
Second Sunday of Lent – February 25, 2018

God's love for us is limitless.

Thu, Mar 1	9:00 am	Intentions of Fr. Peter Moher by Bob & Christine Miller
Fri, Mar 2	9:00 am	Intentions of Gloria Falconi by Rita & Harry Kraus
	7:00 pm	<i>Way of the Cross</i>
Sat, Mar 3	5:00 pm	Gloria Tiernay by Art Tiernay Albert Gallant by Lorraine & Family
Sun, Mar 4	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	
	9:00 am	For the intentions of all parishioners by Father Francis
	11:00 am	Frank Valente by Domenic Muratore Richard Buchanan

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: *Mildred O'Heare*, sister of Rose Johnson

CHURCH SUPPORT

Sunday, February 18, 2018 \$3 229.00

Thank you for your generous contributions!

Embracing Stewardship

Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here." Mark 9:5

It is good for us to be here, in this season of Lent. Let's strengthen our resolve to be present to this holy time, to take advantage of this opportunity to pray more, care more, love more.

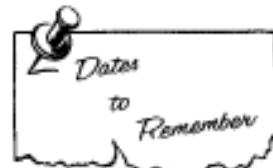


Welcome Bishop!

Bishop Damphousse will visit St. Peter the Apostle Parish community and celebrate Mass with us on Saturday, March 3rd and Sunday, March 4th.

Prayer for Families

God of the mountaintops, you meet us in unexpected and extraordinary ways. Help us to receive the lessons you teach us and to carry them back into our ordinary lives without clinging to the extraordinary moments. Amen.



- Mon 10:00 am** Rising Stars (Parish Hall)
10:30 am Near North Palliative Care
Music Night Meeting (Kitchen)
- Wed 9:30 am** Cenacle – Rosary (Church)
2:00 pm Catholic Women's League
Executive Meeting (Parish Hall)
- Thu 6:30 pm** Choir Practice – All Members
New Members Always Welcome!
- Sat 1:00 pm** First Communion Retreat
(Parish Hall)
- Sun 12:00 pm** Choir Practice – All Members
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CWL NEWS

The Catholic Women's League *Executive Meeting* will be held on Wednesday, February 28th at 2:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

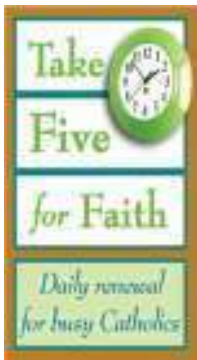


The Promises of Fatima: Come pray the Rosary with a group of dedicated people who form a Fr. Gobbi Cenacle honouring our Blessed Virgin Mary. Wednesday mornings at 9:30am at St. Peter's Parish.

WISDOM QUOTE:

“Listen to the compass of your heart. All you need lies within you.” Mary Anne Radmacher

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Feb 26 – Mar 4	
Monday	Daniel 9.3-10; Luke 6.36-38
Tuesday	Isaiah 1.10,16-20,27-28,31; Matthew 23.1-12
Wednesday	Jeremiah 18.18-20; Matthew 20.17-28
Thursday	Jeremiah 17.5-10; Luke 16.19-31
Friday	Genesis 37.3-4,12-13,17-28; Matthew 21.33-43,45-46
Saturday	Micah 7.14-15,18-20; Luke 15.1-3,11-32
Sunday	Exodus 20.1-17; 1 Corinthians 1.18,22-25; John 2.13-25



By special invitation

Who do you bring along when something special is about to happen? We know Jesus took his inner circle: Peter, James, and John. But on one particular outing, that favored grouping expanded into the Jewish equivalent of a fantasy dinner party, with Moses and Elijah pulling up a chair. No wonder Peter was tempted to linger. And he wasn't wrong: Pitching a tent with iconic teachers of Law and Prophecy is a great idea. Be a student of religious teaching, to appreciate human boundaries. Be a student of prophecy to know when boundaries must be surpassed.

“Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.”

