11 September 2022

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

480 McIntyre Street West North Bay, ON P1B 2Z4

Welcome to Your Father's House!



In the first reading, Moses persuades God not to punish his errant people. In his First Letter to Timothy, Paul writes that he is grateful to be an Apostle, strengthened by Christ Jesus. In the Gospel, Jesus, tells the parables of the lost sheep, lost coin, and the prodigal son. When we lose something, we tend to be tense and anxious until it is found. Then there is blessed relief! Similarly, when our relationship with God is broken, we feel a void that gnaws at our being until we remember that God's mercy endures forever. All we have to do is repent and seek reconciliation. And when that happens, God enfolds us with his love.

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

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



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

Scripture Readings: 12—18 September

Monday	1 Corinthians 11. 17-26, 33; Luke 7. 1-10
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 12. 12-14, 27-31a; Lk. 7. 11-17
Wednesday	Numbers 21. 4-9; John 3. 13-17
Thursday	Hebrews 5. 7-9; Luke 2. 33-35
Friday	1 Corinthians 15. 12-20; Luke 8. 1-3
Saturday	1 Corinthians 15. 35-37, 42-50; Luke 8. 4-15
Sunday	Amos 8. 4-7; 1 Timothy 2. 1-7; Luke 16. 1-13

FUNERAL LUNCHEON TEAM MEETING!

September 13 at 1:00 PM in the Parish Hall

Men & Women Welcome to Serve in this Ministry

We will be having a team meeting for ALL members of the work teams, new and current members.



It has been hectic starting up again since our long "hiatus" from Covid and we need to re-group!

Let's get together to give everyone a chance to meet and know each other and to discuss some new ideas!

If you would like to help out in this ministry and have not previously volunteered please join us.

All are welcome! A LIGHT LUNCH WILL BE SERVED



Baptism Preparation

Our next meeting for parents will be held in the Parish Hall on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 beginning at 7:00 PM. Those who wish to register for this meeting to have their child baptized are asked to call the parish office by Monday, September 19.

Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan Policy.

Never cease loving a person, and never give up hope
for him, for even the prodigal son
who had fallen most low, could still be saved.

Next Weekend!

DISPLAYS OF HOLY LAND WOOD ART FOR PURCHASE WILL BE HELD WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 17 & 18



The main income for the Christian community of Bethlehem—The Birth Place of Jesus-is selling their handcrafted olive wood religious items to the pilgrims who visit the area.
The past few years have been extremely hard for the community as a result of declining tourism.



Some Christians responded by fleeing the Holy Land, and the absence of a living Christian community is very dangerous for the Holy Sites such as the Church of The Nativity.
Please consider a purchase when we have their beautiful art available in an effort to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Liturgies are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 12 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
No Celebration on Mondays

Tuesday, 13 September - St. John Chrysostom, Bishop/Dr.
For Souls in Purgatory - A Parishioner
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Wednesday, 14 September - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Addie and Laura Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo
For a Special Intention - Kathie Cohen
Intention of the Pro-Cathedral Ushers - A Parishioner

Thursday, 15 September - Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows
Lidia Rossi - The Family
Theron Piper - Kathleen and Family
Intention of the Pro-Cathedral Sacristans - Pro-Cathedral Ushers

Friday, 16 September - St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian, Martyrs
Sam Veraldi - Myrtle Veraldi
Nick Plutino - Dora Plutino and Family
Deceased and Living Members of the Gerald Scully Family

4:00 PM Saturday, 17 September - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Claude Gravel - Robert and Judy
Gerald Emond - Kathie Cohen
Ken Hastie - Pro-Cathedral Collection Counters

Sunday, 18 September - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Rose Flaherty - Cliff and Marg Riopelle
Msgr. Norm Clement - The Taillefer Family

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



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Each Friday 11 AM - NOON

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION! Register Soon!



Students in Grade 7, 8, 9, 10 or older are invited to register for our Fall Preparation Program beginning September 29. Preparation sessions and the Day of Retreat is celebrated together in our region at Holy Name of Jesus Church.

