

04 OCTOBER 2026

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27th 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

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PERMANENT MINISTERS

Deacons

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

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Mrs. Shirley Falconi
Miss Ruth Godon

IN RESIDENCE

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

The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds us that God trusts us to care for what He has given. Like a vineyard, our world is meant to bear good fruit. God gives everything we need to grow in love, faith, and kindness. Yet, sometimes we forget our role as caretakers and live for ourselves instead.



Isaiah and the psalm tell the story of a vineyard that has gone wild. God planted it with care, but it produced only bitter fruit. These words remind us that blessings are not enough if they do not lead to justice and mercy. God wants actions that show love and respect for others.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about tenants who refuse to honor the landowner. They reject his servants and even his son. It is a warning for anyone who ignores God's message.

Today, look into your conscience and see how much of your past life you have given to God and how much you have kept for yourself. If you were called today to render an account to the Lord, would the balance sheet be in your favour?

We answered the call to God's vineyard by accepting baptism and membership of His Church. If we have grown lax in our fervor and refused to do the tasks allotted to us, we still have time, thanks to God's mercy and patience, to put things right.

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.



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**



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Each Friday 11 AM - NOON

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

Monday to Thursday	8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
Friday	OFFICE CLOSED

READINGS: 05 - 11 OCTOBER

Monday	Galatians 1. 6-12; Luke 10. 25-37
Tuesday	Galatians 1. 13-24; Luke 10. 38-42
Wednesday	Galatians 2. 1-2, 7-14; Luke 11. 1-4
Thursday	Galatians 3. 1-5; Luke 11. 5-13
Friday	Galatians 3. 6-14; Luke 11. 15-26
Saturday	Galatians 3. 22-29; Luke 11. 27-28
Sunday	Isaiah 25. 6-10a; Philippians 4. 12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22. 1-14

What's Happening at the Cathedral This Week Monday to Sunday, 05 - 11 October

Date	Time	Location	Event
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Hall	CWL General Meeting
Thursday	1:00 PM	Sacristy	Right to Life Meeting
Thursday	6:30 PM	Church	Choir Practice
	6:30 PM	Hall	Compassionate Committee Mtg.
Friday	1-4 PM	Church	Decorating Committee
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sacristy	Children's Liturgy

LIFE CHAIN THIS WEEKEND

Takes place on Lakeshore Drive on Sunday, October 4 from 2 to 3pm. All are encouraged to come and stand, and support those who cannot speak for themselves.

Please gather at Holy Name of Jesus Church at 1:30 pm to receive basic instructions. We will then make our way down Lakeshore on the "Lake" side of the street forming a chain of life, peacefully and prayerfully standing along the inner edge of the sidewalk from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. Afterwards you are warmly invited to a coffee social in the parish hall at Holy Name. Come and stand peacefully for life!



CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION HELP WANTED

I'm looking for one or two adults to help with the Confirmation Celebration on Saturday, November 7 at 1:30 pm. Rehearsal will be on Thursday, November 5 at 6:30 pm.

Responsibilities include ushering the teenagers up to the Bishop, handing out worship leaflets, and setting up the hall for a dessert and drinks reception.

Time commitment is minimal. Please let me know if you can help. frlarry@procathedral.ca

Collection - 27 September 2026

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
\$3,713.51	\$1,126.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 27 SEPTEMBER

Roof Campaign Balance	\$138,632.78
<u>Sunday, 27 September Collection</u>	
Roof Loose	\$743.00
25 Receipted Donations	\$298.30
Orchard Gift Card Sales	\$160.00
32 X \$5.00 Profit	Profit to Date: \$2,600.00
June Match the Roof Collection	\$1,000.00
Thank you to our anonymous donor for their support!	
Campaign Balance	\$140,834.08

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses
12:05 PM

Tuesday, 06 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary
Lou Gosselin - Maria Gosselin

Wednesday, 07 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Intention of Living & Deceased Members of the Catholic Women's League
Intention of Sandra Sparks - A Friend
Emile Lamothe - Ella Lamothe

Thursday, 08 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu
Dick Smith - Marthe Smith and Family

Friday, 09 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Intention of Cecile Robert - Joe and Louise Defonzo
Anthony Veraldi - Myrtle Veraldi

Saturday, 10 October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM

Robert Russell - Charlene and Brian Bennison
Theresa Bitonti - Mary Lou Smith

Sunday, 11 October - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM

Dolores O'Connor - Brenda Lecours
Antonio Gomes Costa - Ella Lamothe

11:00 AM

Joseph Ranger - Fleurette Ranger
Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes

MARRIAGE BANNS

There is a promise of marriage between the following:



Samuel Happy God'stine Onisuru, son of Matthew Onisuru and Esther Onisuru and **Mary Patience Oboh**, daughter of Felix Oboh and Ogi-Joy Iyaji.

