

19 JANUARY
2025

Second 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, Isaiah speaks of God's care for Zion, and his promise of restoration and rejoicing. Zion will be like a cherished bride. In the second reading, Paul writes of the same Spirit producing different individual gifts. In the Gospel, Jesus attends a wedding feast at Cana and the *wine [runs] short*. He instructs the servers to fill jars with water, and when the water is drawn out to be tasted, it had become wine. It is comforting to know that, within the kingdom of God, all will be well in the end. Isaiah tells us of God's promise to Zion – which we know to be fulfilled in his Son, Jesus. And Jesus, whose ministry on earth was visible and transformative, takes care to ensure that the wedding feast is not spoiled while demonstrating that what he offers us is superior to anything the world may offer. God's care for us knows no bounds, and the goodness we experience here is but a taste of what is to come.

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

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.



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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: 20 - 26 JANUARY

Monday	Hebrews 5. 1-10; Mark 2. 18-22
Tuesday	Hebrews 6. 10-20; Mark 2. 23-28
Wednesday	Hebrews 7. 1-3, 15-17; Mark 3. 1-6
Thursday	Hebrews 7. 25—8. 6; Mark 3. 7-12
Friday	Hebrews 8. 6-13; Mark 3. 13-19
Saturday	Acts 22. 3-16; Mark 16. 15-18
Sunday	Nehemiah 8. 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12. 12-14, 27; Luke 1. 1-4; 4. 14-21



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

What's Happening at the Cathedral This Week Monday to Sunday, 20—26 January

Date	Time	Location	Event
Monday	11:00 AM	Church	Funeral: James Purdon Sr.
	7:00 PM	Sacristy	Reserved
Thursday	6:00 PM	Church	Choir Practice
Saturday	9:30 AM	Atrium	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
	10:00 AM	Rectory	Liturgy Planning Meeting
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sacristy	Children's Liturgy of the Word
	10:00 AM	Hall	Sacramental Prep. Gathering

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 18—25



This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires.

Gracious God, we come before You seeking the unity of the Spirit and the bond of peace within our church community. We pray that Your love and presence will be evident in our interactions and decision-making. Help us to overcome any divisions and work together harmoniously as one body in Christ. May our efforts reflect Your grace and unity, and may we be a shining example of Your love to those around us. Guide us in maintaining peace and harmony in our church, and let Your Spirit lead us in all things. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Baptism of the Lord — 12 January

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
\$4,229.00	\$902.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 12 January 2025

Roof Campaign Balance	\$4,248.45
<u>Sunday, 12 January Collection</u>	
Roof Loose	\$520.85
7 Receipted Donations	\$491.00
Orchard Gift Card Sales	\$30.00
6 Cards X \$5.00 Profit	Profit to Date: \$30.00
CAMPAIGN BALANCE	\$5,290.30



NEXT WEEKEND!!

OUR NEXT "MATCH THE COLLECTION WEEKEND" will be held January 26 for up to \$750.00

The challenge is to match the LOOSE collection only - not donations for which people receive credit. Please be generous!

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, 21 January: Memorial of St. Agnes

Armand Schiavo - Arthur and Lucille Schiavo
Ida Bagno - Mary-Lynn Truchon

12:05 PM

Wednesday, 22 January: Weekday in Ordinary Time

Mike Boudreau - Sue Boudreau and Family
Intention of Robin MacDonald - Elsbeth Dillig
Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

12:05 PM

Thursday, 23 January: Weekday in Ordinary Time

Bill Demarco - Marthe and Monique Smith
Intention of Paul and Olga Mulc - Yvon and Jackie Cadrin

12:05 PM

Friday, 24 January: Memorial of St. Francis de Sales

Judy Kelly-Manary - Jessica Costa
Intention of Craig Hanley - Dan and Judy Alexander

12:05 PM

Saturday, 25 January: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mike Boudreau - Sue Boudreau and Family
Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary

4:00 PM

Sunday, 26 January: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Judy Kelly-Manary - Pro-Cathedral Choir Members
For those Remembered in the Pro-Cathedral Memorial Fund

11:00 AM Tom Killoran - Nadine and Paul Condon

Holy Souls in Purgatory - Margaret Anne Lafontaine
Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes



**Available at All Masses
Next Weekend in the Cathedral!**



**Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
Each Friday 11 AM - NOON**

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. A Mass Stipend is \$15.00 and an income tax receipt is provided.





FIRST GATHERING coming up January 26

This gathering is an information meeting for all children and their parents for both Sacraments.

Please pre-register your child now and correspondence will be sent to you at a later date regarding preparation gatherings. The on-line registration form can be found on our website under SACRAMENTS under both Eucharist and Reconciliation. The forms have the option to register for one or both of the sacraments and once completed, they can be emailed to: office@procathedral.ca

Children who have already celebrated Baptism are welcome to register. To register for First Communion, children should be baptized and have already celebrated First Confession.

As with all of our sacraments for children, the preparation process takes place "in the midst of the community" especially when it gathers at the Sunday assembly throughout the year. Children preparing for the reception of the sacraments are invited to participate in the Sunday Celebration of the Word with Children at the 9:00 AM Mass.

Food Bank Sunday ~ Next Weekend

NEXT WEEKEND we take our collection of non-perishable food items for our Catholic Charities Food Bank. This wonderful service runs from the rectory basement each Tuesday morning helping our brothers and sisters in need.



Please be generous in helping to stock our shelves — whatever you can spare ... we can share!!



