

Precious Blood Cathedral

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

Parochial Vicar (Associate Pastor): Father Jeff Shannon

> Parish Office: Monday-Friday

8:30 AM to 12:00 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

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: Moyra O'Pallie

<u>Liturgical Music / Choir :</u>
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Bulletin Announcements:

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

> Prayer Line: Corona McNally 705-575-6975

The Fourth Sunday Of Lent March 30, 2025





Saturday, March 29, 2025 @ 5pm

† Jo-Anne Best by Marie & Tony Bruno

Sunday, March 30, 2025 @ 9am

Intentions For The People of California

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 @ 9am

† Louise Carter by Beverley & Brian Dunn

Wednesday, April 2, 2025 @ 9am

† Jean Lajambe by Louise & Family

Thursday, April 3, 2025 @ 9am

† Ron Denomme by Mary Denomme

Friday, April 4, 2025 @ 9am

† Jean Lajambe by Barb Mahon

Saturday, April 5, 2025 @ 5pm

Intentions for the Fyfe Family by Fyfe Family

Sunday, April 6, 2025 @ 9am

† Anthony Fazi by Anthea & Barb



CWL NEWS!

Tuesday April 1st – CWL General Meeting, **7 pm** in the church hall. New members are welcome to come out. Thursday April 3rd – All Day Confessions from 9:30 am to 6 pm – Thank you to all members who will be volunteering time and baking.

- Saturday April 5th Regional Development Day 9 am to 3 pm at St. Jerome's Church Includes mass, guest speakers, workshops, chair yoga...
- members are welcome to participate for part of the day or the entire day. More details are on the poster on the CWL bulletin boards.

Why become a CWL member?

https://www.cwl.ca/why-become-a-member/ Contact Marie if you have any questions. (705-943-0345)

Shalom Place presents an in-person day retreat – Heading for the Place Homestretch – on Saturday April 5 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Shalom Place in the Mount St Joseph Education Centre facilitated by Sr Mary Jo Radey. Take a day to really be in touch with your Lenten Journey. Give yourself the space to listen to how God may be directing you to the Easter experience for your life. There will input and reflection material followed by periods of quiet reflection. Join us for some Shalom time...to pause, to reflect and to grow in awareness. Register at shalomssm@shaw.ca, www.shalomplace.ca or 705-254-4690. Registration closes on Wednesday April 2. Lunch will be provided. Cost – Your gift allows the ministry of Shalom Place to continue. Thank you for your generosity.

Invitation to Chrism Mass 2025

Bishop Thomas Dowd invites all the faithful of the Diocese to the Chrism Mass which will be celebrated on Wednesday, April 9, 2025, at 7:00 pm. at the Pro-Cathedral of the Assumption, North Bay. During this special Mass, Bishop Dowd will bless the oils that will be used for the sacraments of the Church. The priests will also renew their priestly promises. All faithful of the Diocese are welcome to participate in this important celebration.

ALL DAY LENTEN CONFESSIONS

THURSDAY APRIL 3, 2025.

9:30 am- 6:00 pm

@ Precious Blood Cathedral.

*Two priests scheduled to be available to hear confessions all day...



IT'S Sat. April 12th, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

BARBERSHOP SHOW TIME! The Northland Barbershop Chorus Presents: AT THE SAULT COMMUNITY THEATRE CENTRE (WHITE PINES)

"The Barbershop Twilight Zone"

JOINING THE NORTHLAND CHORUS on their 58th Annual Show:

VOCAL SPECTRUM – 2006 International Gold Medalist quartet from St. Louis, Missouri

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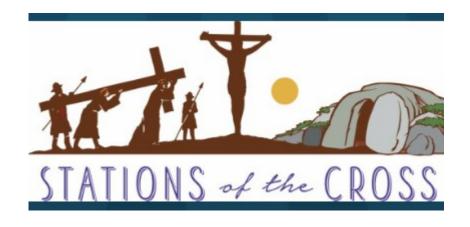
- Hess Jewellers (Churchill Plaza), Sault Theatre/STARS (Soo, Mich.)
- **Any Chorus member Theatre Centre Box Office** (Station Mall)

*Includes \$4 Box Office surcharge - NOTE NEW START TIME: 7:00 PM

For ticket info, call Doug Iles at 705-942-3075 or visit www.northlandchorus.com/annual-show

A major portion of the proceeds supports speech therapy programs at the Speech Language Pathology Unit at **Sault Area Hospital**, with more than **\$125,000** donated so far in keeping with their motto:

"We Sing...That They Shall Speak"



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alphabetical order.
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pbcathedral@outlook.com

Weekday Scripture Readings: March 31, 2025 – April 5, 2025

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Isaiah 65.17-21	John 4.43-54
Tuesday	Ezekiel 47.1-9,12	John 5.1-16
Wednesday	Isaiah 49.8-15	John 5.16-30++
Thursday	Exodus 32.7-14	John 5.18, 31-47++
Friday	Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22	John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday	Jeremiah 11.18-20	John 7.40-53

Sunday Collection
March 22nd, 2025 & March 23rd, 2025
Weekend-\$3,943.95

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Fourth Week of Lent

For the **Fourth Sunday of Lent** we read the powerful story of the Prodigal Son from **Luke's Gospel**. The younger son, who asks for his inheritance and spends it all, returns and asks to be a servant at his father's house. Instead he is welcomed home with open arms by his father who was filled with compassion, ran to his son and forgave him. The older son is jealous and will not share in the happiness but the father says to "celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found." For Masses using <u>Cycle A readings for the RCIA</u>, **John's Gospel** will offer the story of the man born blind. (For more information, see <u>Praying the Gospels of Weeks 3, 4 and 5</u>.)

