

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

Welcome to Your Father's House!

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12 April 2026

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

The Second Sunday of Easter

Year A is also known as Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a day to remember that God's mercy is for all people. The readings tell us about faith, hope, and the joy that comes from meeting the risen Jesus.



They also remind us that believing in Him brings new life.

In the first reading, we hear about the early Christians. They lived together, shared what they had, and cared for those in need. Their lives were filled with prayer, worship, and love for one another. This shows how faith can change the way we live each day.

The Gospel tells the story of Thomas. At first, he doubted the other disciples. When he saw Jesus, he believed. Jesus said that those who believe without seeing are blessed. The 2nd Sunday of Easter invites us to trust Him even when we do not have all the answers.



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.



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.

There are e-mail scams using the identity of Fr. Larry and the parish requesting gift cards, money, personal information, etc. **Please do not reply — always call the parish office if you receive these types of emails. No such solicitation would ever come from us. Our e-mail address is [only office@procathedral.ca](mailto:office@procathedral.ca) or music.finance@procathedral.ca**

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

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

READINGS: 13 - 19 APRIL 2026

Monday	Acts 4. 23-31; John 3. 1-8
Tuesday	Acts 4. 32-37; John 3. 7b-15
Wednesday	Acts 5. 17-26; John 3. 16-21
Thursday	Acts 5. 27-33; John 3. 31-36
Friday	Acts 5. 34-42; John 6. 1-15
Saturday	Acts 6. 1-7; John 6. 16-21
Sunday	Acts 2. 14, 22b-28; 1 Peter 1. 17-21; Luke 24. 13-35

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**

What's Happening at the Cathedral This Week
Monday to Sunday, April 13 to April 19

Date	Time	Location	Event
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Hall	CWL Girls League Gathering
Thursday	6:30 PM	Church	Choir Practice
Saturday	9:20 AM	Atrium	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
	12:30 PM	Sacristy	CWL Girls League Executive
	5:30 PM	Hall	Social - Chinese Food Buffet and Ukulele Night
	1:30 PM	Church	Baptism
	4:30 PM	Church	Malayalam Holy Qurbana

BELIEVE and choose to TRUST that Jesus meets us with peace rather than judgement, even when we feel fearful, uncertain, or ashamed.

Collection - Easter Sunday - 05 April	
Sunday Offering	Building Fund
\$4,397.80	\$647.00

Website Donations March		
Sunday	Building	Roof
\$855.00	\$55.00	\$361.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 05 April	
Roof Campaign Balance	\$45,163.14
Sunday_05 April Collection	
Roof Loose	\$751.05
23 Receipted Donations	\$1,629.00
March 50/50 Profit	\$311.49
Tip Tap Pay Machine—March	\$40.00
Orchard Gift Card Sales	\$260.00
52 X \$5.00 Profit	Profit to Date: \$935.00
CAMPAIGN BALANCE	\$48,515.68

Mass Schedule

- Tuesday, 14 April - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**
 Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary
 Katie Laporte - Suzanne Lukasik
- Wednesday, 15 April - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**
 Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu
 Al Falconi - Cecile Robert
 Larry Heffernan - Carol and Marcel Michaud
- Thursday, 16 April - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**
 Intention of the Montgomery Family - Robert Manary
 Intention of the Thomas Family - Mary Lou Smith
- Friday, 17 April - Memorial of St. Kateri Tekakwitha 12:05 PM**
 Veraldi and Knight Family Members - Myrtle Veraldi
 Claudette St. Louis Carole Valade and Family
 Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque
- Saturday, 18 April - Third Sunday of Easter 4:00 PM**
 Lorne and Katie Brownson - John and Carol Rowe
 Harvey and Jean Carmichael - Diane Carmichael and Family
 Serafim Carreiro - The Carreiro Family
- Sunday, 19 April - Third Sunday of Easter**
9:00 AM Int. of Megan and Connor Montgomery - The Carey Family
 Judy Kelly-Manary - Jessica Costa
11:00 AM Intention of Katherine Voisin and Family - Mary-Ellen Balfour
 Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Don't forget to get your April 50/50 Tickets!



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Two (2) Bursary Awards in the amount of \$400 will be available to two students entering post-secondary education in September 2026.

Applications are available at the Parish Office, at the local high schools, and on the parish website under GROUPS/CWL

BURSARY CRITERIA



- Applicants must be daughters or sons of members for the Pro-Cathedral Catholic Women's League who are in good standing. Where the mother is deceased, consideration will be given to grand-daughters/sons of a member in good standing.
- Applicants must be entering their first year of college or university. A copy of a valid letter of acceptance from the college or university must be attached.
- Applicant must have a reasonable academic achievement.
- Presentation of the bursaries will be made on Thanksgiving Sunday in the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption Church at one of the Sunday Liturgies.
- **Application Deadline is 4:00pm on June 5, 2026**

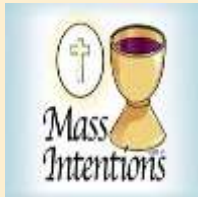
DROP-OFF / MAIL TO: CWL Bursary Committee
c/o Pro-Cathedral Parish Office
480 McIntyre Street West
North Bay, ON P1B 2Z4

For more information please contact:

Lorna Rick, Service Chairperson

Phone: 705-930-0876 Email: lornarick@gmail.com

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.



Welcome to all Single Women!!

(Divorced, Single, Widowed)

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 an agenda of things we would like to do 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.

CAN YOU HELP?