Candidates will celebrate the Sacrament with Bishop Thomas Dowd at the parish they are registered at and regularly attend. Information, dates and registration for all candidates from all parishes is available online at: www.holynamestalphonsus.com/confirmation

Registration Deadline is September 28, 2022.

COLLECTION REPORT: 04 SEPT	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$4,667.10	**$1,085.00**

Calling all the Single Women

To all widows, divorced and single women ...

You're invited to join our Pro-Cathedral ladies' group.

We began in the fall of 2017 and currently have 23 members. Our primary reason for gathering is to socialize. In the past, we've had lots of fun together spending a day at a cottage, BBQ's, lunch at the waterfront on Fridays (summer), local concerts, out of town shopping, theatre productions, dinners, good movies, etc.

We are very excited to resume our Thursday coffeetime & upcoming fall/winter events.

This season we are including organized out-of-town, 3 & 5 day trips for those who would like a little getaway.

Our goal is to offer something social for everyone.

On Wednesday, September 28 at 2 pm, we will launch our fall schedule with a brief meeting followed by cooking a group Paella (classic Spanish rice dish).

I hope you can see yourself enjoying some of our events with our ladies/fellow parishioners.

I'm sure you'll know or have met some of us when attending church and church functions.

If you are thinking about joining, please call me, Karen Beaulieu at 495-6675 and I would gladly meet with you and answer any questions you may have.

No membership fee & No cost to join!
Fall & Spring (2) meetings only.







A Huge Thank You to the Catholic Women's League and Knights of Columbus for supporting the training course held this summer in the Good Shepherd Regional Church Atrium, located at the Pro-Cathedral. One of our catechists Susan Perna, along with Paula Rush, were our formation trainers with the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Association of Canada. Susan and Paula lead us through the spiritual needs and capacities of children 3 to 6 years of age. Both Susan and Paula demonstrated how to join in a religious experience with young children.

Catechists in training came from Sault Ste. Marie, Chelmsford, Manitoulin Island, Powassan, London and North Bay.

To feed everyone for six days required some planning and a few special people with big hearts. Thank you Annette Dutrisac and Andree Cornish, for offering to feed us. Your hard work and special touch was greatly appreciated. Thank you for thinking of us and joining in. WE ENJOYED IT ALL!

Pulling a 90 hour course together also required funds. To minimize costs our wonderful Knights of Columbus quickly said, 'Yes', when approached. For that we are very appreciative. Your support allowed for me personally to participate more fully and to focus on the needs of trainers and trainees. To Sir Knight David Dunkley, and all Knights, thank you for your service. We are a stronger parish community because of all our ministries.



Erin, Susan, Suzanne C, Mary Kate and Suzanne L - Catechists

Sunday Liturgy With Children

GATHERINGS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 25

Sunday Liturgy With Children is held every Sunday at the 9:00 AM Mass from September until June for all children ages 4-12 years old. The focus of each group is to incorporate a variety of experiences that appeal to a young child's natural sense of wonder about God.

Children are welcome to start at anytime of the year, however, September is the appropriate time because there is a progression to their experiences and time is spent introducing the children to the Celebration of God's Word.



The Gospel message is geared to your child's level of understanding

The Liturgy of the Word with Children is an opportunity for the children in the parish to LISTEN to the readings from scripture and RESPOND in their own words what the readings are saying to them. The children can move and sing in a response to prayer. We can PRAY and PRAISE God with words but we can improve or enhance our prayer with MUSIC.

Children are invited to leave the assembly after the Opening Prayer at the invitation of the Celebrant.

The leader receives the children's lectionary from the celebrant and holds it high as children are led to their place of worship. The children are welcomed and we begin with an Opening Prayer. The First Reading is proclaimed followed by a moment of silence. The Psalm is then sung by the children often accompanied by clapping or some other form of activity. Alleluia is sung with actions. The leader proclaims the Gospel and a reflection based on the reading is led by the leader. The Creed is then proclaimed followed by the Prayers of the Faithful.

The children return to their Families at this point in the liturgy.

