13 OCTOBER 2019

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

Welcome to Your Father's House!



In the first reading, Naaman is cured of his leprosy after following the prophet Elisha's instructions to plunge into the Jordan River seven times. In his Letter to Timothy, Paul notes that while he may be in chains, the word of God is not. All who are faithful to Christ will obtain salvation in him. In the Gospel, Jesus cleanses 10 lepers but only one of them – a Samaritan – returns to give glory and thanks to God. The first reading and the Gospel show us miraculous cures from the terrible disease of leprosy. Through faith and trust, those who were sick listened to and followed the direction of their healers and regained their lives and standing in the community. Nothing is beyond God's capabilities, including forgiving our most egregious sins.

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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Msgr. Dave Tramontini

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Rev. Rex Lumine

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

WEEKLY READINGS: 14 ~ 20 OCTOBER

Monday	Romans 1. 1-7; Luke 11. 29-32
Tuesday	Romans 1. 16-25; Luke 11. 37-41
Wednesday	Romans 2. 1-11; Luke 11. 42-46
Thursday	Romans 3. 21-30; Luke 11. 47-54
Friday	2 Timothy 4. 9-17a; Luke 10. 1-9
Saturday	Romans 4. 13, 16-18; Luke 12. –12
Sunday	Exodus 17. 8-13; 2 Timothy 3. 14-4.2; Luke 18. 1-8

Thank you!



To everyone who helped decorate the cathedral for this beautiful season of Thanksgiving—thank you.

Your donations will be given to Catholic Charities Food Bank on Monday to be distributed at the Tuesday morning opening so that all may enjoy this bounty.

Coffee Time & Faith Drop-In



Each date listed we will view two 30 -minute DVD topics. No pre-requisites, no homework, all are welcome! You can choose to attend the day session (1:00-2:30 PM) or evening session (6:30-8:00 PM). We meet in the parish hall.

Untold Blessing: Three Paths to Holiness
October 10, 24, and 31
Our ultimate goal is to be a saint. It is our greatest calling and what is desired for us by our Creator.

Eucharist: November 7, 28
Experience for yourself the profound mystery of the Eucharist as: Sacred Meal, Sacrifice and Real Presence.

Conversion: Following the Call of Christ
December 5, 12, and January 9, 2020
The common theme in each story is the turning of all one's attention and energy toward an ever deeper, personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

Please contact Loulou Delarosbel 705-825-2455 to register (even if it is just a drop-in)

Mass for the Bereaved & The Book of Life



On November 2 we traditionally celebrate All Souls Day - a way of remembering and celebrating the lives of all those who have died.

This year, our celebration will be held at the 11:00 am mass on Sunday, November 3 with a social to follow in our Parish Hall.

Everyone is welcome to attend this mass and we extend a special invitation to those who have lost a loved one in the last year.

Each year at this time we also update "The Book of Life," our parish book that records the names of our deceased loved ones. The names of all those who have died from our parish during the past year (01 November 2018—28 October 2019) are recorded on the front page. For anyone who would like to update their page or add a page for their deceased loved ones, please contact the parish office for direction.

If you have lost a loved one in the last year call the office or droop us a note through the collection with the name of the deceased and your name and telephone number.
All names must be received by Wednesday, October 30.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 14 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Shirley Hedican - The Hedican Family

Tuesday, 15 October - St. Teresa of Jesus
Gaetane Trudel - The Family
Tony DeMarco - Art Gabor

Wednesday, 16 October - St. Marguerite D'Youville
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Teresa and Frank Piekarski - Trudy, George and Jillian

Thursday, 17 October - St. Ignatius of Antioch
Maria Marinaro - The Verrillo Family
Shirley Hedican - The Hedican Family

Friday, 18 October - Feast of St. Luke
Intention of Judy and Robert - Ray and Marlene Walter

4:00 PM Saturday, 19 Oct. - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tony DeMarco - Myra May and Lisa Lee Medveduke

Sunday, 20 October - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Maria Rola - The Bettiol Family

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

Note: Only weekday masses are announced verbally.



The primary duties and responsibilities of ushers is to welcome visitors & parishioners, escort them to seating, take up the collection, distribute bulletins, and provide a goodbye salutation after mass. This is a great opportunity to serve with very little time commitment required.

