27 AUGUST 2023

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!

In the first reading, Eliakim is given the tokens of the master of the pala-0ce and the Lord gives him authority over the palace to be a father to all Jerusalem. Saint Paul writes to the Romans that God's knowledge and wisdom are unfathomable. In the Gospel, when Jesus asks who the crowds say he is, the disciples give varied answers. Peter answers correctly and Jesus gives him the keys of the kingdom. Simon Peter didn't "figure out" Jesus' identity on his own. Rather, God himself revealed to Peter that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Rather than relying only on our own intellect, we must be open to what the Lord is trying to tell us – or else we may miss something crucial.



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	

IN RESIDENCE

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

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	**OFFICE CLOSED**

READINGS: 28 AUG — 03 SEPT

Monday	1 Thessalonians 1. 1-5, 8b-10; Mt. 23. 13-22
Tuesday	Jeremiah 1. 17-19; Mark 6. 17-29
Wednesday	1 Thessalonians 2. 9-13; Matthew 23. 27-32
Thursday	1 Thessalonians 3. 7-13; Matthew 24. 42-51
Friday	1 Thessalonians 4. 1-8; Matthew 25. 1-13
Saturday	1 Thessalonians 4. 9-11; Matthew 25. 14-30
Sunday	Jeremiah 20. 7-9; Romans 12. 1-2; Matthew 16. 21-27



Holy Land Wood Art for Sale
Coming to the Pro-Cathedral September!

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.

On September, 9th & 10th, we will be having some of their beautiful art held for sale to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

These beautiful pieces make great Christmas, Anniversary, Sacramental and Wedding gifts!



Sunday Collection: 13 August 2023	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$3,464.50	**$662.00**

Sunday Collection: 20 August 2023	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$4,272.25	**$640.00**

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT

Roof Campaign Balance	**$132,990.78**
Sunday, 13 & 20 August	
Roof Loose 13 August	$ 388.10
39 Receipted Donations	$ 637.05
Roof Loose 20 August	$ 599.00
40 Receipted Donations	$ 463.65
July 50/50 Draw Profit	$ 558.53
Orchard Gift Card Sales	
4 Cards X $5.00 Profit	$ 20.00
New Roof Campaign Balance	**$138,474.06**

MASS SCHEDULE
Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 28 August - Memorial of St. Augustine, Bishop/Doctor
No Celebration on Mondays

Tuesday, 29 August - The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Harry and Lottie Manary - Robert and Judy
Jean Lukasik - Suzanne Lukasik
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Wednesday, 30 August - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Aurele Boudreau - Susan Boudreau and Family
Ken Hastie - Elaine, Elda, and Family
In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo

Thursday, 31 August - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Dianne Wilson - Tom Wilson
Atanas Holowchak - Ray and Marlene Walter
Intention of Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque

First Friday, 01 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Milan Hlusek - Emilia and Michelle
Holy Souls in Purgatory - A Parishioner
Intention of Greg Evans - Therese Evans

4:00 PM Saturday, 02 Sept. - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Maria Gerbasi - The Family
Keith Waters - The Waters-Leclair Family
Jose Constantino Aguiar - The Carreiro Family

Sunday, 03 September - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Beverly Brown - Robert and Judy
Int. of Laurette Goyette and Family - Marlene Pedersen and Sheila Stepaniak

11:00 AM Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Each Friday 11 AM - NOON

CREATING A COMMUNITY
WHY REGISTER?

PARTICIPATE * BUILD UP * CONTRIBUTE * SHARE

Parish life is about our experience of God in community. To create the community, the first step is getting to know one another. If you haven't yet registered, why not pick up a registration form in the pamphlet holder in the church? You can complete the registration pamphlet and either drop the form into the collection basket or to the office directly at 480 McIntyre Street West.



SACRAMENT PREPARATION FALL 2023

IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO REGISTER!

Confirmation preparation for students in Grade 7, 8, 9, 10 or older will begin in September so please register soon.

Sessions and the Day of Retreat will be celebrated together as a region, however, *candidates from the Pro-Cathedral will celebrate their confirmation here at our parish.*

Registration and Preparation Dates can be found 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.



A Baptismal Preparation Meeting will be held in the Lower Sacristy on Tuesday, September 19 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 18. *Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan Policy.*

Security at the Pro-Cathedral

We need everyone's help to ensure that our building is safely locked up. Here are a few things you can do:

⇒ Last out? Double-check doors are pushed closed after leaving so they latch. Try them. Sometimes they stick on the threshold and don't close properly.

⇒ If you are inside and have locked the Upper Sacristy door, or outside when leaving, push on it to ensure it has latched properly.

⇒ Double-check after using your fob that the door is latched and locked.

⇒ Ensure that windows that have been opened during any gathering are shut and locked before leaving.

Thank you everyone for your usual cooperation!

The Catholic Community of Volunteers is back in the hospital.



The availability of the Eucharist to patients is on Wednesday, Friday and Sundays. In order to receive Eucharist, a patient must be identified as Catholic and ***the patient or family member must authorize the visitation of a volunteer.***

Due to privacy and confidentiality regulations, volunteers do not have access to patient lists to know what patients are Catholic and who may wish to receive Eucharist. ***You must identify as a member of the Catholic Community and ask for Eucharist.***

If someone is not already on the visitation list, they or a family member can contact Deacon Rick Hamelin at 705-476-8115 or Hospital Chaplain Services at 705-491-0318 to arrange to receive the Eucharist.



