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# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 21, 2018

*Let us heed God's call.*

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**Sat, Jan 27 5:00 pm** Amelia Saini by Saini Family  
Intentions of Dennis Yakabuski by Bonny & Andy Perron & Girls

**Sun, Jan 28 9:00 am** For the intentions of all parishioners  
**11:00 am** Neddy Ammerata by Maria & Family  
Moe Clouthier by Peter & Arlene Maunsell

**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:** *Minnie Tait*



Sunday, January 14, 2018 \$3 653.10  
*Thank you for your generous contributions!*

## This Week...

**Mon 10:00 am** Rising Stars (Parish Hall)  
**Tue 6:30 pm** Baptism Prep  
**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!*  
**Fri 10:30 am** Parish Hall Occupied  
**Sun 12:00 pm** Choir Practice – All Members  
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**SCRIPTURE READINGS: Jan 22-28**

Monday	2 Samuel 5.1-7,10; Mark 3.22-30
Tuesday	2 Samuel 6.12-15,17-19; Mark 3.31-35
Wednesday	2 Samuel 7.1-17; Mark 4.1-20
Thursday	Acts 22.3-16; Mark 16.15-18
Friday	2 Timothy 1.1-8; Luke 10.1-9
Saturday	2 Samuel 12.1-7,10-17; Mark 4.35-41
Sunday	Deuteronomy 18.15-20; 1 Corinthians 7.32-35; Mark 1.21-28

### Prayer for Families

God of mercy, your Kingdom is near to us. Let us not put off until tomorrow what we can begin again today. Protect us from becoming discouraged by our failings. Help us to let you in to help us over and over again. May we, like those who listened to Jonah, be inspired to repent, to turn away from the things that bind us, so you can set us free. Amen.

### CWL NEWS

The Catholic Women's League Executive Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm in the Parish Hall.



*Ashes that are used to mark the beginning of Lent (February 14, 2018) come from the branches that were blessed and distributed the previous Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. Parishioners are invited to bring in these branches.*

### WISDOM QUOTE:

“To work without attachment is to work without the expectation of reward or fear of any punishment in this world or the next. Work so done is a means to the end, and God is the end.”  
Ramakrishna

## Christian Marriage Preparation Program 2018



Winter Series: February 9-10

Spring Series: April 20-21

Fall Series: October 26-27

Call Regional Catholic Services at 705-472-5821 to reserve your place on the weekend of your choice. Registration information will be given to each couple when reserving their place for a given weekend. Material cost is \$40.00 per couple payable at time of registration. Couples are encouraged to register early!



### **To All Prayer Partners:**

Now is the time for renewal in the Prayer Partner Program. Your opportunity to choose your Prayer Partner for 2018 will take place after all Masses **TODAY, January 20 & 21, 2018** in the Parish Hall. New parishioners are invited to join the program now in its 40<sup>th</sup> and final year. You can draw a name and pray anonymously for a fellow parishioner for this calendar year. You are welcome to send cards on occasions throughout the year. Celebrating 40 years of the Prayer Partner Ministry in 2018! This will be our last. So, please continue to send your cards and at Christmas 2018 acknowledge who you are. Thank you all who participated. For more information call Donna at 705-472-0513 or Theresa at 705-497-5909.

## MADE FOR MORE: DIOCESAN CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE 2018

All high school aged youth are invited to participate in the **Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference 2018 "Made for More"** on **Saturday, February 24, 2018 at St. Mary's College in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario.** Join high school students from across Northern Ontario for a day of faith, music, sharing, talks and powerful witness featuring popular Catholic Speaker Ken Yasinski. Registration fee is only \$20! Register online at [www.stjeromeparishssm.com/dcyc2018](http://www.stjeromeparishssm.com/dcyc2018) or pick up a Registration Form at your church or by visiting your high school Chaplain. This event is presented by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, the Huron Superior Catholic District School Board and the Knights of Columbus Council 932.

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The theme for the 2018 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity comes to us from the Caribbean region: **"Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power"** (Exodus 15:6).



The contemporary Caribbean is deeply marked by the dehumanizing project of colonial exploitation. In their aggressive pursuit of mercantile gains, the colonizers codified brutal systems which traded human beings and their forced labour.

Today Caribbean Christians of many different traditions see the hand of God active in the ending of enslavement. It is a uniting experience of God's saving action which brings freedom. The Caribbean ecumenical team chose the song of Moses and Miriam (Ex 15:1-21) – a song of triumph over oppression – as the motif of this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

***Our Regional Ecumenical Service will take place TODAY, Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 2PM at St. Brice's Anglican Church, 1225 Cassells St. Everyone is invited to attend.***

### **It's not the end of the world**

If there's one thing we can use less of, it's negative attitudes. After a brief perusal of daily headlines, we might be forgiven for thinking that the next six wars are preloaded, our food supply is toxic, strangers may be killers, and all leaders are liars. Yet our sacred story declares that human hearts can change. The future can be anything we want it to be. All we have to do is choose. Decide today to walk the road of hope.

