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# PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

## Welcome to your Father's House!

17 May 2026 *The Ascension of the Lord*

**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 Ascension of the Lord Year A celebrates the moment when Jesus returned to the Father. It is a joyful reminder that his mission on earth was complete, but his care for us continues. The disciples saw him lifted up into heaven, yet his promise to be with them always gave them courage.



This feast reminds us that Jesus is now seated at the right hand of God. He reigns as King over all the earth. His authority is above every power and ruler. Even though we cannot see him, he is still guiding his Church and giving us strength through the Holy Spirit.

The Ascension of the Lord also calls us to action. Jesus gave his followers a mission to go into the whole world. We are sent to share his message, to baptize, and to teach others to follow him. His words are for us today just as they were for the first disciples.



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:** Tuesday to Friday at 12:05 PM, Saturday at 4:00 PM and Sunday at 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

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

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

## READINGS: 18 - 24 May

Monday	Acts 19. 1-8; John 16. 29-33
Tuesday	Acts 20. 17-27; John 17. 1-11a
Wednesday	Acts 20. 28-38; John 17. 11b-19
Thursday	Acts 22. 30; 23. 6-11; John 17. 20-26
Friday	Acts 24. 27; 25. 13b-21; John 21. 15-19
Saturday	Acts 28. 16-20, 30-31; John 21 20-25
Sunday	Acts 2. 1-11; 1 Corinthians 12. 3b-7, 12-13; John 20. 19-23



## 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, 18 - 24 May**

Date	Time	Location	Event
Tuesday	6:15 PM	Hall	First Communion Preparation
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Hall	Catholic Girls League
	6:30 PM	Church	Choir Practice
Saturday	5:30 PM	Hall	Greek Dinner & Movie Night
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sacristy	Children's Liturgy of the Word



**SYRO-MALABAR HOLY QURBANA**

**THIS SUNDAY!**  
**May 17 at 4:30 PM**

Time for Confession is available  
**BEFORE AND AFTER MASS**

Offerings are accepted in support of the parish.  
**EVERYONE WELCOME TO THIS MASS!**



Thank you to the generous students at St. Alexander School for their recent donation of \$70.55 to our Catholic Charities Food Bank. These funds were raised during Lenten School Projects.

**Collection - 10 May 2026**

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
<b>\$4,346.00</b>	<b>\$567.00</b>

**Pre-Authorized Bank Donations April**

Sunday	Building	Roof
<b>\$6,361.00</b>	<b>\$1,730.00</b>	<b>\$707.00</b>

**ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 10 May**

Roof Campaign Balance	\$67,886.62
<u>Sunday, 10 May Collection</u>	
Roof Loose	\$507.70
33 Receipted Donations	\$1,268.00
April 50/50 Profit	\$326.86
Orchard Gift Card Sales	\$55.00
11 X \$5.00 Profit	Profit to Date: \$1,130.00
<b>CAMPAIGN BALANCE</b>	<b>\$70,424.32</b>

**Mass Schedule**

- Tuesday, 19 May - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**  
 Frances Agius - John Agius  
 Lloyd Voisin - The Voisin Family  
 Monica Deslauriers - Theresa and Ben Boudreau
- Wednesday, 20 May - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**  
 Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu  
 Sam and Lillian Veraldi - Myrtle Veraldi  
 Carmela Campanaro - Tony Campanaro
- Thursday, 21 May - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**  
 Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary  
 Theresa Duffy - Marthe Smith
- Friday, 22 May - Weekday in Easter Season 12:05 PM**  
 Intention of Gisele Manning - Don and Lorraine Cappadocia  
 Sheila Levesque - Richard Levesque  
 Theresa Duffy - Karen Beaulieu
- Saturday, 23 May - Pentecost Sunday 4:00 PM**  
 For a Special Intention - Carol and John Rowe  
 Don Doucette - The Goulais Family  
 Dan and Geoff Laplante - The Family
- Sunday, 24 May - Pentecost Sunday**  
**9:00 AM** Michael Makowiczuk - Anne and Rick Taylor  
 Wayne McParland - Ray Bethune and Family  
**11:00 AM** Denise and Art Middleton - Jeanne Luesby  
 Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes



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

**MARRIAGE BANNES**



There is a promise of marriage between the following who will be married on May 30, 2026:

Jison George, son of M.A. George and Lissy (Francis) and Ann Mary Jose, daughter of Jose K.A and Silvy (Frederick). ♥

Ever thought of becoming an Usher? A Lector, an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion? Curious about the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Women's League, the Catholic Girl's League, our Funeral Serving Teams? Find out more about these ministries or others by calling the Parish Office.



**Thank you to Knights of Columbus for their recent \$1,000 donation to our Catholic Charities Food Bank!**



## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

**Bursaries:** 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

- 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.
- Pick up applications at school, the parish office, or on our website under CWL.
- **Application Deadline is 4:00pm on June 5, 2026**
- Drop off to CWL Bursary Committee, c/o the Parish Office

For more information please contact **Lorna Rick, Service Chairperson 705-930-0876 or lornarick@gmail.com**

### Service Awards & June Dinner Gathering



Wednesday, June 3, 2026 Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall Doors Open at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:00 pm. Dinner provided by Manshou Chinese Restaurant. Cost \$25.00/Person.

Kindly Note: Tickets available until noon on Friday, May 29, from the Parish Office or by contacting Leah Pierce by telephone at 705-472-5687 or email: [president.procathedralcwl@gmail.com](mailto:president.procathedralcwl@gmail.com)



**The Knights of Columbus Council 1007 is happy to announce the launch of**

**their two annual \$1,000 bursaries** to support graduating high school students who exemplify Catholic faith, service, character, and consistent effort in their studies. The bursaries will be awarded to students who are entering post-secondary education in the upcoming academic year. Post-secondary pathways may include university, college, trades programs, apprenticeships, or other recognized diploma or certificate programs in Canada.

