

08 FEBRUARY  
2026

Fifth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

# 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 Westenenk

#### Diocesan Order of Women

Mrs. Shirley Falconi  
Miss Ruth Godon

### IN RESIDENCE

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



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.

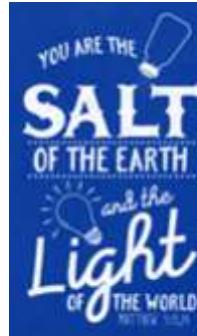
**Hearing Aid System** is available for use by the hearing impaired. Please ask an Usher or Sacristan to assist you upon entering the church.



## WE APPRECIATE YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

### WAYS TO GIVE:

- E-transfer: [music.Finance@procathedral.ca](mailto: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



The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds us that faith is not something we keep hidden. Jesus tells us to be like salt and light. These are simple images, but they help us understand what it means to live as His followers.

This Sunday's readings talk about helping others, being kind, and trusting in God. Isaiah tells us to care for the poor. The Psalm praises those who are generous and steady. Paul points us to Jesus, not fancy words. And Jesus calls us to live in a way that points others to God.

This Sunday we are invited to be people of light. We are called to live with kindness, courage, and trust. When we live like this, we help make the world a better place. Each reading gives us a clear message. Faith must show in our actions. When we serve others, we reflect God's love. When we do good, we help others see the way to God.



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 find out more about the Knights of Columbus and make a difference in your parish and community by becoming a Knight, please email David Dunkley at: [ddunkley@gmail.com](mailto:ddunkley@gmail.com)

## OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

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

## WEEKLY READINGS: 09 - 15 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	Sirach 15. 15-20; 1 Corinthians 2. 6-10; Matthew 5. 17-37

## What's Happening at the Cathedral This Week Monday to Sunday, 09—15 February

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
Tuesday	1:30 PM	Church	Funeral: Guisepina Verrillo
	6:15 PM	Hall	1st Reconciliation Meeting
	1:00 PM	Sacristy	Right to Life Meeting
	6:30 PM	Church	Choir Practice
	9:20 AM	Atrium	<b>Reminder: No Atrium this Week</b>
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sacristy	Children's Liturgy of the Word
	12:15 PM	Church	Baptism
	4:30 PM	Church	Holy Qurbana Mass in Malayalam

**Thank you to our generous parishioner,  
Margaret Lafontaine,  
the Roof Loose Collection  
will be matched up to \$1,000  
on the weekend of  
February 21 & 22.**



**If you would like to match a Roof Loose Collection in March, April or May, please call the office.**

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - 01 FEB

<u>Sunday Offering</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>
<b>\$4,796.10</b>	<b>\$3,224.00</b>

## Credit Card Donations January

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Roof</u>
<b>\$4,375.00</b>	<b>\$1,286.00</b>	<b>\$1,703.89</b>

## ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 01 February

Roof Campaign Balance	\$14,518.41
Sunday, 01 February Collection	
Roof Loose	\$503.90
35 Receipted Donations	\$929.23
Anonymous Parishioner Matching (January Collection up to \$1,000)	\$1,000.00
Anonymous Pledge Donation	\$3,000.00
Sisters of St. Joseph Pledge Donation	\$3,000.00
Orchard Gift Card Sales 8 Cards X \$5.00 Profit	\$40.00 Profit to Date: \$310.00
<b>CAMPAIGN BALANCE</b>	<b>\$24,695.43</b>

## Mass Schedule

### Tuesday, 10 February - Memorial of St. Scholastica 12:05 PM

Intention of the Costa Family - A Parishioner  
David Downs - Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board  
Denis Lafleur - Nadine and Paul Condon

### Wednesday, 11 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time 12:05 PM

Intention of the Thomas Family - Mary Lou Smith  
Stan Zima - Mariann Zima  
Alice Hopkinson - Vivian Molnar

### Thursday, 12 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time 12:05 PM

Intention of Alexandra Van Stroe - Jessica Costa  
Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque  
Dan and Geoff Laplante - The Family

### Friday, 13 February - Weekday in Ordinary Time 12:05 PM

Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu  
Mike Rossi - The Family  
Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary

### Saturday, 14 February - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4 PM

A Special Mass in Thanksgiving - A Parishioner  
Tom Toffoli - Don and Marilyn Halsall  
Denis Lafleur - The DeMarco Family

### Sunday, 15 February: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**9:00 AM** Intention of the Carey Family - The Montgomery Family  
Katie Laporte - Jessica and Pedro Costa

**11:00 AM** Emilia Hlusek - Mary Lou Smith  
Madeleine Blanchette-Leblanc - Nipissing-Parry Sound CDSB  
Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes

### NEXT SUNDAY

**16 February  
4:30 PM**

Pro-Cathedral

Everyone  
Welcome!



