Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

04 OCTOBER 2020
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

We are called to work in God's Vineyard



Isaiah tells of a friend's vineyard, a friend who does everything possible to tend to his vineyard, only to find that it produces wild grapes. Paul encourages the Philippians to be not anxious, but pray with thanksgiving and to think about what is true, just, and lovely. Jesus tells a parable in the Gospel about vineyard tenants who kill the servants who come to claim the produce. As humans, we can be possessive of our worldly goods and take credit for our talents. Yet, everything we have is a gift from God – even the work we do to earn our living is done through the energy and talents that God gave to us. Like the tenants in today's Gospel, we owe everything to God, our divine Landlord.

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

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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. 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 bulle-

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 OFFICE CLOSED

OFFICE HOURS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
05 - 11 OCTOBER

Monday	Galatians 1. 6-12; Luke 10. 25-37
Tuesday	Galatians 1. 13-24; Luke 10. 38-42
Wednesday	Galatians 2. 1-2, 7-14; Luke 11. 1-4
Thursday	Galatians 3. 1-5; Luke 11. 5-13
Friday	Galatians 3. 6-14; Luke 11. 15-26
Saturday	Galatians 3. 22-29; Luke 11. 27-28
Sunday	Isaiah 25. 6-10a; Philippians 4. 12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22. 1-14

THIS WEEK - Can You Help?



Thanksgiving Decorations

This weekend, October 4-5, baskets will be placed in the Cathedral to collect donations for our Thanksgiving Weekend displays. If you can contribute, please do so this weekend or to the parish office by Thursday, October 8.

We would suggest the following fruits or vegetables because they will last longer: Turnips, squash, pumpkins, gourds, zucchini, cucumbers, red and green peppers, potatoes, corn, cabbage, onions, apples, pineapples, grapefruit.



Thank you for helping to decorate for Thanksgiving!

Note: Food will be donated to Catholic Charities Food Bank to be disbursed on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving.

Congratulations to **Brad and Sarah Edwards** on the baptism of their son, **Marcus Gerard Edwards** on Sunday, September 27.



May your lives be filled with love and peace and may God bless and protect your little boy!



WE SEE YOU!

Thank you to all of our busy beavers who usher at our masses and who have also volunteered to sanitize our facilities after each celebration.

Please know that we see the great work that you are doing and appreciate you! We could not be open without this selfless help. Thank you!

If you see these people at work at our masses—please extend a thank you to them for being such a gift to our parish!

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!!!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 05 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Lou Gosselin - Maria Gosselin and Family

Tuesday, 06 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Intention of Ray and Marlene Walter - Robert and Judy

Wednesday, 07 October - Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
Jim Hamilton - Ray Hamilton
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu
Int. of Living and Deceased Members of the Catholic Women's League

Thursday, 08 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Dick and Mark Smith - Marthe Smith

Friday, 09 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Bob Aubie - Karen Beaulieu and Family

4:00 PM Saturday, 10 October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Zita Tramontini - Suzanne Lukasik
Dianne Ross - Gary and Suzanne Wishak and Family
Shirley Laplante - Ray Laplante

Sunday, 11 October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Mary Doyle - Catholic Women's League

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

Note: Only weekday masses are announced verbally.

Women Alone in Friendship



If you are single, please join us as we share our triumphs, fears, our good experiences and sometimes our not-so-good ones in a supportive atmosphere of friendship.

Come for the good laughs and conversation. We can compare notes on matters that have resonance for ***single people whether through separation, divorce or being a widow***.

Currently we gather on Wednesday for coffee and Fridays for a bag lunch at the waterfront. (***Weather Permitting!)***

Please join us as we cheer each other on, encourage and support each other.

For more information, please contact Karen Beaulieu at 705-495-6675



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

04 ~ 10 October 2020

National Catholic Health Care Week

From October 4 to 10, we celebrate National Catholic Health Care Week across Canada. The Week recognizes the inspiring work of Catholic health care organizations in our province and across Canada. At the heart of Catholic health care is a deep respect for the intrinsic value and dignity of every human being and an unwavering commitment to serving all people, from all backgrounds and faiths—especially society's most vulnerable.

This year the COVID-19 pandemic transformed our health care landscape and society. In Canada, the pandemic has shone a public light on many important social and ethical issues calling us all to reflect on the importance of human connection, quality of life, and the meaning of wellbeing—body, mind and spirit. The pandemic has also highlighted the timeless relevance of Catholic social teaching and our collective role in building a Canadian society that reaches out to every person who is suffering from illness, stigma, poverty, or loneliness.

During National Catholic Health Care Week, we give thanks for the courageous gift of Catholic health care during these challenging times—in hospitals, community health centers, or seniors care homes.

The pandemic calls us all to live the healing ministry of Jesus Christ. Holding all those impacted by COVID-19 in our hearts, we ask God to bless the work of Catholic health care and we offer our prayers, support, and encouragement for the people of our Catholic health organizations who care for all in need with compassion and courage.

For more information about Catholic health care in Canada
or the National Catholic Health Care Week,
please visit the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada website
at www.chac.ca

Revealing the Courageous Gift of Catholic Health Care

Life Chain

North Bay & Area Right to Life/Pro-Vie
LIFE CHAIN
Join us This Weekend!