✦ Applicants must be practicing Catholics who participate in the sacramental and community life of the Church with demonstrated involvement in parish life and Christian service.

✦ For full eligibility requirements, selection emphasis, and application requirements, visit the Pro-Cathedral website under GROUPS/KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS or pick up Scholarship document at the parish office.

**The deadline for submission is June 1, 2026.** Applications may be submitted as a PDF, Word, or Google Doc file to: [council1007@gmail.com](mailto:council1007@gmail.com)



**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.**



**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 second Wednesday (May 13, May 27, June 10, and June 24.

*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.*



**THANK YOU! WE HAVE A GENEROUS DONATOR FOR OUR MAY 30-31 MATCHING WEEKEND!**

**If you would like to take up the challenge for June or July, let us know! You can match the full collection taken or up to a certain amount—whatever you decide is great!**



### Baby Bottle Campaign

**Have you picked up a bottle to support the North Bay Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre? Campaign runs for the month of May. Please take a baby bottle from the box in the Cathedral, put your donations inside, and return the bottle by the end of the month in the collection. Donations of over \$20 will receive an income tax receipt—fill out form in the bottle.**

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# 50/50 RAFFLE!



**MAY DRAW NOW OPEN FOR  
PURCHASE OF TICKETS!**



50% to the winner  
50% supports the  
Roof Campaign

**TICKET PRICES:**  
100 FOR \$50  
20 FOR \$20  
4 FOR \$10  
1 FOR \$5

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW AT

[WWW.RAFFLEBOX.CA/RAFFLE/PROCATHEDRAL](http://WWW.RAFFLEBOX.CA/RAFFLE/PROCATHEDRAL)

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Don't have email or a computer? No worries! If you have a credit card, Karen at the Parish Office can process your tickets for you! Give her a call to find out more - many of our parishioners already have her doing this so they can be in on the monthly draws!

**We're so glad you could join us today!  
Whether you're just visiting  
or looking for a church home,  
you are welcome here!**

**Find the right Catholic Youth Night for you!** Faith, friends, fun, and games - every Thursday Night for all students no matter what school or church you attend! Held at Holy Name of Jesus - Visit [www.holynamestalphonsus.com](http://www.holynamestalphonsus.com)

**EDGE:** For Students in Grades 6, 7 & 8 from 6:30-8:00 pm

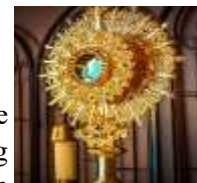
**OVERtheEDGE:** For Students in Grades 9-12 from 8:00- 9:30 pm

**Celebration of the Traditional Tridentine Latin Mass** at Holy Name. Pentecost Sunday, May 24 at 4pm with Fr. Vincenzo Fiore presiding. Fr. Fiore is the Pastor of the Mater Dei Latin Community in Sudbury. Celebrated in Latin, this liturgy emphasizes silence, contemplation and a deep sense of the sacred. Everyone is welcome! A Latin-English translation resource will be provided.

**Catholic Young Adult Weekend Retreat June 12-14.** Catholic Young Adults 18-35 are invited for personal reflection, building connections and fostering communion with God and with each other. June 12-14 at the Sisters of St. Joseph Campground on Trout Lake in Corbeil, ON, this retreat includes daily Mass, Adoration, guest speakers, time for reflection and time for socializing. More information and registration is available now at: [www.holynamestalphonsus.com/corunum](http://www.holynamestalphonsus.com/corunum)

**Free quilts for people living with cancer.** **Victoria's Quilts Canada (VQC)** provides handmade quilts to people living with cancer in Canada bringing physical and spiritual comfort to those dealing with cancer so they know they are not alone. If you know someone or you yourself is living with cancer please request a free quilt at our website at Victoria's Quilts Canada. The North Bay Branch personally delivers.

## Regional Eucharistic Adoration Do You Have One Hour for Jesus?



Come and spend quiet time in the presence of our Lord. Eucharistic Adoration is being offered on Tuesday to Friday from 11:30 AM to 4:30 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Church.

In order for this to take place, we need adorers to schedule one-hour time slots during the day.

If you are interested in being a part of the scheduled adorers or on the spare list, contact Karen Beaulieu at 495-6675.

**You can attend anytime—even if you are not scheduled.**

**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.**

## Welcome to all Single Women!!

(Divorced, Single, Widowed)

**Consider joining us!**



We are planning some interesting and fun stuff!

If you want to be part of a wonderful group of approximately 40 members who get together to share social times and great conversation contact Karen Beaulieu! 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.

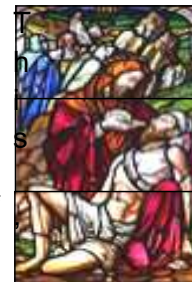
We only have two meetings per year to set an agenda of things we would like to do based on everyone's input.

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

## The Good Samaritan Corner

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

Thank you to the parishioners and congregants who supported the recent Backpacks of Love drop off day. Your generosity will go a long way to show the unhoused, marginalized and forgotten how much we care.



Showing compassion is easy. By being God's hands and feet and donating to the Backpacks of Love campaign your thoughtfulness is empathy for others.

Didn't get a chance to donate to the Backpacks of Love campaign? It's not too late to help the unhoused. Volunteers will be packing backpacks on June 9th starting at 9 a.m. at the Pro-Cathedral garages, and so please consider donating financially through e-transfer at our email address [CompassionNorthBay@gmail.com](mailto:CompassionNorthBay@gmail.com)

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