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The Presentation of the Lord

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!



In the first reading, the prophet Malachi describes the one who will prepare a way before the Lord when he comes to purify his people. The author of Hebrews describes how Jesus came to share in flesh and blood like God's children so as *to expiate the sins of the people*. In the Gospel, Jesus is taken by Mary and Joseph to be presented in the Temple; he is recognized by Simeon and Anna as *the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem*. The feast of the Presentation of the Lord invites us to celebrate the truth that Christ is the light of all nations, and the long-awaited glory of Israel. As we celebrate God's presence among us, we are invited to reflect on our calling to bring his redemptive light into our 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

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Msgr. Dave Tramontini

ASSISTANT
Rev. Rex Lumine

PERMANENT MINISTERS

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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	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**
WEDNESDAY	**OFFICE CLOSED**
THURSDAY & FRIDAY	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

READINGS: 03 - 09 FEBRUARY	
Monday	2 Sam. 15. 13-14, 30; 16. 5-13a; Mk. 5. 1-20
Tuesday	**2 Samuel 18. 9-10, 14b, 24-26a, 30—19.3; Mark 5. 21-43**
Wednesday	**2 Samuel 24. 2, 9-17; Mark 6. 1-6**
Thursday	1 Kings 2. 1-4, 10-12; Mark 6. 7-13
Friday	**Sirach 47. 2-11; Mark 6. 14-29**
Saturday	**1 Kings 3. 4-13; Mark 6. 30-34**
Sunday	Isaiah 58. 6-10; 1 Corinthians 2. 1-5; Matthew 5. 13-16

PLEASE NOTE THAT PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY WEDNESDAY WHILE STAFF ATTEND A DIOCESAN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

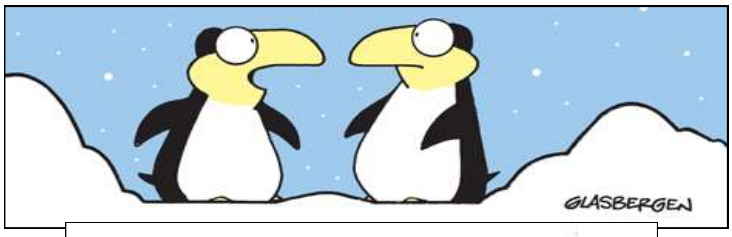
DATE	TIME	WHAT'S UP?
February 4	1:30—3:00 PM	Line Dancing
February 5	6:30 PM	CWL General Meeting
February 6	1:00 & 7:00 PM	Bible Study of the Psalms
February 12	6:30 PM	Parish Council Meeting
February 16	12:00 NOON	Social Sunday
February 18	9 AM—3:30 PM	Mission Possible (See Insert)

Beginners Line Dancing

Fun Afternoon for anyone who would like to learn line dancing, get a little aerobic exercise and have some fun! Gentle exercise for all ages! Instructor Theresa Ethier will lead us. We need a minimum of 10 people so bring a friend. Also bring a water bottle and street/running shoes to change into when you get here. Everyone welcome!

In Parish Hall on Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3:00 PM beginning February 4 ~ $6/person weekly. Dates: Feb 4, and 11, **(skip 18 Feb);** Feb 25, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, etc.

You can attend any week at your convenience but consistency would be great too!



"Faith means believing in things you've never seen...like your feet!"

Catholic Women's League

First General Meeting of the New Year—Wednesday, 05 February at 6:30 PM.

Ladies of the parish—why not join us?

CWL MEMBERSHIPS

Membership envelopes are provided in your box of 2020 envelopes or you can use the CWL envelopes provided on the bookcase behind the last pew (right side as you enter Cathedral). Once you have paid your $25 membership fee, please look for your membership card in the CWL box in this same location in two weeks. If you have any questions — call Brenda Passmore, Membership Chair at 474-0447

Pay your $25 membership dues before February 5th for a chance to win your membership fee!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 03 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Intention of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo

Tuesday, 04 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Intention of Beverly Brown - Robert and Judy
Adele Palangio - Jennifer, Rosanne and Mark

Wednesday, 05 February - St. Agatha, Virgin/Martyr
Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
Intention of Nicholas and Kristy Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu
Garfield McDonald - Don and Lorraine Shago

Thursday, 06 February - St. Paul Miki & Companions/Martyrs
Ara Linda Houle - Nipissing Parry Sound Catholic District School Board
Andy Yantha - Joyce Brooks

First Friday, 07 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Glenna McCauley - Jean and June McAuley
Milan Hlusek - Emilia and Michelle

4:00 PM Saturday, 08 February - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jean Paquette - Norm Paquette and Lisa Demarco
Hector Lavigne - His Sisters
Intention of Patti and Charlie - Carol and John Rowe

Sunday, 09 February - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Frank Toth - Aurelia Toth and Family
Al and Katheryn Boudreau - Monica and Nick Forte
Anne Marie Baechler - Thérèse Evans and Family

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

Note: Only weekday masses are announced verbally.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

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

Thursday Bible Study

DVD Study of Psalms – Jeff Cavins

Days 1:00—3:00 PM and again Evenings from 6:30—8:30 PM. This study is free and all are welcome to come and watch the DVD. For those who want to participate fully in the study, workbooks are available for a cost.

Please register by calling Loulou Delarosbel 705-825-2455 as we need to know how many books to buy.

Looking for a new home for your used Bibles?

Please consider donating to our study group.
Translations we are interested but not restricted to:
NAB - New American Bible
RSV - Revised Standard version
NRSV - New Standard Revised version
Please drop them off to the Parish Office or to the Sacristy ~ Thank you!

VATICAN - MISSIONARIES KILLED IN 2019

Vatican City (Agenzia Fides) –

Agenzia Fides continues its service to collect information regarding the missionaries killed during the year. We use the term "missionary" for all the baptized, aware that "in virtue of their Baptism, all the members of the People of God have become missionary disciples. All the baptized, whatever their position in the Church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization".

As it has been for some time, the annual list of Fides does not look only to Missionaries in the strict sense, but tries to record all the baptized engaged in the life of the Church who died in a violent way, not only "in hatred of the faith".

Did you know that in 2019, 11 Christians were killed every day for their decision to follow Jesus? Christian persecution is not a thing of the past. It still exists today. Imagine living as a Catholic in North Korea, Afghanistan, Somalia, Pakistan, India & many more countries where Christians are persecuted. Please pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ that they may feel less alone and isolated. May we all have the courage to stand up for our faith in visible witness to others.

According to information gathered by Agenzia Fides, in 2019 - 29 missionaries were killed throughout the world, mostly priests: 18 priests, 1 permanent deacon, 2 religious men, 2 nuns, 6 lay people. After eight consecutive years in which the highest number of missionaries killed was recorded in America, since 2018 it is Africa that has taken the first place in this tragic category. In Africa in 2019 - 12 priests were killed, 1 religious man, 1 religious woman, 1 lay woman (15). In America 6 priests were killed, 1 permanent deacon, 1 religious man, 4 lay people (12). In Asia, 1 lay woman was killed. In Europe, 1 nun was killed.

Another note is given by the fact that there is a sort of "globalization of violence": while in the past the missionaries killed were mostly concentrated in a nation, or in a geographical area, in 2019 the phenomenon appears more generalized and widespread. 10 missionaries from Africa, 8 from America, 1 from Asia and 1 from Europe.

CATHEDRAL MEN'S CLUB JOINS SOCIAL COMMITTEE



The Cathedral Men's Club, an important source of volunteers for Cathedral projects these past 25 years, has voted to join and become part of the Cathedral Social Committee which organizes several church events.

Men's Club President Peter Jamieson said: *"in recent years, both the Men's Club and Social Committee have joined forces for various events, so we wanted to see one, big group and voted to join the Social Committee."*

The two groups will organize and conduct the upcoming Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on February 25 starting at 5:30 PM in the Cathedral Hall.

Other events the combined group will organize and conduct include Sunday Socials after the 11:00 AM Mass, Dinner & Movie Family Night, Dinner & Dance, Halloween Costume & Trivia Night and possibly a garage sale this year. Watch for advertisements in the bulletin for these and other possible events.

"I am so pleased that the two groups are now one," said Msgr. Dave Tramontini. *"They have been working together on several events in recent years and to their credit, the Men's Club voted to join the larger Cathedral Social Committee."*

The men took the vote at their last dinner meeting on Wednesday, January 22.

"We are really excited about officially working with and being part of the Social Committee," Mr. Jamieson said.

The Men's Club has been an incredible gift and served our parish in outstanding ways.
Thank you for your time, effort and dedication!



Social Sunday – February 16

After the 11:00 AM Mass – Join us!

