

Easter Sunday – April 1, 2018

Alleluia! Alleluia! The tomb is empty!

Tue, Apr 3	9:00 am	Rita McDonell by St. Peter's Catholic Women's League
Wed, Apr 4	9:00 am	In thanksgiving to St. Anthony & St. Jude for favours received by Laura Deschamps
	11:30 am	Holy Cross School Mass Butch Boileau by Al & Bette Lamothe
Thu, Apr 5	9:00 am	Deceased Parents & Relatives of Fred Bukowski
Fri, Apr 6	9:00 am	Intentions of Betty Mantha & Family by Gardiners, Smiths, & A.Hurtubise
Sat, Apr 7	5:00 pm	Sacrament of First Holy Communion Ron & Leo Fournier by Family Intentions of Fr. Francis Ezenezi & Clergy by Len Weisflock
Sun, Apr 8	9:00 am	For the intentions of all parishioners by Father Francis
	11:00 am	Aime & Lena Martin by Anita Gravelle Antonetta D'Agostino by Luigi Celebre

PRAYER LINE: *In sorrow and suffering, go straight to God with confidence, and you will be strengthened, enlightened and instructed.* If you or any member of your family, or anyone you know, is sick, in distress or experiencing troubling times, we invite you to call the Parish Office to place that person on our prayer list.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED: *Emmanuel Pio*, father of Sara Falah



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Sunday, March 25, 2018

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Then Peter said: "They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day..."

Acts 10:39-40

Death cannot hold the creator and giver of life. Jesus invites each of us to live the fullness of life in our love for God, our neighbor and our self.



CWL NEWS

The Catholic Women's League **General Meeting** will be held on Wednesday, April 11th at 7:00 pm. All members welcome.

The Promises of Fatima: Come pray the Rosary with a group of dedicated people who form a Fr. Gobbi Cenacle honouring our Blessed Virgin Mary. Wednesday mornings at 9:30am at St. Peter's Parish.

New Evangelization Summit – Friday, April 27 from 7 PM to 9:30 PM and Saturday, April 28 from 8:45 AM to 4:30 PM the New Evangelization Summit will be live-streamed from Ottawa to North Bay at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall School. The conference includes world class Catholic speakers Sr. Ann Shields, Curtis Martin, Michael Dopp, George Wiegel, Patrick Madrid and Christy Dupuis equipping us with the tools for evangelization and Catholicism in our world today. Cost of \$25 includes lunch and light refreshments. Anyone wishing to attend is asked to register online or at their parish office. Make cheques payable to North Bay Regional Parishes. For information about the Summit visit the Ottawa website at www.newevangelization.ca For further inquiries contact Len at lsanthier@gmail.com 492-8311 or the parish office.

WISDOM QUOTE:

"Just when the caterpillar thought the world was over, it became a butterfly." Anonymous



- Mon** Parish Office is Closed for Easter Monday
- Wed** 9:30 am Cenacle – Rosary (Church)
 6:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meetings
 7:00 pm First Communion Practise (Church)
- Thu** 8:00 am SNAP
 6:30 pm Choir Practice – All Members
New Members Always Welcome!
 7:00 pm Building Committee Meeting (Parish Hall)
- Sat** 5:00 pm First Communion Reception (Parish Hall)
- Sun** 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Sunday (Church)
 3:00 pm Parish Hall Occupied

Christ is Alive! Alleluia!

Whatever it was that occurred after Jesus Christ's passion and crucifixion, one thing is clearly certain: He arose from the dead, otherwise called *Resurrection*. This experience of the early Christian community undoubtedly and incredibly gave them courage in the face of seemingly impossible obstacles and terrifying threats. One may inquire of the reason for such disposition? It is simply because their trust was not in this broken world but rather in the risen Christ present to them as they sat together *at the Lord's Table*, or gathered as community of believers with one heart and mind.

For us therefore, the celebration of Jesus' resurrection which is the central proclamation of Christianity should encourage a deeper interpersonal encounter with the living Christ. This event of which Christianity speaks is, like all truly significant interpersonal meetings, an experience of hope, trust and fulfillment.

Therefore, whenever you are in doubt or find the road ahead with difficulties, look towards Jesus with ultimate hope in finding the strength and inspiration to carry on.

The central message of Easter is not exclusively that Christ is alive, rather it is important to underline that Christ has risen.

Hence, celebrate his resurrection with complete faith and trust. He came back to life to ease our fear and anxiety. That's the promise of Easter.

Have a Happy Easter my friends.

Father Francis Chidi Ezenezi

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EASTER

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Apr 2-8	
Monday	Acts 2.14,22-33; Matthew 28.8-15
Tuesday	Acts 2.36-41; John 20.11-18
Wednesday	Acts 3.1-10; Luke 24.13-35
Thursday	Acts 3.11-26; Luke 24.35-48
Friday	Acts 4.1-12; John 21.1-14
Saturday	Acts 4.13-21; Mark 16.9-15
Sunday	Acts 4.32-35; 1 John 5.1-6; John 20.19-31

Volunteers Needed

Coffee Sunday will be held on the last Sunday of each month beginning in April. Volunteers are needed to prepare coffee, tea, and juice and to serve sweets donated by parishioners. If you have a welcoming spirit with good social skills, and are comfortable with people, please contact the Parish Office to sign up for this fun filled ministry that is a great way to get involved and meet new people.



