

<u>Pastor:</u> Father Hamish Currie

Parochial Vicar (Associate Pastor): Father Jeff Shannon

> Parish Office: Monday-Friday

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM Office Admin Jennifer

Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm Sunday Mass: 9:00 am & 11:00am

Weekday Masses: Morning Mass:

Tues to Fri at 9am

<u>Sacrament of Penance</u>: Saturday: 4:15pm-4:45pm

Usually on the **3rd Sunday** of the month. Please make arrangements **one month in advance** by contacting the Parish office.

Marriage:
Please make marriage arrangements 6 months in advance by contacting the Parish office.

Please allow at least 6 months for Papal Blessing to arrive after the request has been made.

Knights of Columbus: Ernie Console

CWL President: Maureen Gooderham 705-945-0852

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Bulletin Announcements : Email yours to

Email yours to pbcathedral@outlook.com Before 11:00 AM Wednesday

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The Sixth Week In Ordinary Time

February 11, 2024





Saturday February 10, 2024 @ 5pm

† Dr. Patrick Robert Fyfe by Fyfe Family

Sunday February 11, 2024 @ 9am

† Tom McGuire by Louise & Family

Tuesday February 13, 2024 @ 9am

† Ron Denomme by wife Mary

Ash Wednesday February 14, 2024 @ 9am

† John & Anna Theriault by Patricia & Michael Nanne @ 9am

† Paul Theriault by Patricia & Michael Nanne @ 7pm

Thursday February 15, 2024 @ 9am

† Gertrude Legare by Jean & John Martan

Friday February 16, 2024 @ 9am

In Thanksgiving Jean & John Martan

Saturday February 17, 2024 @ 5pm

† Alberto & Esterina Pino by Lena & Tony Pino

Sunday February 18, 2024 @ 9am

† Peggy Keenan by Art & Nancy Tadashore

Greetings in Christ!

On behalf of Father Hamish, Father Jeff, and all of us at Precious Blood Cathedral, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to our dedicated team of Ushers, Greeters, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist, and adult and youth altar servers. This team of dedicated individuals do an amazing job at every mass, their assistance is so appreciated, thank you!

I would also like to say thank you to the parishioners that step up each week and assist with collection when we are short. It means so much!

As coordinator of the various ministries, I would like to invite you to consider joining our team of dedicated and friendly ushers.

As an usher, you will have the opportunity to welcome and assist church attendees, distribute bulletins, assist with collection and the presentation of the gifts.

When scheduled, the usher ministry requires a commitment of arriving a few minutes earlier for mass, and stay a few minutes after mass ends.

Schedules are drawn up 4 times per year and you will always have an opportunity to provide your known availability prior to the schedules being produced.

We offer flexibility in timing as we know that during the summer months some of us move to the cottage and in winter months some leave town, we can work with that as well.

How often you are scheduled is based on the size of our team. We do have some members that assist every week, some just on occasion, and we have several couples teams that are scheduled together.

You can expect to receive training and guidance from our experienced ushers.

The usher ministry is a vital part of our church's hospitality and stewardship. By assisting you will help ensure Mass runs smoothly and efficiently.

If you are interested in becoming a member of our team there are easy ways to sign up.

Email the parish office at pbcathedral@outlook.com

Call Ivan at 705-257-9989

The next schedule for the spring will be produced shortly and will be for the period of March through May.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Ivan McCaig

LENTEN VIDEO SERIES- PRECIOUS BLOOD CATHEDRAL GATHERING HALL

"THE SEARCH"
Tuesday Nights in LENT
7:00pm - 8:00pm

Tuesday Feb 20 - WHO Do You Seek? WHO are You?

Tuesday Feb 27 - WHY a God? WHAT's Our Story?

Tuesday March 5 - WHO is Jesus?

Tuesday. March 12th- **NO Gathering

Tuesday March 19 - AM I Saved?

