# St. Peter the Apostle Roman Catholic Church 299 Airport Road North Bay ON P1B 8W7

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#### Pastor - Father Francis Chidi Ezenezi

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Permanent Deacons

Deacon M. Ketter Deacon A. Lamothe Diocesan Order of Women

Mrs. D. Ketter Mrs. B. Lamothe

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#### **Baptism**

A program of preparation is required. Parents are asked to contact the Parish Office prior to the birth of their child. Adults wishing baptism are asked to contact the Parish Office.

#### Marriage

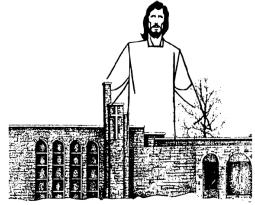
Contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding. A preparation course is required.

#### Visitation of the Sick

If any member of your family is sick at home or in the hospital, please call and let us know. If you are confined to home, and would like to receive Communion on Sunday, please call the Office before 3:00 pm on Thursday.

#### Prayers for the Sick

If you or any member of your family is sick, in distress or experiencing troubling times, we invite you to call the Parish office to place that person on our prayer list.



### Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

#### **Weekday Mass Schedule**

For Weekday Mass Schedule please see inside bulletin.

#### Reconciliation

Saturday from 3:00 - 3:30pm; or by appointment.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

First Wednesday of each month 9:30 am-5:00 pm.

#### Children's Liturgy

Each Sunday at the 9:00 am Mass from September to June. All children (beginning from Jr. Kindergarten) are welcome.

#### Welcome to St. Peter's

We warmly welcome new parishioners to our parish. You are asked to register by completing a registration form. Forms are available in the Entrance or from the Parish Office.





#### The Baptism of the Lord – January 12, 2025

"God seeks out the sinner and loves us unconditionally."

#### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

William Waugh+ by Joan Waugh & family Sat, Jan 18 4pm

Intentions of Jim & Anna Harris by Larraine Downey

Sun, Jan 19 9am Intentions of all Parishioners by Father Francis

11am Marisa Amendola+ by Fernando & family

Ethel & Oscar Gravelle+ and Antonetta & John Vecchio+

by Pat & Mary Vecchio & family

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: Marcel Desbiens

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED:

SCRIPTURE READINGS Jan 13 – Jan 19, 2025	
Monday	Hebrews 1:1-6; Mark 1:14-20
Tuesday	Hebrews 2:5-12; Mark 1:21-28
Wednesday	Hebrews 2:14-18; Mark 1:29-39
Thursday	Hebrews 3:7-14; Mark 1:40-45
Friday	Hebrews 4:1-5, 11; Mark 2:1-12
	St. Anthony
Saturday	Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 2:13-17
Sunday	Isaiah 62:1-5
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Sunday	

Christmas Offering Dec. 25, 2024 \$4 722.25 Sunday December 29, 2024 \$2 282.00 \$185 029.03 Building Fund balance to date

**Building Fund Goal:** \$200 000

Thank you for your generous contributions!

**2025 Envelopes** are ready to be picked up. Please call the Church

office for more information: 705-472-1817

CWL NEWS: Why belong to the Catholic Women's League? The CWL is a grassroots parish-based organization that is part of the largest national organization of Catholic women in Canada Come, join us! Please plan on attending our February 12th meeting, where we will be discussing the yearly budget. We are also having a guest speaker from Nipissing Serenity Hospice come and talk to our members. Please Save The Date. For more info: Christine Osborne @ 705-303-3808

#### Characteristics of the jubilee

















## **SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025**

#### The Baptism of the Lord

"When Jesus had been baptized and was praying, the Heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him." Luke 3:21-22 It is good for us to contemplate this: Jesus prays.

