

**19 April 2026**  
**Third Sunday**  
**of Easter**

# PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

## Welcome to Your Father's House!

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**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 Third Sunday of Easter reminds us that Jesus is alive and walks with us. The readings show how His followers came to believe in the resurrection. They also call us to live with hope and trust in His promise.



In the first reading, Peter tells the crowd that Jesus' death and resurrection were part of God's plan. He speaks with courage, showing that the Holy Spirit gives strength to share the Good News.

The Gospel tells the story of the road to Emmaus. Two disciples walk with a stranger who explains the scripture to them. They finally recognize Him when He breaks bread. This moment shows how Jesus is present with us in Word and Sacrament.

This Sunday we are encouraged to look for Jesus in our daily lives. He is with us in prayer, in the Eucharist, and in the people we meet. When we open our hearts to Him, our faith grows stronger.



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 or engage with these types of emails, texts, or phone calls — always call the parish office if you receive these messages.

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](mailto:music.finance@procathedral.ca)

## OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

<b>Monday to Thursday</b>	<b>8:30 AM to 4:30 PM</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>8:30 AM to 12:00 NOON</b>

## READINGS: 20 - 26 APRIL 2026

Monday	Acts 6. 8-15; John 6. 22-29
Tuesday	Acts 7. 51—8.1a; John 6. 30-35
Wednesday	Acts 8. 1b-8; John 6. 35-40
Thursday	Acts 8. 26-40; John 6. 44-51
Friday	Acts 9. 1-20; John 6. 52-59
Saturday	1 Peter 5. 5b-14; Mark 16. 15-20
Sunday	Acts 2. 14a, 36b-41; 1 Peter 2. 20b-25; John 10. 1-10

## 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**


**What's Happening at the Cathedral This Week**  
**Monday to Sunday, April 20 to April 26**

Date	Time	Location	Event
Thursday	6:30 PM	Church	Choir Practice
Saturday	9:20 AM	Atrium	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sacristy	Children's Liturgy of the Word



**NEXT WEEKEND IS  
MATCH THE ROOF  
LOOSE COLLECTION!**

**Thank you to parishioner  
John Piszczek, he and his law firm will match this  
collection up to \$1,000.00 - Thank you John!**



**John S. Piszczek Barrister & Solicitor**  
 450 Main Street West  
 North Bay, ON P1B 2V2  
 705-223-1067, Ext. 101

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

Pre-Authorized Bank Donations March		
Sunday	Building	Roof
\$6,899.00	\$2,045.00	\$717.00

Credit Card Donations April		
Sunday	Building	Roof
\$3,455.00	\$1,286.00	\$803.89

Collection - 12 April	
Sunday Offering	Building Fund
\$4,824.90	\$2,747.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 12 April	
Roof Campaign Balance	\$48,515.68
<u>Sunday, 12 April Collection</u>	
Roof Loose	\$507.70
36 Receipted Donations	\$1,758.00
Orchard Gift Card Sales	\$5.00
1 X \$5.00 Profit	Profit to Date: \$940.00
<b>CAMPAIGN BALANCE</b>	<b>\$52,307.27</b>

**Mass Schedule**

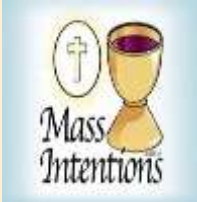
- Tuesday, 21 April - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**  
 Intention of Maureen Soni - Karen Anne McArthur  
 Richard Dinnes - Patricia Dinnes and Family
- Wednesday, 22 April - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**  
 Yvon Cadrin - Jackie Cadrin and Family  
 Cecelia and William Hart - Gerri Reid  
 Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary
- Thursday, 23 April - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**  
 Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque  
 Leonardo Miscio - Carlo and Catharine Celebre and Family
- Friday, 24 April - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**  
 Ed Laroche - Cecile Robert  
 Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque  
 Theresa Duffy - Lakshmi Wickamasinghe
- Saturday, 25 April - Fourth Sunday of Easter 4:00 PM**  
 Intention of Charlie and Patti Brownson - John and Carol Rowe  
 Roseanne Lafleur - Terry and Denyse Vendetti and the Lafleur Family  
 Delbert Passmore - Brenda Passmore and Family
- Sunday, 26 April - Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
**9:00 AM** Intention of those Remembered  
 in the Pro-Cathedral Memorial Fund
- 11:00 AM** Eleanore Lunney - Paul and Nadine Condon  
 Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes




**THIS SUNDAY**  
**19 April**  
**4:30 PM**  
 Pro-Cathedral  
 Followed by  
 Coffee & Tea in  
 Parish Hall  
**All are Welcome!**

**MALAYALAM  
 HOLY  
 QURBANA  
 (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. A Mass Stipend is \$15.00 and an income tax receipt is provided.



