Second Sunday of

LENT

08 March 2020

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

Welcome to Your Father's House!

Abram is sent by God to a new land, so that from him, God will create a new nation. In the second reading, Timothy is encouraged to bear his share of the hardship in living and proclaiming the Gospel. In the Gospel, Jesus takes Peter, James and John up a mountain where he is *transfigured before them*. When Peter witnesses the transfiguration of Jesus, and the appearance of Moses and Elijah, his first instinct is to "freeze that moment," by providing tents for the three of them. But that encounter, like any encounter with God's majesty and providence, is not meant to be frozen or hidden in a tent. It is meant to move us forward in, and to act upon, our faith.



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. Gary Westenenk

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Mrs. Shirley Falconi
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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 - FRIDAY	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**

READINGS: 09 - 15 MARCH	
Monday	Daniel 9. 3, 4b-10; Luke 6. 36-38
Tuesday	**Isaiah 1. 10, 16-20, 27-28, 31; Mt. 23. 1-12**
Wednesday	**Jeremiah 18. 18-20; Matthew 20. 17-28**
Thursday	Jeremiah 17. 5-10; Luke 16. 19-31
Friday	**Genesis 37. 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28; Matthew 21. 33-43, 45-46**
Saturday	**Micah 7. 14-15, 18-20; Luke 15. 1-3, 11-32**
Sunday	**Exodus 17. 3-7; Romans 5. 1-2, 5-8; Jn. 4. 5-42**

DATE	TIME	WHAT'S UP?
March 10	1:30 PM	Line Dancing in Parish Hall
March 13	5:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
March 18	6:30 PM	Parish Council Meeting
March 24	7:00 PM	Baptism Preparation Meeting
March 25	10 AM—8 PM	Lent Confessions St. Peter the Apostle Church
March 31	7:00 PM	Mass of Chrism at Precious Blood Cathedral Sault Ste Marie



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.

Tuesday, 10 March—Bring a friend and come on out!!
Also bring a water bottle and street/running shoes to change into when you get here. Everyone welcome!



INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION

A Baptismal Preparation Meeting will be held in the Lower Sacristy on TUESDAY, MARCH 24 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, March 23. *Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan Policy.*

Easter Memorial Flowers & Decorations

A beautiful way to remember loved ones during this holy season is to donate memorial flowers and decorations in their memory. Your donation will help decorate the altar and sanctuary during the greatest season of the year ***... the Resurrection!***



Pre-printed white & green envelopes are available for your donation at the entrance to the church. Please fill out the requested information as neat as possible (printing would be best!).

Include your donation and return the envelope to the office or in the weekly collection. A listing of remembrances will be printed in the Easter Sunday Bulletin. All donations over $10 are tax deductible.

Remember your loved ones this Easter and give glory to the Lord by helping to decorate for this beautiful season!

MASS SCHEDULE
Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 09 March - Weekday of Lent
Lloyd Voisin - Fran Dignan
Intention of Peter Edmunds - Aurele and Sue Boudreau and Family

Tuesday, 10 March - Weekday of Lent
Intention of Patricia Anderson and Richard Levesque - Bernice Davis

Wednesday, 11 March - Weekday of Lent
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Today
Mary Boivin - Mary Ellen Balfour
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Thursday, 12 March - Weekday of Lent
Intention of Ignacy and Irene Pelc - Robert and Judy

Friday, 13 March - Weekday of Lent
Alban Roach - Vivian Molnar
Lloyd Voisin - Bonnie Parslow

4:00 PM Saturday, 14 March - Third Sunday of Lent
Deceased Members of the Hanley Family - Mary Hanley
Mona Gravelle - Joyce Brooks
Intention of Marie Gribbons - The Family

Sunday, 15 March - Third Sunday of Lent
9:00 AM Marietta Castiglione - Ventura Castiglione and Family
Lloyd Voisin - Paul and Nadine Condon

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS DURING LENT
5:00 PM in the Cathedral





We are currently reviewing our Confirmation program to make it a better experience for our students and parents alike.
We have listened to suggestions from former candidates for Confirmation, parents and sponsors, and our leaders of our Confirmation program. Together with the leaders of the program, the priests in North Bay, and with the help of our young people's suggestions, our Confirmation program will be re-vamped. Because this process takes time - *the Sacrament of Confirmation will not be celebrated until the Fall of 2020.*
In the Fall of 2020, we will offer the Sacrament of Confirmation for those in Grades 7, 8 & 9 - to make sure that our young people do not miss this opportunity to receive this great Sacrament of the Holy Spirit.

COLLECTION - 01 MARCH

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
$5,802.85	$1,792.00

SHARE LENT 2020

Check out the mini-magazine in this **weekend's bulletin! This Lent, give** from the heart!

Development and Peace
CARITAS CANADA

Catholic Women's League

Catholic Charities Clothing is in need of volunteers. Have a little time to offer? Catholic Charities Clothing needs helping hands. We meet every month with "Sorting Tuesday" followed by "Distribution Wednesday." Each day begins at 1:15 PM and ends at 3:00 PM. Relaxed atmosphere, friendly people, no stress job. We could sure use your help and your friendly smile. Give me a call for more details. Elizabeth Delarosbel 474 3925.



Convention – The Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Catholic Women's League of Canada 100th Anniversary Convention registration packages have been handed out! If you are interested in attending the registration deadline is April 1. For information contact Shirlene Condie-McVeigh, President, at shirlenecondie@gmail.com or at (home) at 476-2748.

100th Anniversary Celebrations Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Council

Members will be celebrating this momentous occasion on Wednesday June 17 in North Bay. Celebrations will begin with a Mass at 5:00 PM at the Pro-Cathedral presided by The Most Reverend Marcel Damphousse, Bishop of the Sault Ste. Marie. Following the Mass, all are welcome to proceed to the Davedi Club (Airport Road) for cocktails beginning at 6:30 PM and dinner at 7:00 PM.

