08 OCTOBER 2023
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Thank you for sharing in God's blessings by joining us today!

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption ~ North Bay, Ontario



Isaiah sings of the vineyard that yielded wild grapes. Paul writes to the Philippians that they will have peace from God if they make their requests known to him and think about things that are worthy of praise. Jesus tells a parable about a vineyard whose tenants killed the landowners' servants and son. He tells the chief priests and elders that the kingdom of God will be taken from them and given to a people that will produce its fruit. Both the first reading and the Gospel describe the people of Israel as a vineyard. God has given them everything they need, sending prophets and even his own Son. Yet the vines have yielded wild grapes, and the prophets and the Son have been killed. The kingdom of God will be taken away from those who reject Christ and given instead to believers in Christ, who will produce its fruit.

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

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

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

READINGS: 09 ~ 15 OCTOBER

Monday	Jonah 1. 1– 2. 1, 10; Luke 10. 25-37
Tuesday	Jonah 3. 1-10; Luke 10. 38-42
Wednesday	Jonah 4. 1-11; Luke 11. 1-4
Thursday	Malachi 3. 13-4.2; Luke 11. 5-13
Friday	Joel 1. 13-15; 2. 1-2; Luke 11. 15-26
Saturday	Joel 3. 12-21; Luke 11. 27-28
Sunday	Isaiah 25. 6-10a; Philippians 4. 12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22. 1-14

OUR YOUTH NEED YOUR PRAYERS

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.

Contact the Parish Office if you would like to Book a Mass

Sunday 01 Oct + Debit, E-transfer, etc.	
Sunday Offering	**Building Fund**
$7,424.10	$923.00

Pre-Authorized Bank Donations AUG		
Sunday	**Building**	**Roof**
$6,580.00	$1,910.00	$401.00

Pre-Authorized Credit Card SEPT		
Sunday	**Building**	**Roof**
$3,604.67	1,191.00	$345.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT

Roof Campaign Balance	**$149,325.21**
Sunday, 01 October	
Roof Loose	$ 548.70
26 Receipted Donations	$ 975.75
Orchard Gift Card Sales	
68 Cards X $5.00 Profit	$ 340.00
Total Profit to 01 October	**$ 4,113.00**
August 50/50 Draw Profit	**$ 464.85**
New Roof Campaign Balance	**$152,400.51**

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 09 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
No Celebration on Mondays

Tuesday, 10 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Theron Piper - Kathleen Gauthier and Family

Wednesday, 11 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
In Honour of St. Padre Pio - Maria Miscio

Thursday, 12 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Intention of Emily Eyre - Richard Levesque
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Friday, 13 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time
For Holy Souls in Purgatory - A Parishioner

4:00 PM Saturday, 14 October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Don Milligan - Norma Milligan and Family
Deceased Members of the MacInnis Family - Kelly MacInnis

Sunday, 15 October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Addie and Laura Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo

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

Catholic Charities

On this Thanksgiving, we want to thank our volunteers of Catholic Charities who lend their hearts and hands to serve people in need.

For over 50 years, Catholic Charities has operated from the Pro-Cathedral and currently serves people from the basement of the rectory.

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



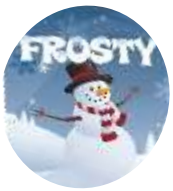
Our Catholic Charities Food Banks is now offering non-perishable food distribution every second Tuesday and on the alternate Tuesdays, distribution of bread that is donated by COBS Bakery. Yes! COBS has an amazing vision to help charitable organizations in their communities and we are a recipient of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

Donations to the Penny Table can be dropped off anytime to Karen at the Parish Office. Please contact Judy Kelly-Manary at 476-5638 for more information.

All proceeds will go to enhance the lives of the marginalized in North Bay.

Get your tea tickets! Available at the door but why wait? Purchase your tea tickets early from either Louise Defonzo, 494-7474 or 825-3440, or Leah Pierce, 472-5687. **Tea tickets and raffle tickets** will also be sold at the back of the church beginning this weekend.

The Hustle & Bustle has Begun!
Check out our CWL October Newsletter
Available on our website at procathedral.ca
under GROUPS



Lector Workbooks have Arrived!

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

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.



Winner of the SEPT 2023 Draw
of $637.50
is Joanna Yarosh (Ticket #C-2540)

Congratulations!

Raffle is conducted by the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption, a charity in North Bay, Ontario under License #RAF1286202. Each draw is generated by computer and the winner is chosen randomly. Rafflebox is a government regulated raffle provider.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR THEIR SUPPORT!

October is Missionary Month
World Mission Sunday Collection—October 22

The theme chosen for the 97th World Mission Day is **"Hearts on fire, feet on the move"** inspired by the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus.
Today the metaphor describes a cultivated vineyard that must be tended and protected. The Gospel suggests that while the vines themselves might be hardy, they are also vulnerable. So is the reign of God. It must be protected and tended so that it can produce abundant fruit. The image of the vineyard is a valuable one. It offers us a valuable confidence, a real freedom from anxiety. Let us remember that in this image we are not only the vine, we are the caretakers as well.



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



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!

YOU CAN STILL HELP FILL THE BUS UNTIL 9 PM ON SATURDAY NIGHT OR BRING YOUR DONATIONS ON SUNDAY TO HOLY NAME CHURCH (See Below)



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

North Bay Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre

Offering guidance, support and layettes to new moms.

If you can donate diapers, wipes, baby wash, etc.

call 475-9270 or email: NBPHRC@hotmail.com



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.

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Pray During the Day! Holy Name of Jesus Church is open daily **Tuesday to Friday from 11:30am to 4:30pm** for prayer in front of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. You can pop in at any time, for how long or how short you would like. Take advantage of this beautiful opportunity to spend time with our Lord Jesus!

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

Join us in a **Public Square Rosary Rally** on Saturday, October 14 at 12:00 Noon at St. Peter's Church (side parking lot). Sponsored by Canada Needs our Lady - Everyone Welcome!

North Bay Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre Hike-A-Thon Fundraiser October 14 from 1 to 4 PM at Laurentian Escarpment Conservation Trails (15 Janey Avenue) Pledges and donations will be collected at the trail. Family friendly event with activity for children!

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 Thursday nights from 6:30- 8pm beginning on October 5 at St. Joseph's Parish, Powassan. Contact Jessica Shepherd- 705-497-6219 for more information.

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



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

Did you know ...

According to Food Banks Canada over 18% of people in Canada facing food insecurity, more people than ever before will be relying on Canada's food banks in the weeks to come — many for the first time. Faced with record-high demand, declining food donations, and the increasing cost of food, it's becoming harder and harder for them to be there for everyone who needs them. Please consider making a donation of food or money to the North Bay Food Bank. For more information visit https://www.northbayfoodbank.ca/

For more information about the Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay please visit our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/compassionatecommitteeofnorthbay/ or contact Leah Pierce at 472-5687 or at CompassionNorthBay@gmail.com