We really need ushers at our 9:00 AM mass. Could you help us out?



At our 9:00 AM Sunday Mass
Families Welcome - Join us!

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?
KNOW SOMEONE WHO DOES?

* **Been THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC for some time but never got around to doing anything about it?**
* **MARRIED TO A CATHOLIC, but not yet made a religious commitment of your own?**
* **INVOLVED IN THE PARISH here at the Pro-Cathedral but never taken the step towards becoming a member in full communion with the Church?**
* **BAPTISED, but not active in a church, or find yourself wanting more?**

Is the time right for you? Call the Parish Office to see how we can welcome you into the Church.



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.

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!



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday. On this day Pope Francis invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for the Propagation of the Faith. Your support will help missionaries in proclaiming the Gospel of joy and peace around the world. Please join in this special day that unites Catholics from all **over the world through prayer and care for the Church's** mission. Your donations will support churches, hospitals, schools and train seminarians and religious brothers and sisters in Asia, Africa, Latin America, Oceania, and some of our Canadian dioceses.



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.

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.

Thank you so much for continuing to collect and drop off the stamps. We appreciate your support!

COLLECTION - 06 OCTOBER	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$5,258.45	**$4,554.00**



The parable of the Good Samaritan shows that mercy and compassion are not always convenient, and that love of neighbour can't be limited to those like us.

As the Samaritan saw his bloodied enemy lying there on the road, he could have smugly said "serves him right" and continued walking. Compassion for the suffering of a fellow human being won out. His duty was clear and he went out of his way to help.

The people who we think are most likely to help, are often the ones who don't and others who you'd least expect to help actually go out of their way to lend a helping hand. Sometimes God tests us to do the right thing. Jesus said: "Not every one who says to me," Lord, Lord," shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father" (Matthew 7:21). And the will of the Father is not just that we abstain from doing bad things (sins of commission) but that we actually fulfill our obligation to do justice and works of mercy.

We can't meet all the needs of every suffering person in our own neighbourhood, let alone all over the world. And sometimes charity is inconvenient. That's what the cross is about. The Samaritan saw *the entire human race* bloodied on a desolate road to nowhere. He got involved. What we are asked to do as Christians is to love with His love – with compassion, mercy and love of neighbour.

Priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations should be constant concern in the hearts of God's people throughout the year. If you know someone who might benefit from your encouragement toward a Catholic Church vocation invite them to consider being a priest, brother or sister.

Hey Snow Birds! Don't forget about us while you are away for the cold winter months. If you can keep up your financial support of the parish it would be much appreciated!

2020 envelopes will be out in November for pickup. Before choosing this method for donations—***have you considered the convenient pre-authorized methods?*** You can donate safely through VISA or Mastercard donations or directly from your bank account. If you would like more information, please contact the parish office.

If you have moved in the past year, don't forget to drop the office an email or note to verify that we have your new address on file.

If you are using one of the following envelopes—please call the parish office to verify. We have been posting donations to the number all year but don't know who you are**: 68 77 234 298**



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



"Widows helping widows is primarily a social support group and we gather for: coffee at Twiggs every Wednesday at 10 am, good movie & dinner, once/month for lunch, catered Christmas dinner, annual healing Mass, as well as other social events as they arise throughout the year. We would love to have you join our group of widows. Please think about it. You can call Karen Beaulieu for more information at 495-6675. Looking forward to meeting you!

REGIONAL EVENTS

Knights of Columbus Council #1007 Executive Meeting at 6:30 PM and General Meeting at 7:00 PM 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.

Development & Peace 2019 Education & Action Campaign: Theme "For Our Common Home". Gather at St. Peter's Church on Thursday, October 17 at 7:00 PM for more information. Call Shirley at 474-5379 if you have questions.

St. Peter's Catholic Women's League Harvest Tea, Bazaar, Penny Sale and White Elephant Table October 19 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Please join us!

North Bay & Area Right to Life 36th Annual Dinner: Friday, November 1 at Best Western. Guest Speaker Jack Fonseca. Topic: For Life – Against the World. Doors Open 5:00 PM, Dinner at 6:00 PM. $30 - $20/Student. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Call JP: 476-0953, Nancy: 472-6099 Harley 752-4105 or Jeannine 724-3424.

