15 OCTOBER 2023

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!

From Isaiah's rich description of the abundance God intends to provide us for all time, to Paul's reminder that God constantly provides for our good, to Jesus' parable encouraging us in dramatic terms to accept God's feast rather than relying on ourselves alone, all of our readings lead us to celebrate being gracious receivers of God's generous love. As followers of Jesus, we cannot allow the challenges of everyday life to take our attention from the sumptuous abundance of our lives in God's family. Each day we return our focus to rejoicing, provided for by God *in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.*



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	**8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON**

READINGS: 16—22 OCTOBER

Monday	Romans 1. 1-7; Luke 11. 29-32
Tuesday	Romans 1. 16-25; Luke 11. 37-41
Wednesday	2 Timothy 4. 9-17a; Luke 10. 1-9
Thursday	Romans 3. 21-30; Luke 11. 47-54
Friday	Romans 4. 1-8; Luke 12. 1-7
Saturday	Romans 4. 13, 16-18; Luke 12. 8-12
Sunday	Isaiah 45. 1, 4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1. 1-5ab; Matthew 22. 15-21

Prayers Needed!



Be a Confirmation Prayer Partner!

Be in prayer for one of our youth as they go through the Confirmation process this fall.

Receive the first name of a youth, and pray for this young person as they learn about our church and accept God's love given to them at baptism in confirmation of their faith.

You are invited to give them a congratulations card, purchased or handmade (please—no gifts) which will be given to them with their Confirmation Certificate. *You can choose to sign or not sign your card for the candidate.*

You are also welcome to attend the Confirmation Celebration on November 4 at 1:30 PM at the Pro-Cathedral.

By becoming a Prayer Partner you are agreeing to regularly pray for a candidate. Regular prayer depends on you - weekly, daily, or however often you pray! Your accompanying a candidate preparing for Confirmation can make a significant difference in their life of faith and discipleship. Call or email the Parish Office if you would like to be a Prayer Partner.



2023-2024 Sunday Missals

Available in Sacristy for Pick Up

$5/EACH

Lector Workbooks

Please pick up your workbook in the Sacristy as soon as you can.



Sunday 08 October 2023	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$3,955.00	**$941.00**

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT

Roof Campaign Balance	**$152,400.51**
Sunday, 08 October	
Roof Loose	$ 532.35
31 Receipted Donations	$ 593.00
Orchard Gift Card Sales	
1 Card X $5.00 Profit	$ 5.00
Total Profit to 08 October	**$ 4,118.00**
New Roof Campaign Balance	**$153,530.86**

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 16 October - St. Marguerite D'Youville, Religious
No Celebration on Mondays

Tuesday, 17 October - St. Ignatious of Antioch, Bishop/Martyr
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Wednesday, 18 October - Feast of St. Luke, Evangelis
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
John Davis - Mary Lou Smith
Rocco and Maria Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo

Thursday, 19 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Antonio and Caterina Miscio - Maria Miscio

Friday, 20 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Sam and Lillian Veraldi - Myrtle Veraldi
Intention of Juliette Levesque - Richard Levesque

4:00 PM Saturday, 21 October - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Randy Clement - Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board
Frederick Kuehn - Sheila and John Nagel

Sunday, 22 October - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Len Fournier - Clifford and Margaret Riopelle

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

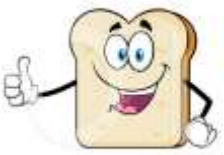
Catholic Charities

REMINDER!
WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE!

For over 50 years, Catholic Charities has operated from the Pro-Cathedral.

Volunteers from our local churches distribute donated clothing for free every second Wednesday.

Our Catholic Charities Food Bank is now offering non-perishable food distribution every second Tuesday and on the alternate Tuesdays, distribution of bread that is donated by COBS Bakery. Yes! COBS has an amazing vision to help charitable organizations in their communities and we are a recipient of their bread. We in turn offer any excess amounts to two other churches.

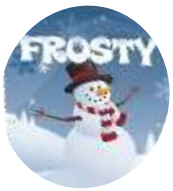


We appreciate your donations of non-perishable items on the last Sunday of each month. You will note that there is a reminder notice on your parish envelopes to bring a donation that Sunday.

Over the next month we would really appreciate donations of the following items that would really help people to make the donated bread a more nutritionally stable food item:

Peanut Butter, Jam, Cheez Whiz, Mayonnaise, Tuna/Salmon, Sardines





Catholic Women's League
Annual Christmas Bazaar & Tea
Saturday, November 18
10 AM to 2 PM - Parish Hall

If you have **knitted items** to donate and wish to have them picked up, please call Mary-Lynn Truchon, Convener, at 474-3082 to arrange a pick up time at your convenience.





Last year, the **bake table** sold out in under an hour! In addition to the tasty treats and yummy delectables for sale at the bake table, donated baked goods are also used to support the Tea Room. Contact Theresa Duffy at 472-9036 for more information. Your treats are part of the reason people keep coming back to our CWL Bazaar & Tea - give Theresa a call!

Catholic Women's League - Reminder!

North Bay Regional Fall Luncheon Gathering
Saturday, October 28 ~ Holy Name of Jesus
9:30 AM to 3:30 PM ~ $27/Per Person



I urge you to consider attending, as you will be given a glimpse of the New CWL, now well into the Strategic Plan. Our guest speaker will be Patricia Clizia, Diocesan President-Elect.
Come and enjoy a gathering of Sisterhood from all the churches in our Region, a fabulous luncheon, and a fun workshop.
Please contact me to register as soon as possible! Deadline is October 25 for planning purposes.

