

13 SEPT 2026

24th 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
Email: frlarry@procathedral.ca



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: 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

The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds us that forgiveness is at the center of our faith. The readings show how anger and resentment can harm us, but mercy brings healing. God's love is full of patience, and he asks us to treat others with the same care.

Sirach teaches that clinging to wrath only leads to trouble. We are told to remember our short lives and let go of grudges. Paul reminds the Romans that whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. This means our choices should show mercy and unity, not judgment.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells a story about a servant who was forgiven but would not forgive. This parable shows that mercy must flow both ways. This Sunday we are called to forgive as we have been forgiven. We are encouraged to take concrete steps towards healing broken relationships, following the example of God's boundless forgiveness, and to let go of long-held grudges, thus promoting a path of love and reconciliation.



Development & Peace Stamp Collection

Don't forget that your stamps affixed to the right corner of your envelopes can help fund Development and Peace projects as they sell them to stamp collectors. If you have stamps without damage to the perforations, put them in envelopes & drop them into the collection or into the office mail slot.



Our D & P Coordinator, Lorraine Atchison, will make sure they are sent to the Stamp Project. Thank you!

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

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

READINGS: 14—20 SEPTEMBER

Monday	Numbers 21. 4-9; John 3. 13-17
Tuesday	Hebrews 5. 7-9; Luke 2. 33-35
Wednesday	1 Corinthians 12. 31—13. 13; Luke 7. 31-35
Thursday	1 Corinthians 15. 1-11; Luke 7. 36-50
Friday	1 Corinthians 15. 12-20; Luke 8. 1-3
Saturday	1 Corinthians 15. 35-37, 42-50; Luke 8. 4-15
Sunday	Isaiah 55. 6-9; Philippians 1. 20-24, 27; Matthew 20. 1-16

What's Happening at the Cathedral This Week Monday to Sunday, 14 — 20 September

Date	Time	Location	Event
Monday	6:30 PM	Hall	CWL Bazaar Planning Meeting
Friday	All Day	Hall	Setup for Ukrainian Dinner
Saturday	5:30 PM	Hall	Ukrainian Dinner
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sacristy	Children's Liturgy Begins
	4:30 PM	Church	Malayalam Holy Qurbana



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Each Friday 11 AM - NOON

Interested In Learning More About The Catholic Church?

RCIA, short for "The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" is the Church's way to initiate its new member in becoming Catholic.



Through a period of study and participation in liturgy with our community, one may come into "Full Communion" with the Church.

Who is the process for?

- The unbaptized.** The primary focus of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is on those who are not already Christian and have not been catechized.
- Baptized but uncatechized.** Those who have been baptized either as Roman Catholics or as members of another Christian community but did not receive further catechetical formation or instruction. These typically have also not celebrated Confirmation nor Eucharist.
- Those seeking full Catholic Communion.** These are baptized, practicing Christians from other denominations who seek entry into the Catholic Church.

Is this the right time for you?

Call our parish office if you would like to speak with someone regarding the RCIA process.

Collection - 06 September 2026

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
\$3,843.10	\$860.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT to 06 SEPTEMBER

Roof Campaign Balance	\$123,686.14
Sunday, 06 September Collection	
Roof Loose	\$494.60
22 Receipted Donations	\$794.00
CAMPAIGN BALANCE	\$124,974.74

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses
12:05 PM

Tuesday, 15 September - Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

Intention of Darla Bennison - Charlene and Brian Bennison
Lidia Rossi - The Family

Wednesday, 16 Sept. - Memorial of St. Cornelius, and St. Cyprian

Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu

Thursday, 17 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Dan and Geoff Laplante - The Family

Friday, 18 September - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Intention of the Alija Family - Vicki Doucette
Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary

Saturday, 19 September - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 PM

Keith Campbell - Nadine and Paul Condon
Andre Bedard - Vivian Molnar and Family

Sunday, 20 September - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Eleanore Lunney - A Rosary Friend

11:00 AM Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes

NEXT SUNDAY
20 September
4:30 PM

Pro-Cathedral
Confessions
Available
After Mass

Followed by
Coffee & Tea in
Parish Hall

MALAYALAM
HOLY
QURBANA
(Mass)

All are Welcome!

† MEMORIAL FUND †

The following name has been received at the request of donors in memory of our deceased friends and relatives:



DENNIS MOORE

Did you get your Ukraine Dinner tickets yet?

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.

Ministers of the Eucharist for Home Visitation

The Pro-Cathedral parish is committed to making sure that an encounter with the parish is an encounter with Christ. There are those who find themselves unable to attend Mass who can no longer gather to celebrate for the Eucharist. Ministers are called to be instruments of Christ's presence to them by bringing the Eucharist to their home



If you are interested in serving in this ministry to bring communion to those at home, we would love to hear from you.

