27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

03 OCTOBER 2021

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!



In the first reading, God creates a suitable partner for the man – a woman. The man calls her *bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh*. In the Letter to the Hebrews, the author writes of the one who, *"for a little while" was made "lower than the angels," that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone*. In the Gospel, the Pharisees ask Jesus about the law regarding divorce. Jesus answers, *what God has joined together, no human being must separate*. When we bring our questions, doubts, and concerns to God, even when we try to challenge him with the letter of the law, he responds in love, by revealing his plan of salvation. This plan is lived out in the sacrament of marriage, and in joining ourselves in faith and love to God no matter our state in life.

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. Thomas Dowd, D.D.**
Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie

RECTOR **Rev. Larry Rymes**

ASSISTANT **Rev. Rex Lumine**

PERMANENT MINISTERS

Deacons	***Diocesan Order of Women***
Rev. Mr. Albert Falconi	Mrs. Shirley Falconi
Rev. Mr. Donald Shago	Mrs. Norma Milligan
Rev. Mr. Rick Hamelin	Miss Ruth Godon
Rev. Mr. Gary Westenenk	

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



Please call or email the parish office if you require more information for the following:

Marriage, Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Anointing of the Sick.

You can also visit our website at procathedral.ca

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 - Thursday	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**
Friday	**8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON**

READINGS: 04-10 OCTOBER

Monday	Jonah 1. 1– 2. 1, 10; Luke 10. 25-37
Tuesday	Jonah 3. 1-10; Luke 10. 38-42
Wednesday	Jonah 4. 1-11; Luke 11. 1-4
Thursday	Malachi 3. 13—4.2; Luke 11. 5-13
Friday	Joel 1. 13-15; 2. 1-2; Luke 11. 15-26
Saturday	Joel 3. 12-21; Luke 11. 27-28
Sunday	Wisdom 7. 7-11; Hebrews 4. 12-13; Mark 10. 17-30



IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A PRIEST?

WWW.BEAPRIEST.CA

LIFE Chain

North Bay & Area Right to Life/Pro-Vie
LIFE CHAIN - THIS SUNDAY!

An annual pro-life event that raises awareness about the injustice of abortion and the inherent dignity of every human being. Please join us this year along Lakeshore Drive for one hour to pray silently for an end to abortion.

Life Chain 2021 will take place on October 3 2:00 to 3:00 PM on Lakeshore Drive. Signs will be available at our location between Fodor and Charles Street.

For more information contact Jeanine at 724-3424

Mass for the Bereaved & The Book of Life



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, our celebration will be held at the 11:00 am mass on Sunday, October 31 with the reading of the names of our loved ones who died within the past year.

Everyone is welcome to attend this mass and we extend a special invitation to those who have lost a loved one in the last year.

Each year at this time we also update "The Book of Life," our parish book that records the names of our deceased loved ones. The names of all those who have died from our parish during the past year (01 November 2020—26 October 2021) are recorded on the front page. For anyone who would like to update their page or add a page for their deceased loved ones, please contact the parish office for direction.

If you have lost a loved one in the last year call the office or droop us a note through the collection with the name of the deceased and your name and telephone number.
All names must be received by Tuesday, October 26.



The Pro-Cathedral Prayer Line consists of 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

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Celebrations are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 04 October - Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi
COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday, 05 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Msgr. Norm Clement - His Friends
Lou Gosselin - Maria Gosselin and Family

Wednesday, 06 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Living and Deceased Members of the Catholic Women's League
Bertha Yzereef - Helena Potter

Thursday, 07 October - Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
For Souls in Purgatory - A Parishioner
Caterina and Antonio Miscio - Maria Miscio and Family

Friday, 08 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Lloyd Voisin - Katherine Voisin
Dick and Marc Smith - Marthe and Family
Intention of Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

4:00 PM Saturday, 09 October – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sheila Flannery - The Family
Basil Bethune - Dan and Judy Alexander
Ron Truchon - Mary Louise and Elizabeth Anne Delarosbel

Sunday, 10 October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Dianne Ross - The Family
For the Family of Renata Dolata
In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo

11:00 AM Intention of the Parishioners - Rev. Larry Rymes

Can you Help?



