# Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption
# North Bay, Ontario
# Welcome to Your Father's House

**18 OCTOBER 2020**
**29th Sunday in Ordinary**




In the first reading, the Lord says *to his anointed, Cyrus … I have called you by your name*. Through Cyrus, all will know there is no God besides the Lord. In the second reading, Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy greet the Thessalonian Church with thanksgiving and affirmation. In the Gospel, Jesus' opponents question him about the lawfulness of paying taxes. Jesus sees their hypocrisy and answers, *repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God*. Our primary allegiance is not to a particular nation, kingdom, or institution, but to God. We belong to him in whose image we are made and whose law is inscribed on our hearts. We must give back to God what is his, thus we give him our love, our first fruits, and our very selves, in union with Christ.

## *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. 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.

MONDAY to THURSDAY 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
(Closed 12:00 Noon to 12:30 PM)
FRIDAY 8:30 AM - 12:00 NOON

**OFFICE HOURS**

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK
## 19 - 25 OCTOBER

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| **Monday** | Ephesians 2. 1-10; Luke 12. 13-21 |
| **Tuesday** | Ephesians 2. 12-22; Luke 12. 35-38 |
| **Wednesday** | Ephesians 3. 1-12; Luke 12. 39-48 |
| **Thursday** | Ephesians 3. 13-21; Luke 12. 49-53 |
| **Friday** | Ephesians 4. 1-6; Luke 12. 54-59 |
| **Saturday** | Ephesians 4. 7-16; Luke 13. 1-9 |
| **Sunday** | Exodus 22. 21-27; 1 Thessalonians 1. 5c-10; Matthew 22. 34-40 |

## The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed



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, due to Covid-19 we will not be celebrating our usual Bereavement Mass followed by a reception in the parish hall.

***We would still like to remember the special people in your lives who have died over the past year and add their names to our "Book of Life" that records the names of our deceased loved ones. We will also publish a memorial list of names in our parish bulletin on the weekend of October 31-November 1.***

**If you have lost a loved one between November 1, 2019 and October 2020 please contact the parish office by email or telephone to provide their name.**

**All names must be received by Wednesday, October 28.**

## ✝ MEMORIAL FUND ✝

*The following names have been received at the request of donors in memory of our deceased friends and relatives:*

*Patrick McGirr  Glenda Poupore*

*Mary Recoskie  Pat Salmon*

*Inge Peiffer  Margaret Waghorn*

*Joe & Lettie Murphy*

## Free Children's Liturgy of the Word Videos

In response to the pandemic, Heidi and Mark Witte have been producing free 25 minute Children's Liturgy videos every week since March. This interactive programming encourages children to participate, appeals to various learning styles, and helps young children understand the Gospels and their faith more fully! You can access this free catechetical resource by visiting Children & Youth under Ministries on our website at procathedral.ca

## Food Bank Collection THIS WEEK



***We can accept donations at the parish office all week. Catholic Charities is in desperate need of peanut butter and snacks, drinking boxes, etc. for children's school lunches and other non-perishable items.***

## MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

**Monday, 19 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time**
Mary Doyle - Paul and Nadine Condon
Adele Laferriere - Nancy Tremblay

**Tuesday, 20 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time**
Vic Truchon - Mary Lou and Paul Smith
Msgr. Norm Clement - Simone and Henriette

**Wednesday, 21 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time**
**Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions**
Sam Verrillo - Josie Verrillo and Family
Intention of Beverly Brown - Robert and Judy

**Thursday, 22 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time**
Pauline Taylor - Suzanne Lukasik
Members of the Levesque & Martin Family - Richard Levesque

**Friday, 23 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time**
Mary Moher Scheer-Hennings - Kim Morrissette
Intention of Beverly Brown - Robert and Judy

**4:00 PM Saturday, 24 October - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Sandie Mattina - John and Carol Rowe
Lou Goyette - Laurette Goyette and Family
Intention of Colleen Klein - Judy Montgomery and Colleen Kindt

**Sunday, 25 October - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**9:00 AM** Parents of Lloyd and Katherine Voisin - Katherine Voisin
Ida Mandaglio - Mariano Cirullo
Intention of the Donors and those Remembered in the Pro-Cathedral Memorial Fund

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

## Fall is here and Winter is Coming!



Our gardeners are desperate for help **NEXT SATURDAY, October 24** beginning at 10 AM as they will be working to cleanup our gardens and prepare them for winter.