*"Jonah began his journey . . . announcing, 'Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed.' "*

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Thank you to all parishioners for your generous donations in **2017 to St. Peter' Needy Fund Collection.** Your dedicated financial support allowed St. Peter the Apostle Parish to respond to the call for food assistance from 367 families. Your generous donations approximated \$26 000. In 2017, we spent approximately \$ 23 000 which included food (perishable and non-perishable items) and Christmas food baskets for 34 families. Again, thank you and God Bless!

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In the first reading, the reluctant prophet Jonah gets a quick response today from the people of Nineveh. Saint Paul speaks with urgency, telling the Corinthians that time is running out. Jesus begins his ministry by calling four Apostles – changing the direction of their lives. How many times do we have to stumble and fall before we realize that following God's ways, and not our own, leads to happiness and salvation? Let us not resist the Lord, but answer his call.

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**Knights of Columbus Council 12106 Soup and Card Party** January 22 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.

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**Fun Day Curling:** Sunday, January 28 from 2-6 PM, followed by potluck dinner. The cost is \$15/person and bring something for potluck. Sliders and brooms will be provided. Please wear clean shoes. Contact John for more info 490-0042. Hope to see you there!

**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.

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

**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. or 495-0508

**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](mailto:jessicasheppard@gmail.com).

**New Evangelization Summit Kick-off Event 2018** Come and join us Tuesday, January 16 at 6:30-8:30 PM at Our Lady of Hope Parish, 591 Brennan Rd, Sudbury, ON. Welcome, Taizé Chant and Procession, Opening Hymn and Prayer. Guest Speaker: Prayer "The Ultimate Relationship" as preparation for Evangelization; video, small group discussion & more! All are welcome to attend!

**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.

**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.

The bitter cold weather is upon us and the **North Bay Warming Centre needs your help** at their new location at 480 Fisher St., Suite 100. Contact Karrie at [warmingcentrenbay@gmail.com](mailto:warmingcentrenbay@gmail.com) or [www.facebook.com/NorthBayWarmingCentre/](http://www.facebook.com/NorthBayWarmingCentre/)

**Silent Lenten Retreat "The Name of God is Mercy" at Villa Loyola** Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 PM to Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 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](mailto: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

**The Sons of Jacob Synagogue extends an invitation to come out** Tuesday January 23 at 7:30 PM to find out about their restoration project to restore the external face of their building. Gather with their members, their architects and friends and neighbours who wish to support them, to go over the planned renovations. Your presence is most welcome. Coffee and tea will be provided and a Yahrzeit (collective prayers for our departed loved ones) will follow the meeting.

**Pilgrimage to Poland April 28 – May 14, 2018** includes special moments not readily available to other groups such as conferences with the Sisters at the Convents, visit to the Archbishop's Residence in Krakow, seeing where Mary left her footprints in Lichen, visiting Plock where Jesus appeared to St. Faustina. All inclusive cost \$3300 single and \$3150 for couples. Information: [sbielec@sympatico.ca](mailto:sbielec@sympatico.ca) or 613-792-4272

### Knights of Columbus Meetings

**Fr. Michael Cundari Council, 12030 at Holy Name Church:**

General Meeting third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM

Contact: Joe Sinicrope at 497-0604

**Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus Council 12106** now meet second Tuesday of each month with regular and executive meetings held the same day at the Canadian Forces Base Church (Queen of Peace). Contact: Art Tiernay at 358-1368

We also collect pop cans for charity work. Please drop off your cans at Holy Name Church beside the Garage.

**Knights of Columbus Council #1007** Executive Meeting at 6:30 PM and General Meeting at 7:00 PM on the first Wednesday of each month September to June at St. Peter's Church in the Parish Hall. Refreshments served. New or transferring members can contact Mike Joly at 495-1792.

**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.

### Sisters of St. Joseph Present:

**Christian Meditation:** Each Tuesday at 1:30—2:30 pm in Holy Family Chapel. This contemplative prayer is a way to self-knowledge, self-acceptance & awareness of all that God can do in our lives when we allow it.

**Taize Prayer:** Taize Prayer is held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month, from 7:00—8:00 pm in the Holy Family Chapel. The intention of this prayer is for the "Gift of Reconciliation", wherever brokenness exists. This includes song, scripture, and silence. All are welcome.