you made mistakes?
Do you need to forgive others?
Do you need to be healed?
Looking for fullness of truth and grace?
Want your children to have a faith foundation?
Looking to be part of a community?
Want to help other people?
Do you hunger for the Eucharist?

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Come back to the Catholic Church
We will Welcome You!
Have Questions?
Call us at 472-3970
Email us at office@procathedral.ca

PARISH REGISTRATION:

Please help keep our records up-to-date! You may bring this form to the parish office or place in the collection.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ P/C: _____ Cell Phone: _____

☐ I am new to the parish and I wish to register

☐ I am unsure if registered, please check

☐ I have recently moved, please update



I wish to donate using:

Contribution Envelopes ☐

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Pre-Authorized Bank Donations ☐

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

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 would like more information before deciding whether these gatherings are right for you — give Karen Beaulieu a call at 495-6675.

Holy Land Wood Art— Coming this September!



The main income for the Christian community of Bethlehem—The Birth Place of Jesus—is selling their handcrafted olive wood religious items to the pilgrims who visit the area. The past few years have been extremely hard for the community as a result of declining tourism. Some Christians responded by fleeing the Holy Land, and the absence of a living Christian community is very dangerous for the Holy Sites such as the Church of The Nativity. On September, 21 & 22, we will be having some of their beautiful art held for sale in an effort to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.



Like us on Facebook

Regional Events

Knights of Columbus Cemetery Sunday September 8: 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. Everyone welcome.



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

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Information Meeting for anyone who would like to know more about this Montessori approach to forming young children in the faith. Visit us at the Atrium located at the Pro-Cathedral on Thursday, September 26 at 6:30 PM to find out how your child can nurture a relationship with God in an atmosphere of peace in a sacred space. Contact Erin Tayler at 840-8509 or email her at corpuschristi.atrium@gmail.com for more information.
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level I Training Session for those interested in becoming a catechesis working with the 3-6 year old child will be held March 2020. For more information and to register visit www.cgsac.ca>training or contact Erin Tayler.

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.

Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board – First Day of Class is September 3. Schools open August 26-30 for registration or call 494-3888.

Marriage Preparation Weekend: October 25-26 6:30 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 registration. Limited to 18 couples register soon!

Contact CANA for your religious articles, books & more! Email Kas or Alana at cana12cana@gmail.com or 705-776-2192

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.

Coming Soon! New series on Dialogue for Reconciliation with the gatherings including Indigenous speaker sharing his journey in and beyond a residential school; discussion of White Privilege; film or video presentation; & steps in reconciliation. Free will offerings accepted. Dates and Registration information to follow soon.

Noon Hour Supervisor Required for Mother St. Bride School
(414 Second Avenue West) to supervise elementary school students during the school's nutrition breaks. Monday to Friday 10:30 to 11:30 AM and 12:45 to 1:45 PM. For consideration, forward your resume/application by noon on August 27, 2019 to: Human Resources, Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board, 1000 High St., North Bay, ON P1B 6S6, HumanResources@npsc.ca For the protection of its students, the Board requires successful applicants to provide a satisfactory current criminal background record check, including a vulnerable sector screening, as a condition of employment.

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.