

CWL NEWS

Are you looking for a new adventure? Ladies 16 years and older are invited to come join the Catholic Women's League for an evening of friendship, spirituality, support and fun. Consider us friends that you never met before! Our dues are \$25 per year. St. Peter's Catholic Women's League Organization Chair Person Ann Cousineau 705-497-3147.



- Mon 10:00 am** Rising Stars (Parish Hall)
Tue 10:00 am Rising Stars Troop Executive Meeting (Kitchen)
6:30 pm Baptism Prep Meeting
Wed 9:30 am Cenacle – Rosary (Church)
6:00 pm Knights of Columbus 4th Degree (Parish Hall)
Thu 5:00 pm St. Joseph-Scollard Hall
S.O.L.E. Grad (Parish Hall)
6:30 pm Choir Practice – All Members
New Members Always Welcome!
Sun 9 & 11 am Coffee Sunday after both Masses
12:00 pm Choir Practice – All Members
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Embracing Stewardship

"God's kingdom is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs." Mark 4:31-32



The power of stewardship can be hard to measure. Our efforts may appear small, a drop in the bucket, but can have enormous consequences.

What Makes a Dad – Happy Father's Day

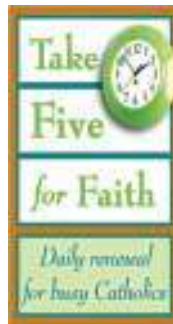
God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree, the warmth of a summer sun, the calm of a quiet sea, the generous soul of nature, the comforting arm of night, the wisdom of the ages, the power of the eagle's flight, the joy of a morning in spring, the faith of a mustard seed, the patience of eternity, the depth of a family need, then God combined these qualities, when there was nothing more to add, He knew His masterpiece was complete, and so He called it...Dad
by anonymous



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! You are invited... Father Francis' bishop from Nigeria, Bishop Paulinus Ezeokafor, will visit St. Peter's on Thursday, June 28, 2018 for Mass at 7:00 pm followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

Bakers Needed

Coffee Sunday will be held on the last Sunday of each month. Do you love to bake and create home-made goodies? Willing to share your baked goodies? Parish Families are invited to bring home-made baking to Mass to share at Coffee Sunday. Sign up on the bulletin board for either the 9:00 am or the 11:00 am Mass on the last Sunday of your preferred month, and then bring your dessert to the Parish Kitchen before Mass on that day. Coffee Sunday hosts will prepare coffee and serve your baked goodies!



God gambles the farm

Imagine a farmer sowing a field, and then going about his life, not bothering about the progress of his crop. When it's harvest time, the happy farmer takes in an incredible return of grain. Crazy, right? What farmer has ever been that clueless and that lucky? God's realm operates pretty much this way. God offers the gift of life in seed form. We're on our own to take it as far as we want to go. God won't force our fruitfulness; we're free to waste our time and produce nothing. Is God betting the farm wisely on you?

"It is as if a man were to scatter seed . . . and through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how."

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VOLUNTEER NEEDED

We are looking for a volunteer to look after the Worship Environment flowers and decorations as our current volunteer will be moving away. If you would like to share your talents, please contact the Parish Office.



June 17, 2018
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

In Ezekiel, God uses the image of a tender shoot that becomes a majestic cedar and bears much fruit as a way of promising his care for the people of Israel. Paul challenges all believers to please the Lord. Jesus uses the parables of the sower and the seed, and the mustard seed, to explain the kingdom of God. The psalmist urges us to give thanks to the Lord and to sing of his kindness and faithfulness. For his loving presence is like a great cedar tree giving shade to those in need and fruit to those who hunger.

A Retreat for Young Adults: Join other men and women, 18-39 and Sisters of St. Joseph on a pilgrimage to North Bay. Through interactive activities, prayer and fellowship, we'll delve deeper into our living faith. Friday, August 24 to Sunday, August 26 at the Motherhouse on Lake Nipissing and camp on Trout Lake. Cost \$150 includes meals, accommodation (single bed cottages) \$70 if you do not require accommodation. **Register by July 2nd and cost is only \$120!!** Register by contacting Kataryna Ryba at faithconnections@csj-to.ca or 416-467-2645

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.

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: 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.

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

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

Marriage Preparation Weekend September 7 & 8 (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!

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!

St. Joseph-Scollard Hall "Class of 1988 Reunion": Teachers and students - you are invited to join us for an evening of sharing memories and good times on August 4 with 6:00 PM gathering followed by dinner at 7:00 PM and dancing to the tunes of the 80's all night! Tickets \$50 available at Vic's Shoe Repair or via email: sjsh1988reunion@yahoo.com. Follow us on Facebook at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Bears Graduating Class of '88

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

Road trip anyone? Masses at Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Sudbury this summer (271 Van Horne Street):

Mass for Canada Day: Father Gérald Lajeunesse will preside to celebrate Canada Day on Monday July 2. Mass at 7 PM preceded by the Rosary at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome!

Mass for the Feast of Saint Anne: Father (to be determined) will celebrate mass at 7 PM preceded by the rosary at 6:30 PM to celebrate the Feast of Saint Anne, the patron saint to the native people, on Thursday July 26. Everyone welcome!

Mass for the Feast of the Assumption: Bishop Marcel Damphousse will preside at a 7:00 PM Mass to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary on Wednesday, August 15. Preceded by the Way of the Cross at 6:30 PM. Everyone welcome!

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 Community Blood Donor Clinics will now be held every second Wednesday in order to serve clients better! Held 1-2:30 PM and 4-7:30 PM. Please book your appointment at www.blood.ca or call 1-888-236-6283 **Next Clinic June 27. Held now at The Elks Lodge off Trout Lake Road.**

Kindergarten Information Sessions are happening throughout May and June. Visit npsc.ca/schools and contact your nearest English Catholic school for more information. Register today. Come and see the rich learning opportunities that await your child in one of our caring Catholic schools!

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.

Holy Hockey! The Story of Canada's Flying Fathers (many from our Diocese!) is now available. Beginning in 1964, a group of priests were brought together to play hockey to raise funds for local charities. Enjoy this book of history, photos, and hilarious stories for \$25. Email: www.burnstownpublishing.com or call 613-509-1090 to order your copy. All proceeds donated to charity.

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 3rd 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.

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 Sinicropo 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.