**Are you a student needing some volunteer hours?**
**Want to help your parish look great?**

If you can help, please call Annette at 495-3584 so she will know how many people are available.

**Thank you so much—many hands make for light work!**




## 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.**

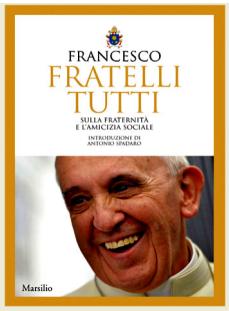
**If you have a prayer request or would like to join the group call Sister Shirley McNamara at 474-3800, Ext. 295 or Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613**



**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.**

**DOLORES O'CONNOR**

*On October 4, 2020, Pope Francis promulgated a new and powerful encyclical entitled in Italian Fratelli Tutti, which means in English: We are all Brothers and Sisters.*




This letter was sent to each one of us and all people of goodwill throughout the world whether they are Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, or any other faith. In it, the Holy Father reminds us all of the Great Commandment, which is that we are to love God and to love our neighbour as ourselves. Citing the story of the good Samaritan in Luke 10, he asks the pithy and challenging question: Who is our neighbour?

Pope Francis wrote this letter to us in the midst of the pandemic. He is aware of how divided we are in our politics. And he is keenly aware of the challenge of living in our modern times when tending to one's neighbor is often ignored or forgotten. Pope Francis offers us the hope of community and solidary, of coming together as brothers and sisters in one family of God regardless of our own faith tradition.

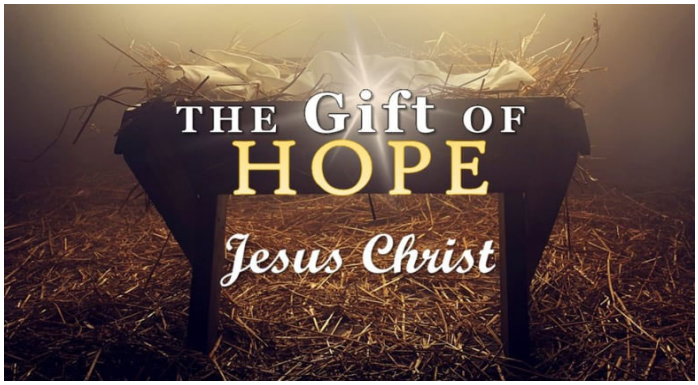
**You can view the entire encyclical on our website at procathedral.ca under CURRENT NEWS**

## *Twenty-ninth* Sunday in Ordinary Time

Paul give thanks to the Thessalonians for having "endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ." Paul here speaks of hope in Jesus - a hope that has the risen Christ as its foundation, and is central to the Christian life. Our catechism makes it clear: "We firmly believe, and hence we hope that, just as Christ is truly risen from the dead and lives forever, so after death the righteous will live forever with the risen Christ and he will raise them up on the last day." (989)

When things are difficult for others and they reach out for our support, it can be hard to find the words to encourage others in their faith. When that happens, why not bring Jesus into the conversation? It may seem awkward at first, but offering to pray with another person in real time can be a powerful witness and encouragement. As Christians, we don't rely on "hoping" that everything will work out in the end; instead, we know that our hope is in Christ Jesus. As the catechism says: "Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness." (1817) It doesn't get much more direct than that. Reflect on what "hope" looks like for us as Christians. And then tell a friend about it.

***DID YOU KNOW?*** The source of our second reading today, the First Letter from Paul to the Thessalonians, contains the earliest mention within Christian literature of the three theological virtues: "faith, hope and love." Reread today's passage, and then read 1 Thessalonians 5: 5-8. In prayer, we can ask God to help us grow in all three virtues and show us ways to share them with others.




