16 JULY 2023

15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023
LISBON, PORTUGAL

World Youth Day is a Catholic Pilgrimage and Celebration of Faith for Young People.

THIS WEEKEND!
ICE CREAM FUNDRAISER
Available at all Masses by Donation!

Our Youth will join Pope Francis in Portugal in August - Your Donations Help Defray Participation Costs



The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. The first reading speaks of God's word, like rain, doing his will and achieving the end for which it is sent. In the second reading, we hear that creation is groaning, but that *we have the firstfruits of the Spirit* while we wait for redemption. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the sower and the seed that fell on rich soil. The image of the seed that Jesus offers in today's parable can call us to see more clearly and to listen more carefully. This seeing and hearing requires a posture of wonder, a posture of careful attentiveness. Can we slow down and marvel, watching with anticipation to see what God will do?

3rd Annual Catholic Family Retreat August 5, 6 & 7 at Sacred Way Farms, Powassan. Our Retreat Leaders this year are Ken & Janelle Yasinski! Join us for prayer, family fun, activities and inspiring talks! Camping is available on property. To register or for more information visit: holynamestalphonsus.com/familyretreat

New to the Pro-Cathedral?
Please Register so we can get to know you better!
Email: office@procathedral.ca

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.

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.

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	

IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Joseph de Viveiros, CR Chaplain, Nipissing-Parry Sound District Schools

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.

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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OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Monday & Friday	**OFFICE CLOSED**
Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday	**8:30 AM—4:30 PM**

READINGS: 17 - 23 JULY

Monday	Exodus 1. 8-14, 22; Matthew 10. 34—11.1
Tuesday	Exodus 2. 1-15a; Matthew 11. 20-24
Wednesday	Exodus 3. 1-6, 9-12; Matthew 11. 25-27
Thursday	Exodus 3. 13-20; Matthew 11. 28-30
Friday	Exodus 11. 10—12.14; Matthew 12. 1-8
Saturday	Song 3. 1-4a; John 20. 1, 11-18
Sunday	Wisdom 12. 13, 16-19; Romans 8. 26-27; Matthew 13. 24-43



JULY 50/50 TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/procathedral

Tickets Amount
1 for $5, 4 for $10, 20 for $20, 100 for $50

Purchaser must reside in Ontario.

This raffle is conducted by the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption, a charity in North Bay under Licence #RAF1286202

OFFERING A MASS



Offering Mass intentions is a tradition of prayer, support, and community. You may request a mass for someone who is deceased; for the intentions of someone who is living; for those who are sick and suffering who need prayers; or in celebration of a special occasion. Contact the parish office to book a mass. Mass Stipend is $15.00



How often do you find yourself listening to a friend or family member not to really hear what they are saying, but to plan your response? Do we do that while we pray as well? When we are so anxious to get our words in – either to another person, or to God, we're not really being the rich soil that the other's words deserve. We're not even the rocky ground or the thorny path of which the Lord speaks; we're more like a giant rubber wall off of which the words bounce! Let's take some time to consider how our practice of listening and receiving others, including the Lord, is preparing us (or not) for the return of Jesus. And if there is room to improve, now is a good time to do it.

PRAY: *Lord, Jesus Christ, prepare my heart and my soul so that your words and your desires for my life will not fall on rocky soil. Give me the strength to be a Godly sower to all I encounter, especially my family, so your glory will be revealed. Amen.*

Sunday Collection: 02 July 2023	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$4,511.66	**$1,099.10**

Sunday Collection: 09 July 2023	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$4,542.30	**$759.25**

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT

Roof Campaign Balance		**$127,133.58**
Week Ending Sunday, July 9 (Incl. July 2 Collection)		
43 Tax Receipted Donations		$ 699.25
Roof Loose		$ 891.15
Orchard Gift Card Sales		
8 Cards X $5.00 Profit		$ 40.00
Profit to 09 July	**Total:**	**$ 2,703.00**
Garage Sale Additional Funds		$ 223.00
Roof Campaign Balance July 9		**$128,987.28**

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, 17 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
No Celebration on Mondays

Tuesday, 18 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Intention of Michael Boudreau - Susan Boudreau and Family

Wednesday, 19 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Emile Lamothe - Sue and Paul Aultman

Thursday, 20 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu
Intention of Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque

Friday, 21 July - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Tom Atchison - Lorraine Atchison and Family
For Holy Souls in Purgatory - A Parishioner

4:00 PM Saturday, 22 July - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Carmen Fruci - Domenic and Nicolina Mascioli

Sunday, 23 July - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Jeannette Dominico - Margaret Anne Lafontaine

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



$25 Gift Cards
ORCHARDS
Available at Parish Office

BEAUTIFYING YOUR CHURCH



Can you spare one hour every two weeks for light cleaning in the church? For more information, contact Patricia Fassl at 705-494-8192 or Lorna Rick at 705-930-0876. Come out to clean and stay for a coffee and a chat. Men and women welcome!

Please pick up your CWL Membership Card in the CWL box on the table at the right hand side of the Church Entrance.



SACRAMENT PREPARATION FALL 2023

Students in Grade 7, 8, 9, 10 or older are invited to register for our Fall Preparation Program.

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 or on our website at procathedral.ca under SACRAMENTS/CONFIRMATION

Program beings on September 28.
Candidates who miss the Confirmation Retreat on September 30 will not be permitted to participate.
Registration Deadline is September 27.