"His prayer is a dialogue, a relationship with the Father. It is a tremendous lesson for us: we are all immersed in the

problems of life and in many complicated situations, called upon to face difficult moments and choices that get us down. But, if we do not want to be crushed, we need to raise everything upwards. And this is exactly what prayer does. Prayer helps us because it unites us to God, it opens us up to encountering Him. When we pray, the *Father says to us, too, as He does to Jesus in the Gospel:* "You are my beloved child" (cf. v. 22).

Being God's children began on the day of our Baptism, which immersed us in Christ and, as members of the people of God, we became beloved children of the Father. Let us not forget the date of our Baptism! This is a beautiful thing: remembering the date of our baptism, because it is our rebirth, the moment in which we became children of God with Jesus. Celebrate your Baptism date and thank the Lord!

Remember - among the many things we do each day, let us not neglect prayer: let us dedicate time to it, let us use short invocations to be repeated often, let us read the Gospel every day - the prayer that opens the Heavens." Jan. 9, 2022

"Let us turn to Our Lady, the prayerful Virgin, who made her life into a hymn in praise of God.



## Prayer for Christian Unity

#### - January 18 - 25, 2025

This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, participate in a variety of liturgical and other community activities, while also praying together that, "all may be one", as Christ desires.

The theme of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 is based on a text from the Gospel of John: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26). It takes its cue from the dialogue between Jesus and Martha when Jesus visited the home of Martha and Mary in Bethany following the death of their brother Lazarus.

The prayers and reflections for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity were prepared by the brothers and sisters of the monastic community of Bose in northern Italy.

This year marks the 1,700th anniversary of the first Christian Ecumenical Council, held in Nicaea, near Constantinople in 325 AD. This provides a unique opportunity to reflect on and celebrate the common faith of Christians, as expressed in the Creed formulated during this Council; a faith that remains alive and fruitful in our days.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 offers an invitation to draw on this shared heritage and to enter more deeply into the faith that unites all Christians.

The Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity has published resource materials for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity available to all:

http://www.christianunity.va/content/unitacristiani/en.html

#### THIS WEEK

Wednesday Jan. 15 9:30AM – Rosary Cenacle

6:30PM – Knights (General) 4th Degree

Thursday Jan 16 **1:30PM** – Choir Practice (11AM)

**6:30PM** – Choir Practice (9AM)

Friday Jan 17 **6:30PM** – Youth Choir Practice

Month of January: Dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus: The very name bespeaks the magnitude of His mission, His infinite love, a love that will cause Him to offer Himself up for us.



## Pope Francis – January Prayer Intention

#### For the Right to an Education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their rights to an education, which is necessary to

build a better world, might always be respected.

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#### Coffee Sunday! Sunday Jan. 26th!

Reminder to bring your goodies prior to Mass. We look forward to seeing you after the 9am & 11am Masses!



Half a million pilgrims have already crossed the threshold of St Peter's Holy Door

According to a press statement released on Tuesday, a total of 545,532 faithful from across the globe have made the pilgrimage to Rome since the Jubilee Year 2025 began just two weeks ago (Dec.24,2024). Pilgrims have been arriving in groups and processing up Via della Conciliazione - led by the symbolic Jubilee Cross - to reach St Peter's Basilica. With the opening of the last of the Holy Doors, at St Paul Outside the Walls on the 5th of January, pilgrims can now complete their pilgrimage by passing through the Holy Doors of all four major papal basilicas in Rome: St Peter's Basilica, St John Lateran, St Mary Major, and St Paul Outside the Walls. Given the high demand, pilgrims are encouraged to book their visit in advance via the official Jubilee website, iubilaeum2025.va. "We are working tirelessly to ensure that pilgrims receive a warm welcome and an experience that meets their expectations." https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html

Is your child attending Gr.9 in September? St.

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Catholic Catholic Secondary School
(SJSH) is hosting an important registration information session for Grade 8 students and

parents on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. Visit sjsh.npsc.ca or scan the QR code for more details and to register! For more information, call St. Joseph-Scollard Hall Student Services at 705-494-8600, ext. 40413.





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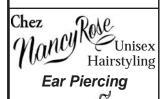
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