Tuesday March 26-WHY A Church?

Income Tax Donation Receipts

2023 Income Tax receipts are available in the St Anne's room in sealed envelopes in alphabetical order.

If you have any questions.

Please email pbcathedral@outlook.com

Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to have prayers for a special intention, or someone who is ill, having surgery, for the deceased, or any other intention may contact Corona at 705.575.6975

Shawl Ministry

If you know of someone who is in hospital or at home or at the Hospice that is in need of comfort from a shawl.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Feb. 14- Mass 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every FRIDAY IN LENT

@ 5:00 PM

In the Church

Friday Feb 16, Feb 23,

March 1, 8, 15, 22.



CWL News!

Monday Feb. 12th - Making a Difference Luncheon. Please contact Gerri if you can donate sandwiches or baking for this next luncheon for people with disabilities.

Drop off at the church Mon. Feb. 12 between 11am and 11:30 am. (Gerri - 705-759-4698)

Monday Feb. 12th - Lenten Spiritual Reflection - online at 7:30 pm. See poster on the CWL bulletin board. Link was emailed to members.

Saturday Feb. 17th - CWL city wide Food Drive - at Rome's from 9 am to 2 pm. See poster on bulletin board for details.

Friday March 1st - World Day of Prayer (theme is Palestine), Precious Blood
Cathedral Hall at

2 pm. This is an inter-faith service with readings, songs and a



2024 NORTHERN ONTARIO CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

The 2024 Northern Ontario Catholic Leadership Conference will be held on Saturday, February 24 at St. Joseph-Scollard Hall in North Bay, Ontario. Join youth from across Northern Ontario for a day of faith, music, sharing, talks and powerful witness featuring Keynote Speaker David Patterson.

This year's theme is "Quo Vadis – Where are You Going?" Registration fee is only \$25 and includes all meals! The Conference runs from 10am – 8pm, and overnight accommodations are available for travellers. All young people aged 13-19 are invited to register online at www.northerncatholic.ca.



Presented by Betsy Currier, Diocesan Spiritual Development Chairperon Sault Ste. Marie Diocesan Catholic Women's League

JOIN US AS WE PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR LENT

May we be open to God's invitation during this season of Lent and a renewed desire to live an outward-looking, self-emptying, kind of love

DATE: Monday, February 12, 2024 TIME: 7:30 pm (EST)

MEETING LINK:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86370566495?pwd=MnljZU1FODBZME91eW9MSXNjemJrZz09







February 17th & February 18th, 2024	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Saturday, February 17th 5:00 pm Sunday, February 18th 9am	St Anne's Entrance Lucy Campbell Queen Street Entrance Sam Biasucci St. Anne's Entrance Rose McCormick Queen Street Entrance Michelle McIntyre St. Anne's Entrance	St Anne's Entrance Linda Clement Queen Street Entrance St. Anne's Entrance Terry Lou Legros Queen Street Entrance Ayda Valderrama St. Anne's Entrance
11am	Stephanie MacWilliam Queen Street Entrance	Queen Street Entrance Tony Pino
Saturday February 17th 5pm	<u>Lectors</u> <u>February 17th</u> Jack Stadnyk	Eucharistic Minister February 17th Robert Dugas
Sunday February 18th 9am 11am	<u>Lectors</u> <u>February 18th</u> Susan Colizza Fil Lettieri	Eucharistic Minister February 18th Bill Denneny Bambi Alexander

Weekday Scripture Readings: February 12th- February 17th, 2024

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	James 1.1-11	Mark 8.11-13
Tuesday	James 1.12-18	Mark 8.14-21
Wednesday	Joel 2.12-18 2 Corinthians 5.20-6.2	Matthew 6.1-6,16-18
Thursday	Deuteronomy 30.15-20	Luke 9.22-25
Friday	Isaiah 58.1-9a	Matthew 9.14-15
Saturday	Isaiah 58.9b-14	Luke 5.27-32

Sunday Collations
February 3rd & 4th 2024
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The Sixth Week of Ordinary Time

On the **Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time** we hear **Matthew's Gospel.** Jesus speaks to his followers about religious laws and also of our own relationships. Go to offer gifts to God at the altar, but first, Jesus says, "Leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift."

