

11 OCTOBER 2026
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Give Thanks

Thank you for sharing in God's blessings by joining us today!



Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption ~ North Bay, Ontario

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Rev. Mr. Rick Hamelin
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 Rev. Mr. Gary Westenenk

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 Miss Ruth Godon

IN RESIDENCE

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

The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds us that God invites everyone to share in His joy. The readings speak of abundance, welcome, and being ready to take part in what God offers. Like a great feast, His love is open to all, but we must come prepared to receive it.



Isaiah tells of a feast on a mountain where sorrow and death are gone. God gathers all nations and wipes away tears. It is a picture of hope and comfort. This connects with the Gospel, where Jesus speaks of a wedding banquet that welcomes anyone willing to come.

Paul, in the second reading, teaches that strength and peace come from trusting Christ in every situation. Whether we have plenty or little, God provides what we need.

It's underscored that while God's grace is freely given, there's an expectation for believers to develop and live a spiritually and morally aligned life, much like wearing the right garment to the divine feast. We are reminded that God's care never fails. He calls each of us to accept His invitation and live with thankful hearts.

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.

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.



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.



OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK

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

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**

READINGS: 12 - 18 OCTOBER

Monday	Galatians 4. 22-24, 26-27, 31-5.1; Luke 11. 29-32
Tuesday	Galatians 5. 1-6; Luke 11. 37-41
Wednesday	Galatians 5. 18-25; Luke 11. 42-46
Thursday	Ephesians 1. 1-10; Luke 11. 47-54
Friday	Ephesians 1. 11-14; Luke 12. 1-7
Saturday	Ephesians 1. 15-23; Luke 12. 8-12
Sunday	Isaiah 45. 1, 4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1. 1-5ab; Matthew 22. 15-21

What's Happening at the Cathedral This Week Monday to Sunday, 12 - 18 October

Date	Time	Location	Event
Wednesday	5:30 PM	Hall	Catholic Girls League
Thursday	6:30 PM	Church	Choir Practice
Saturday	9:30 AM	Atrium	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Sunday	9:00 AM	Sacristy	Children's Liturgy

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

Are you up to the challenge?



We are looking for someone
to match the
Loose Roof Collection in
either October or November.

If you would like to match the Roof Loose
Collection contact the parish office. You can
match the full collection taken or up to a certain
amount—whatever you decide is great!

You're Invited! "I have come to teach you how to love."
The message is simple—if you follow, listen, and walk with Jesus,
you will be worthy of the feast. In what way do we live our life
to be worthy of Christ's invitation to holiness and heaven?

Collection - 04 October 2026

Sunday Offering	Building Fund
\$5,172.21	\$1,096.00

ROOF CAMPAIGN REPORT

This Year's Goal - \$275,000

Campaign Balance Forwarded	\$140,834.08
<u>Sunday, 04 October Collection</u>	
Roof Loose	\$489.35
28 Receipted Donations	\$724.00
Orchard Gift Card Sales	
10 X \$5.00 Profit	\$50.00
Campaign Balance to Date	\$142,097.43

Mass Schedule

Weekday Masses
12:05 PM

Tuesday, 13 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Intention of Kristy and Nicholas Beaulieu - Karen Beaulieu
Theresa Mancini-Bitonti - Anita and Gabe Bitonti
Raimondo Cappadocia - Mary Lou Cappadocia

Wednesday, 14 October - Weekday in Ordinary Time

Intention of Kaylyn Gauthier - Helen Adams
Intention of our Seminarians - Ella Lamothe
Frank Sherry - Margaret Riopelle

Thursday, 15 October - Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus

Kayden Gauthier-Benard - Linda Charbonneau
Judy Kelly-Manary - Robert Manary

Friday, 16 October - Memorial of St. Marie-Marguerite D'Youville

Intention of the Priests of our Diocese - Ella Lamothe
In Appreciation for Prayers Answered - Lorna Rick
Shawn Falconi - Mary Lou Smith

Saturday, 17 October - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM

Antonio Gomes-Costa - Art and Lisa Henry
Catherine Bethune - Mary Hanley

Sunday, 18 October - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Intention of Art Henry - A Parishioner
Peter and Betty Ann Smith - Marthe Smith and Family

11:00 AM Antonio Gomes-Costa - Floripes Costa
Intention of the Parishioners - Father Larry Rymes



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
for others, call Sister Shirley McNamara at
474-3800, Ext. 295 or Lorraine Atchison at 474-0613

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

Mass for the Bereaved & The Book of Life

Every year we traditionally celebrate All Souls Day - a way of remembering and celebrating the lives of all those who have died.

This year, our celebration will be held at the 11:00 am mass on Sunday, November 1.



Everyone is welcome to attend this mass and we extend a special invitation to those who have lost a loved one in the last year.

Each year at this time we also update "The Book of Life," our parish book that records the names of our deceased loved ones. The names of all those who have died from our parish during the past year (01 November 2025—30 October 2026) are recorded on the front page. For anyone who would like to update their page or add a page for their deceased loved ones, please contact the parish office for direction.