Join our public prayer event. Bring your family and friends and spend one hour in prayerful witness.

Our Annual Life Chain will take place on Sunday, October 4 along Lakeshore Drive from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Signs will be available at our location between Fodor and Charles Street.

Life Chain is about bringing the pro-life message to many people who might not otherwise hear it in our community. ***We are standing up for the unborn with a visible, peaceful message of truth and hope*** - please join us to help protect life.

Social Distancing: We have always encouraged people to stand eight feet apart so we are in compliance with government protocols.

For more information contact Jeanine at 724-3424

I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS ME. (Philippians 4: 13)



Can you volunteer for any of our Weekend Masses?

While we had an overwhelming response when we first re-opened the Cathedral, we still need more ushers / ministers of hospitality.

Some of our volunteers can't return to volunteer due to risk factors or dealing with illness. Some are pulling double duty helping at more than one mass and also volunteering at our noon masses and/or working every week without a break.



<u>Can you help out</u>? 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!

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Have you ever had that feeling that all is right with the world? Perhaps it's the cool breeze on a crisp fall day, holding a newborn baby for the first time, or watching your friends or family enjoying each other's company around the dinner table. These are grace-filled moments that bring to mind St. Paul's words today which speak of "the peace of God that surpasses all understanding." It can be all too easy to lose sight of them amid the stresses of daily life and a news feed dominated by negativity and catastrophic events. Paul, never one to shy away from taking a stand, is not asking us to bury our heads in the sand, however. His Letter to the Philippians encourages us to "have no anxiety at all," and turn our thoughts to "whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious." In doing so, we can not only counter the negativity, but persevere in faith as we confront the challenges of 2020.

And the peace of God which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.



Paul goes on to say, in that same reading: "Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be with you." Allow this passage to speak to you today. Allow God's peace to permeate your heart and calm the unrest that can so easily creep in these days. And then pray that you can be the true, honorable, and gracious presence in another's life. Send this passage to a friend who may be hurting in some way, and invite him/her to think of a time recently when they felt the presence of God, the peace of God, in their life. And then offer to accompany them in their struggles – walk beside them and encourage them to "think about these things" that are excellent or worthy of praise.



New to the Cathedral?

Please Register so we can get to know you better!

Catholic Kids Link

Looking for a great resource to support your faith in the home?

Visit the diocesan website at dioceseof-saultstemarie.org and select OUR FAITH, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Under Diving into the Mass there are videos on the parts of the mass to help children learn more about their faith. Great for adults too!

You can also type the following link into your browser: https://dioceseofsaultstemarie.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd



Canada Needs our Lady

Public Prayer is Powerful!

Join us in praying the Rosary for peace in the world outside at the front of the Pro-Cathedral

Saturday, October 10 at 12:00 Noon

As human efforts fail to solve Canada's key problems, we turn to God, through His Holy Mother, asking His urgent help.

Canada Needs Our Lady is a special campaign of the Canadian Society for the Defence of Christian Civilization to win the hearts and minds of Canadians for Mary.
The Canadian Society for the Defence of Christian Civilization was incorporated on June 25, 2013 as a federal non-profit organization "to advance religion by the promotion of the religious teachings, tenets, doctrines, morals, and observances of the Roman Catholic faith and their application to individuals, families, and society in Christian culture and civilization." They promote and defend the principles and values of Christian civilization and spread the Gospel message far and wide.



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.

MARY DOYLE

Pope Francis
OCTOBER PRAYER INTENTION
The Laity's Mission in the Church
We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

✝ MEMORIAL FUND ✝

The following name has been received at the request of donors in memory of our deceased friends and relatives:

MARY DOYLE

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.

Visit: Solidarity-Team-NorthBay.weebly.com to register or email solidarityteamnorthbay@gmail.com

HIKE FROM HOME FOR HOSPICE

Hike from Home for Hospice takes place on Thanksgiving Weekend October 10-12. Get together with family or friends in your social bubble and take a hike to support end of life palliative care.
Visit: nipissingserenityhospice.ca for more information.

Thank you to everyone for their continued support of the Cathedral in this special time.

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.
- **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.)



An open INVITATION to EVERYONE

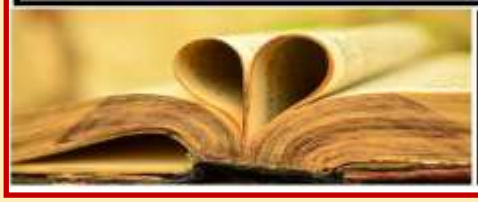
Everyone has SPECIAL GIFTS! What are yours?

Writing? Teaching?

As we continue our work to become evangelizing parishes, our next step is to offer a 7 week seminar to help parishioners identify their spiritual gifts. Why? Because the Holy Spirit gives us all spiritual gifts to make our evangelization efforts fruitful. Would you like to know what yours are?

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 .



Isaiah 6-8,9 I then heard the voice of the Lord saying: "Who will go for us?"

And I said, "Here I am, send me."

First Communion & Reconciliation

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

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)