Tuesday is the Memorial of Saint Cyril, monk, and Saint Methodius, bishop.

We continue with first readings from the **Book of Genesis**. This is the beginning of the story of salvation: Cain and Abel, Noah and the Ark, the Tower of Babel. The week concludes with the **Letter to the Hebrews'** summary of the beliefs of our ancestors in the faith.

As we follow Jesus' ministry in **Mark's Gospel**, we witness Jesus' discouragement as he again encounters the challenges of the religious leaders: "he sighed from the depth of his spirit." As they retreat to the other side of the lake, Jesus warns his disciples against the rebellious "leaven" of the Pharisees and reminds them of the meaning of the miracle of the loaves - he is like God, come to feed them in whatever desert journey they encounter. Jesus heals a blind man who first sees only in a distorted way - a scene which begins the journey to Jerusalem on which Jesus tries to heal the blindness of his disciples. Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ but rejects Jesus' instruction that he must suffer and die before the resurrection. Jesus rebukes him and instructs his disciples about their discipleship. It is about taking up our own cross with him: "whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the Gospel will save it." Then Jesus takes Peter, James and John and shows them his glory, to prepare them for the scandal of the cross.

On the **Seventh Week of Ordinary Time**, Jesus gives us one of the biggest challenges to living the Christian life: Love Your Enemies. "I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well."

Coffee Sundays
The first Sunday of each month—join us after
Mass for coffee in the Gathering Place.
Coffee Hour: March 3, 2024

Daily Prayer This Week

We can feel the tension in this week's readings. Jesus is trying to warn his disciples - and us - about the rebellious style of the Pharisees, about hypocrisy. And, he is trying to heal the blindness of his disciples - and our blindness - about what his mission is all about. He has come to free us from sin and the captivity we have to all kinds of self-centered patterns.

So when we stay reflective this week, we can become more conscious of how we rebel from the path of Jesus, from joining him in becoming less selfish. When we begin our days this week, we can ask, "Lord, help me see the ways I'm too self-centered this week. Help me notice the needs of those you place in my life. Stretch my heart to love more today." It is simple, but it begins to change our focus.

As we go through the week, we can pay closer attention to our resistance, the places we catch ourselves holding back. We can open our eyes to see the patterns in our lives that we might not have paid attention to before. It doesn't have to be serious evil we are choosing. It might just be ways in which we are avoiding losing our lives for him. Once we focus, start paying attention to the daily choices we make, our day becomes a day of prayer. We can be in communion with the Lord throughout the day because it becomes a day of dialogue, in the midst of all the busyness.

"Lord, as I put on this sweater, I'm aware how I just spoke to Helen. I'm sorry. That was all about my fear, wasn't it? I cut her off because I was just afraid of what she was asking of me. I became more aware of the cost to me than anything else. Please help me to continue to see how I respond to people. Please calm my fears." We can get in the habit of doing this kind of prayer every day, right where we are, in very brief moments. Finding intimacy with God in the midst of our daily lives is the goal of this kind of prayer.

All of this is reinforced by our prayer of gratitude each night. If we can feel the need for this kind of communion with our Lord each day, and thank God for it each night, there is no question that we will be developing a new pattern in our life. We tend to continue to do what we enjoy. And gratitude feeds even more openness and generosity.



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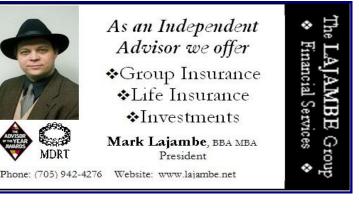
















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