♥ Marriage at St. Alphonsus Church in Akute Ogun State, Nigeria



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 help pray

Are you up to the challenge?



If you would like to match the Roof Loose Collection in October or November please call the office.

You can match the full collection taken or up to a certain amount—whatever you decide is great!

The challenge is to match the loose collection only - not donations for which people receive credit.

Catholic Charities Food Bank

A **HUGE thank you** to all of you who brought non-perishable food items to the parish last weekend to help fill our Catholic Charities Food Bank shelves! Your donations were tremendous. There are many hurting people who are extremely grateful for your support. Thank you for your donations.

Can you help? We need volunteer help shopping for non-perishable groceries at NO FRILLS on Lakeshore Drive for approximately 90 minutes on Wednesdays at 8:00 AM. Be part of our three-member team and help shop, load, and deliver goods to the Pro-Cathedral Food Bank. Food is distributed the following Tuesday.



Something to think about.

Pre-planning a funeral ensures your wishes are honoured and reduces stress for loved ones. It allows you to relieve your family of difficult decisions during a time of grief, and ensures that your preferences for your funeral liturgy are acknowledged.

By documenting your liturgy plans with the parish office, it provides clarity and peace of mind, allowing your family to focus on remembrance and healing.

A pre-planning booklet can be made available to you by reaching out to the office and letting us know you would like one. It can be emailed to you or a paper copy can be provided. The booklet allows you to provide contact person details, choose readings and prayers of the faithful, lets you know how and where in the liturgy your family or friends can be involved and more. Call the office if you have questions. Let us know if you have questions by calling the parish office.



Your Journey with God Continues!

GRADE 2 & UP

THE PRO-CATHEDRAL IS NOW REGISTERING CHILDREN FOR
FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION

REGISTER by visiting our website (procathedral.ca) under "Sacraments" then select Communion or Reconciliation. Return the completed form to:
office@procathedral.ca
or print and drop off to parish office
or in the collection basket.

For baptized children in Grades 2 and Up
First Meeting for First Reconciliation will be held on
Tuesday, February 2 at 6:15 PM

The Catholic Women's League



The **October General Gathering** of the Catholic Women's League will be held on Wednesday, October 7, at 6:30 pm in the parish hall.

The highlights of this meeting will be hosting **guest speaker, Bernice Kataquapit, Suswin Village Administrator/Suswin Village**

Transitional Home. She will speak about her role in providing transitional support to Indigenous peoples in North Bay.



Bazaar Tea Room Tickets for \$10 and Christmas Dinner Tickets for \$42 will be on sale this night too. We look forward to seeing you there!

Reminder: On the first Wednesday of the month, one of the intentions of the 12:05 pm Mass is for the living and deceased members of our CWL council. Plan to attend if you can and remember our Sisters in the League.

Annual Christmas Bazaar & Tea

Saturday, November 21 ~ 10 am to 2 pm ~ Parish Hall

We need your help! We are looking for co-conveners, especially to assist the Bake Table and Kitchen Convener.

Bazaar Convener/Publicity: Leah Pierce at 705-472-5687
Bazaar Co-Convener/Silent Auction/Greeter/Decorations: Annette Dutrisac at 705-495-3584
Tea Room: Lisa Henry at 705-493-4164
Kitchen: Shirlene Condie at 705-493-0718
Baking: Colleen Williams at 705-499-6837
Knitting/Sewing/Crafts: Mary-Lynn Truchon at 705-474-3082
Heritage & Hidden Treasures: Patricia Fassl at 705-494-0614
Jewelry: Jennifer Palangio at 705-498-5002
Penny Sale: Darlene Truchon at 705-498-4108
Phone Committee: Lorraine Atchison at 705-474-0613
Treasurer: Barbara Hebert at 705-495-3356



Please contact a convener from the list above if you can donate to the bazaar & tea. We are looking for baking, brand-new items for the penny table & silent auction, knitting, and gently loved items for the Heritage & Hidden Treasures and jewelry table.

Your support to CWL means more than you know. Blessings!