EDGE: NEW Catholic Youth Program: ALL students in Grade 6, 7 & 8 from any school or church are welcome to join our EDGE Youth Nights starting Thursday, October 17 from 6:30-8:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Church (and continuing every Thursday night after). Each night includes music, games, prayer, teaching and social time. Evenings are led by Catholic high school students, Fr. Daniele Muscolino and a team of volunteer adults. EDGE provides a safe, fun place for youth to find solid friendships and learn more about our Catholic faith. For more information visit www.holynamestalphonsus.com/edge or call 705-495-1501.

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

ASCENT: A Journey of Discipleship for Young Adults 18-35
A new Catholic educational and spiritual program for Young Adults 18-35 in North Bay begins October 20. Journey with other Catholic young adults in deepening your faith, growing in your relationship with Jesus, and learning about what it means to be truly Catholic. Become a true disciple of Jesus and have your questions about the Catholic faith answered. Join us Sunday afternoons from 12:45- 2:30 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Church. For more info visit www.holynamestalphonsus.com/ascent

Faith sharing at Villa Loyola-Lectio divina: Read and pray together the Gospel text of the following Sunday and deepen our understanding. Tuesday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. Dates: October 15, November 26, December 3, 10,17. Director: Fr. Wim Dombret, SJ. Registration: call Villa Loyola 705-522-3502 ext 0. Free admission/a tax receipt provided for donations of $25 or more.



Our next Baptismal Preparation Meeting will be held in the Lower Sacristy on TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22 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, October 21.

Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan Policy.

Mother St. Bride CSAC fundraiser October 20. Eat at Boston Pizza and 10% of all sales *(reservations, take-out & dine-in)* will be donated to the school to support student activities! Call the school 472-1524, for a seating time. Thank you!

Employment opportunity: Ste-Agnes Parish in Azilda is currently searching for an individual to work in the office as secretary / bookkeeper. The applicant would need a good knowledge of computer programs; office skills and bookkeeping. Permanent part-time position at 24 hours a week. Applicant must be fluent in French. For further information, please call 705-983-4392 or send your resume as soon as possible to steagnes@ssmd.ca.

Free "Stand Up!" Classes – falling is not a normal part of aging. Register for a free 12 week falls prevention class by calling the North Bay Health Unit at 1-800-563-2808, Ext. 5357

YEO (Youth Evangelizing Others) is a Catholic Youth Group designed for grade 8-12 students with a mission to bring other teens to know Jesus through testimonies, talks, skits, and games. Friday nights at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall (McLeod Street Doors) 6:30-9:00 PM. For more information, contact Sam at 471-3284.

CLAY: A fun filled Catholic Youth Program for ages JK to Grade 6. Clay meets Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00 PM at St. Gregory's School in Powassan. Enter via the back door (Gym Entrance). No charge. Registration form to be completed. Come out and join us for games, crafts and faith teachings in a fun filled and positive environment. For more information please contact Jessica Sheppard at (705) 496-6219 or jessicasheppard@gmail.com. .

Fall Lunch and Bake Sale at St. Brice's Anglican Church October 19 from 11 AM to 1 PM. Hearty Soup and Rolls, and dessert, tea and coffee will be served. Adults $5.00 and children under 10 years $2.50. Crafts, Treasures, and unique cards will also be sold.

Silver Linings – Before, During & After Cancer Health & Wellness Information and Support Day for everyone. October 19 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Widdifield Secondary School. Admission by donation. Join us for sharing, stories, information, supports, services and more!

Development and Peace Social Justice Weekend at the Anishinabe Spiritual Centre, Espanola October 25-27. Regular Cost: Adults *$160,* Students *$55,* Early Bird Adults *$140,* Students *$50* (*Includes registration, six meals and two nights lodging*). *To register, please contact: Doreen Merkas phone 705-693-0424 or email zagorja@sympatico.ca*

Sisters of St. Joseph Present
Christian Meditation Beatitude "Blessed are the pure in heart" Tuesdays from 1:30-2:30 PM in the Holy Family Chapel. Join with others to experience contemplative prayer by entering into silence to open yourself to the love and presence of God.
Taize Prayer: Third Thursday of the Month from 7:00-8:00 PM beginning October 17. A Taizé hour of worship involves song, periods of silence, a scripture reading and meditation, intercessory prayer and/or icons. There is no preaching.