**Faith, Hope & Love ~ but the greatest of these is love**

### 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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VISA/MasterCard ☐

Pre-Authorized Bank Donations ☐

*"I am so Blessed being able to serve as an usher. It's so wonderful greeting, and worshipping with all our fine parishioners. Thank you for this opportunity."*

*"Meeting and welcoming everyone has brought me a sense of belonging again."*

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**Just a couple of quotes from new volunteer ushers! Wouldn't you like to be part of this amazing group?**

**We are in need of more ushers/ministers of hospitality. *Can you help out?* We would love to hear from you! Please call Lisa Henry at 493-4164 or you can also email her at lidahenry11@gmail.com THANK YOU!**




## Development and Peace

Our "For our Common Home Campaign" inspired over 65,000 Canadians to sign solidarity letters addressed to the seringueiros and Mura people who are defending the Amazon rainforest in Brazil. These advocacy letters were sent to the Canadian government, the Brazilian government, and the Canadian mining company who intends to mine potassium on Mura territory. The goal was to get one signature on the letter for every species of tree and vertebrate in the Amazon forest, and we succeeded!

Watch these letters being delivered in a webinar and hear from Development and Peace staff, partners, and Church leaders who work to protect the Amazon and its people. Witness this solidarity with those who brave both poverty and pandemic to resist social and ecological injustice.

**Watch the webinar on our website at procathedral.ca under CURRENT NEWS.**
**You can also view "Seringueiros: Protectors in Peril—a moving video on artisanal rubber tappers whose lives are threatened by loggers, hunters, and ranchers .**

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD?

**Employment Opportunity - Parish Secretary:** St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church is inviting applications for the position of Parish Secretary. Duties include, but are not limited to, secretarial and receptionist services for parish ministries, committees/groups/ programs as required, maintain accurate confidential records of parishioners, order supplies, some daily, weekly, monthly and annual accounting duties such as banking, preparation of annual Financial Reports, T4 slips and T4 summaries, record weekly envelope contributions and issue income tax receipts at year end, etc. Interested applicants are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by October 20, 2020 to the Pastor through the Parish Office. Salary commensurate with experience. The successful will be required to provide references and comply with the requirements of the Diocesan Screening Initiative.




**EDGE Youth Nights Return October 22:** All students in Grade 6, 7 & 8 from any school or church are welcome. Held every Thursday night from 6:30 -8:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Church. Each EDGE Night includes time for music, games, prayer, teaching and social time. Evenings are led by Catholic high school students, Fr. Daniele Muscolino and a team of volunteer adults. A safe, fun place for youth to find solid friendships and learn more about our Catholic faith. EDGE presents Catholic teachings in a way that young people can understand and develop in their spiritual lives. For more information visit www.holynamestalphonsus.com/edge or call 495-1501. Masks are mandatory and all safe protocols will be strictly followed.

**Wet'suwet'en Witness**—Making the justice connections with Northern Ontario — Indigenous land rights, Indigenous women and the environment: For all of us who feel called to live with respect in Creation, here is an invitation to hear from people who are doing so with all their strength. The Indigenous Solidarity Team of the North Bay and Area Mission Cluster is hosting three free webinars. Our guests are people from Canada and Northern Ontario who are passionately caring for sacred land and people who defend it. (If you have never sat in on a conversation by Zoom, don't worry. It's easy.) Registration required in order to send you the invitational link to join the Zoom webinar. The webinars are Oct. 14, Oct. 21, and Oct. 28 at 7:00 PM for one hour. Please visit: Solidarity-Team-NorthBay.weebly.com to register or email solidarityteamnorthbay@gmail.com







## World Mission Sunday ~ This year's theme, *"Here I am, send me!"*

***This weekend we take a universal collection for World Mission Sunday*** which is distributed worldwide, according to the needs of the poorest dioceses. The collection provides the means of action for the formation of catechists, solidarity, priestly vocations and consecrated life, education, healthcare, etc. Further, it allows the Universal Church to go and proclaim the Gospel to all nations.

**Missionary Month Prayer:** God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, overflowing source of the mission, help us to understand that life is mission, gift and commitment. May Mary, our intercessor help each one of us to be prophetic witnesses to the Gospel, by constantly answering: *Here I am, Lord, send me!* Amen






Week 1 of this 7 week course focuses on understanding the difference between a natural gift and a spiritual gift. There will be the opportunity to complete a spiritual gifts inventory to determine or confirm which gifts the Holy Spirit has given you. Operating in the area that allows you to express your gifts is rewarding and energizing.