God is not looking for perfection when it comes to his leaders, he is looking for true and loving hearts. In the first reading, God is not impressed with the master of the palace as a father for the people of Jerusalem. Eliakim the servant has the heart God desires. God will give Eliakim whatever he needs to guide his people – the right clothes, authority, and a place of honor. And we learn in the Gospel that Peter has the heart of love Jesus knows is necessary to guide his followers after he is gone. There are more learned and powerful men, but they lack Peter's faith. Jesus knows Peter is not perfect and he has much to learn, but Peter has the right foundation for the Church. We don't need to be the smartest people or have money and influence to be God's leaders. We need hearts of love and faith, and God will give us the tools we need to do the work.

There is much to be done in our parishes and God needs our hearts and faith to get to work. How can we use our gifts and talents to help make the parish a welcoming place? None of us have to be perfect people to participate. We just need hearts of love.

Reflect on where your talents could make a difference in your parish. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the wisdom and guidance you need to find where God wants you to be and what he wants you to do. Extend an invitation to one person to join you in participating in a church ministry.

You have until Midnight - Thursday, 31 August to Purchase your 50/50 Tickets!

JULY DRAW WILL TAKE PLACE on TUESDAY, 01 AUGUST ~ Great Chance to Win!

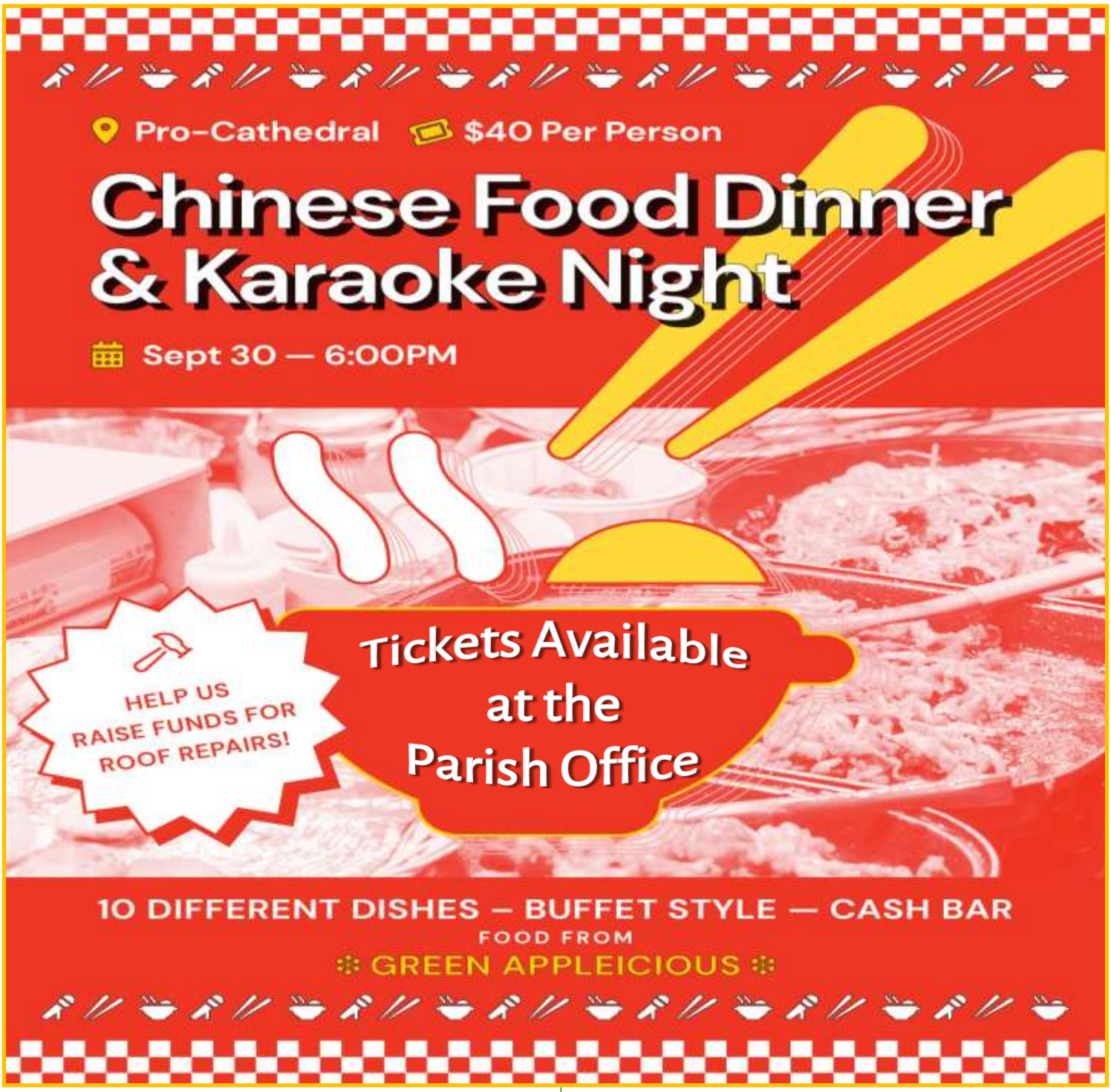
www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/procathedral



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

This raffle is conducted by the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption, a charity in North Bay under License #RAF1286202. Purchaser must reside in Ontario.





Development and Peace
CARITAS CANADA

Save the Date! October 13-15

Development and Peace-Caritas Canada
Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie

Fall Retreat & Workshop

Held at the Anishinabe Spiritual Center ~ Espanola, Ontario
Everyone Welcome!
For more information, contact Rose-Marie Valade
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Becoming A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART

That Man is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and greater society. Join us for food, fellowship and faith beginning Saturday, September 9 at 7:00 AM at St. Peter's Parish Hall. All men are welcome. Learn more at tmiy.org. Register at tmiynorthbay.ca

Regional Eucharistic Adoration Tuesday to Friday from 11:30 AM to 4:30 PM at Holy Name. *We need adorers*– call Karen Beaulieu at 495-6675.