**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.



## 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**

*Please note that Barb, who has been serving as the Bake Table Convener, has recently taken on the role of Treasurer. As a result, she has made the difficult decision to step down from her position as Bake Table Convener. We are grateful for her dedication and service in this role.*

✠ MEMORIAL DONATION ✠  
For the Roof Campaign

The following names have been received in memory of deceased loved ones:

ELEANORE LUNNEY



**Thank you so much to the students and staff of St. Alexander School who made a generous donation to our Catholic Charities Food Bank.**



**All through Lent, the children were able to participate in special days (Dress in a Colour, PJ Day, etc.) by making a non-perishable food item or cash donation in support of our food bank.**

**Heartfelt thanks for your generosity!**

## EASTER MEMORIAL Decorations



With the Memorial donations received, we were able to decorate the church for the Easter Season. The Easter Sunday Masses were offered in remembrance of all those whose names were received. The following names are in addition to the names published in the Easter Sunday Bulletin. *Please keep these people in your thoughts*

*and prayers.*

**RORY RAFTERY EIRE RAFTERY  
PATRICK TARRNT DOREEN TARRANT**



### **Help Not Harm: Take Action to Support Bill C-218 Write your Member of Parliament Today!**

You're invited to visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) where you can e-mail your Member of Parliament (MP), asking for their support of **Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**, which would amend the Criminal Code to prevent Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) from being provided when mental illness is the sole underlying condition. Without this change, MAiD will be available for those suffering from mental illness alone beginning in March 2027.



Chances are you know someone struggling with mental illness — a family member, friend, or colleague. As Catholics and Canadians, we are called to offer care, hope, and protection — not death — to those who are suffering and most vulnerable. Visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.



**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**

### **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.



### SEASONAL CLOTHING ONLY

Donations for our Catholic Charities Clothing Depot can be dropped off at the Parish Office during office hours.

We are looking for Spring and Summer clothing items only as we do not have storage for off-season clothing.

**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](mailto:ddunkley@gmail.com)

**Backpacks of Love:** Once again, we are holding our Backpacks of Love Campaign. The drop off day is Saturday, May 9, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Pro-Cathedral garages across the street from the church on 480 McIntyre Street West. For more information contact Leah Pierce at 705-472-5687.

**Pro-Cathedral Parishioners are asked to specifically donate SOCKS, FLASHLIGHTS & SILVER EMERGENCY BLANKETS as well as any of the above items to the specially marked basket located in the church.**

**You may also donate:** Sturdy backpack or duffle bag, silver emergency blanket, tarp, small hairbrush/comb, toilet paper, towelettes/wipes, lip balm, toothpaste, toothbrush, feminine hygiene products, sun hats/ball caps, rain poncho, 6 pack of socks (light and heavy), deodorant, travel size: shampoo & conditioner in one, body wash and flashlights. Monetary donations are gratefully accepted by cash or e-transfer at email address: [CompassionNorthBay@gmail.com](mailto:CompassionNorthBay@gmail.com)

**NORTH BAY PREGNANCY HELP & RESOURCE CENTRE**

**INVITATION TO OUR GALA 2026**

*Theme: Fearfully and Wonderfully Made*

**MAY 1, 2026**

**Gala Highlights**

- Musical Performance
- Ministry Presentation
- Silent Auction
- Dinner

**GREENWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH, 235 ALBERT AVE, NORTH BAY**

*Doors will be open at 6:00 PM*

**REGISTRATION \$50: ETRANSFER TO: [NBPHRC@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:NBPHRC@HOTMAIL.COM)**

**Featuring:** Garry & Renee, James Palmer, Joshua Wood

**DINNER MENU**

Roast beef, Chicken & Pasta, Dessert, Coffee/Tea

*Please email us if you have any dietary restrictions.*

### 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 [pcartercsi@gmail.com](mailto:pcartercsi@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](mailto:northbayrighttolife@gmail.com). Contact Bryan Jean at 705-978-0958 or Diane Demeis at 705-840-2053 for more information.

### The Good Samaritan Corner

Just as we include items for cuts, burns, or cardiac emergencies, naloxone **deserves** a place in first aid kits today. It equips individuals and organizations to respond quickly, compassionately, and effectively in a critical moment.

#### Why naloxone kits are important:

1. They save lives in emergencies.
2. Opioid overdoses can happen anywhere.
3. Easy to use with minimal training.
4. Safe and low risk.
5. Supports community care and dignity.
6. Increasing need due to the opioid crisis.



Communities across Canada, including North Bay, have seen a rise in overdoses, often linked to unpredictable drug supplies containing potent substances like fentanyl. Having naloxone accessible is a practical response to this ongoing public health issue.

Naloxone kits are free of charge. Please ask for a kit at your drugstore or go to the AIDS Committee of North Bay & Area at 147 McIntyre Street West #103, North Bay.

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