

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 24, 2017

Father Francis is away until September 28, 2017 visiting his family in Nigeria.

Mon, Sep 25	9:00 am	In thanksgiving by Theresa Taillefer
	7:00 pm	Parish Mission with Father O'Reilly
Tue, Sep 26	9:00 am	Vincent Lobban by Brian & Janet Buckley & Family & Kathy & Elaine Kerr
	7:00 pm	Parish Mission with Father O'Reilly
Wed, Sep 27	7:00 pm	Closing Parish Mission Mass with Father O'Reilly Daniel Kennedy by David Mantha
Fri, Sep 29	9:00 am	Sacrament of the Sick Intentions of Donna & Percy Miller by Karen & Ray
Sun, Oct 1	9:00 am	For the intentions of all parishioners by Father Francis
	11:00 am	Leon & Kelly Levasseur by Eileen Levasseur Claude Mantha by Mom

PLEASE NOTE: The 5:00 pm Saturday Mass at St. Peter's will resume on Saturday, October 7th.

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:

CHURCH SUPPORT

Sunday, September 17, 2017 \$4 132.85
Thank you for your generous contributions!

This Week...

Mon	7:00 pm	Parish Mission
Tue	7:00 pm	Parish Mission
Wed	9:30 am	Cenacle – Rosary (Church)
	2:00 pm	Catholic Women's League Executive Meeting (Parish Hall)
	7:00 pm	Closing Mission Mass and Reception
Thu	6:30 pm	Choir Practise – All Members <i>New Members Always Welcome!</i>
	7:00 pm	First Reconciliation & First Communion Parents' Only Meeting
Fri	5:00 pm	YEO
Sat	2:00 pm	Parish Hall Occupied
Sun	9:00 am	First Reconciliation Lesson
	9:00 am	Holy Land Wood Carving Display (Parish Hall)

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Sep 25 – Oct 1

Monday	Ezra 1.1-6; Luke 8.16-18
Tuesday	Revelation 7.9-17; 2 Corinthians 4.7-15; Luke 9.23-26
Wednesday	Ezra 9.5-9; Luke 9.1-6
Thursday	Haggai 1.1-8; Luke 9.7-9
Friday	Revelation 12.7-12; John 1.47-51
Saturday	Zechariah 2.1-5,10-11; Luke 9.43-45
Sunday	Ezekiel 18.25-28; Philippians 2.1-11; Matthew 21.28-32



THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION



PARENTS ONLY MEETING

(no children required) at St. Peter's Parish Hall on Thursday, September 28, 2017 at 7:00 pm

If you have children in Grade 3 or older and wish the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion for them, please plan to attend this meeting. If your child was not baptized at St. Peter's, we will need a copy of their baptism certificate.



St. Peter the Apostle Parish Choir

Would you like to make joyful music for our Lord Jesus Christ? Come and join the choir. Rehearsals are held Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (for 11am Mass) and Thursdays at 6:30 pm (for 9am Mass). We are always looking for new members! For more information, please contact Suzanne (705-494-4859) or Christine (705-472-8825), or the Parish Office.

Holy Land Wood Art Display & Sale

On October 1, 2017 before and after both (9:00 & 11:00 AM) Masses at St. Peter's we will have some holy land wood art displayed for sale in an effort to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land. Funds raised by your purchase of holy land wood art will be used in support of the Christian community of Bethlehem which has suffered greatly due to political unrest.

LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

You are invited to attend Life Chain together with fellow Christians from more than 20 North Bay and area churches. Spend one hour in a peaceful, prayerful visible stand on behalf of the unborn, **Sunday, October 1, 2017 from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm. St. Peter's location on Lakeshore Drive is between Brock Ave and Shannon Ave.** Please join us to witness for the millions of unborn lost through abortion in Canada and to silently and prayerfully intercede to the Lord to end abortion and heal our nation.

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!




We are now making preparations for the **Fall Tea, Bazaar, Penny Sale and Silent Auction** which will be held on October 14, 2017 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Cost for luncheon is \$6/adult; \$3/children under 10; and free for children less than 5 years of age.

We invite all parishioners to help us. We are in need of prizes for the Penny Sale & Silent Auction table. Prizes (new items only) can be small appliances, electronic gadgets, hand crafted items, glassware, china, ceramics, personal gift packs, boxed games, hard covered books, framed pictures, sporting gear equipment or memorabilia, tool sets, bedding & sheet sets, blankets, Halloween & Christmas decorations, gift certificates for services and restaurants, and monetary donations. We also need donations of knitting, sewing, craft items and baking for the Bazaar. We are introducing a used jewellery and a used books display at this year's bazaar. Donations for used jewellery and used books would be greatly appreciated.

Please bring your penny Sale & Silent Auction prizes before October 11th to the Parish Office or call Marcelle at 705-475-1851 or June at 705-497-9991 for pick up. All baked goods and food items are to be delivered to the church on Friday, October 13th between 9AM-1PM, and morning of Saturday, October 14th.