EACH SUNDAY there is a team of adults who are present during The Liturgy of the Word with Children to assist with any concerns. (eg. Washroom)



Hey Everyone!

From time to time we have parishioners who are looking for a ride to church on the weekend. We currently have someone on Reynolds Street and someone from the student residence looking for a ride to Mass. Maybe you live in these areas and can help them out? Please call the parish office and we discuss the possibility of your offering a ride. Thank you so much!

Good Shepherd Regional Atrium Ages 3-6 Parent/Guardian Meeting Tuesday, September 27 ~ 7:00 PM

All parents interested in registering their child(ren) for this coming fall are asked to attend this gathering.

The Atrium room is located in the Pro-Cathedral downstairs. Holy Name of Jesus, and St. Peter the Apostle parish families make up the Regional Atrium.

"The Kingdom of God, What is it Like?" A song children come to know and enjoy singing in the Good Shepherd Regional Atrium. The children will get to know more about the Kingdom of God through many hands-on materials created to aid children in knowing who Jesus is. The topographic map of the Land of Israel is one example. The Kingdom of God parables are another.

Come join us on September 27 to find out more about the Good Shepherd Atrium!

Peace & Joy,

Erin Tayler, Suzanne Charette & Susan Perna, *Catechists*

"Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius"

Shalom Place, a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph, is once again offering the "Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius" over the next nine months. All sessions will be offered remotely.

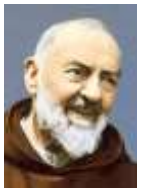
Who Might Benefit:

* Those who desire to grow in their relationship with God
* Those who desire to live life more fully
* Those who seek to understand more clearly God's presence in their lives
* Those who want to discern the next step in their lives, or who are already in transition
* Those open to meeting regularly with a Spiritual Director who will guide them through the retreat.

For full details and to apply, please check out our website:

www.shalomplace.ca/spiritual-exercises

Registrations due by September 18, 2022



Feast of St. Padre Pio—Italian Mass & Dinner: All are welcome to attend the Feast of St. Padre Pio on Friday, September 23 at 5:30 pm at Holy Name of Jesus Church. Mass in Italian will be offered by Fr. Daniele Muscolino, followed by a pasta & meatball dinner in the parish hall. Dinner is by free-will offering.

North Bay Right to Life's Annual Life Chain will take place on October 2 along Lakeshore Drive from 2:00 pm till 3:00 pm. The Pro-Cathedral's location begins at Charles Street and heads north along Lakeshore Drive. We encourage people to stand 8 feet apart and spend the hour in silent prayer. Please join our peaceful public hour of prayer for an end to abortion. Signs will be available for you at our location.

North Bay Pregnancy Help Resource Center Hike-A-Thon September 24 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at Laurier Woods Conservation Area. You can raise sponsors or make a donation at the event! Pledge forms can be emailed to you or picked up at the office. We have a **Prayer Team** who are vital to this ministry—you are welcome to join! For a pledge form for the hike, to join our prayer team, or to volunteer, contact Judy at judynbphrc@gmail.com or call 475-9270.



The Good Samaritan Corner

There is no doubt about it, fall is on its way. And with the change in season, the temperature drops in North Bay. The homeless are desperate no matter the season, however, cold temperatures can be especially difficult. Here is what you can do if you see someone that is homeless in the cold:

1) Save a life - call 911
2) Buy something hot to eat or drink
3) Make a handout care package – fruit, granola bars, pre-packaged cookies, pre-packaged cheese and crackers, packaged chocolates, warm socks and gloves, gift cards to a local grocery store, lip balm, a handwritten note with a message of kindness
4) Donate to a charity that supports the homeless such as Low Income People Involvement of Nipissing https://lipinipissing.com/

Municipal elections will be held on Monday, October 24. To find a list of candidates visit https://www.northbay.ca/city-government/2022-elections/candidate-information/election-candidates/. Please learn how each candidate will address homelessness in North Bay.

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 compassionnorthbay@gmail.com



New to the Pro-Cathedral?

Please Register so we can get to know you better!

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