

25 AUGUST
2024

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, Joshua calls upon Israel to commit to serve God above all other gods. In the second reading, Paul uses marital imagery to teach about Christ's love for his Church. In the Gospel, some disciples find Jesus' teaching about the bread of life too difficult to accept. Peter trusts Jesus and commits to continue following him. It can be challenging to be people of faith. Accepting and understanding the magnitude of the Lord's love for us, including the mystery of Jesus handing himself over for us, may be difficult at times. But faith is a gift, so although we may struggle, we can trust God to grant us the grace we need to commit to serving him and following his Son.

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 Westenek

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 Noon. 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 FOR THE WEEK

Monday	2 Thessalonians 1. 1-5, 11b-12; Matthew 23. 13-22
Tuesday	2 Thessalonians 2. 1-3a, 14-17; Matthew 23. 23-26
Wednesday	2 Thessalonians 3. 6-10, 16-18; Mt. 23. 27-32
Thursday	Jeremiah 1. 17-19; Mark 6. 17-29
Friday	1 Corinthians 1. 17-25; Matthew 25. 1-13
Saturday	1 Corinthians 1. 26-31; Matthew 25. 14-30
Sunday	Deuteronomy 4. 1-2, 6-8; James 1. 17-18, 21-22, 27; Mark 7. 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Mark your Calendars!

August 31	Social Committee Volunteer Gathering at 2:00 PM to plan for Parish Breakfast (see bulletin insert for information)
September 8	Parish Breakfast after the 9 and 11 am masses. Entry is a Goodwill Offering with all profits to the Roof Campaign.
September 8	Cemetery Sunday — see bulletin insert for details.
September 14/15	Holy Land Wood Art for Sale after all Masses. Handcrafted olive wood religious artifacts. Sales contribute to strengthening the Christian presence in the Holy Land
September 15	Children's Liturgy Program begins at our 9:00 AM Mass. For children aged 4 to 12. The Liturgy of the Word with Children is an opportunity for the children in the parish to listen to the readings from scripture and respond at their own level.
September 17	Alpha begins at 6:00 PM at St. Peter's Church! More information on our website and Facebook.

✚ MEMORIAL FUND ✚



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

RICHARD DINNES CARMELA ANELLO



Did you pick up your baby bottle to help the North Bay Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre?

Sunday Collection - 18 August

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
\$2,678.30	\$690.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 18 August 2024

Roof Campaign Balance	\$92,851.88
Sunday, 18 August Collection	
Roof Loose	\$764.45
20 Receipted Donations	\$558.00
NEW CAMPAIGN BALANCE	\$94,174.33

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 27 - Memorial of St. Monica - 12:05 PM

Frances Agius - John Agius

In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo

Wednesday, August 28 - Memorial of St. Augustine - 12:05 PM

Frank and Rita Kelly - Judy and Robert

Intention of Joe and Louise Defonzo - William de Grosbois

Thursday, August 29 - The Passion of St. John Baptist - 12:05 PM

Susan Levesque - Richard Levesque

Intention of Lum and Angela Ceccanese - Mary Lou Smith

Friday, August 30 - Weekday in Ordinary Time - 12:05 PM

Mario Canarino - Louie and Deanna Verardi

Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Saturday, August 31 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - 4:00 PM

June Marleau - Yvon and Jackie Cadrin

Katie and Lorne Brownson - John and Carol Rowe

Sunday, September 1 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Carolyn Canarino - The de Grosbois Family
Marco Plutino - Dora Plutino and Family

11:00 AM Father Des O'Connor - Jean and Dino Dottori

Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Each Friday 11 AM - NOON

Calling our amazing YOUTH at our church!!!

Do you have a desire to begin your very first ministry?

We are looking for children who have made their First Communion (and older) to join Father Larry's Altar Serving Team!!!

We will be hosting an opening night to our current and new altar servers to strengthen our faith by gaining a deeper understanding of the Mass parts through teachings by Father Larry!

Please join us for a pizza dinner and training session including alb fittings on Wednesday, October 24 at 5:30 pm in the lower sacristy.

Please **RSVP** to the Parish Office to register by September 30.

We look forward to seeing you!





Beautiful Holy Land Wood Art
For Sale
Weekend of 14-15 September
Before & After all Masses

Bethlehem's Christian community relies on selling handcrafted olive wood religious art to visiting pilgrims, forming its primary income. Declining tourism has hit them hard in recent years, leading some Christians to leave the Holy Land, posing a threat to key sites like the Church of the nativity.

Your purchase on this weekend will make a beautiful addition to your home or as a gift for a special occasion, while also contributing to strengthening the Christian presence in the Holy Land.