This project is our **ONLY FUND RAISER** for the year. The proceeds go to many deserving charities. We know we can depend on St. Peter's parishioners to help us make this Bazaar a **HUGE SUCCESS!**

Please note the Sign-Up Sheet for the food items required for the Luncheon is posted at the back of the church.

The **North Bay Literacy Council** is in need of supplies so they can continue their valuable program in assisting people of all ages become readers and writers. The collection box will be at the entrance of the church to receive your contributions. They need all kinds of paper goods (computer, writing pads, note books, scribblers) erasable markers in a variety of colours, clear tape, dictionaries, white boards, pens, pencils, and erasers etc. They also would appreciate packages of cookies, powdered coffee creamer and Folgers Coffee for brewing. The deadline will be September 29, 2017. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!** 



The **Parish Mission** starts today. Jesus reveals that His Kingdom is here and now and that it spells happiness and fullness of life for those who share it. Happiness often seems to elude us. Would you like to change your life, become more alive, happier? The Mission offers this possibility. Join **Father Eugene O'Reilly, C.Ss.R., for one hour each evening at 7:00 pm from Sunday, September 24th to Wednesday, September 27th.** The Parish Mission concludes Wednesday evening with celebrated Mass, followed by an opportunity for questions and discussions with coffee in the parish Hall for those who wish. Father O'Reilly will also celebrate Mass on Monday and Tuesday at 9:00 am. No matter what your decision, please pray about the Mission. Prayer changes things. Pray for yourself, for others. God will not refuse a heart raised to Him in sincere prayer.

CUSTODIAN NEEDED

The custodian contract at St. Peter's Church is available to the hardworking, dedicated individual who has excellent time management skills, communicates well in a respectful manner, and can work independently while taking the initiative to complete work that is necessary to maintain a clean working environment for all parishioners while ensuring all areas are safe and stocked well with necessary supplies. Contract requires the ability to stand for lengthy time periods, walking, bending, kneeling, stooping, crouching and lifting. The successful candidate will have WHMIS training and is familiar with MSDS. The successful candidate will be required to perform minor building repairs as needed and to report major repairs as needed to the Pastor. The successful candidate performs duties of custodian with the kind of flexibility that caters to the calendar of Parish events and is responsible for ensuring that parish functions smoothly by overseeing the operation, maintenance and general upkeep of the church, hall, rectory, furnishings, equipment, ancillary buildings and grounds.

Drop off applications and resumes to the Parish Office before October 13, 2017 for start date November 1, 2017.

Re: Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada
23-24 September 2017

Dear Pastors and collaborators in pastoral ministry,

The annual Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada is taking place on 23 and 24 September 2017. It is an opportunity for all the faithful in our country, laity, consecrated and clergy, to be co-responsible with the Bishops in proclaiming the saving message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. All the faithful indeed participate in the life and mission of the Church through their active involvement in the life of their parish community, their prayers, their diverse charisms, their moral support, and the contributions of their time and talents.

The Collection for the Needs of the Church is an opportunity for Catholics to truly help their diocese/eparchy participate in the Regional Episcopal Assemblies and the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB). Any additional revenue which is raised is used by the diocese/eparchy for its own pastoral programs and other activities.

The Bishops of Canada gather in four Regional Assemblies (Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and the West), as well as in their national Conference (the CCCB). The CCCB is mandated by the Holy See and the Bishops who are its members in a number of areas of pastoral life and evangelization: faith formation and catechesis, doctrinal questions, ecumenical initiatives, international relations, interreligious conversations, liturgical resources, relations with Indigenous Peoples, social justice questions, and building a culture of life and family. This annual charitable initiative furthers the collegiality and synodality of the Bishops' ministry in leading, shepherding, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and pastorally caring for all of God's children, disciples of Christ in our country.

The CCCB has prepared the attached promotional material to help you inform your parishioners of the purpose and importance of this annual collection. This same material will also be posted on the CCCB website in early September.

Thank you in advance for your generous contribution for ensuring the success of the collection and the ongoing work of evangelization.

Yours sincerely in Our Lord,

+ Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI
Bishop of Hamilton and
President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

For more information: www.cccb.ca

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In the first reading, Isaiah exhorts sinners to repent and turn to the Lord for mercy. The second reading reminds us of the importance of conducting ourselves in a manner worthy of the Gospel. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the good employer, which speaks of how God freely and generously bestows his love and forgiveness on all who are open to receiving it. We must be mindful that the Lord's ways truly differ from our ways. They are wonderful and mysterious. This is shown in the fact that God loves us unconditionally, and is ever-willing to forgive. God continually works by the power of the Holy Spirit to draw all people closer to himself. And God is near to all who call upon him.