This is the day

Easter isn't a footrace, as the first disciples demonstrate. It doesn't matter when you come to faith, whether you were baptized as an infant or just last night. You don't win points for what you understand at the mouth of the empty tomb, whether you've studied 20 centuries of dogma about it or just rely on a gut feeling that this event changes everything. Mary Magdalene, Peter, and the beloved disciple each perceive the tomb and its significance from different angles—yet they all spend their lives as witnesses. Go and live like Easter makes a difference!

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad."

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Easter Memorial Decorations 2018

With the Memorial Decorations donations received, we were able to decorate the Church for the greatest feast of the church year... The Feast of the Resurrection. The Easter Sunday Masses are offered in remembrance of all names received. Please keep these people in your thoughts and prayers during the Easter season.



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*You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified.
He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place where they laid him.
But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee;
there you will see him, just as he told you. (Mark 16, 6-7)*

Easter Message 2018

Dear Parishioners,

The events that we recently celebrated together during Holy week led us to this Easter day when the good news is proclaimed to us once again: "He is risen!" Yes, Jesus is alive, risen from the dead, just as he had promised and predicted. This conviction is the foundation of our faith.

The Gospel proclaimed during the Easter vigil entrusts us with a mission while assuring us that Jesus is truly and actively present in our lives.

"Go tell his disciples ..."

The good news of the Resurrection of Jesus must not only be received, but it must also be proclaimed. Every Christian is called to announce, by his/her words and actions, that Jesus is alive, present and working in the life and heart of every person.

"He precedes you in Galilee. There you will see him. "

Galilee is where the disciples live, it is their "home". The good news of the Resurrection will be announced to them on their own turf. Jesus precedes them and meets them in their life and work environment, in all the events of their daily lives. Jesus also meets all of us in our own "Galilee", where we are physically, but also spiritually. He does not wait for us to be perfect Christians before relating to us. He precedes us in every moment, here and now, and he journeys with us, as he did with the disciples of Emmaus. Will we recognize him and be witnesses of his transforming presence?

Let us allow this mystery of life, love and salvation to fill our hearts. May our "Alleluia" express our joy, faith and commitment as disciples of the Risen Christ. Happy Easter!

Yours in the Risen Christ,

+Marcel Damphousse
Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie

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FOLLOWING CHRIST

Join us for this exciting new 8-session series where we gather together to listen to a dynamic teaching, and explore answers to some of the most important questions worth asking about God and finding ultimate purpose in life.



Saturday mornings, April 7 to May 26 from 9:30—11:30 AM

Parish Hall, Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption

McIntyre Street Entrance (Double Grey Doors)

Seating Limited ~ Register Soon! Childcare provided as needed.

Complete below & return to parish office or go online to christlifenorthbay.org

Call the Parish Office for More Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

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(Where you are registered and/or usually attend)

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT LEN LANTHIER AT

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April 1, 2018 ~ Easter Sunday

Saint Peter gives a summary of the Paschal Mystery in our reading from Acts. In the reading from Colossians, Paul reminds us that being raised in Christ calls us to a higher standard. In the Gospel, Mary Magdala does not go into the empty tomb right away. Instead, she seeks out Peter and the Beloved Disciple. It all comes down to this. Jesus being raised from the dead gives purpose to his cross and ours. Without the Resurrection, all suffering is absurd, death is the end and we are lost.

The Sisters of St. Joseph invite young men and women, single or married, ages 16 to 35, to fill in a survey which will assist us in planning programs for faith development. This will require approximately 10 minutes of your time. We thank you in advance for your help. Here is the link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NYZ57HD>

The **North Bay Regional Catholic Women's League Spring Luncheon** Meeting will be held on Saturday, April 7 at 11:30 am at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Hall. The cost is \$18.00 per person and tickets are available from Louise Cazabon at 492-8132. Patricia Clizia, Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Communications Chairperson, will be the guest speaker. Her timely presentation is entitled "Let's Get Social," a fun and interactive look at social media with some tips included. Deadline for purchasing tickets is April 2nd. Hope you can join us.

Catholic Women's League Diocesan Food Drive Saturday, April 14 from 9 am to 3 pm at Jeff & Tanis' No Frills, 300 Lakeshore Dr. Non-perishable food items and monetary donations are being accepted for The Gathering Place and North Bay's Food Bank. Here at St. Peter's, we are asking our CWL members to bring in any donations before our April 11th meeting. We will be happy to accept donations from others within our Parish who would like to participate in this diocesan initiative. You may drop off your items at the Parish Office before 4 pm on Friday, April 13th. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

The Sisters of St Joseph of Sault Ste. Marie request your prayers as they discern and hold their General Chapter and Elections from April 13 to 21 at their Motherhouse in North Bay.

