Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

12 JULY 2020
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

'But the one who received the seed that fell on good soil is the man who hears the word and understands it.'



Isaiah describes the word of God as fruitful, not returning to the Lord until his will is accomplished. Paul writes to the Romans, addressing human suffering and looking beyond it to the promise of heaven. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the sower and explains its meaning. The first reading and Gospel show the potency of the word of God. In fertile hearts, the Word can multiply exponentially, and it can bring about God's will in our lives. The Word comes from God to us, in order that we might be brought to God. Can there be any greater gift?

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.

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



Due to the coronavirus new directives are in place for the preparation and celebration of our sacraments. Please call the parish office if you require more information for:
Marriage, Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Anointing of the Sick.

Reconciliation from 3:00 to 3:45 PM. Cathedral opens at 3:00 PM.

Please see our **Eucharist** schedule on next page of this bulletin.

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	9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON
WEDNESDAY	9:00 AM to 12:00 NOON
THURSDAY	OFFICE CLOSED
FRIDAY	OFFICE CLOSED



READINGS: 13 ~ 19 JULY

Monday	Isaiah 1. 1017; Matthew 10. 34—11.1
Tuesday	Isaiah 7. 1-9; Matthew 11. 20-24
Wednesday	Isaiah 10. 5-7, 13-16; Matthew 11. 24-27
Thursday	Isaiah 26. 7-9, 12, 16-19; Matthew 11. 28-30
Friday	Isaiah 38. 1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Matthew 12. 1-8
Saturday	Micah 2. 1-5; Matthew 12. 14-21
Sunday	Wisdom 12. 13, 16-19 Romans 8. 26-27; Matthew 13. 24-43



Through the mercy of God, may the souls of our recently faithful departed, rest in peace. Please keep them and their families and friends in your prayers.

Kathleen Annett
Josephine Falconi
Dr. Karen Morris Laura Roveda
Euphemia Roy

Thank you for being kind to our ushers as they lead you into the Cathedral and to your seats while helping us maintain our safety protocols.

Just a few reminders when attending mass:

1) **Seating:** A mass will be simultaneously celebrated in the parish hall *if required* once we fill all available seats in the Cathedral.
2) **Sign up to receive the bulletin** at our website at procathedral.ca You will automatically receive the bulletin and current, up-to-date information as it is issued from the Diocese, parish, etc.
3) **Dispensation** from attending mass is still in place if you do not feel comfortable attending mass at this time. Links to many websites offering televised masses is available on our website under LINKS at procathedral.ca
4) **Confession:** Saturday from 3:00 to 3:45 PM. Cathedral opens at 3:00 PM. Confessions are done standing. There is no kneeler inside and masks must be worn to visit the confessional.
5) **Hearing System:** It would be helpful if you could bring your own headphone as we have a limited supply of the type that can be sanitized properly.
6) **Rosary:** There will be no recitation of the Rosary before masses.
7) **Mother of Perpetual Help Prayers:** These prayers will be celebrated on Wednesdays just prior to the 12:05 PM mass. As there can be no paper material in the Cathedral a deacon will respond on behalf of the assembly.
8) **Candles & Mass Cards:** No one will be allowed into the Sacristy other than the Priest, Deacon and Sacristan. Candles can now be purchased at our weekday or weekend masses. An usher will be available to assist you. Mass cards can be ordered by contacting the parish office by phone or email and they can be mailed on your behalf.

For more details please view the document "What you can Expect/Guidelines" on our website at procathedral.ca

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 13 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Geraldine Lefebvre - Carol Lefebvre and Family
Zita Tramontini - Catholic Women's League

Tuesday, 14 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Parents of Lloyd and Katherine Voisin - Katherine Voisin
Bruce Brady - Lorraine Atchison

Wednesday, 15 July - Memorial of St. Bonaventure, Bishop/Dr.
Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
Parents and Relatives of Josie Verrillo and Family
Sergio Tignanelli - Fernando and Marisa Amendola
Sam Veraldi - Myrtle Veraldi and Family

Thursday, 16 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Guiseppe Tedesco - Maria Gosselin and Family
Richard Bergeron - Chris and Debbie Muron

Friday, 17 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Milan Hlusek - Emilia and Michelle
Deceased Relatives of Candice Bedard

4:00 PM Saturday, 18 July - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
John Deviveiros - Maria and Fr. Joe
Stanley Priolo - Bonnie Parslow
Rose Lafleur - Paul and Nadine Condon

Sunday, 19 July - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Lou Gosselin - Maria Gosselin and Family
Mike Rossi - The Family
Zita Tramontini - Joe and Louise Defonzo

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

Note: Only weekday masses are announced verbally.