You are invited to attend a **Mission at St Peter the Apostle Church** with **Father Eugene O'Reilly** from **Sunday, September 24 to Wednesday, 27th** inclusive. Mission talks begin at **7:00 PM each evening** and will conclude Wednesday evening with Mass and an opportunity for questions and discussions with coffee in the Parish Hall. Father O'Reilly will celebrate Mass on Monday & Tuesday at 9:00 AM. Join us and allow Jesus Christ, through the richness of His Word, to love you into fullness of life and a deep sense of personal well-being. Not sure if this is for you? Please pray: for yourself, for others, for the success of the Mission. God will not refuse a heart raised to Him in sincere prayer.

Bishop Damphousse announces the Ordination of Robert Thibodeau to the Sacred Order of Permanent Deacon Friday November 10 with Celebration of the Holy Eucharist & Conferral of the Sacrament of Holy Orders at 7:00 PM. Everyone welcome - reception to follow in parish hall. St. Gregory's Church 71 Estelle St. Sault Ste. Marie.

Corpus Christi Knights of Columbus Soup and Sandwich Card Party September 25 at Holy Name Church hall from 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM. \$6.00 person. Contact Roy at 477-4084 or John at 845-1020 to register or for more information..

Beautiful Holy Land Wood Art Display & Sale will be held Sunday, October 1 before and after both masses (9 and 11 AM) at St. Peter's in support of the Christian community of Bethlehem which has suffered greatly due to political unrest.

Life Chain - spend one hour in peaceful, prayerful, visible support on behalf of the unborn on October 1 from 2:00 to 3:00 PM on Lakeshore Drive. Contact Jeannine for information at 724-3424. Canada has no law to protect the unborn and an abortion can be committed in the 9th month of gestation. Join together to help save lives & change hearts!

Isn't the Way of the Cross the way of every person's life? Doesn't every life have suffering, falls, hurts, rejections, condemnations, death, burial ... and resurrection? Mary, the Mother of Jesus, made the first Way of the cross. In October, every Wednesday at the Pro-Cathedral immediately following the 12:05 mass we will pray Mary's Way of the Cross. These stations will take approximately 20-30 minutes and are special in the way that we will be able to see through Mary's eyes what Jesus was experiencing on the way to Calvary. Please join us!

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Women's League Annual Harvest Tea & Bazaar October 14 from 10 AM to 2 PM. Penny sale, silent auction, knitting, sewing, crafts, bake table, used jewellery and used books. Adults \$6; Children \$3, under 5 years - free. Come and bring a friend or neighbour.

Holy Name of Jesus Turkey Dinner, Sunday, October 22. Sittings: 4:30 and 6:00 PM. Adults \$15, children (10 and under) \$10, and under 5 FREE. Take out is available. For more information call 497-1367.

Based on Albert Nolan's "Jesus Today A Spirituality of Radical Freedom" Sr. Mae Kierans leads a very timely Book Study at the Pro-Cathedral October 10-17-24-31 from 1:30 to 3:00 PM in the Pro-Cathedral Parish Hall. This work considers the current hunger for spirituality, the crisis of individualism, ecological breakdown, the global divide between rich and poor and new understanding of our expanding universe.

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.

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.

Prayers for the New Evangelization ~ Every Tuesday at Holy Name Church from 10:45 AM to 11:45 AM in front of the Blessed Sacrament. For information call Fran at 476-4146 or Holy Name Parish Office at 495-1501

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

Youth Ministry in the North Training Day: This day of training will help give support to anyone working with youth (Sacramental Prep, youth ministry, etc.) and lay persons looking to bring or enhance youth programs in the Catholic Church. John MacMullen - Associate Director of Youth Ministry for the Archdiocese of Toronto will be presenter. Session will include: Importance of Youth Ministry; Building a Vision for Youth Ministry in Northern Parishes; Bringing the Vision to Life; Recruiting and Training Volunteers; Finding the Teens; Working alongside our Catholic Schools. September 30 - St. Alexander Parish, 100 Gaudette St., Chelmsford from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM (Free - bring a bag lunch). Call Tammy Castonguay at 705-855-2525 for more information.

Redeemer Lutheran Church Harvest Luncheon and Bake Sale Saturday, September 30 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Everyone welcome - join us for lunch or come and check out the baking!

Canada Needs Our Lady holds a **Public Square Rosary** rally in cities across Canada on Saturday, October 14 at 12:00 noon. If anyone is interested in participating please call Suzanne Lukasik at 497-3706. Visit canadaneedsourlady.org for more information.

Sister Bonnie Chesser will be hosting an evening once a month for single women who would like to share their faith. We will use the book "[Cup of our Life](#)" by Sister Joyce Rupp as a basis of prayer and reflection. We will gather on either a Tuesday or Wednesday evening starting in September. If you are interested contact her at bchesser@cyberbeach.net or call 705-522-5245.

Marriage Preparation Weekend October 27 & 28: 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!

Christian Meditation Contemplative Prayer each week beginning September 19 from 1:30 to 2:30 in Holy Family Chapel at Motherhouse. All are welcome.

"Journey of Love and Hope with Pope Francis" A Development and Peace - Caritas Canada Social Justice Weekend is being held Friday evening through Sunday noon, October 20, 21, 22, 2017 at Anishinabe Spiritual Centre