THE DEVIL SAW ME WITH MY HEAD DOWN AND THOUGHT HE'D WON. UNTIL I SAID "AMEN"



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.

COLLECTION - 26 JANUARY	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$5,257.30	**$1,956.00**

ENVELOPE USERS

PLEASE LET US KNOW WHO YOU ARE

If you are using one of these envelopes—we need you to call the office and let us know as the number has not been assigned to you yet. Thank you!

12, 142, 197, 210, 296, 467, 490, 495

REGIONAL EVENTS

Come and See: Is God calling you to be a Secular Franciscan? Are you searching for a way to renew your baptismal commitment, to deepen your relationship with the Lord, and to give witness to the Kingdom of God? Come and See at Holy Name of Jesus on Wednesday, February 5 at 7:00 PM. God won't stop calling until you answer. Call Lynn at 472-2882 for more information.

Development and Peace Share Lent 2020 Information Gathering – everyone welcome. Sunday, February 9 at 2:00 PM at St. Peter's. For more information contact Shirley at 474-5379.

Valentine's Day Spaghetti Supper at St. Peter's Church - Saturday February 15. 5:15 or 6:30 PM sitting. Tickets are $10 each and can be purchased at the parish office during office hours.

Marriage Preparation Weekend: 2020 Dates: February 21-22. 6:30 PM Friday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday. Call Regional Catholic Services at 472-5821 to reserve your place. Cost of $75 is payable at registration. Limited to 18 couples register soon!

Lenten Retreat Day – The Paschal Mystery – a Way of Life at St. Joseph's Motherhouse McColgan Room February 29 from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM with facilitator Sr. Pat Carter. Suggested offering $40 includes breaks and lunch. Call 474-3800 X-213 or email Sr. Pauline at pguindon@csjssm.ca to register.

Holy Name and St. Alphonsus parish communities present a 3-**Evening Lenten Mission with the theme "Radical Love"** on Sunday, March 1; Monday, March 2; and Tuesday, March 3 at 7:00 PM each evening at Holy Name Church. Mission led by popular Catholic Speaker Chris Bray, one of North America's leading speakers on all things Catholic - speaking to tens of thousands of people each year. He has also been featured on EWTN, 100 Huntley St, & Salt & Light TV. All are welcome to join us!

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 July 5 to July 10 2020. For more information and to register visit www.cgsac.ca>training or contact Erin Tayler at 840-8509

The Voice of the Martyrs Canada Presents Solitary Refinement – incredible true stories from the persecuted church. By Dennis Hassell under the direction of Tom Carson – running time 75 minutes. Tuesday, March 10 at First Baptist Church 1250 Cassells Street. For ages 13+, free admission, contributions gratefully accepted. All are welcome!

New Daily Adoration: St. Joseph's Church Powassan, has begun Perpetual Adoration 7 days a week, from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM except during Mass times. Adorers who can commit to a weekly one-hour time slot are needed. Contact Laurie in the office 724-2118, Christine 724-1723 or Pauline 724-5964 to be scheduled. ***The coordinator will find a replacement for when you are not available.***

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.

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

Villa Loyola Sudbury Lenten Retreat - The Trinitarian mystery, as the core of our faith, can instill a spirit of awe, wonder, contemplation, reverence and praise before the word and the beauty of God in all creation. We will explore this deep well of meaning and mystery that we call creation or nature. From this well may flow a deep-rooted care for our common home and a call to action. From Friday March 13 7 PM to Sunday March 15 1 PM with director, Fr. John McCarthy, S.J. Cost: $225.00 live-in/$140.00 commute. Register by calling 705-522-3502 ext, 0 Monday to Friday or by email at loyola@isys.ca

Lent at Villa Loyola – Lectio Devina: Every afternoon we explore together and share our experiences and grow towards a better and deeper understanding of our Lord Jesus Christ's message for us. **Tuesdays:** 2 to 4 PM. **Dates:** February 18, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, May 19, June 16. **Director:** Fr. Wim Dombret, S.J. **Cost:** Free/tax receipt provided for donation of $25 or more **Registration:** Call 705-522-3502 ext. 0 Monday to Friday or by email at loyola@isys.ca

Sisters of St. Joseph Present

Christian Meditation Group 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. A Taizé hour of worship involves song, periods of silence, a scripture reading and meditation, intercessory prayer and/or icons.

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 second 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.
St. Joseph's Church Powassan every day from 6:00 AM to 9:00 PM except during Mass times.

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



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