

11 SEPTEMBER
2016

24th SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

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

Welcome to Your Father's House!

Like the prodigal son, isn't it time to accept the invitation to come back to the Father?

All we need to do is ask and we will find that the merciful and compassionate Lord whose mercy surpasses his anger and judgment is a welcoming God.

In the first reading, Moses beseeches God to remember the covenant he made with the Israelites. Saint Paul, in his letter to Timothy, is abundantly grateful for God's mercy, especially in light of his earlier persecution of Christians. In today's parables, Jesus teaches that God is merciful to those who are lost, including repentant sinners.

The message of forgiveness echoes throughout our Scripture passages today. Although God's mercy is not always apparent in the Hebrew Scriptures, it is revealed to all with the arrival of our Savior, Jesus. Salvation is for all who seek it.

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.

PASTOR Most Rev. Marcel Damphousse, D. D.
Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie

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Msgr. Dave Tramontini

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PERMANENT MINISTERS

Deacons

Rev. Mr. Albert Falconi
Rev. Mr. Donald Shago
Rev. Mr. Rick Hamelin
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Our faith community dates back to 1886 when we were originally located on Main Street West and called St. Mary's of the Lake and 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.

Parish Liturgies

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: Every Saturday from 3:00 until 3:45 PM.

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: On the First Friday of each month from 10:00 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	8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON
TUESDAY to FRIDAY	8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

WEEKLY READINGS: 12-18 SEPTEMBER

Monday	1 Corinthians 11. 17-26, 33; Luke 7. 1-10
Tuesday	1 Corinthians 12. 12-14, 27-31a; Luke 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



Ascending Life Gathering
2:00 PM in Parish Hall
Tuesday, September 13

Join us as we explore Autumn Wonderment as a season of nourishment with the Spirit, the invitation to be open to the surprises of God throughout our lives, and the discovery of more dimensions to the Sacred.

We reflect on the Parable of the Merciful Father, in following the path recommended by Pope Francis, that the merciful love of Christians must travel.

Spirituality – Mission - Friendship
A CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT
FOR RETIRED or OLDER PERSONS



The September **Men's Club** meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 15. Gathering begins at 5:00 PM Dinner at 6:00 PM

All men of the parish aged 18 and older are invited to attend. The Men's Club Men works together in Christian fellowship encouraging men to foster friendships within the Church for mutual support and growth in Christ. They organize events engaging those in the local community, periodically plan fundraising events and help maintain and enhance the fabric of our Church.

To find out more—join us!



Mary's Way of the Cross

Isn't the Way of the Cross the way of every person's life? Doesn't every life have suffering, falls, hurts, rejections, condemnations, death, burial ... and resurrection?

It has been a Catholic tradition through the centuries to meditate on the Way of the Cross, so that it

becomes our way of life.

Mary, the Mother of Jesus, made the first Way of the cross. In October, every Wednesday immediately following the 12:05 mass we will pray Mary's Way of the Cross. These stations will take approximately 20 -30 minutes and are special in the way that we will be able to see through Mary's eyes what Jesus was experiencing on the way to Calvary. Then we can try to make practical applications to our own lives. Please join us on this spiritual journey to appreciate what Christ did for us and gain a deeper love for him and for our brothers and sisters.

Weekday Masses
are Held at 12:05 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, 12 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Intention of the Pro-Cathedral Lectors - Louise Defonzo
 Intention of the Santarossa Family - Maria Santarossa

Tuesday, 13 September - St. John Chrysostom, Bishop/Doctor

Felita Mendoza - Faye Grottoli
 Teresa and Frank Piekarski - Trudy Lang Flumerfelt

Wednesday, 14 September - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

[Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help](#)

Intention of Walter Mendoza - Faye Grottoli
 Ab Klein - Colleen Klein
 Theron Piper - Kathleen Gauthier and Family

Thursday, 15 September - Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

Intention of David Parker - Karen and Denise Beaulieu
 Stephen David Grady - Jim and Eileen O'Connor

Friday, 16 September - Memorial of St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian

Sam Verrillo - The Family
 Murray Pace - Angela and Family
 Stephanie Cosgrove - Catherine and Family

4:00 PM Saturday, 17 Sept. - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rev. Mr. Jerry McIsaac - Helen McIsaac and Family
 Dick Scanlan and Family - Georgette Scanlan
 Intention of Charles and Patricia Brownson - John and Carol Rowe

Sunday, 18 September - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Liberato Campanaro - Carmela and Tony Campanaro
 Intention of Joanne Sokolowski - Leona Kervin

11:00 AM Intention of the Parishioners - Msgr. Dave Tramontini

MARRIAGE BANNES

There is a promise of marriage between:



Scott Philip Morrow, son of Gerald Mandryk and Dolleen (Reynolds) and Melissa Maria Antonietta Delfino, daughter of Antonino Delfino and Mary (Zimbalatti). ♥

If you know someone who might benefit from your encouragement toward a CATHOLIC CHURCH VOCATION invite them to consider being a priest, brother or sister.