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Reflect: “Put away your misdeeds from before my eyes; cease doing evil; learn to do good.”
Isaiah 1:16-17

Pray: Father, I get discouraged. More than that, I get frustrated and angry. I keep messing up, and often they are the same old sins. At times it seems hopeless. How I wish I could hurl my sins into the ocean. But I can't. What I can do is turn to you and ask for your grace and forgiveness. You are always there. Help me not to get bent out of shape. It solves nothing. Let me put my trust in you. Amen.

Act: Hand over that major shortcoming. Calmly place it in God's hands. Pray, “Today, Jesus, I trust in you.”

Fr. Thomas J. Connery, Taking Lent to Heart 2015

Development & Peace

Building cultural and religious tolerance in Lebanon

During this second week of Share Lent, we focus on the organization Adyan, a Development and Peace partner that contributes to peace in the Middle East by fostering cultural and religious tolerance. Adyan offers a wide range of programs, including conferences, training sessions, and workshops on peace, reconciliation, and coexistence.

In this part of the world wounded by past and present wars, Adyan's work is essential and your support is indispensable to them. “At Adyan, we promote spiritual solidarity, which means integrating the other into my thoughts and prayers. I must integrate the suffering of others and understand it.” Nayla Tabbara, Director of the Institute of Citizenship and Diversity Management at Adyan.

2018 Share Lent Campaign Guide & Liturgical Resources

CWL NEWS

Our ***Share Lent Pancake Breakfast, Bake Sale and Book Sale*** will be held on Sunday, March 11th after the 9 and 11 am Masses. The cost for adults is \$6.00 each and the cost for children aged 6-10 is \$3.00 each. Children 5 years and younger are free. The Catholic Women's League will be in need of baked goods for the Bake Sale table. All baking donations can be brought to the Parish Hall on Saturday, March 10th from 9 am to 12 pm or before each Mass on Sunday, March 11th. Books will have been provided by our members and this sale will be by monetary donation. All proceeds of this event will be given to Development & Peace/Share Lent.

If you have a key to the church but do not know how to disarm the alarm, please visit the Parish Office as soon as possible and we will give you instruction. Also, if you have been assigned a key to the church, please do not transfer that key to another person without permission from the Parish Office. Thank you for your cooperation.

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>



EASTER MEMORIAL DECORATIONS: A special way to remember loved ones during this holy season is to donate memorial decorations in their memory. The decorations will be used to decorate our worship environment for the greatest feast of the year... the Feast of the Resurrection. Envelopes for the decoration donations are available at the entrance to the Church. You may also use a plain envelope marking it:

Memorial Decorations

In Remembrance of _____

Donated by _____

Address _____

Postal Code: _____ Envelope # _____

Include your donation and return it to the office or in the collection by **Sunday, March 18, 2018**. A listing of remembrances will be printed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Income tax receipts will be issued for all donations.

All Masses on Easter Sunday will be celebrated in memory of those for whom the Easter Decorations were donated with an address and / or envelope number.

Remember loved ones this Easter and give glory to the Lord by helping to decorate for this beautiful season.

February 25, 2018 Second Sunday in Lent

In the first reading, Abraham is willing to make the ultimate sacrifice of surrendering his son to the Lord. Saint Paul reminds the Romans that having God with them will allow them to face any challenge. In the Gospel, the disciples realize that Jesus is the fulfillment of the law after he is transfigured before them. Today, we hear the familiar passage from Saint Paul when he says, *If God is for us, who can be against us?* Since we have been called by name, by virtue of our baptism, we know that we are God's children; we are his instruments in the world.

The Board of Directors for North Bay Roman Catholic Cemeteries announces that Mr. Darren Denomme has accepted the position of Executive Director of the Ontario Association of Cemetery and Funeral Professionals effective February 26, 2018 and thanks him for his many years of service to our area families. They also announce that Ms. Joanne Griffiths has been appointed to the position of Cemetery Manager for our Catholic Cemeteries, coming to us with knowledge in the government and private sector. Ms. Griffiths can be reached via email at jgriffiths@nbrcc.ca All other information for the cemetery remains unchanged.

Knights of Columbus Council 12106 Soup and Card Party February 26 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.