The dinner menu includes: Breaded Chicken Cutlets, Green Beans, Glazed Carrots & Roasted Potatoes, Caesar Salad, Pasta Rigatoni, Soft Rolls/Butter , Dessert, Coffee/Tea

Dinner Tickets: $40.00/CWL Pro-Cathedral Members and $45.00/Non-Members. Tickets are available by calling Louise Defonzo at 494-7474 or by email: louisedefonzo@gmail.com
****Tickets will "not" be sold at the door. Deadline for tickets May 31, 2020!**

Come, experience & see what the last "100 years of the CWL of the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption" has brought to our parish, and community!
There will be photos from the past, entertainment, & many memories to share with friends & parishioners!

We hope you will join us! All are Welcome!!

As the Provincial Council continues to focus on loneliness, we are reminded that members of the CWL see God in the destitute, lonely, disadvantaged, ill and those in palliative/ hospice care.

Lenten Reflection:



As we begin Lent, it is important to remember that there are countless ways to get "in touch" with the spirit of Lent. There are many opportunities to engage in prayer, fasting and charity to those in need. As we embrace our new theme "Caring for Our Common Home", the need to help others is extended to include caring for our environment. Treat yourself to some quiet time with God and the wonderful nature He created.

Join together this Lent as we prepare our hearts for Easter.

Receive Bishop Robert Baron's acclaimed "Catholicism 101" delivered to your inbox every week.

Sign up at:

http://northbaycatholic.flocknote.com

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Brian at 705-358-6225



Loving God,



During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.

Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude, so that I can rediscover the grace of a prayerful life.

Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of body and soul and remind me of the grace of simplicity.

Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in so doing, rediscover the grace of gratitude and generosity.

May this season be a grace-filled time to rekindle my love for and faith in you.

Amen

Aiding Your Church ~ The Message of Stewardship

Thank you to those who have decided to use pre-authorized giving methods for 2020. This donation method is appreciated as it helps us with our budget.

Forms for Visa / Mastercard and Automatic Bank Withdrawals are included in the bulletin this week. Please consider these methods of providing support for our beautiful Cathedral.

CONSIDER THIS

Invitation to Chrism Mass 2020

Bishop Marcel Damphousse invites all the faithful of the Diocese to the Chrism Mass which will be celebrated on Tuesday March 31, 2020 at 7:00 pm. at Precious Blood Cathedral in Sault Ste. Marie. During this special Mass, the Bishop will bless the oils that will be used for the sacraments of the Church. The priests will also renew their priestly promises. All faithful of the Diocese are welcome to participate in this important celebration.

REGIONAL EVENTS

"Return to me with all your heart" (Joel 2:12)

The Catholic Parishes of North Bay present

Lent Day of Confessions ~ Wednesday, March 25

10:00 am—8:00 pm at St. Peter the Apostle Church

Various priests will be available all day for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. As we prepare for Easter, this is a great opportunity to encounter God's mercy through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Come and See Day of Prayer Saturday, March 14 rom 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM at St. Joseph's Motherhouse. Ages 28 to 35 welcome. Suggested offering $30. Please register by March 7. cromano@csjssm.ca or 474-3800, X-230

St Alphonsus Catholic Women's League Fantastic Indoor Garage Sale! Saturday, March 21 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at St. Alphonsus Parish Hall (163 High St. N.) in Callander. To donate items please contact Maureen 752-3626 or Deborah at 471-9160

Holy Name of Jesus Church presents Roast Pork Supper Sunday, March 29. Two sittings: 4:30 and 6:00 PM. Tickets $15.00 each and are available at weekend mass or through the Parish Office 495-1501

Development and Peace Mass followed by Hunger Meal—Friday, April 3 at Pro-Cathedral in solidarity with our brothers and sisters from the Amazon. Join us for the 12:05 PM mass followed by our light meal in the parish hall. Let's gather to heed Pope Francis' call to ecological conversion, and stand together for our Common Home!

New Evangelization Summit – live from Ottawa on April 25. Join us as we stream this webcast live at St. Peter's Church. Registration is FREE for everyone! Don't miss your chance to be present at North America's premier conference on the New Evangelization! **Pre-register at newevangelization.ca. No computer? Call your parish office.** On April 25 please arrive by 8:00 AM for check-in. Talks begin promptly at 9:00 AM and run until 4:00 PM. Lunch, coffee, tea and snacks provided. Guest speakers Sherry Weddell, Michael Dopp, Brett Powell, Barbara Mason, Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J. Check out their biographies at newevangelization.ca Be inspired to be an evangelist!

Marriage Preparation Weekend: June 5-6, October 23-24. 6:30 PM Friday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday. To register or for more information, call or text Samantha Silver at 471-3284 or email at samyehsilver@gmail.com to reserve your place. Material cost of $75 is payable at registration. Limited to 18 couples register soon!

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

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!

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, and community service referrals.

PRAYER LINE

The prayer line is a group of parishioners who pray for the needs of others. Concerns great and small are presented to the Lord on your behalf. If you have a prayer request or would like to join the group call Sister Shirley McNamara at 474-3800, Ext. 295 or Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613 and they will gladly pass them on to others who are waiting to receive your requests.



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.

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.

Villa Loyola Sudbury Lenten Retreat - Explore the 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

National March for Life Thursday, May 14. Bus leaves to Parliament Hill from Staples Parking Lot 7:00 AM, returning 9:00 PM. $30/Adults, $20/Students Call Jeannine at 724-3424

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 for exposition times call Laurie 724-2118, Christine 724-1723 or Pauline 724-5964.