Collection: 04 September 2016

Sunday Offering

\$5,745.25

Building Fund

\$1,019.00

Catholic Women's League

Raffle tickets are now ready to be purchased and/or pick up to sell. Please contact Lisa Henry at 493-4164. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.



Our next **General Meeting** is Wednesday October 12 at 7:00 PM. Our movie will be "FIREPROOF". "This gripping story follows one man's desire to transform his life and marriage through the healing power of faith and fully embrace the fireman's code: *Never Leave Your Partner behind.*" It runs 118 minutes. Reports will be tabled.

Annual Christmas Bazaar & Tea

Saturday, November 19, 2016

Co-conveners: Annette Dutrisac, 495-3584, Geri Reid, 490-0082 and Sister Shannon Hickey, 474-3800: November is fast approaching and we need your help! Would you be able to donate any of the following:



Time: By working in the Tea Room or the kitchen? For the Team Room contact Patricia Fassl at 494-8192. For the kitchen contact Debbie Laframboise at 478-8353

Knitting: Who doesn't love those homemade items? We need your wool, yarn, knitted items or crafts! If you have some to share, we would be so grateful. For knitting items contact Mary-Lynn Truchon at 474-3082

Baking: We know we have some of the best bakers in the Bay!!! Show off your baking by donating some to our bazaar! Contact Theresa Duffy at 472-9036.

New items for the Penny Sale: Have that perfect new item you would like to donate rather than re-gift? We are happy to put it in our Penny Sale. Contact Maudena Farnsworth at 495-2532.



Heritage and Hidden Treasures: Looking for a new home for your gently used items? We are looking for jewellery, accessories and your precious items. Contact Wilda Beaupré at 497-8124.

Raffle: Contact Lisa Henry at 493-4164 if you would like to volunteer selling tickets.

Phone Committee: Please contact Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613 if you would like to assist her with phone calls.

Financial donations are also gratefully accepted. Please contact Vicky Doucette, Treasurer at 472-2388.

Decorations will be creatively provided by Patricia Fassl.

Advertising will be conducted by Leah Pierce, Communications Chairperson, 472-5687. Posters will be available for pick up at the next General Membership meeting to be held on September 7!



Have You Booked Your Photo Appointment Yet?

Church Photo Directory



No cost to you! You get a free 8" X 10" portrait and a free parish photo directory. You have the option WITH NO OBLIGATION to purchase other portraits. And for your convenience — photo appointments take place right here in the Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall.

Our photo directory helps develop a community spirit among us by allowing us to get to know one another—maybe even greet each other by name! It is a "snapshot" in time of who and what the parish is, for present and historical purposes.

Book your appointment now – convenient and easy:

1. Visit our website at procathedral.ca
2. Click on Photo Directory
3. Click on Book Your Appointment
4. Choose a Date and Time

We still have some September dates available for booking and photos will be taken for the entire week of October 3 to October 8. Book Now!

YOU are a part of our parish family — whether you are single, widowed, or a family with six children. Everyone is welcome to have their picture taken - we can't wait to see your smiling face in our directory!

Pope Francis SEPTEMBER 2016

Prayer Intentions

Universal: Centrality of the Human Person—That each may contribute to the common good and to the building of a society that places the human person at the center.

Evangelization: Mission to Evangelize—That by participating in the Sacraments and meditating on Scripture, Christians may become more aware of their mission to evangelize.

Interested In Learning More About The Catholic Church? Call our parish office if you would like to speak with someone regarding the RCIA process.

CAN YOU HELP?

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Atrium is located right here at the Pro-Cathedral in our Lower Sacristy Gathering Room.

Our catechists are looking for a volunteer (or volunteers) who might be able to help with building some shelving for their articles. All materials will be provided.

Please contact Erin for more information at 476-8509 if you think you might be able to help. Thank you!





Our **Food Bank Collections** are taken on the last Sunday of each month at all our masses.

Did you know?

- That our collection stays here at the Cathedral to support our Catholic Charities Food Bank?
- That it is open EVERY Tuesday morning from 9:00 to 11:30 AM and supports the entire North Bay Community?
- That this charity is run by volunteers and only through the generosity of donations received?
- *That the people they serve are like you and me?* Having a tough time paying bills and putting food on the table due to the rising costs of utilities, food, insurance, etc.

The Catholic Charities Food Bank is in desperate need of items such as pasta (canned or dry); canned fish, chicken, ham; spaghetti sauce & pasta; canned goods (beans, soups, and stews); dairy (fresh, canned, and powdered milk); canned vegetables and fruit; and whole grain cereals.

Save your items now and let's kick off the Fall and make our September Food Bank Collection the best on the weekend of September 24-25! Please help if you can by bringing your donation to mass or you can also drop off donations to the rectory during office hours. Thank you!

LIFE CHAIN



You are invited to attend Life Chain together with fellow Christians from more than 30 North Bay and area churches. Spend one hour in peaceful, prayerful, visible support on behalf of the unborn.