Purdys Christmas Chocolate is Back!

Click on the QR Code Below

or go to purdys.com/fundraising

Select SUPPORT A CAMPAIGN

& type in Pro-Cathedral ID #: 000032237

Order Deadline: Thursday, November 26

Pickup Dates: December 21, 22, 23 at Parish Office



STEWARDSHIP

Have you considered using one of our pre-authorized donation methods? You can donate from your bank account or using your credit card. This donation method is important to bring stability to our cash flow and allows you to continue your support even when you can't attend Mass.



If you are not currently donating we would be grateful if you could contribute whatever is within your means to help support the good works of our parish.

Call the parish office if you have questions regarding providing support to the parish. Thank you!

Become an Extra-ordinary Minister of Holy Communion



We are currently inviting volunteers to serve as **Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** — a sacred ministry that brings Christ to others in the most personal and profound way. If you would like to serve in this beautiful ministry at our 4:00 PM, 9:00 AM or 11:00 AM Masses, please contact the parish office.

All that's required is a servant heart and a willing spirit - training is provided. Your "yes" becomes a powerful witness of love, presence, and service.



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.

Canada Needs our Lady ~ Annual Rosary Rally St. Joseph's Church - Saturday, October 10 12:00 Noon on the Front Lawn (Rain or Shine)

Each year, 'Canada Needs Our Lady' holds a Public Rosary Crusade in cities across Canada to ask for Our Lady's intercession in returning Canada to God through prayer. In 2025, there were over 1,000 rallies across Canada.



Be a beacon of light and promote our Catholic faith to passersby by joining together in this short 1/2 hour of prayer.

North Bay Right to Life-Pro Vie: Annual Dinner

Dinner will be hosted at the Callander Legion Branch 445, 345 Lansdowne Street in Callander. Guest Speakers: Daryl and Jessica Sheppard, whose commitment to the dignity of life and their strength through life's greatest trials are an inspiration to us all.

Dinner is a choice of roast beef or chicken. Indicate preference when calling for tickets. Adults/\$40, Students/\$20. Call Bryan Jean at 705-978-0958 for tickets. Thank you for your support of this ministry!

Living our Faith in Chaotic Times Annual Diocesan Fall Retreat and Workshop

Held at the Anishinabe Spiritual Center, Espanola from Friday October 30 to Sunday, November 1, 2026

Visit to Register: <https://forms.gle/99juCCH3Ncg3n2Ge8>
Registration: Open until October 16, 2026
Cost: \$175 (includes food and accommodation)
E-transfer: ssm@devp.org
or Mail Cheque: 365 Moonrock Ave. Sudbury, P3E 5X2
More Information: pcartercsj@gmail.com

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND

No matter how hard we try, we just can't seem to give up those things which seem to give us so much grief or trouble. But the bible encourages us to do just that - it's ok to be a quitter:

Give up complaining.	Focus on gratitude.
Give up harsh judgments.	Think kind thoughts.
Give up worry.	Trust divine providence.
Give up discouragement.	Be full of hope.
Give up bitterness . . .	Turn to forgiveness.
Give up hatred . . .	Return good for evil.
Give up anger . . .	Practice patience.
Give up pettiness . . .	Put on maturity.
Give up gloom.	Enjoy the beauty that is around you.
Give up jealousy.	Pray for trust.
Give up gossiping.	Control your tongue.
Give up sin.	Turn to virtue.

The Good Samaritan Corner

Did you know... World Homeless Day started in 2010, and is observed internationally on October 10 each year?

The Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay recognizes World Homeless Day with prayerful intentions, and encourages each person to be God's hands by doing simple things to provide much needed help to those experiencing homelessness in North Bay and area:



- Celebrate and support local frontline organizations like The Gathering Place, Open Arms Café, and the North Bay Food Bank.
- Keep a Blessing Bag in your car filled with food, socks, and mitts etc
- Educate yourself on how to administer naloxone.
- Rent a spare room to a student
- Donate your clothing and household items to Rebuilt Resources who help provide start-up items for people transitioning from the shelter system to affordable homes
- Educate yourself by attending an information session, such as the ones hosted by the Compassionate Committee (details to follow in future Good Samaritan Corners)

For more ideas on how you can observe World Homeless Day please visit <https://www.worldhomelessday.org/>

For more information about the Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay visit <https://www.facebook.com/compassionatecommitteeofnorthbay> or contact Leah Pierce at CompassionNorthBay@gmail.com