Thanksgiving Decorations

The Environment Committee would once again like to decorate for the beautiful season of Thanksgiving. If you and your family can help make a contribution we thank you.

Please bring your donation this weekend 02-03 October or this week to the parish office until Thursday at noon.

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

Food items will be given to the Catholic Charities Food Bank for distribution after Thanksgiving Weekend

"Fighting against the terrible scourge of hunger means also fighting waste. To throw food away means to throw people away. It is scandalous today not to notice how precious food is as a good, and how so much good ends up so badly." Pope Francis

Catholic Women League

Mark your calendars!
Wednesday October 6 ~ 7:00
CWL GENERAL MEETING

Father Larry Rymes *will be installed as our new spiritual advisor and will be our speaker!*



Due to Covid protocols, we are limited to 25 people for attendance. Don't miss out! Call Shirlene Condie-McVeigh 493-0718 to reserve your seat.

DID YOU GET YOUR CWL MEMBERSHIP THIS YEAR YET?



MAKE SURE YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE ARE CONSECUTIVE!

Parish Donations

If you need any information on our donation options, please do not hesitate to call or email the parish office.

If you are currently not contributing financially we ask that you prayerfully consider making a financial commitment to the parish.

Ways You can Help Support our Parish

- **Parish Envelopes**
- **Pre-authorized donations from your bank account.**
- **Credit card donations**
- **E-transfer music.finance@procathedral.ca**
- **Use our "Donate Today" button on our website at procathedral.ca**

Only if it does not cause financial hardship—we appreciate your financial support!



Collection Report: 26 September	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$3,176.75	$697.00



Development and Peace Stamp Collection



Don't forget that your stamps affixed to the right corner of your envelopes can help fund Development and Peace projects as they sell them to stamp collectors. Please support this initiative by simply cutting off the stamps from your envelopes without damaging the perforations. **Save them in baggies/ envelopes & drop them into the collection or into the office mail slot.**

EXPERIENCE PEACE AND LOVE



If you haven't been to Confession in a while, the Catholic Church wants to welcome you back, and invites you to participate in this beautiful sacrament of healing. Take a step in faith. You'll be surprised about how free you feel after taking part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. So many Catholics describe incredible feelings of peace, joy, relief, and love that they never expected. Jesus is calling you to experience His mercy in this way too.

Visit our website at procathedral.ca under Sacraments and then Reconciliation to view the videos:

- What is the Sacrament of Confession; and
- Understanding Why we Confess

03 ~ 09 October 2021

National Catholic Health Care Week

From October 3 to 9, 2021 we mark National Catholic Health Care Week across Canada, recognizing the important 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 a commitment to serving all people, from all backgrounds and faiths—especially those impacted by trauma, stigma, poverty, and isolation.

We pray for health care teams who have given much over the past year and continue to who walk with all those who are ill, deeply troubled, weary and struggling. The healing journey depends on openness, trust and compassion, and we are grateful for our Catholic health ministries as they strive to create safe and welcoming places for connection and healing—body, mind and soul. Holding all those who are hurting 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 serve with compassion and courage.

You are encouraged to mark this week with daily reflections and prayers. Please visit the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada website at www.chac.ca

Revealing the Courageous Gift of Catholic Health Care



Regional Atrium Registration
All Parishes Welcome

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Atrium Level I: ages 3 to 5 years and Level II: ages 6 to 12 years Atrium Orientation is Saturday October 16



Parent and Child to attend—please arrive at 9:30 AM. Gathering will be 45 minutes long with children spending time in the atrium with their catechist while Adult Orientation takes place in the Parish Hall.