Life Chain 2016 will take place on Sunday, October 2 2:00 to 3:00 PM on Lakeshore Drive. Signs will be available at our location between Fodor and Charles Street.

REGIONAL NEWS

Annual Cemetery Sunday THIS WEEKEND. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Sunday, September 11 at both St. Mary's Cemetery 132 Golf Course Road at 1:30 PM and at Holy Cross Cemetery on Tower Drive at 2:30 PM. There will be time for prayer and remembering and honouring your family history as you visit the graves of your loved ones on this special day.

Ascending Life Gathering Tuesday, September 13 at 2:00 PM in Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall. Come and explore Autumn Wonderment as a season of nourishment with the Spirit, the invitation to be open to the surprises of God throughout our lives, and discover more dimensions to the Sacred. We reflect on the Parable of the Merciful Father, following the path Christians must travel as recommended by Pope Francis.

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help every Wednesday at 11:55 AM at Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption prior to the 12:05 PM mass.

ALPHA Course (10-week program) begins Thursday, September 22 at 5:00 PM. Delicious meal included followed by ALPHA video and small group discussion. Free will offering. Also looking for anyone who has taken ALPHA and would like to be on team. To register or for more information, call Karen Sherry 474-8673 or karensberry@sympatico.ca

North Bay Right to Life Annual Dinner November 4 at Best Western Hotel Lakeshore Drive. Guest Speaker: Faytene Grasseschi "Stepping Up to the Line at a Critical Time in the Fight for Life and Freedom of Conscience in Canada." Tickets \$30/person. For information contact Jeannine Lebel at 724-3424.

Prayers for the New Evangelization in our Region continues every Tuesday at Holy Name Church from 10:45 AM to 11:45 AM. In front of the Blessed Sacrament, we will pray for the Holy Spirit to help us to be Evangelizers. For information contact Fran 476-4146 or Holy Name 495-1501

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held weekly at Holy Name of Jesus Church. Please come and visit Jesus even for a few minutes. He waits for us. Hours of Adoration: Monday and Thursday 12 noon to 5 pm; Tuesdays 12 noon to 9 PM; Wednesday and Friday: 12 noon to 6 pm. To make a weekly one-hour commitment, please call Lena Butler 497-3434.

Open Adoration: St. Alphonsus in Callander every Friday 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon. First Friday 8:30 AM to 8:30 AM (24Hrs). St. Joseph's Motherhouse first Sunday of the month from 3:30-4:30 PM in Holy Family Chapel and Pro-Cathedral First Friday 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

Marriage Preparation Weekend: October 28-29. Call Regional Catholic Services at 472-5821 to reserve your place. Material cost is \$40.00 per couple payable at time of registration. Couples should register early!

Good Shepherd Atrium now accepting registrations for this fall. Located at the Pro-Cathedral Church, the atrium for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program provides a special place for children 3 to 5 years old to follow the church calendar, come to know Jesus, through parables, songs, art work, geography and more. All materials are faithful to the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Faith. Our Regional Catholic Atrium is located at the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Parish in the lower sacristy. Registrations can be found at www.procathedral.ca (See Ministries – Children & Youth). Call Erin at 476-8509 for more information.

Special Retreat "I am Mercy" at Holy Redeemer Church in Sudbury on November 11 and 12. Bishop Marcel invites all those who are able to make this special retreat in this year of Mercy as declared by Pope Francis. Seating is limited so please register soon! E-mail: holyredeemer@diocesessm.org or call 705-566-8330 for more information.

Birthingright: Pregnant? Need Help? Call 1-800-550-4900 or visit: www.birthingright.org Email: info@birthingright.org "We're in this for life!" A free confidential service as an alternative to abortion.

Pilgrimage to The Holy Land under the spiritual guidance of Father Tony Man-Son-Hing and Father Trevor Scarfone November 3-11, 2016 visiting Galilee, Nazareth, Jericho, Bethlehem, Jerusalem and more. Details and information available from St. Peter's Parish Office at 472-1817.

St. Joseph's Motherhouse Presents:

Christian Meditation: Tuesdays September 13—December 13 from 1:30-2:30 PM. This contemplative prayer is the opening of oneself to the love and presence of the Spirit of God at the core of our being by the repetition of a mantra. It is a way of self-knowledge, self-acceptance and awareness of all that God can do in our lives when we allow it. Director: Sr. Margie Vezina,csj.

Taize Prayer: Third Thursday of month (Sept.—June) 7:00—8:00 PM Holy Family Chapel. Taize prayer includes song, scripture, and silence to meditate and pray for openness to God's presence in our lives - join us as we pray for peace in the world.

Adventures in Art on Friday, September 16 from noon to 3:30 pm at the Community Living (FJ Dellandrea) on Wallace Road. Featuring Artist Brian Chute, Jackson-Pollock style art work. Meal included. Free will offering or \$3.00. Register with Karen Sherry 474-8673 or karensberry@sympatico.ca.