

06 February 2022	PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	480 McIntyre Street West - North Bay, Ontario - P1B 2Z4

Welcome to Your Father's House!



Isaiah recounts his glorious vision of the Lord and his commissioning. Paul reminds the Corinthians of the Gospel he preached to them and lists the resurrected Jesus' appearances, culminating in his own call and conversion. In the Gospel, after preaching from Simon's fishing boat, Jesus tells him to *put out into deep water*. They catch a *great number of fish* and this leads Peter, James, and John to follow Jesus. In all of today's readings, people hear the Lord calling them to service, and all of them change course to follow their vocation. Young or old, we all have the responsibility to listen for the Lord's direction and answer with enthusiasm, as did Isaiah, Paul, Peter, James, and John.

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	

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: Saturdays 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: 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 - Thursday	8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Friday	8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON

READINGS: 07—13 FEBRUARY	
Monday	1 Kings 8. 1-7, 9-13; Mark 6. 53-56
Tuesday	1 Kings 8. 22-23, 27-30; Mark 7. 1-13
Wednesday	1 Kings 10. 1-10; Mark 7. 14-23
Thursday	1 Kings 11. 4-13; Mark 7. 24-30
Friday	1 Kings 11. 29-32; 12. 19; Mark 7. 31-37
Saturday	1 Kings 12. 26-32, 13. 33-34; Mark 8. 1-10
Sunday	Jeremiah 17. 5-8; 1 Corinthians 15. 12, 16-20; Luke 6. 17, 20-26



Our next Baptismal Preparation Meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15 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, February 14.

Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan Policy.



The Pro-Cathedral Prayer Line consists of a group of parishioners who pray for the needs of others.

Concerns great and small are presented to the Lord on your behalf.

If you have a prayer request or would like to join the group call Sister Shirley McNamara at 474-3800, Ext. 295 or Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613

Did you know? According to the latest "Statistical Yearbook of the Church", the Catholic Church operates 532 institutions for lepers worldwide. Yes, even today, leprosy is still a disease that affects many people. These institutions consist of 201 in Africa, 41 in America, 269 in Asia, 19 in Europe and 2 in Oceania.

Today, leprosy is on the World Health Organization list of neglected tropical diseases and to this day remains a public health problem in several countries. In the Bible, leprosy has always been associated with injustice. Leprosy patients are still severely discriminated against because of the alleged incurability of the disease and the horrific mutilations it causes.

The Catholic Church has a long tradition of supporting lepers, who are often abandoned even by their own families, and has always offered them not only medical care and spiritual support, but also concrete opportunities for recovery and reintegration into society.

Belgian Saint Jozef Daamian De Veuster, SSCC, universally known as the Apostle of the lepers of the island of Molokai spent 16 years in charity work among the lepers.

† MEMORIAL FUND †

The following name has been received at the request of donors in memory of our deceased friends and relatives:

FRANCES RIPEPI

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Celebrations are Held at 12:05 PM

Monday, 07 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday, 08 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Jean Paquette - Lisa Demarco and Norman Paquette
Glenna McAuley - Jean and June McAuley

Wednesday, 09 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Prior to Mass

Frank Toth - Aurelia Toth
Frances Ripepi - Estelle Scappatura

Thursday, 10 February - Memorial of St. Scholastica, Virgin

Saverio Silveri - Maria Miscio
Jim Hamilton - Ray Hamilton
Intention of June Leduc - Divine Will Prayer Group

Friday, 11 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 11 am to 12 Noon

Alice Hopkinson - Vivian Molnar
Intention of Karen Anne McArthur - A Close Friend

4:00 PM Saturday, 12 February - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

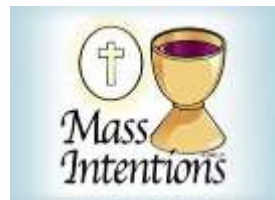
Lundy Notte - The Family
Armand Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo
Laurine Lalande - Rollie Lalande and Family

Sunday, 13 February - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Mike Rossi - The Family
Bertha Yzereef - Helena Potter

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

Offering Mass intentions is a tradition of prayer, support, and community. You may request a mass for someone who is deceased or for the intentions of someone who is living.



You can offer a mass for those who are sick and suffering who need prayers. A mass can also be offered in celebration of an anniversary, sacrament, or birthday. Contact the parish office if you would like to book a mass.

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Each Friday 11 am to 12 Noon



If you have moved or now use a cell phone number please call or email the parish office so we can change this information on our parish data system

**YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE
CATHOLIC CONVERSATION SERIES**

The Evangelization Committee of North Bay & Area have organized Catholic Conversation Series of presentations on the Catholic faith. Each month there will be a new topic and speaker. Your are invited! And bring a friend too!

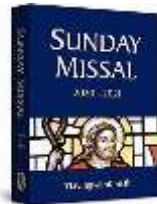
These presentations are free to attend - All are Welcome!
Come out to learn more, explore and grow in faith, and leave feeling fulfilled and inspired.
Ready to take part in the action, ask questions? Come join us!

HOW TO BE A CATHOLIC IN TODAY'S CULTURE	END OF LIFE CARE	HOW TO RAISE CHILDREN TO EMBRACE THE CATHOLIC FAITH
Wednesday, 16 February 7:00 PM With Presenter Rev. Daniel Muscolino	Wednesday, 16 March 7:00 PM With Presenters Dr. Cheryl Clayton & Rev. Francis Ezenezi	Wednesday, 27 April 7:00 PM With Presenters Mat & Theresa-Marie VanMilligen

ALL EVENINGS HELD AT ST. PETER THE APOSTLE PARISH ~ 299 AIRPORT ROAD

To Find our more and to register, visit: <https://www.catholicconversation.net/>
Also on LINKS at our website at procathedral.ca

Come back to the Catholic Church
We will Welcome You! Have Questions?
Call us: 705-472-3970
Or Email: office@procathedral.ca



Missing your Missal?