Annette Dutrisac, Pro-Cathedral President
705-495-3584

World Mission Sunday Collection—October 22



This Sunday we celebrate World Mission Day with the theme "Hearts on fire, feet on the move." Pope Francis is amazed by the eternal youth of a Church that is always going forth. In his message, he says: "The image of 'feet setting out' reminds us of the perennial validity of the *missio ad gentes,* the mission entrusted to the Church by the risen Lord to evangelize all individuals and peoples, even to the ends of the earth."
He continues, "All of us can contribute to this missionary movement: with our prayers and activities, with material offerings and the offering of our sufferings, and with our personal witness."

Mass for the Bereaved & The Book of Life



On November 2nd, 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 29.

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 2022—26 October 2023) 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.

All through November, the books will be open on display in the sanctuary. If you have lost a loved one in the last year call the office or drop us a note through the collection with the name of the deceased and your name and telephone number.
All names must be received by Thursday, October 26.



$25 Gift Cards
ORCHARDS
Available at Parish Office



The Pro-Cathedral Music Department has begun a new season and welcomes anyone who is interested in this special ministry. Singing at the 11:00 AM mass, warm-up takes place at 10:30 AM in the Lower Sacristy. Regular rehearsals are held at 6:30 PM in the Cathedral.

Do you play a musical instrument?
Piano-Violin-Organ? Brass or Wind Instrument?
Our music ministry could use your talents!



If you have a love of music and want to be involved, call Jane at the parish office, 472-3970, Ext. 202.

When you sing you pray twice!

Great Chance to Win
We need your support!



OCTOBER TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Visit our Homepage: procathedral.ca

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 License #RAF1286202

UKRAINIAN DIVINE LITURGY (MASS)
EVERYONE INVITED
PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION
SUNDAY, 29 OCTOBER AT 2:00 PM
The service will be held by Father Peter Bodnar,
pastor of St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church in Sudbury

Celebration in both English and Ukrainian

For additional information, stmaryssudbury@yahoo.ca
or 705-665-2869



Blessed white candles are available immediately before and after all masses on the weekend and weekdays. You may enter the Sacristy to pick up and light a vigil candle. At that time you may place your candle on the stand. An offering of $5 per candle is suggested to help defray costs.

Special Liturgy of Remembrance

The month of November is the traditional time of year when we remember the dearly departed.

Thursday, November 2 is the Feast of All Souls.

As a holy remembrance to those who are interred in St. Mary's Cemetery, Holy Cross Cemetery and All Saints Mausoleum, there will be a brief remembrance service in the mausoleum chapel at 7 pm.

The service will consist of a Liturgy of the Word with a special remembrance of those who have been interred in the past year.

All Saints Mausoleum is located at 128 Golf Club Road and there is plenty of on-site parking available. We hope to see you there.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Cemetery Office at 705- 495-8986 or info@nbrcc.ca.

Take out Turkey Dinner: Sunday, November 5 - choose your pick up time in half-hour intervals between 4:30 PM and 6:30 PM by calling 495-1501 Holy Name of Jesus Church—$15/Meal full turkey dinner.

Marriage Preparation: The next preparation date is November, 24-25 at Holy Name of Jesus. Call Samantha Briggs at 471-3284 to register.

Euchre Tournament Fundraiser at 250 Clarke Street supporting St. Joseph's Church restoration. Light luncheon, prizes to be won. Cost is $20/person. Saturday, October 28 from 9 AM to 1 PM.

Exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles designed and produced by Blessed Carlo Acutis and animation by Mrs. Louise Normandeau—St. Vincent de Paul Church October 27, 28,29 (time to be announced). Free exhibition has toured the world and is recognized by the Catholic Church. Call the parish office at 472-2850 for more information.

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 Saturdays at 7:00 AM at St. Peter's Parish Hall. Learn more & register at tmiynorthbay.ca

CLAY is a fun, faith-filled youth group led by parent volunteers, for grades JK-grade 5. Join us Thursdays 6:30- 8pm at St. Joseph's Parish, Powassan. Contact Jessica Shepherd 497-6219 for info.

Shalom Place—Ministry of The Sisters of St. Joseph Sault St. Marie offering a Zoom Gathering November 4 from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM facilitated by Janet Norman. **Looking for a prayer to help you draw closer to God**? Looking for a prayer that speaks to your real life? Looking for a prayer that challenges you? All of this in everyday words that you can understand! **Register** by email at shalomssm@shaw.ca; by phone at 705-254-4690, or on our website at www.shalomplace.ca **Deadline for registration is Wednesday November 1** Your **freewill offering** helps to support our ministry.

The Good Samaritan Corner

Strategic Plan 2023-24 for the Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay

At their September meeting, members of the Compassionate Committee held their strategic planning meeting to discuss the way forward from September 2023 to June 2024. With guiding hand of the Holy Spirit we announce the following events:

- Wednesday, November 29, 2023 – **Information Session** about how to help people who are experiencing homelessness, in partnership with Trinity United Church. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, December 2, 2023 - **Winter Boot Campaign** at the Pro-Cathedral garages from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Once again, we will collect money donations for the purchase of brand-new boots, brand new donated warm socks/hats/mitts/gloves/scarves.
- Sunday, March 31, 2024 – **Easter Sunday Dinner** for people experiencing homelessness and food insecurity, in partnership with St. John the Divine Church, doors will open at 4 p.m.
- Saturday, May 4, 2024, **Backpacks of Love** drop off day from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. with packing day on Sunday, May 5 at the Pro-Cathedral garages. A list of requested donated items will be released closer to the event date.

For more information about the Compassionate Committee or how you can help, visit our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/compassionatecommitteeofnorthbay/ or contact Leah Pierce at 472-5687 or at CompassionNorthBay@gmail.com