**Did you know that we use blessed palms from previous Palm Sundays to use for ashes at our Ash Wednesday celebrations?**

**If you have palms that you could donate for this purpose, please bring them to church and put them in the provided container.**

**We will take care of burning them to use in our celebrations. Thank you!**

Thank you the Sisters of St. Joseph and our anonymous donor for their continued and generous pledge donations!





## 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. Membership dues are \$40 and envelopes can be found at the back of the church. We accept cash, cheque, and e-transfer ([treasurer.procathedralcwl@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.procathedralcwl@gmail.com)).

Please provide your full name if paying by cash.

#### Why am I a CWL member?

Three words: Faith, fun, and fulfillment!



**Winner of the JANUARY 2026 Draw  
of \$540.00  
TERESA BONAR (Ticket #D-1308)**  
**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!**



**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](mailto:kbeaulieu914@gmail.com) or text 705-493-4191.

## World Day of the Sick 2026

Pope Leo XIV, in his Message for the 34th World Day of the Sick 2026, which is celebrated on Wednesday, February 11, invites us to reflect on the figure of the Good Samaritan. The Holy Father outlines three key points: the gift of encounter, the shared mission of caring for the sick and the primacy of being driven by love for God in encountering ourselves and others.

He writes, "I genuinely hope that our Christian lifestyle will always reflect this fraternal, 'Samaritan' spirit – one that is welcoming, courageous, committed and supportive, rooted in our union with God and our faith in Jesus Christ." He continues, "Enkindled by this divine love, we will surely be able to give of ourselves for the good of all who suffer, especially our brothers and sisters who are sick, elderly or afflicted."

Pope Leo's complete message and reflection are available on our website under NEWS

### Please Pray for the Sick and Suffering

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
your Son accepted suffering  
to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness.  
Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brother/sister.  
May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease,  
realise that they have been chosen to be saints  
and know that they are joined to Christ  
in his suffering for the salvation of the world.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



[www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/procathedral](http://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/procathedral)

### TICKETS

100 for \$50, 20 for \$20, 4 for \$10, 1 for \$5

**PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS EACH MONTH**

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### POPE LEO XIV FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION

LET US PRAY THAT CHILDREN SUFFERING FROM INCURABLE DISEASES AND THEIR FAMILIES RECEIVE THE NECESSARY MEDICAL CARE AND SUPPORT, NEVER LOSING STRENGTH AND HOPE.

Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

Shrove Tuesday

Pancake & Sausage Supper

5:00 PM

Tuesday, 17 February 2026

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## 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.

**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.**



## 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](mailto:nbphrc@hotmail.com)



**PETER FINDS HIS FAITH  
TO BE MUCH STRONGER IN THE WINTER**

**Shalom Place:** You are invited to **“Listening to Indigenous Voices”** produced by the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice facilitated by Sister Pat Carter csj on **Zoom**, **Tuesdays, February 10, 17, 24, March 3** from **3:30-5:30 p.m.** This is a process of listening to Indigenous voices telling their truth so we can all be on that pathway. The TRC reminds us “reconciliation is not about ‘closing a sad chapter of Canada’s past,’ but about opening new healing pathways of reconciliation that are forged in truth and justice.” Each session stands alone, but the Listening becomes richer with each experience. Register at [shalomssm@shaw.ca](mailto:shalomssm@shaw.ca), [www.shalomplace.ca](http://www.shalomplace.ca) or 705-254-4690. Cost: Your free-will offering supports the ministry of Shalom Place.

**Catholic Young Adults presents How to Party Like a Catholic**, a conversation on party culture, drinking, and drugs. February 13 at 6:00 PM at Holy Name for adults aged 18-35. Join for dinner, a talk, and discussion. Board games and fellowship to follow.

## The Good Samaritan Corner

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



We know that there are people in North Bay without a warm place to call home. That is why we are encouraging people to support the Coldest Night of the Year to be held on Saturday, February 28, 2026.



Walk 2 or 5 km starting at OUTLOUD.

100% of the net proceeds from the event in North Bay stay local to support the Gathering Place.

For more information on how you can participate or support a walker, visit [www.cnoy.org](http://www.cnoy.org), click on ‘find your location’ and then click on ‘North Bay’.

For more information about the Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/compassionatecommitteefornorthbay/>