SACRAMENT PREPARATION FALL 2024

REGISTER NOW!

Confirmation preparation for students in Grade 7, 8, 9, 10 or older will begin September 26 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 begins on September 26

Candidates who miss the Confirmation Retreat on October 5 will not be permitted to participate.

Registration Deadline is September 25



PARISH BREAKFAST

September 8 after the 9 & 11 am Masses

This event is free to parish and families.
Freewill donations are accepted
with profits to the Roof Campaign.

Menu includes: buffet service, baked eggs, traditional hash browns, baked beans, pancakes, roasted home style peameal bacon, breakfast sausages, and toast. Of course, coffee and tea! All are welcome.

August
Tickets
on sale
now!

**PURCHASE TICKETS
BY VISITING
[www.rafflebox.ca/
raffle/procathedral](http://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/procathedral)**



**50/50
RAFFLE**

This raffle is conducted by the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption,
a charity in North Bay under License #RAF1355768

Infant Baptism

Are you expecting or have a child who has not been baptized? We are here for you to help welcome your child into the faith.



Parents are required to take a baptism program prior to a baptism being scheduled. This takes the form of a one-night meeting held here at the parish. We usually schedule these gatherings from September to May each year and once taken, parents can choose a scheduled baptism date. Preparation can be taken prior to the birth of your child so you will be ready to schedule a baptism.

Contact the parish office by phone or email for more information.

CGS GOOD SHEPHERD REGIONAL CHURCH ATRIUM
Located at the Pro-Cathedral

Starts After Thanksgiving October 19

<https://procathedral.ca/youth>

SESSIONS SATURDAY MORNING

9:25 – 11:05 am

Level 1 (3-6yr olds) Level 2, 3 (6-12yr olds)



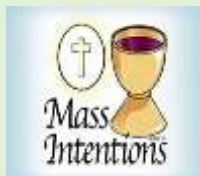
Introduction

- We all need a place where we can find peace and rest. For a child how wonderful to find a special place created just for them. Children walk into this space and they know it is just for them, because everything is their size and invites them to stay.
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, begins with the understanding that there is a deep bond between God and each child.
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd helps children to name, explore and deepen this relationship as the foundation for their lives.
- The sacred space, called the Atrium, is a spiritual environment.
- The Atrium prepares children for participation in the mass and for reception of sacraments.
- The hands-on materials in the Atrium encourage children to explore and deepen their experiences at their own pace.

Registration & Orientation for new children aged 3 and 4:
9:25 AM Saturday, September 21 and September 28.
For more information, contact Erin Tayler — cell 705.840.8509 or email: etcallhome11@gmail.com

OFFERING A MASS

Offering Mass intentions is a tradition of prayer, support, and community. You may request a mass for someone who is deceased; for the intentions of someone who is living; for those who are sick and suffering who need prayers; or in celebration of a special occasion. Contact the parish office to book a mass. Mass Stipend is \$15.00



Alpha is Back!!

at St. Peter's Church

Starting Tuesday, September 17 - 6:00 PM

Register at www.alphanorthbay.com

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith, designed to create conversation. Whether you're just curious about faith or new to Christianity altogether, Alpha provides an open and welcoming environment where you can explore life's biggest questions with people asking the same things. You are invited to bring a friend for a meal, watch a short video, and get to know each other through conversation and spending time together.

Alpha is about Connection, Content, and Conversation no matter where you are in your faith journey.

Alpha runs for 11 weeks, including a weekend day retreat with all sessions held at St. Peter's Church.

To register, visit www.alphanorthbay.com or contact Colleen Hutson at hutsoncolleen@gmail.com or (705) 840-3400.



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.

\$25 Twiggs and Orchard Gift Cards on sale at Parish Office



Blessed white candles are available ½ hour before and ½ hour after all masses on the weekend and weekdays. You may enter the Sacristy and ask our Sacristan for your vigil candle. It will be lit and at that time you may place your candle on the stand. An offering of \$5 per candle is suggested to help defray costs.



JUBILEE OF YOUTH - ROME, ITALY! JOIN US!

The Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie is inviting all Catholic young adults aged 18-35 to participate in our Pilgrimage to Rome, Italy for the Jubilee of Youth from July 27 - August 10, 2025 led by Fr. Daniele Muscolino.

We will join millions of other Catholic young adults in participating in the Jubilee activities, catechesis sessions and festivals, and prayer times and Sunday Mass with the Pope, and then take an extended stay by visiting the tomb of St. Padre Pio, the Eucharistic Miracle in Lanciano, the Holy House in Loreto and a day trip to Assisi!



For prices, dates, itinerary, requirements and application, visit: bit.ly/jubileessm

Deadline to Apply is September 25, 2024.