Come and join us for seven consecutive Wednesdays beginning October 28 and ending Dec 9. Covid restrictions have made it necessary for us to present this workshop virtually. We will use a Zoom platform. If you haven't used Zoom before, it is extremely easy. One click on the invitation we will send you and after entering the password, the virtual site will open.

Register by going to https://northbaycatholic.com You can also register by calling your parish office.

## You have been given charisms: what does that mean? By Sheila Zack

"What does God want me to do?"

Taking the Called and Gifted class has been an excellent way to understand and begin to discern my charisms. In the class we learned about 24 of the most common charisms. We were given examples of how they work in other people's daily lives. We completed a spiritual gifts inventory and helped to identify patterns of giftedness already apparent in our lives. We each chose a charism to discern and through experimenting and small group discussions we looked for evidence of how God works through each of us to serve others.

It brings me so much joy to be able to use my charism to have a positive impact on others!




***Do you have a child currently in Grade Two or Three?*** If so, we invite you to register them for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The celebration of Reconciliation takes place this Fall and First Eucharist in the Spring. It is our pleasure at this time to invite you and your child to register and prepare for the celebration of these two sacraments.

Your child's Sacramental life with God began the day that he/she was baptized into the family of God. It was then that you the parent(s) made commitments to the Community and to God, to bring your child up in the practice of the faith to the best of your ability. It is now time to consider furthering your child's initiation into the Christian Community.

It is our hope that the religious formation and faith growth of your child will have a high priority with you and your family. If you decide that this is important to the life of you and your family then please accept this invitation to register him/her to celebrate their sacrament of First Reconciliation / First Eucharist.

COVID-19 has touched and impacted our lives in so many different ways. We are concerned about the health and safety of your child and your family, therefore, we will be preparing for and celebrating the sacraments in a different way this year.

***Baptism is the pre-requisite to all the other Sacraments.***

***If your child has not been baptized*** *please contact our parish office.*

*We want to work with you to have your child receive this sacrament in order to enter the Christian community.*

**First Reconciliation:** There will be no common classes or common celebration. Upon registration a book concerning this Sacrament will be mailed to you. Once you have gone through the material with your child, contact the Cathedral and a private time will be arranged with you for your child to celebrate with myself or Fr. Rex.

**First Eucharist:** In January, our team will meet to take into consideration new developments and decide how to proceed with this Sacrament. We will keep you informed as to our plans at that time.

***Please know that should you decide not to have your child prepare for sacraments this Fall we will joyfully welcome them to do so next year.***

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call or email the parish office. We are looking forward to working with you as your child prepares to celebrate the sacraments.

Yours in Christ,

Msgr Dave Tramontini

Visit our Website to Register: procathedral.ca
Select Sacraments / Reconciliation and scroll down to
"Receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the First Time"
Complete the Form & Return to Parish
(Instructions are included on Form)

**Thank you to everyone for their continued support of the Cathedral in this special time. We appreciate that many of you continue your financial donations so that we can remain a healthy parish.**

## How to Support the Cathedral Financially

Please download the Banking Pre-Authorized Form or Credit Card form from our website at procathedral.ca under About Us, Stewardship/Contributions. Complete the form and mail or drop it off back to us at in the mailbox to the left of the rectory office door (480 McIntyre Street West). You can also simply email the parish office at office@procathedral.ca or call us at 472-3970 and we will figure out how best to get the documentation to you.

**Other ways you can contribute:**

- We continue to accept **envelopes** at the parish door through the mail slot—you can drop off current and postdated cheques.
- Use our "**Donate Today" button** on our website. Just click and fill in the blanks and you can make a donation to the Cathedral. You will receive
- **E-transfer from your bank account through interac e-transfer** to music.finance@procathedral.ca Put in the message of the e-transfer how you would like your funds disbursed (i.e. Sunday, Building, Easter, etc.)

**Again, as long as it does not cause hardship to you, we are grateful for your continued support.**