MASS REQUESTS

Masses that were booked prior to our closure will be re-scheduled in chronological order, as will all mass requests received



North Bay Roman Catholic Charities is open to allow clients to access the service in a safer manner.

We can accept donations of food at the Parish Rectory Office only at this time (480 McIntyre St. W.). Please watch the front page of the bulletin for office hours. Donations can be left outside and will be brought inside in a timely manner.

Catholic Charities has been running in our community since the 1970's and is supported only through the generosity of donations and volunteer workers. The Food Bank **is open to all** on Tuesday mornings and serves clients from the entire North Bay region.

Our mandate is to provide this free food to our clients in a manner that allows them to have dignity while receiving our assistance. We consistently serve 50-100 clients each week.

Thank you for your donation of non-perishable items!



We are still here to help!
We have people ready and willing to assist you. Need a grocery pickup? A wellness call made to a family member? Other assistance? Give us a call or email and let us know how we can help!

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. **Save them in baggies/envelopes & drop them into the office mail slot.**

Our D & P Coordinator, Lorraine Atchison, will make sure they are sent to the Stamp Project. Thank you for your support!!!



You are Invited to an Online Summer Retreat at Villa Loyola 17 - 21 August 2020

Theme: Who is Jesus Christ? Exploration of the 'I am' Sayings of Jesus

Who is God? When Moses asked that question before the burning bush more than 3,000 years ago, the mysterious response was "I AM".

A millennium later, that strange name received a face, and that face began to teach. In the sixth chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, left a series of statements about his identity, known as the seven "I am" sayings. Enigmatic yet meaningful, they elaborate the identity, personality, and intention of the God-with-us.

Drawing from the natural world and the Old Testament, the seven images offer a rich understanding of the nature of Jesus.



I invite you to join me on Zoom for this five day retreat. Together we will explore all seven of the "I am" sayings, with a daily 9 am conference, Eucharist at 2 pm and time for sharing at 7 pm. Personal direction can be offered through Skype.

Following the arc of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius, the retreat will provide points for meditation, with the goal bringing about our deeper transformation in the light of Christ and into the embrace of our Creator.

Director: Fr. John O'Brien, S.J.

Cost: **Free.** Tax receipts will be given for donations made to Villa Loyola.

Registration: Email at loyola@isys.ca

MEMORIES OF THE PRO-CATHEDRAL
SHARE YOUR PHOTOS WITH US



Keep them coming! Do you have an old picture taken of the Pro-Cathedral? Perhaps a photo taken inside or out (weddings, baptisms, celebrations, past clergy, etc.)? Regardless of the date or occasion, we would love to have it to share in a photo memory publication.

Here's how to send a picture. Type this link into your browser: https://procathedral.ca/upload/ and you will be taken to a form to send your pictures.

You can also email your images to us at: procathedralfiles@gmail.com

Include as much detail with your photo as you can such as date, occasion, people in the photograph (if any), etc.





Our modern world is full of distractions represented by the rocks, thorns and birds that conspire to prevent God's Word and His calling from taking root and bearing fruit.

In the end, we are God's field he looks up to produce fruits. Others are God's farmers whom he's looking to expand their crop and yields through their works.

From this parable we are set at the following tasks we need to do;

1. Identify the kind of ground we present of the ground upon which seeds are cast
2. Get busy sowing
3. Get busy growing





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.

COLLECTION REPORT: 21 & 28 JUNE	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$3,613.80	**$914.00**

STEWARDSHIP

Thank you to everyone who has chosen the pre-authorized donation methods. We appreciate everyone who has adopted this means of donations that is important to bring stability to our cash flow.

Again, ***if you are not currently donating*** we would be grateful if you could contribute whatever is within your means to help support the good works of our parish.

Forms for pre-authorized donations from your bank account, VISA or Mastercard are on our website or can be emailed to you. Please email the parish office at office@procathedral.ca if you are interested. We can also take postdated cheques if you want to drop them off through the mail slot at the parish office.

Summer is here and we often find that donations decrease as people go on holidays. Please don't forget the parish if you will be away.

Thank you to our cleaning angels **who have been busy scrubbing and sorting in the parish hall kitchen and storage areas: Shirlene Condi-McVeigh, Carol Ann DiBartolomeo, Lisa Henry, Adler Lisz, and Karen-Anne McArthur.**



We are so grateful that you took on this task, especially working on those really, really hot days!

Every cupboard, drawer, and shelf has been inspected and cleaned. It is unbelievable how wonderful the kitchen looks and smells!

We are looking forward to the day when we can again host socials and special events and your hard work will make it that much easier and efficient to do so.

Thank you ladies. Our parish appreciates all your hard work!



Pope Francis
July Prayer Intention

That today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance