

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

Welcome to Your Father's House!

Suddenly two men in bright shining clothes stood by them. Full of fear, the women bowed down to the ground, as the men said to them, "Why are you looking among the dead for one who is alive? He is not here; he has been raised."

"Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead." Their understanding would grow in the hours and days that followed. These early witnesses would then share the Good News of Jesus' resurrection, often at the cost of their own lives, building up the Church that endures today. Like the disciples, we, too, are commissioned to witness to our faith in the risen Jesus, sharing this life-changing reality with others through our words and actions.



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.

Most Rev. Thomas Dowd, D.D.
Bishop of the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

Rev. Larry Rymes
Pastor of the Pro-Cathedral Parish

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.



(705) 472-3970

(705) 494-8222

office@procathedral.ca

www.procathedral.ca

facebook.com/procathedral

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: 3:00 to 3:45 PM each Saturday.

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: Each Friday from 11:00 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.

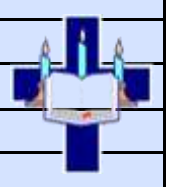
The Pro-Cathedral is **wheel chair accessible**. The entrance to the elevator is on Algonquin Avenue. Please enter the vestibule and ring the bell for an attendant. Service available at all weekend masses. Weekday masses service available 11:30 AM to 12:45 PM. A **Hearing Aid System** is available for use by the hearing impaired. Please ask an Usher or Sacristan to assist you upon entering the church.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Monday	**OFFICE CLOSED EASTER MONDAY**
Tuesday—Thursday	**8:30 AM to 4:30 PM**
Friday	**8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON**

Scripture Readings: 18~24 April

Monday	Acts 2. 14, 22-33; Matthew 28. 8-15
Tuesday	Acts 2. 36-41; John 20. 11-18
Wednesday	Acts 3. 1-10; Luke 24. 13-35
Thursday	Acts 3. 11-26; Luke 24. 35-48
Friday	Acts 4. 1-12; John 21. 1-14
Saturday	Acts 4. 13-21; Mark 16. 9-15
Sunday	Acts 5. 12-16; Revelation 1. 9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; John 20. 19-31



Death, Where is Your Sting?



Today we celebrate Christ's own victory over the grave. We hear the wonderful Easter message: *"He is not here. He has risen!"* Jesus has announced to the whole world that death has lost its power to hurt us. As Paul says: *Death has been swallowed up in victory.*

Where, O death is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?
Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. *(1 Corinthians15: 55, 57)*

Jesus died in our place on the cross, taking on himself all our sin, all the sin that separates us from God – all the sin that prevents us from ever getting to heaven. Jesus rose again from the dead at Easter to demonstrate that death could not hold him down, that the power of sin to condemn us has been destroyed and the ability of death to wipe us out completely has been overcome.

This gives us positive hope – after our life on this earth is over, there is a new life waiting for us. Didn't Jesus say, *"There are many rooms in my Father's house, and I am going to prepare a place for you"? (John 14:2).*

The message of Easter is clear and simple. The enemy death has been defeated. And although we are parted from family and friends for a while because of death, we know that we shall meet up with those who die in the Lord beyond death in the bliss of eternal life. We may have longed for one more hour, or one more day, but in Christ we have eternity. When those close to us die, or when we die, we leave the troubles of this world and enter the joys of eternal life. When it comes to death our Christian faith is as relevant as ever.

- Who or what else can give us any security when faced with death?
- Who or what else can offer us any hope when death comes close?
- Who can make any sense out of what appears to us to be a senseless waste of life?
- Who can help us when someone is taken suddenly and inexplicably?
- Who else can comfort us when the pain that death brings strikes our hearts with such ferocity?
- Who? The living Jesus!

His resurrection assures us, who are his children, that we too shall rise.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!



MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Liturgies are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 18 April - Weekday in the Octave of Easter
NO COMMUNION SERVICE TODAY

Tuesday, 19 April - Weekday in the Octave of Easter
Dr. Frank Fazzari - Suzanne Lukasik
Mildred Puddister - The Family
For Souls in Purgatory - Richard Levesque

Wednesday, 20 April - Weekday in the Octave of Easter
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Sam Veraldi - Myrtle Veraldi
Jeannine and Dollard St. George - Cecile Robert
Deceased and Living Members of Gerald Scully Family

Thursday, 21 April - Weekday in the Octave of Easter
Ron Leblanc - Shirley and Al Falconi
Joseph Slattery - Don and Marilyn Halsall
Deceased Relatives of Margaret Lafontaine

Friday, 22 April - Weekday in the Octave of Easter
Rocco and Maria Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo
Dr. Frank Fazzari - The DeGrosbois Family
Intention of Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque

4:00 PM Saturday, 23 April - Second Sunday of Easter
Leonardo Miscio - Maria Miscio and Family
Geraldine and Ken Barry - Katherine Voisin
Claudette Murtha - Tom Murtha
Intention of Brent and Jennifer Conley - Anne Marie Seguin

Sunday, 24 April - Second Sunday of Easter
9:00 AM Stephen Kunkel - Margaret Lafontaine
Colin Vezina Jr. - Friday Church Cleaning Volunteers
For all People - Colleen McGuinty

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



✝ MEMORIAL FUND ✝

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

COLIN VEZINA JR.

JUST A REMINDER THAT AFTER THE EASTER VIGIL WE WILL NO LONGER BE LIVE-STREAMING MASSES. WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU IN PERSON!

THANK YOU!

Thank you to Bridgette Perron who coordinates the environment committee and who did a spectacular job of decorating for Holy Week and Easter celebrations!

We are blessed that you use your talent to help decorate our church!

The Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada would like to extend a warm invitation to all to the opening mass of their 100th Annual Convention in our 102nd year. Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption, Friday, April 22, 2022 at 7:00 pm, presided by Bishop Thomas Dowd. Please join us at this milestone event as we celebrate over 100 years of service to God and Canada!



CATHOLIC CONVERSATION SERIES

The Evangelization Committee of North Bay & Area have organized Catholic Conversation Series of presentations on the Catholic faith. Each night is a stand-alone topic. Your are invited! And bring a friend too!

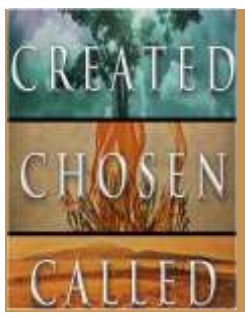
HOW TO RAISE CHILDREN TO EMBRACE THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Wednesday, 27 April at 7:00 PM
St. Peter the Apostle Church — 299 Airport Road
With Presenters: Mat & Theresa-Marie VanMilligen

To Find our more and to register, visit:
https://www.catholicconversation.net/
Also on LINKS at our website at procathedral.ca

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.





IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A PRIEST?

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart ... He will direct your path." (Proverbs 3: 5-6)

WWW.BEAPRIEST.CA

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

Fostering contemplation and enjoyment of God

Level 1 Formation Course for Adults - A two part course to become a catechist working with the 3-6 year old child



The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a Montessori approach to forming young children in the faith, which offers a unique method of experiential and tactile learning. It affirms that all children are born with a deep relationship with God, and it nurtures this relationship in an unhurried atmosphere of peace and **respect in a sacred space called "the Atrium".**



"The Atrium" is a beautiful, quiet space in the church, filled with child-sized materials in 10 themed centres. These materials aid the **child's reflection on scripture, the life of Jesus and the rich** symbols of our Christian faith tradition.

Offered in co-operation with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

Dates:	Part B July 17 - 22, 2022 (Register by June 5, 2022)
Location:	Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Parish Atrium
Questions:	Erin Tayler 840-8509 or betayler@fibreop.ca
Register:	**https://www.cgsac.ca/course-offerings/North-Bay-Level-1%2C-Part-B**

Volunteers Needed - Please Consider:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Ushers
Adult Funeral Servers
Children & Teen Altar Servers







Come back to the Catholic Church

We will Welcome You! Have Questions?