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at St. Peter's Church, Sunday, April 8 at 3:00 p.m. Fellowship will follow with a potluck to share. Reminder--Begin praying the Chaplet and nine-day Novena starting on Good Friday.

3rd Annual Pasta Dinner at Holy Name Church "With a Twist" – Lena's Lasagna & the Trimmings & Sophia's Crepes. April 14 at 5:15 PM. Adults/\$15, Kids Under 10/\$10, Kids Under 5/Free. Tickets available by calling 497-1367. Take out will be available. Entertainment by the "Singing Godfathers"

Knights of Columbus Council 12106 Soup and Card Party April 23 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM at Holy Name of Jesus Parish. \$6 entry fee includes lunch. For table reservation call John at 845-1020 or Roy at 477-4084.

Spring Tea & Bake Sale: Omond Memorial United Church, 319 McKenzie Ave, on Saturday, April 7, 2018. Luncheon from 11:30am – 1:00pm. Tickets are \$6 each. Come and enjoy delicious baking, jewellery, and more. Everyone welcome.

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help every Wednesday at 11:55 AM at Pro-Cathedral prior to the 12:05 PM mass.

Open Adoration: St. Alphonsus in Callander every Friday 8:30 AM to 12:00 Noon. First Friday 8:30 AM to 8:30 AM (24Hrs). **St. Joseph's Motherhouse** first Sunday of the month from 3:30-4:30 PM in Holy Family Chapel and Pro-Cathedral First Friday 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

Emmanuel United Church Beef Dinner Friday, April 27 4:15–6:30 PM. Adult \$15, Children (5 to 10) \$5, Take Out \$15. For tickets, call Dalton or Karen at 472-5444.

Sisters of St. Joseph Present: "Creation-And God Saw That It Was Good" A six session spiritual awakening program at St. Joseph's Motherhouse that will bring us closer to our ever-more-sacred home, and that we will experience ever more deeply the amazing love which holds us in this caring Universe. Presenters Sr. Noreen Muldoon, csj and Patty Dennis. Suggested Offering \$60 for the series. Call 474-3800, ext 309 to register with Sr. Noreen. Begins April 10 and runs consecutive Tuesdays until June 12 from 9:15 to 11:45 AM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held weekly at Holy Name of Jesus Church. Please come and visit Jesus even for a few minutes. He waits for us. Hours of Adoration: Monday and Thursday 12 noon to 5 pm; Tuesdays 12 noon to 7 PM; Wednesday and Friday: 12 noon to 6 pm. To make a weekly one-hour commitment, please call Gisele Champagne at 497-1911.

CLAY- (Catholic, Love, Attitude, Yes!): A Youth Program for JK to Grade 7, Thursday evenings 6:30-8:00 PM at St. Gregory's School Gym, back entrance. Come out and join us for games, crafts and faith teachings in a fun filled and positive environment. For more information please contact Laurie Dobbs at 724-1277 or Jessica Sheppard at 724-1835 or jessicasheppard@gmail.com.

YEO (Youth Evangelizing Others) is a Catholic Youth Group designed for grade 8-12 students with a mission to bring other teens to know Jesus through testimonies, talks, skits, and games. Friday nights at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Gym from 6:30 to 9:00 PM. For more information, contact Sam at 496-0456.

April Showers Tea and Book Sale at St. Brice's Anglican Church Saturday April 14 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Sandwiches, pickles, dessert, tea and coffee for \$5.00. Children under 10 years \$2.50. Unique greeting cards will also be for sale. All welcome.

North Bay pregnancy Help & Resource Centre, 323 Algonquin Ave, North Bay, ON P1B 8J8. Open weekdays 10:00 AM–4:00 PM. Tel: 475-9270. Offering free pregnancy testing, optional counselling, a friendly non-judgmental ear, baby supplies, post-abortion grief counselling, and community service referrals.

Marriage Preparation Weekends April 20 & 21, and Fall October 26-27 (5 PM Friday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM Saturday): Call Regional Catholic Services at 472-5821 to reserve your place. Material cost is \$40.00 per couple payable at time of registration. Register soon!

The Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic District School Board Parent Involvement Committee is pleased to welcome **Dr. Michael Ungar**, founder and Director of the Resilience Research Centre and is Canada's Research Chair in Child, Family and Community Resilience. **Join us April 26** from 6:00-8:00 PM in the St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Auditorium **for an engaging presentation to learn practical strategies for parents and caregivers to help young people of all ages heal.** Free childcare is available, with RSVP. Register today at www.npsc.ca/nurturing-resilience/

Summer Retreat at Villa Loyola "Throughout the years God lives with us" from Sunday August 12 (7pm) to Friday August 17 (1pm) with director Fr. Joseph Schner, S.J. \$500 all-inclusive or \$300, commuter. Register: Call 705-522-3502 Monday to Friday or email at loyola@isys.ca