The Prodigal Son - A Story of Homecoming Lenten Book Study

Join us for a study of Henri Nouwen's work "The Prodigal Son — A Story of Homecoming" as he shares the deeply personal and resonant meditation that led him to discover the place within where God has chosen to dwell.

Register by 21 February by contacting Parish Office
(705) 472-3970 or office@procathedral.ca

**JANUARY
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 #RAF1438966

**We can set you up for the Parish Office
to purchase your monthly 50/50 tickets.**

**Call Karen at the Office to see how
she can do this for you!
Safe and reliable so you can enter
the draw each month**



The Knights of Columbus, Council 1007, serves The Pro-Cathedral, St. Peter's Church, and St. Alphonsus's Church. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm at St. Peter's Church.

As Knights, we perform acts of charity through our physical works and financial contributions to the Church and community.

If you would like to make a difference in your parish, by becoming a Knight, please email David Dunkley at: ddunkley@gmail.com

Five Tuesdays: March 18 ~ April 15

6:30 to 8:00 PM at Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall

Cost: \$10/Book or Bring Your Own

Facilitator: Rev. Joseph de Viveiros, CR

Welcome to all Single Women!!
(Divorced, Single, Widowed)



Make 2025 the year you join the Pro-Cathedral single ladies social group. Together, we go to a movie, dinner, antiquing, shopping in the surrounding area, coffee every Thursday, theatre (local/Shaw/Stratford), berry picking, card nights, sleigh ride, long & short trips and a number of events we decide together to do.

If this is something you might enjoy, please call Karen for more information at 705-495-6675, or email kbeaulieu914@gmail.com or text 705-493-4191.

We only have two meetings per year to set the agenda and you can choose to attend or not attend any event that is planned. Entirely at your commitment and comfort level.



Baking Needed for Funeral Lunches

We could really use your help to re-stock our baking supplies for our funerals. Homemade baking is a special component of providing lunches to our bereaved families. Fancier items such as bars, squares, brownies, shortbreads are welcome. Drop off items that freeze well to the office or call Shirlene at 705-493-0718 for more information. Thank you!

Catholic education has been an integral part of Ontario's history for 175 years. As a vital component of the province's publicly funded education system, Catholic schools educate nearly 600,000 students each year.

Did You Know? Your school support defaults to **English Public** each time you move residences. You must re-declare yourself as **English Separate**. It is important to regularly verify your tax-directed support by checking your property tax bill or speaking to your landlord. You can change your default support option online at the Municipal Property Assessment Office website or you may also call MPAC at 1-866-296-6722 to complete the school support changes for electoral purposes or to add a name(s) to an existing address.

GOOD SAMARITAN CORNER

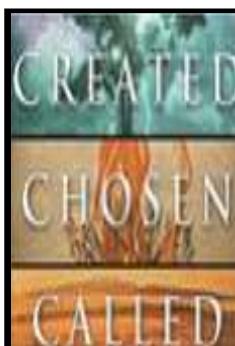
The Royal Canadian Legion aids Veterans experiencing homelessness through Operation Leave the Streets Behind.

The program's mission is to support at-risk and homeless Veterans and provide them with immediate financial assistance and support.

Currently, there are 6 Veterans who are experiencing homelessness in North Bay.

The Poppy Fund and the Legion National Foundation fund Operation Leave the Streets Behind. For more information about how the Royal Canadian Legion supports Veterans visit <https://www.legion.ca/support-for-veterans/homeless-veterans>

Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/compassionatecommitteefornorthbay> or contact Leah Pierce at CompassionNorthBay@gmail.com for more information about the Compassionate Committee of North Bay.



IS GOD CALLING YOU
TO BE A PRIEST?

VISIT
WWW.BEAPRIEST.CA

Or Call Fr. Daniele at 705-495-1501
for More Information



Catholic Community of Hospital Volunteers

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. *Privacy rules do not allow us to look at patient lists. The patient or family member must authorize the visitation of a volunteer.*

For more information, contact Deacon Rick Hamelin at 705-476-8115 or Hospital Chaplain Services at 705-491-0318 to arrange to receive the Eucharist.



Development & 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. If you have stamps without damage to the perforations, put them in envelopes & drop them into the collection or into the office mail slot.

Our D & P Coordinator, Lorraine Atchison, will make sure they are sent to the Stamp Project. Thank you!

North Bay Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre

Support available for women experiencing unexpected pregnancy - providing a safe place to make an informed decision. For support or to make a donation please call 705-475-9270 or email nbphrc@hotmail.com



Nipissing Serenity Hospice Open House 799 John Street on January 29 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. Tour, information, and light refreshments to celebrate 5 years of operations.

Shalom Place, a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph offering a Zoom presentation on Wednesday evenings facilitated by Janet Norman entitled **Scriptures for Everyday**. When we are overwhelmed, we need inspiration and inspiring words. Together we will explore the scripture stories and Psalms to glean hope, wisdom and new energy to be God's faithful, empowered people in our community. Sessions held Wednesday evenings February 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Register by February 3: email - shalomssm@shaw.ca, telephone - (705) 254-4690 or at www.shalomplace.ca. Cost: Your gift allows the ministry of Shalom Place to continue. Thank you!

YES Student Exchange looking for a host family for a Grade 12 student from Italy arriving on February 1st for 5 months. For more information about this student, contact Laura at 705-796-3329 Email: lauram@youthedservices.ca