

11 JANUARY
2026

The Baptism
of the Lord

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

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Welcome to Your Father's House!

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. Rick Hamelin
Rev. Mr. Donald Shago
Rev. Mr. Gary Westenek

Diocesan Order of Women

Mrs. Shirley Falconi
Miss Ruth Godon

IN RESIDENCE

Rev. Joseph de Viveiros, CR Chaplain, Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic Schools



The Baptism of the Lord Year A reminds us who Jesus is and what He came to do. He walks into the Jordan River, not because He needs to, but to show us the way. This moment tells us that Jesus is ready to

serve. He stands with us, not above us.

As He comes out of the water, something amazing happens. The Holy Spirit comes down like a dove. God speaks from heaven and calls Jesus His beloved Son. This is the first clear sign that Jesus is sent by God to bring peace and healing.

The Baptism of the Lord Year A is not only about what happened that day. It also points to our own baptism. Like Jesus, we are called to live with love and to follow God's path each day. This feast invites us to remember that we belong to God too.

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.



WE APPRECIATE YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT WAYS TO GIVE:

- E-transfer: music.Finance@procathedral.ca
- Pre-Authorized Donations from Bank Account
- Pre-Authorized Donations using Credit Card
- Parish Envelopes: Pickup at Entrance
- Use "DONATE" button on our Website
- Visit CanadaHelps and Search Pro-Cathedral

Ministers of the Eucharist for Home Visitation

The Pro-Cathedral parish is committed to making sure that an encounter with the parish is an encounter with Christ. There are those who find themselves unable to attend Mass who can no longer gather to celebrate for the Eucharist. Ministers are called to be instruments of Christ's presence to them by bringing the Eucharist to their home



If you are interested in serving in this ministry to bring communion to those at home, we would love to speak with you. Please call the parish office for more information.

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

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

WEEKLY READINGS: 12—18 January

Monday	1 Samuel 1. 1-8; Mark 1. 14-20
Tuesday	1 Samuel 1. 9-20; Mark 1. 21-28
Wednesday	1 Samuel 3. 1-10, 19-20; Mark 1. 29-39
Thursday	1 Samuel 4. 1c-11; Mark 1. 40-45
Friday	1 Samuel 8. 4-7, 10-22a; Mark 2. 1-12
Saturday	1 Samuel 9. 1-4, 17-19; 10. 1a; Mark 2. 13-17
Sunday	Isaiah 49. 3, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 1. 1-3; John 1. 29-34

What's Happening at the Cathedral This Week Monday to Sunday, 12 - 18 January

Date	Time	Location	Event
Thursday	6:30 PM	Church	Choir Practice—Call for Information
Saturday	9:20 AM	Atrium	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sacristy	Children's Liturgy of the Word
	2:00 PM	Church	Celebration of Song—Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



**Winner of the DECEMBER 2025 Draw
of \$1,070.00
JAMES MURPHY (Ticket #C-2775)
Congratulations!**

Raffle is conducted by the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption, a charity in North Bay, Ontario under License #RAF1524883. Each draw is generated by computer and the winner is chosen randomly. Rafflebox is a government regulated raffle provider.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

A Baptismal Preparation Meeting will be held in the Lower Sacristy on Tuesday, January 27 at 6:30 PM. Call the parish office as soon as possible to register for this preparation. *Baptism Preparation is mandatory by Diocesan policy.*



New Year's Day Collection - 01 January

\$4,371.35

Epiphany of the Lord - 04 January

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
\$4,783.80	\$837.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 04 January

Roof Campaign Balance Jan. 1/26	\$0.00
<u>Sunday, 04 January Collection</u>	
Roof Loose	\$434.85
47 Receipted Donations	\$3,231.00
CAMPAIGN BALANCE	\$3,665.85



**Thank you to our anonymous donor,
the January Loose Roof Collection
will be matched on the weekend of
January 24-25 up to \$1,000.00**

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, 13 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time 12:05 PM

Intention of Robert Manary - The Montgomery Family
Stan Zima - Lois and Larry Keenan

Wednesday, 14 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time 12:05 PM

Oscar Paquette - Philip Paquette
Simon, Therese, and Eric Boulanger - Suzanne Boulanger
Raymond Legault - David Plouffe

Thursday, 15 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time 12:05 PM

Sheila Levesque - Jessica and Pedro Costa
Diane Truchon - Gisele Fergusson
Jessica Landoni - Carole Valade

Friday, 16 January - Weekday in Ordinary Time 12:05 PM

Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary
Emilia Hlusek - Pro-Cathedral Music Ministry
Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque

Saturday, 17 January: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 PM

Jim Molnar - Vivian Molnar and Family
Sheila Grafmuller - Marthe Smith

Sunday, 18 January: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Ester Marroquin de Barrios - The Barrios Family
Emilia Hlusek - Paul and Nadine Condon

11:00 AM Sam and Lillian Veraldi - Myrtle Veraldi
Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes



**REGISTER by visiting our website (procathedral.ca)
under "Sacraments" then select Eucharist or
Reconciliation. Return the e-form to
office@procathedral.ca or you can print a copy and
drop off to parish office or in the collection basket.**

Eternal Father, you have given us your only begotten Son to take our nature upon him, and revealed him to us at his baptism in the River Jordan. Grant that we, who have been born again of water and the Holy Spirit, and made your children by adoption and grace, may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Catholic Women's League



2026 Memberships

It's that time of year again when members of The Catholic Women's League of Canada renew their memberships. Thank you to members who have already renewed their memberships! In 2025, at our membership peak, we had a total of 169 paid members. Let's see if we can beat that number in 2026!

Membership dues are \$40 and envelopes can be found at the back of the church. We accept cash, cheque, and e-transfer (480cwlpro@gmail.com). **Please provide your full name if paying by cash.** For information please contact Leah Pierce, Vice President, at 705-472-5687 or at pn.thebay@gmail.com.

REMINDER—The first Wednesday of each month, one of the intentions of the 12:00 Noon Mass is celebrated for our living and deceased members of our CWL council. If you can, plan to attend the Mass to remember our sisters.

The **CWL Suggestion Box** is a perfect communication tool for people who may be uncomfortable to bring forth ideas or questions to members of the CWL Executive. Or maybe, while reflecting during Mass, you come up with an amazing idea for the CWL through the power of the Holy Spirit!

We would love to receive your suggestions. The suggestion box is placed at the back of the church, and suggestions will be discussed at each Executive Meeting and brought forward at a General Gathering. If you cannot locate the suggestion box just ask our wonderful ushers. We look forward to hearing from you!



Call the parish office if you can help at any of our weekend Masses. Thank you!

He came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him. When have you experienced God's majesty and power? What do you hope heaven will be like?

Get your January tickets by the 31st!

www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/procathedral

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**OUR CHURCH
NEEDS
YOUR HELP!**

**50/50
RAFFLE**

PARISH DONATIONS

Parish Contribution Envelopes for 2026 are now in the Church. We ask that you please consider pre-authorized methods for your contributions this year as it allows us to have a steady stream of income, even when you can not attend Mass.



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 office mail slot.**

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

Welcome to all Single Women!!

(Divorced, Single, Widowed)

It's a new year — consider joining us!



We have over 40 members who get together to share social times and great conversation! We go to movies, dinner, antiquing, shopping, berry picking, card nights, sleigh rides, coffee every Thursday & more! You get to decide what events you would like to participate in—no pressure.

We only have two meetings per year to set the agenda based on everyone's input.

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.

Sunday Liturgy



With Children

**GATHERING
SUNDAYS
AT 9 AM MASS**

Sunday Liturgy With Children is held every Sunday at the 9:00 AM Mass from September to June 2026 for all children ages 4-12 years old. The focus of each group is to incorporate a variety of experiences that appeal to a young child's natural sense of wonder about God.



The prayer line is 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

Next Sunday - Everyone Welcome!

A Celebration of Song to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Sunday, January 18, 2026 at 2:00 PM
Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption
480 McIntyre Street West

**Come and sing beautiful hymns and listen
to church choirs sing inspirational anthems!**

ALL ARE WELCOME

Social will follow in Parish Hall

One Body, One Spirit

Young Adults Formation & Adoration Night—January 16 at 6:00 PM at Holy Name Church. For young adults aged 18-35. Come and enjoy dinner as we listen to Fr. Daniele share insights on growing in holiness. Afterward, take some time for reflection in adoration, then join together for dessert and board games.

Shalom Place: Do you ever wonder where you are going? Do you ever wonder who is your real self? Do you ever wonder if you are following God's desire for your life? You are invited to join others who also wander and wonder. Exploring Thomas Merton's prayer may help us trust that we are being led by the generous, loving and active presence of God. **Saturday January 17, 9:30 – noon. Facilitated by Janet Norman** 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 January 15.** Cost: Your gift allows the ministry of Shalom Place to continue. Thank you for your generosity.



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 6:30 pm at St. Peter's Church. Knights perform acts of charity through physical works and financial contributions to the Church and community. Please email David Dunkley at: ddunkley@gmail.com for more information on how you can belong to such a generous group of men who put their faith into action!