Children love to come into the atrium because they have a sense that this is a sacred space for them. The atrium is filled with many wonder materials that tell us of the life of Jesus and the life of the Church. An example of how materials teach children about the life of Jesus would be the Nativity set and the topographic map of the Land of Israel. Children come to know Jesus was born in a time and place. Children hear the words Jesus spoke for the first time during Passover, the same words we hear today said by the priest at Mass. Families are welcome to come into the atrium and celebrate with their child throughout the year. Our catechist's are trained in the Montessori way of being with children and in the teachings of the Catholic Church. Located: Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Parish. Catechist's to contact: Suzanne at 845-0160 or Erin at 476-8509



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings bring these beautiful images to mind. In the Gospel, Jesus teaches his disciples about marriage: "God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." While the readings focus on the relationship between man and woman, we are reminded that God created all of us – no matter our state in life – to love one another as he loves us. The capacity to love is in our DNA. Jesus invites us to be companions on life's journey, reflecting to others Christ's love for the Church.

Each of us has a story to tell, and recording family "love stories" can be a fun way to witness to our children and grandchildren what good relationships look like. Take some time to interview your parents or others in your extended family about how they met, how they've overcome the challenges they have faced as a couple, and how they have kept God at the center.



Just a friendly reminder that due to Diocesan and health recommended Covid protocols, we are still not able to participate in congregation singing. We will be happy to hear your wonderful voices when these restrictions lift!

REGIONAL NEWS

All are welcome to join the North Bay Regional CWL Spiritual Reflection *"We Honour God's Creation"* Thursday, October 14 at 2:00 pm Virtual Presentation via Zoom The North Bay Regional CWL members will be hosting our monthly time of prayer and fellowship and we would love you to join us as we pray and reflect on the wonder and beauty of God's Creation. Join by visiting this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82157678181?pwd=WmVTR1ErSUUc2RYdm1FaUVXL29uQT09

Mother St. Bride School is looking for a Noon Hour Supervisor. If you are interested in joining an exciting, motivated team for two hours a day; 10:30-11:30a.m. and/or 12:50-1:50p.m. We are looking for caring people who enjoy working with children to assist with tasks such as supervision, coaching through problem-solving, and ensuring children's safety. At Mother St. Bride School we are rooted in faith and alive in spirit. Please contact Lori Schlueting at 472-1524 to discuss your availability. A vulnerable sector check from your local police station will be required.

Marriage Preparation Weekend—North Bay: Hosted at Holy Name of Jesus Church, this regional preparation meeting is open to all couples planning on marrying in the Catholic Church. Held October 22 from 6-9:30 pm and Saturday, October 23, from 9 am-5 pm. To register, please call Samantha at 471-3284.

St. Mary's Cemetery and Holy Cross Cemetery: Many items are being placed or planted on gravesites which do not comply with the Cemetery By-laws. Staff will be removing items/plantings after October 15 to align with the Bylaws. Families are asked to remove items that are not part of the permanent grave memorial before October 15th as these items may be irretrievable after that time. Families are encouraged to review the By-laws. Contact the Cemetery Office: 495-8986 or info@nbrcc.ca for a copy.



The Good Samaritan Corner

The Canadian Mental Health Association North Bay and District Outreach Program needs your generosity. Their program works with individuals struggling with homelessness. Usually, they have donations coming in to hand out to clients, however due to COVID-19 donations have slowed down considerably. They need: men's pants sizes 30-36, women's pants, shoes for men and women size 8 and larger, sweaters, and gloves.
If you have donations, please contact Benji Nelson at 492-7765 or visit 178 Main Street West/176 Main Street West. Drop offs can be made from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday. Arrangements for pick up can also be made by contacting Benji.

Did you know that the Canadian Mental Health Association North Bay and District offers Community Outreach Services? Services include the North Bay Regional Health Centre - & Mental Health Regional Centre site visits, Mattawa Mental Health Support Centre, Mattawa, Home for Special Care, Women on the inside, Community Outreach/ Referral Process and Addiction Peer Support. For more information visit: https://nbd.cmha.ca/programs-services/community-outreach-services/

For more information about the Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay visit https://www.facebook.com/compassionatecommitteeofnorthbay/ or contact Leah Pierce at 472-5687 or at pn.thebay@gmail.com