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 for more information.



Parish Registration

Dear Families of the Pro-Cathedral,

From time-to-time we receive requests from members to volunteer, for sacraments, for pastoral references, etc. and we do not have you registered with the parish.

If you have never contacted us or filled out a registration form to have your family listed as a member of the Pro-Cathedral, drop us a line at office@procathedral.ca and a registration form can be emailed to you to complete. You can also pick this form up in the church from the pamphlet rack, complete it, and return it to the parish office. Call the parish office for more information or if you are unsure whether your family is registered or not.

When members are registered in our parish, it allows us an opportunity to know more about you and help address any needs you may have. Registering gives you the ability to participate as a volunteer and to join our ministries.

You are most welcome and we would love you to be a registered member!

MESSAGE REGARDING SPAM EMAILS/CALLS/TEXTS

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.

Legitimate Cathedral Email Addresses

frlarry@procathedral.ca, office@procathedral.ca,
music.finance@procathedral.ca

The Catholic Women's League

Annual Christmas Bazaar & Tea

Saturday, November 21 ~ 10 am to 2 pm

Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall



It's Bazaar time again and we are looking for your tasty treats and yummy delectables for sale at the bake table, and also to support the Tea Room.

Contact Colleen Williams at 705-499-6837 or at williamscolleen009@gmail.com for more information. Your treats are part of the reason people keep coming back to our

CWL Bazaar & Tea - give Colleen a call!

If you have knitted/sewing items or crafts to donate and wish to have them picked up, please call Mary-Lynn Truchon, Convener, at 705-474-3082, or at mltruchon@hotmail.com to arrange a pickup time at your convenience.



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.



Sunday Liturgy With Children



**GATHERINGS
BEGIN SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 20**

Sunday Liturgy With Children is held every Sunday at the 9:00 AM Mass from September 20 to June 2027 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.

For more information, contact Darlene at 705-474-3577

Mass Requests Welcome

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.



REGISTRATION DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

Regional Confirmation Preparation 2026



WHO CAN REGISTER? Students in Grade 7, 8, 9, 10 or older who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to register. Candidates should have already received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Reconciliation and First Communion. If this is not the case, please contact your parish priest.

WHO HAS TO ATTEND THE PREPARATION SESSIONS?

Our preparation sessions take place on Thursday evenings at Holy Name of Jesus Church. Each evening is designed to inspire, have fun, deepen faith and build new friendships. Each Session and Retreat Day must be attended by all Candidates for Confirmation. Those who are absent from our preparation sessions may be asked to postpone until the following year.

Those who miss the Confirmation Retreat on October 3 will not be permitted to continue in the preparation program.

****Parents of the Candidate are required to attend Session 1 and Session 4 during the Preparation Period. If Sponsors have already been chosen by this point, they also should attend.***

CHOOSING A SPONSOR Every Candidate for the Sacrament of Confirmation is asked to choose a Sponsor to journey with them in this process. Your sponsor should be a good example of someone who is actively living and practicing the Catholic Faith, attending Sunday Mass regularly, and involved in their parish community. This way, they can be the best example and support to you at this important time of your own faith journey. Before you choose a sponsor, there are some qualifications that are required to choose a legitimate sponsor. Your sponsor MUST BE: 1) at least 16 years of age; 2) has received the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation for themselves; 3) in good standing with the Catholic Church; and 4) has to provide proof of their Sacraments to the parish by requesting a recent record (within six months) of their Sacraments from the parish of their Baptism, that shows the date of their Baptism and date of their Confirmation.

CHOOSING A CONFIRMATION SAINT The long tradition of choosing a Confirmation Saint is to be able to choose a Saint that the Candidate feels a connection to, and asks for guidance from Heaven during this journey through the Sacrament of Confirmation. You can choose a Saint you relate to and admire, and ask them in your prayers to pray for you during this time. More direction on choosing a Saint name will be given during the Preparation Program.

SUBMITTING NECESSARY DOCUMENTS FOR REGISTRATION

To register for the Sacrament of Confirmation, the following is necessary: 1) complete the Registration Form - available online only - at www.holynamestalphonsus.com/confirmation; 2) a copy of the Candidate's Baptism Certificate (unless you were baptized in the parish where you are registering for Confirmation); **3) when you have chosen a Sponsor for Confirmation, they too must submit proof of their Baptism and Confirmation** by requesting a recent record (within six months) of their Sacraments from the parish they were Baptized that will show the date of their Baptism and the date of their Confirmation.