Do you attend Mass on a regular basis and don't mind staying periodically for an extra 15 minutes afterwards? We are looking for a team of people who would be willing to sell Orchard Cards once per month and at times, tickets to social events.

If we get several volunteers, you may only be scheduled to sell once every two-three months. That would be awesome!

We really need your help. Our current volunteers have been faithfully committed to doing this for years. If you can help us out, details will be provided to you.



The season of Easter began on Easter Sunday and ends on Pentecost Sunday. A lot can happen in 50 days. And during the 50 days of Easter,

a lot does happen. Spring is finally here. The new life in the world around us is a marvelous reminder of the new life we share with Jesus. And just as the new life of nature takes many forms, so does new life in the church. For some of us, it will be the new life of Baptism. For some boys and girls, First Communion will be a sign of their growth in the ways of Jesus.

On Ascension Day we gather to tell the story of how Jesus' glory will one day be our glory, too. And on the fiftieth day, the day we call Pentecost, we give thanks for the gift of the Spirit, which fills us with the fire of God's love.

May the 50 days of the Easter Season deepen our faith in the One who brings us to eternal life.



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

Catholic Charities Clothing Room & Food Bank

has been running in our community since the 1970's and is supported only through the generosity of donations and volunteer workers.

Food Bank Hours: Tuesdays from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Clothing Room Hours: Every Wednesday in April from 1:30 - 3:00 PM. Every second Wednesday beginning in May.

Gently used and clean seasonal clothing is welcome - please no winter clothes, boots, or coats at this time.

Non-perishable food items can be dropped off at the parish office or brought with you to church on the last Sunday of the month.

Pope Leo XIV posed a question for the faithful: "Have you ever been in a crisis?"

"In moments of fragility, it's so important that we are there for one another," he said. "This April, I invite you to join me in prayer for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find accompaniment and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer."

Lord Jesus,

Good Shepherd and companion on the journey, today we place in your hands all priests, especially those going through moments of crisis, when loneliness weighs heavily, when doubt clouds their hearts, and when exhaustion seems stronger than hope.

You who know their struggles and wounds, renew in them the certainty of your unconditional love.

Let them feel they are not mere functionaries or lonely heroes, but beloved sons, humble and cherished disciples, and pastors sustained by the prayer of their people.

Good Father, teach us as a community to care for our priests: to listen without judging, to give thanks without demanding perfection, to share with them the baptismal mission of proclaiming the kingdom in word and deed, and to accompany them with closeness and sincere prayer.

May we support those who so often support us.

Holy Spirit, rekindle in our priests the joy of the Gospel.

Grant them healthy friendships, networks of fraternal support, a sense of humor when things don't go as expected, and the grace to always rediscover the beauty of their vocation.

May they never lose trust in you, nor the joy of serving your Church with a humble and generous heart.

Amen.

Have you checked out The Amen App?

A variety of resources to help you connect with God.

Download from the App Store or Google Play to enhance your spiritual practices.

CALLING ALL MEMBERS OF DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE-CARITAS CANADA

You are invited to attend the **Ontario Regional Assembly** Economy, Ecology & Ethics
Get on Track for Justice!

At the Sisters of St. Joseph's Motherhouse on the Lake, in North Bay, **May 22-24, 2026**. Registration is \$25.00.

For information contact:

Sr. Pat Carter at pcartercsj@gmail.com or 705-575-5002

National March for Life in Ottawa will take place Thursday, May 14. Bus departs 7:00 AM from Northgate, arrives at Parliament Hill at noon. Praise, music prayers, Pro-Life speakers, and testimonies and march downtown with thousands of Pro-Lifers. Returns to Northgate at 9 PM. Tickets \$40/Adults, \$10/Students, must be purchased in advance at northbayrighttolife@gmail.com. Contact Bryan Jean at 705-978-0958 or Diane Demeis at 705-840-2053 for more information.

Standing Up for the Preborn - A Short Pro-Life Conference: Join us as we reflect on "Why and How to Stand Up for the Victims of Abortion" during a short conference hosted by End the Killing North Bay and the Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform. Featuring speaker Christina King, participants will learn how to have meaningful, compassionate conversations on this important issue. Friday, May 15 (7pm-9:30pm) main talk, and an optional practical workshop Saturday, May 16 (10:30am-3pm) at Holy Name of Jesus Church. No cost. For info, call Ben at 905-964-9371.

Getting Married in 2026? Plan on attending the next Marriage Preparation Weekend:

April 17-18 at St. Alphonsus Church in Callander. 6:30 PM Friday evening and 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday.

To register or for more information, call or text Samantha Briggs at 705-471-3284 or email at samyehsilver@gmail.com to reserve your place. Material cost of \$100 is payable at registration.

Register soon to guarantee your spot! Marriage Preparation is mandatory in our Diocese.



Blessed white candles are available immediately before and after all masses on the weekend and weekdays. You may enter the Sacristy to pick up and light a vigil candle. At that time you may place your candle on the stand. An offering of \$5 per candle is suggested to help defray costs.



Don't forget!

We will take your pennies and roll them for the Roof Campaign!



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

The Good Samaritan Corner

The Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay would like to thank all the volunteers and generous donors who made the third Easter Dinner in partnership with Open Arms Café possible.

On Easter Sunday, at St. John the Divine Anglican Church, people experiencing homelessness and loneliness were provided with a hot meal in a supportive and compassionate environment. This year, there was enough food to feed people living in encampments

Congregants and parishioners from a variety of local churches took the time to ensure that the Easter Dinner was a huge success.

A big thank you to Peggy Morrison and her team at Open Arms Café for their continued hard work and dedication to food security in North Bay.

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