St. Peter's Church has extra Missals (\$4 each) for sale. Office hours are Monday from 9 am to 12 noon and Tuesday to Friday from 9 am to noon and 1 pm to 4 pm. Drop in and pick one up!

Parish Donations

If you need any information on our donation options, please do not hesitate to call or email the parish office.

If you are currently not contributing financially we ask that you prayerfully consider making a financial commitment to the parish.

Ways You can Help Support our Parish

- Parish Envelopes
- Pre-authorized donations from your bank account.
- Credit card donations
- E-transfer music.finance@procathedral.ca
- Use our "Donate Today" button on our website at procathedral.ca

Only if it does not cause financial hardship—we appreciate your financial support!

Collection Report: 23 JANUARY	
<u>Sunday Offering</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>
\$3,669.75	\$745.00

Catholic Women's League



MEMBERSHIPS

Join the CWL! \$25 Membership Fee for 2022 is due now. Drop off with your name and address through the parish office mail slot or into the collection clearly addressed "CWL MEMBERSHIP CHAIR"



Call Brenda Passmore if you have questions—474-0447

All women are welcome to be members of The Catholic Women's League of Canada. You are encouraged to renew your membership soon. Feel free to sponsor a member who may not be able to do this for themselves. We have fully active members, partially active members, financially supportive members and prayer partners who take part spiritually or help when needed. **Come join us!**

The CWL will be starting their first-ever monthly newsletter very soon! Make sure you are signed up here: <http://eepurl.com/hRWo19>

Development and Peace Stamp Collection

Don't forget that your stamps affixed to the right corner of your envelopes can help fund Development and Peace projects as they sell them to stamp collectors. Please support this initiative by simply cutting off the stamps from your envelopes without damaging the perforations. **Save them in baggies/envelopes & drop them into the collection or into the office mail slot.**



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

We put off all kinds of things for all kinds of reasons. I'll take that trip with my family once my schedule clears up. Someday I'll read that book collecting dust on my shelf. I'll volunteer at church once I get my own act together. Today's readings remind us that God will take us as we are: We need only say "yes." In each of the readings, the protagonists – Isaiah, Paul, and Peter – initially resist God's call, fearing their sinfulness disqualifies them. We may feel that way, too. However, in each case, God forgives their sins and gives them the grace to say, like Isaiah, "Here I am. Send me!" Their assent can be a challenge to those of us who hold back from becoming more involved in our parish or sharing our faith with others, fearing we aren't good enough or aren't an expert in theology. Jesus reminds us that it is ultimately not about us, but him. We don't have to be perfect, just willing to push past our fears and trust him to make disciples of us.

In today's readings, we hear descriptions of Isaiah's lips touched by a burning ember, Paul being transformed from persecutor to preacher, and the fishermen dropping their nets to follow Jesus. In each case, that turning point led to a life of witness. We may not have such a dramatic story to share, but most of us can look back and see turning points: That influential teacher, the aunt who saw the best in us, a priest, sister, or retreat leader who spoke to our hearts. Today's readings can encourage us to be that person for others – the one who shows them the love of Christ and what a difference it can make. Buoyed by God's grace, we can share the Good News with others and accompany one another as we seek to follow Jesus in our day-to-day lives.

Carve out time to do something spiritual you've been putting off – whether it's a retreat, morning prayer, or perhaps volunteering in a parish ministry or other organization.



New to the Cathedral?

Please Register so we can get to know you better!
Email: office@procathedral.ca



REGIONAL NEWS

Looking for a Catholic Podcast? The Catholic Buzz Podcast is a weekly Catholic podcast recorded in our own Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie! Hosted by Fr. Daniele Muscolino, Josh Sullivan and Mat VanMilligen, these three tackle all sorts of Catholic topics, news and answer your questions too. You can watch the podcast on YouTube, or listen on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Spotify, Amazon Music and more! Visit <https://linktr.ee/thecatholicbuzz> for all the links, or follow on Facebook (@thecatholicbuzz) or on Instagram (@thecatholicbuzzpodcast).

North Bay Right to Life works to deepen respect for human life and heighten public opposition to abortion and euthanasia and other threats against human life both in the Christian Community and among the general public.

North Bay Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre: Appointments can be made to see clients/visitors by calling 475-9270. Along with guidance and support, did you know that we provide layettes to new moms and also have a baby clothes closet? Donations of diapers, wipes, baby wash, etc. & much more are appreciated. Please call to see what our requirements are. If you would like to volunteer, or be part of our prayer ministry, email judyproulx@icloud.com



The Good Samaritan Corner

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

Please consider providing help to the homeless in the cold weather. Here's how you can make a difference:

1) Contact Emergency Homeless Services – helping the homeless in the cold can save a life. Hypothermia is a genuine concern for those on the streets. **Contact the 24-hours crisis line at 705-474-1031.**

2) Volunteer your time – you can make a big difference in the life of a brother or sister. If you are looking for ways to volunteer consider The Gathering Place, the North Bay Food Bank, or our very own Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay!



Soles for Souls: Sponsor a pair of boots for \$50 (in the way of cash and cheque donations) and help fill a trunk with donations of NEW thermal socks and mitts.

For more information, please contact Rebecca at: 705-471-2473.

For more information about the Compassionate Committee

<https://www.facebook.com/compassionatecommitteeofnorthbay>

Leah Pierce at 472-5687 or at pn.thebay@gmail.com

Pope Francis Prayer Intention February—Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.