North Bay Right to Life/Pro-Vie 27th Annual all you can eat Spaghetti & Meatballs/ Lasagna Dinner Sunday, March 4 in Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall. Two seatings: 4:15 and 5:30 PM. Adults/\$12, Children 3-10 years/\$5, take-out/\$8. For tickets call: Nancy Tremblay 472-6099, Harley 752-4105, Jeannine Lebel 724-3424 or JP Lamarche 476-0953. **A Silent Auction will be held in conjunction with the dinner** if you have small items to donate, please call Nicky at 474-3018 (leave a message) for pick up or drop off items at the Pregnancy Help & Resource Centre during business hours.

Development & Peace Hunger Meal Friday, March 16. Join us at our 12:05 Noon Mass at the Pro-Cathedral followed by our meal in solidarity with those who suffer with hunger in the parish hall. A simple fare of soup and a bun will be served. Everyone welcome. Free, however, any donations offered that day at the meal will be submitted to the Share Lent Collection. If you wish a receipt for any donation over \$10 please put your offering in an envelope with your name and address on it.

New Evangelization Summit - Friday, April 27th from 7:00p.m. - 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 28th -8:45 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. The New Evangelization Summit will be live-streamed from Ottawa to North Bay at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall School. This year's conference will include 6 world class Catholic speakers Sr. Ann Shields, Curtis Martin, Michael Dopp, George Wiegel, Patrick Madrid, Christy Dupuis equipping us with the tools for evangelization and Catholicism in our world today. For information about the Summit, please visit the Ottawa website at www.newevangelization.ca. More information regarding registration will follow soon - for now - book these dates so you don't miss out on this special event!

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.

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: Mon & Thu 12-5 pm; Tue 12pm - 7 pm; Wed & Fri 12 pm - 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.

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

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.

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.

Lenten Mission: The Lenten Mission at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 120 Memorial Park Drive, Powassan, will be held Sunday, March 4 to Wednesday, March 7, 2018, starting at 7pm every evening. The retreat master is Father Andrew Ayala, IVE, Congregation of the Eternal Word. He is a priest currently serving in the Peterborough Diocese. The theme is "Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord". Please mark the dates on your calendar. Tuesday evening, March 6, will include a Lenten Penitential Service, with individual confessions. Everyone welcome. Information: Laurie: 705-724-2118. The cost is a goodwill offering.

Silent Lenten Retreat "The Name of God is Mercy" at Villa Loyola Friday, March 2 7 PM to Sunday, March 4 1:00 PM Director: Fr. Scott Lewis, S.J., cost \$230/live-in or \$130/commute. Call 705-522-3502 ext. 0 Monday to Friday or email at loyola@isys.ca. Where is God in our rather dark and scary world? How should we respond to the fearful and threatening pressures we face? How can religion heal the world, or is religion the problem? These questions have been in the hearts of many. Many people feel estranged or distant from God, especially when God is so often invoked or portrayed in violent or judgmental ways. During this retreat we will pray with these passages for enlightenment, hope, and transformation on our spiritual journey

Going into or Have a Sick Family Member in Hospital? Mass is celebrated every Wednesday at 3:00 PM by a parish priest at the North Bay General Spiritual Centre (West Wing Entrance). And ... Eucharist is distributed Wednesday, Friday and Sunday by ministers of Holy Communion. Let pastoral care know your family member would like to be added to the list for visitation.

Catholic Charities collects clothing for free distribution to those in need. Clothing for men, women, children and infants, shoes, or accessories. Also towels, tea towels and sheet sets. Drop off to Catholic Charities entrance off Algonquin Tuesdays 9:00 to 11:30 AM or weekdays to the Pro-Cathedral Rectory (480 McIntyre Street West.). Items should be clean and in good repair. PLEASE — Due to Space Limitation Seasonal Clothing Only!

Free Literacy and Numeracy Adult Classes with Nipissing-Parry Sound Catholic Alternative & Continuing Education for adults aged 19 and older. Improve your reading, writing, math and computer skills; upgrade your skills for secondary school credit, employment, college, apprenticeship or for a greater sense of independence; develop a personal learning plan and work at your own pace. Attend full or part-time. Enrol anytime - continuous intake all year!! Call 472-7771 or visit www.npsc.ca for information.

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