Our gospels this week are all from **John's Gospel**. After two days of healing stories, the opposition against Jesus builds. In Cana, in Galilee, Jesus heals the son of a royal official. Back down in erusalem, he heals a man who was sick for 38 years, incurring the wrath of his enemies because he did it on the Sabbath. Because of this, and because he called God his Father, they now plot a way to kill him. Jesus says his opponents do not want to come to him for life. He calls God his father and says, "I have testimony greater than John's." Unafraid of his opponents, Jesus goes to Jerusalem for a feast and openly tells people that he has come from God. They did not arrest him then, "for his hour had not yet come." Thinking they know where Jesus is from (in both senses: where he lived now and his origin in heaven), his enemies insist that Jesus can't be a prophet: "Look and see that no prophet arises from Galilee."

On the **Fifth Sunday of Lent**, Parishes that are doing the Third Scrutiny will use **John's gospel** of the raising of Lazarus.

For the rest of us using the Cycle C readings for this liturgical year, **John's gospel** brings us the story of the woman accused of adultery. Religious leaders bring a woman to Jesus challenging him: "Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" Jesus responded only, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." The crowd quietly dispersed. Jesus seeing there is no one left to accuse the woman says gently, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."



GIFT SHOP OPEN FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

Daily Prayer This Week

The gospels this week make it very clear toward the end of the week that Jesus faced opposition that couldn't accept who he is. We see that Jesus comes to lay down his life that we might live. So, this week of Lent is an important time for us to ask ourselves if there are any parts of our hearts, any of our patterns, that oppose Jesus and his desire to give us life. This kind of honesty can transform our lives. It can allow the grace of God to bring reconciliation and healing we might not have imagined.

Even if it hasn't been easy to get really engaged with Lent so far, we can still make a beginning, even now. The key is openness and desire. If we can feel any attraction, any sign that the Lord is possibly drawing us, then the Lord can work with us - no matter what resistance or fear we might also be experiencing. All we have to do is act out of these desires and simply ask the Lord for the grace to help us be more honest and more open to what he is offering us. For example, we can ask for the grace to examine our consciences more thoroughly. We could try a different approach to facing any resistance we might have to the Lord's working in us. We might not commit the big sins, but we may not have examined what we fail to do. Who am I failing to love, to forgive, to be generous to? From whom am I withholding affection, care, reconciliation? Where can I live more honestly, with more integrity? How might I proactively change my own personal patterns of escape with patterns of care for others?

It is a time of grace when we can experience moments of "recognition," or self-understanding. But it is *not* a grace to beat up on ourselves or become self-absorbed in our own guilt. It *is* grace to feel grateful to the Lord for showing us obstacles to the life he is offering us. It is grace to feel our spirits lighten as we feel drawn to greater freedom and peace. It is incredible grace when we are drawn to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This week, let us give thanks to the Lord who deeply desires our greater freedom and joy. As we go to bed each night, let us thank the Lord for what we saw that day and renew our desires for the next day of grace.

Coffee Sundays The first Sunday of each month—join us after Mass for coffee in the Gathering Place.

Coffee Hour: April 6, 2025

2025-'26 Discipleship Formation Program (DFP)-St. Malo, MB - Applications being accepted

Young Adults! It's time to apply! Take a year off to dive deeper into your relationship with God and Catholic faith. The DFP is an 8-month live-in program for post high school students 18 yrs or older, at the Catholic School of Evangelization in St. Malo Manitoba. This is an opportunity to live in community, develop your personal relationship with Jesus Christ, study the Catholic faith with the head and heart, and to grow in missionary zeal through evangelization and ministry. Experience the challenge and satisfaction of helping children and teens in Manitoba Catholic schools encounter the love of God. Get ready for a memorable year as you build friendships with other young adults from various places in Canada. Is God calling you? Tuition is \$7,500...\$300 early bird price reduction when applying by April 30th. Apply today

- at https://www.catholicway.net/dfp . For more information please contact Louis or Mary
- at <u>richards@catholicway.net</u>. Join us on April 22nd or June 24th for a virtual information session...link found at https://www.catholicway.net/dfp.

March 29th & March 30th, 2025	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Greeters</u>
Saturday, March 29 5:00 pm	St Anne's Entrance Linda Clement	St Anne's Entrance Joanne Young
Sunday, March 30 9am	Queen Street Entrance Terry Scott St. Anne's Entrance Sandra Suurna Queen Street Entrance Christopher Tan	Queen Street Entrance Terry Zuccato St. Anne's Entrance Tiffany Edwards Queen Street Entrance Terry Lou Legros
11am	St. Anne's Entrance Floricet Bahay Queen Street Entrance Richard Breton	St. Anne's Entrance Roseanne Breton Queen Street Entrance Tony Pino
Saturday March 29 5pm	<u>Lectors</u> <u>March 29th</u> Marlene Zuccato	Eucharistic Minister March 29th Ralph Esposito
Sunday March 30 9am 11am	Lectors March 30th Terry Bos Mary Claire Szabo	Eucharistic Minister March 30th Bill Denneny John Bruno



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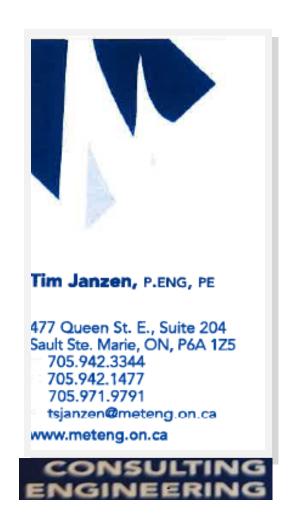
















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