All through November, the books will be open on display in the sanctuary. If you have lost a loved one in the last year call the office or drop a note through the collection with the name of the deceased and your name and telephone number.

All names must be received by Wednesday, October 28.



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

Pope Leo XIV's October Prayer Intention

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illness.

Catholic Charities Food Bank

Can you help? *We need volunteers* to help shop for non-perishable groceries at NO FRILLS on Lakeshore Drive at 8:00 AM on Wednesday mornings. The food is loaded and then brought to the Pro-Cathedral Food Bank. *The time required is no more than 90 minutes and sometimes, just an hour!* Food is distributed the following Tuesday. Please call the parish office if you can help.



**Winner of the SEPTEMBER 2026 Draw
of \$972.50 is SANDRA CARREIRO
(Ticket #D-1905)**

Congratulations!

Raffle is conducted by the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption, a charity in North Bay, Ontario under License #RAF1524883. Each draw is generated by computer and the winner is chosen randomly. Rafflebox is a government regulated raffle provider.

The Catholic Women's League of Canada Weekend

Held at each Mass - October 17 & 18



The recruiting drive will showcase the incredible roles that CWL members play in the life of the parish by filling the following positions at each Mass next weekend: Ushers, Lector/Prayers of the faithful, Eucharistic Ministers, bringing up the gifts, CWL Address (by President Leah Pierce), and membership information. Each CWL Sister is encouraged to wear their CWL pin/scarf/and/sash (ushers). This powerful display by CWL members highlights that faith is the cornerstone of the organization and why our members join. At the end of each Mass at the ambo/pulpit the President will address parishioners informing them about the CWL. *See you there!*

Annual Christmas Bazaar & Tea

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



Message from the Heritage & Hidden Treasures and Jewellery Conveners

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Parishioners and members of the community have been extremely generous through their donations of many gently loved items. Donated items to the Heritage & Hidden Treasures and the Jewellery sections will continue to be collected by appointment only at the Pro-Cathedral garages until November 17. For Heritage & Hidden Treasures donations - please contact Patricia Fassi at 705-494-0614. For Jewellery donations - please contact Jennifer Palangio at 705-498-5002.

Thank you, Patricia & Jennifer



The Catholic Women's League could use Christmas Cards as they send out cards each year to +100 people! Thank you to all who have already donated sympathy, all occasion, sympathy, birthday, etc. cards already! Please drop Christmas cards to the parish office during office hours. Thank you!

Thanksgiving Prayer

God, giver of all good,
you continually pour your benefits upon us.
Age after age the living wait upon you and find
that your faithfulness has no end,
that your care is unfailing.

We praise you that the mystery of life
is a mystery of infinite goodness.

We praise you
for the order and constancy of nature;
for the beauty and bounty of the earth;
for day and night, summer and winter,
seedtime and harvest;

for the varied gifts of loveliness which every season brings.
We give you thanks for all the comfort and joy of life,
for our homes, for our friends,
and for all the love, sympathy, and goodwill of all people. Amen



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50/50 RAFFLE!



OCTOBER TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

50% to the winner
50% supports the Roof Campaign

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

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St. Francis Assisi
PRO-CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION
NORTH BAY

CHURCH FEAST

Sunday, October 25
3:00 PM Syromalabar Holy Qurbana
Mass, Festal Procession, Food & Entertainment

Host an International Student—arriving November and December 2026. For more information regarding YES Canada's Homestay Program, contact homestay@youthedservices.ca or call 416-623-6220, ext. 410 Visit: <https://youthedservices.ca/host-a-student/> to learn about hosting.

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

NEXT WEEK

World Mission Sunday

Next weekend we celebrate World Mission Sunday. Each year on this occasion we — and Catholics of the whole world — are reminded that we are all to be Christ's witnesses to the ends of the earth. The funds collected assist mission dioceses and helps affect the lives and faith of people across the world through the translation of bibles and missals, printing prayer books and hymnals and broadcasting the Gospel to remote mission communities. Please pray for all those working in the worldwide mission of the Church and remember to give generous help next week to their efforts. You can use any envelope and be sure to put your name and address on them for credit to your parish account.

 **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.**

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!

The Good Samaritan Corner

The Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay has partnered with Trinity United Church to offer our fifth annual information session entitled "What you need to know about helping people who are experiencing homelessness." Frontline organizations who will be attending include:



- ⇒ Delia Greenlees and Amanda Wells, No More Tears West Nipissing Society
- ⇒ Nicholas Meilleur-MacDonald, Expert through lived experience
- ⇒ Nancy Kilgour, Compassionate Committee for the Homeless in North Bay

Please join us on Monday, November 2, 2026, at Trinity United Church, 111 McIntyre Street East, in the Sanctuary, doors open at 6:30 p.m. You will learn from frontline organizations how they support people experiencing homelessness in North Bay, and a person with lived experience as to what they have learned and an opportunity to ask questions.

Those attending the information session are encouraged to donate new hats, mitts, warm socks, scarves, or monetary donations for the purchase of boots and shoes in support of the Winter Boot Campaign which will take place on Saturday, November 7, from 10 am to 2 pm at the Pro-Cathedral parking garages across from 480 McIntyre Street West.

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