Call us: 705-472-3970

Or Email: office@procathedral.ca

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE BURSARIES



National Bursary Fund

Have you been thinking of expanding your knowledge of the Catholic faith? The National Bursary Fund (available to all members) assists women with the cost of furthering their education. The fund may be applied to various educational opportunities on spiritual growth, adult lay formation, youth ministry, parliamentary procedure, literacy tutoring and ministry to patients in palliative care or shut-ins. The maximum award is $1,000 per year per applicant, and a member can receive up to $4,000 in her lifetime.

Applications to the National Bursary Fund (with supporting documentation – refer to the criteria) **must be submitted to national office and postmarked by May 15.** Applications must be completed on the official form at cwl.ca and search 552 National Bursary Application.

PARISH BURSARY 2022



Each year we offer two students from the North Bay area high schools entering post secondary this fall a $400 bursary. This program was paused due to the Covid pandemic but we are excited to be offering it again!

Criteria and application can be found at procathedral.ca/GROUPS/Catholic Women's League or picked up at the parish office.

Please note the deadline, June 3, 2022, for applications to be submitted. I look forward to receiving the applications!

Diane Carmichael, Education & Health Chairperson

Collection Report: 10 APRIL	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$3,616.60	**$902.00**

March Credit Card Donations	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$4,009.67	**$1,046.00**

Ways You can Help Financially 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**

REGIONAL NEWS



Celebrate God's Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 24 at St. Peter the Apostle Church at 3:00 PM. Fellowship in the parish hall for coffee, tea and cake will follow. A Reminder to begin the 9-Day Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet on Good Friday.

After two long years of lockdowns North Bay Right to Life has chartered a 56 passenger bus to attend the **March For Life** in Ottawa for **Thursday, May 12.** The bus will leave Staples parking lot at 7:00am and return the same day about 9:00pm. Adults $30 and Students $20. The bus stops midway for a 15 minute coffee break. Prolife MP's say that larger gatherings on Parliament Hill encourages them to stand up for a culture of life. Contact Jeannine 705-724-3424 jeanninejlebel@gmail.com Register now—pay later.

North Bay Right to Life works to deepen respect for human life and heighten public opposition to abortion and euthanasia and other threats against human life both in the Christian Community and among the general public.

North Bay Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre: Appointments can be made to see clients/visitors by calling 475-9270. Along with guidance and support, did you know that we provide layettes to new moms and also have a baby clothes closet? Donations of diapers, wipes, baby wash, etc. & much more are appreciated. Please call to see what our requirements are. If you would like to volunteer, or be part of our prayer ministry, email judyproulx@icloud.com



The Good Samaritan Corner

The Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay recognize that the homeless have urgent needs.

Spring is here! Spring cleaning may be on your to-do list. If so, instead of sending gently used clothes, blankets, towels, and sheets to the landfill, drop them off at Rebuilt Resources (1356 Regina St). They provide vouchers to our brothers and sisters who transition from shelters to affordable housing. For more information visit https://rebuiltresources.com/ or call them at 497-7878.

Did you know that Low Income People Involvement (LIPI) of Nipissing is looking for used furniture? Often when people move from a shelter to an apartment, they must start all over, having nothing to set up a home. This is where you come in! Please contact LIPI at LIPI@LIPInipissing.com or at 705-472-1337 to make arrangements for pick up.

https://www.facebook.com/compassionatecommitteeofnorthbay
Leah Pierce at 472-5687 or at pn.thebay@gmail.com

Looking for a Catholic Podcast? The Catholic Buzz Podcast is a weekly Catholic podcast recorded in our own Diocese. Hosted by Fr. Daniele Muscolino, Josh Sullivan and Mat VanMilligen, these three tackle all sorts of Catholic topics, news and answer your questions too. You can watch the podcast on YouTube, or listen on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Spotify, Amazon Music and more! Visit https://linktr.ee/thecatholicbuzz for all the links, or follow on Facebook (@thecatholicbuzz) or on Instagram (@thecatholicbuzzpodcast).