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.



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.

Shalom Place presents "Come to Me and Rest"

Silent, Person-Directed Retreat September 26 to October 2

\$500 includes private bedroom in a shared lakeside cottage, dinners and daily individual meetings with a spiritual director on the shores of Trout Lake (property of the Sisters of St. Joseph). Retreatants provide their own breakfasts, lunches and snacks. An accessible cottage is available and is the location for dinner & evening prayer.

For more information visit: www.shalomplace.ca, email shalomssm@shaw.ca, or call 705-254-4690.

The Good Samaritan Corner

The calendar may read September; however, the weather feels like July or August! The homeless in North Bay are very much affected by the weather no matter the season. Hot temperatures can lead to heat exhaustion and heat stroke, while cold temperatures can lead to hyperthermia. Here are some tips if you see someone that is homeless in the hot or cold:

- 1) Save a life - call 911
- 2) Buy something cold or hot to eat or drink
- 3) Make a handout care package – fruit, granola bars, pre-packaged cookies, pre-packaged cheese and crackers, packaged chocolates, warm socks, ball cap, and gloves, gift cards to a local grocery store, lip balm, a handwritten note with a message of kindness
- 4) Donate to a charity that supports the homeless such as Low Income People Involvement of Nipissing <https://lipinipissing.com/>



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



Welcome to Good Shepherd Atrium

Register Now for September 2026

Saturday morning children gather - Come and See!

Ages 3 – 6 Years / It's Free!



Orientation & Registration for New Children Begins

Saturday September 26 & October 3, 2026

9:30 to 10:15 AM - Entrance on McIntyre Street

OUR MISSION- To nurture the spiritual lives of children.

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd approach, facilitates contemplation which is more than just thinking about God. Contemplation is a communication with God and the driving force behind the desire for holiness.

OUR CHARISM—Listening to God with Children.

Children 3 years to 6 years of age are especially sensitive to new experiences as they grow and learn about their world. This is a time of wonder for children, and a time to nurture their spirituality by providing an environment rich in symbols and signs. Level I children discover that God is Love, Jesus is Risen, and We are His Sheep.



TO LEARN MORE SCAN HERE

OR VISIT: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oEN6ye6Ecl4>

QUESTIONS? CONTACT ERIN AT 705-840-8509



**Beautiful
Holy Land Wood Art
For Sale
Weekend of
26-27 September
Before & After all Masses**

Bethlehem's Christian community relies on selling handcrafted olive wood religious art to visiting pilgrims, forming its primary income.

Declining tourism has hit them hard in recent years, leading some Christians to leave the Holy Land, posing a threat to key sites like the Church of the nativity.

Your purchase on this weekend will make a beautiful addition to your home or as a gift for a special occasion, while also contributing to strengthening the Christian presence in the Holy Land.



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

**Cemetery
Sunday**

This Sunday

September 13 2026

In keeping with its commitment to the community, every year, the Knights of Columbus hosts Cemetery Sunday.

Cemetery Sunday provides the Catholic community with a special opportunity to visit and pray for their family and friends, a time to socialize and remember old times and a place where children can learn about their family history.

This year's observance of Cemetery Sunday will be held on September 13, 2:00 pm at St. Mary's Cemetery and 3:00 pm at Holy Cross Cemetery.

**Les Collins
Grand Knight
Father Michael Cundari, Council 12030**

**Pete Verberne
Grand Knight
North Bay Council, 1007**

**Compliments of Hillside Funeral Services,
Sir Knight Patrick Theoret, Managing Director**

TRADITIONAL UKRAINIAN DINNER

St. Mary's Ukrainian Church Pierogies,
Pro-Cathedral Cabbage Rolls, Borscht, Pork on a
Stick & More! An evening of homemade dishes,
warm company, and Ukrainian tradition

SEPTEMBER 19 / 5:30 PM / CASH BAR

PRO-CATHEDRAL PARISH HALL

TICKETS \$40 AVAILABLE AFTER MASS

OR AT PARISH OFFICE

PURCHASE SOON - WE SOLD OUT LAST YEAR!

PRO-CATHEDRAL ROOF FUNDRAISER

Deadline to Register is September 25, 2026



DIocese of SAULT STE. MARIE
WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027
SOUTH KOREA

August 1 - 13, 2027
For Catholic Young Adults
Ages 18-39

WYD 2027 Pilgrimage with Post-Trip to Japan
Led by Fr. Daniele Muscolino

For Prices, Itinerary, Details and Application
Form, please visit: bit.ly/wyd27

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PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

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50% supports the
Roof Campaign

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1 FOR \$5

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