



**"Whoever does not carry his cross and follow Me cannot be My disciple."**  
*(Painting by Adolphe Bouguereau: 1825-1905)*

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Michael Wojciechowski, son of Stefan & Alina (Gill) Wojciechowski and Stefanie Ann McIlwain, daughter of Murray & Catharine (Mascarin) McIlwain  
*(Wedding: September 30, 2022)*

**LAST WEEK'S PARISH DONATIONS**

Last Sunday's Collection .....	\$ 4, 123.65
Online Donations <i>(last week)</i> ...	220.00
Missions' Collection <i>(more)</i> .....	20.00
Donations <i>(Baptisms)</i> .....	60.00
Votive Candles .....	109.65
St. Anthony's Poor Fund .....	37.40

**SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2022**      **23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AND LABOUR DAY WEEKEND**

Mon., Sept. 5 <sup>th</sup>	12:10 pm	SPECIAL LABOUR DAY MASS <i>(Parish Office is closed)</i>
Tues., Sept. 6 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Weekday Mass
Wed., Sept. 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Weekday Mass
Thurs., Sept. 8 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	MASS OF THE NATIVITY OF THE VIRGIN MARY
Fri., Sept. 9 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am	Weekday Mass <i>(St. Peter Claver, Patron of Colombia)</i>
Sat., Sept. 10 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 pm	Vigil Mass for 24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun., Sept. 11 <sup>th</sup>		Masses for the 24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**WHY DO WE AS CATHOLICS CELEBRATE LABOUR DAY IN OUR CHURCHES?**

Each year we commemorate Labour Day with a special Mass, not only as Canadians but also as persons of Faith. It is celebrated in thanksgiving for the value of authentic human work, which enables us to make use of our gifts and talents for the building up of our families and of our society. The Catholic Church teaches that work befits the dignity of the human person and that all true and creative work is made for us and not us for work!  
*St. Joseph, Model of Workers*



**'St. Joseph, the Worker'**  
*(St. Joseph's Hospital in Thunder Bay)*

**WATCH OUR FIRST COMMUNION VIDEO AND MUCH MORE, ON-LINE ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE!**

**BISHOP'S SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 10 & 11 CATHEDRAL MASSES**

**BECOMING A CATHOLIC ...**

If you have not been baptized OR ... if you were baptized in another Faith but now wish to become a Catholic, please call our Parish Office at 622-5389.

**JOIN "FRIENDS OF THE CATHEDRAL"**

All Donations go to our Roof Fund (\$250/yr.)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address/E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Income Tax Deductible)*

**OUR "ST. PAT'S NEEDS A HAT" ONGOING ROOF FUND**

**Donations this Week**

Free-will Donations .....	\$ 50.00
Donation in Memory of Emilio Stilla .....	100.00
	<u>\$ 150.00</u>



**\*\*\* TOTAL TO DATE \*\*\***  
**\$ 40, 890.00**

**Pledge cards are found on our Website: [www.stpatrickscathedral.ca](http://www.stpatrickscathedral.ca)**

*All donations are Income Tax Deductible*

**Q.** What is the difference between a Civil Divorce and a Church Annulment and what are the grounds used for Catholic Annulments?

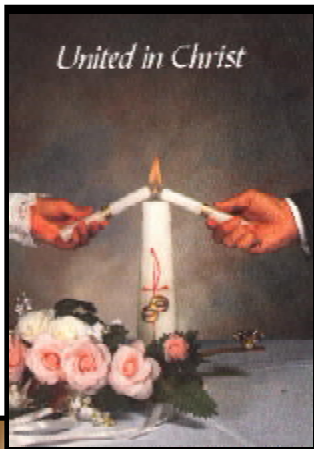
**A.** Unlike a divorce, by which a civil court declares that a bond of marriage between two persons is now officially severed by the decree of a Judge, a Catholic annulment, is an official declaration made by a Church court, that a particular marriage bond never actually existed between the two persons in the first place and therefore either partner is now free to marry again if they wish.

**Marriage is a Sacrament**  
We believe that for those who are baptized, Marriage is received as one of the seven Sacraments.

As with every other Sacrament, the Church sets down the minimum requirements for Marriage, for it to be celebrated validly as a Sacrament. If one or more of these requirements are missing, then, the Sacrament itself is invalid and the Marriage is declared null. The following are three essential requirements needed.

• **The Full Freedom to Decide**  
Marriage must be freely entered into by both parties. External pressures of any kind applied to either party or to both will render the marriage vows invalid. These can be obviously blatant or more subtle. Among the blatant ones are issues like pre-marital pregnancies and

constant pressures to marry from family members, friends, society, clergy, or even from one's fiancé(e). The subtle ones, which are becoming more common today, include the fear of disappointing guests by changing marriage plans when all preparations have been made or of

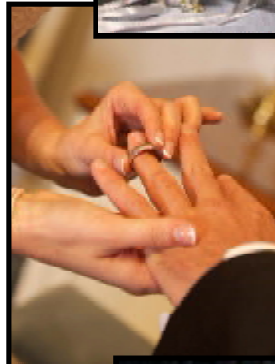


losing financial deposits made to florists, photographers, etc., if the wedding is cancelled.

• **The Three Basics ...**

For a Sacramental Marriage to be valid, the parties must each understand that they are entering into a sacred union which is:

- an unbreakable, life-long and equal partnership of life and love;
- a vowed relationship of exclusive fidelity to one's spouse, and;
- a conjugal union of love, which is open (if possible) to the procreation and education of children.



• **Full Discretion**

Of course, for individuals to marry validly, they must also be sufficiently mature and responsible to enter into a permanent commitment of



love, respect and sharing. Each partner must accept that marriage is an equal partnership and fully understand the responsibilities and rights of married life. Finally, they must be free of serious character or psychological anomalies which would hinder their ability to enter into an enduring relationship for life.



**Catholic Women's League**

**A HUGE THANK-YOU!**

The CWL Donation Initiative Team thanks you for your generous donations to the Dew Drop Inn and RFDA.  
*God Bless you for your care of the less fortunate!*

We received three full boxes of items this month!



**Knights of Columbus**



**SUPPORT SPECIAL OLYMPICS**

Fort William Council 1447  
50/50 CHARITY DRAW  
Call Louis: 767-6533  
Jackpot Draw: September 30

**SPAGHETTI TAKEOUTS**

Columbus Centre  
On Thursdays,  
September 15<sup>th</sup> and  
October 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>  
Times for food pick-up  
2:00 pm to 5:30 pm

**COME AND JOIN US!**



You are invited to add your name to a pool of volunteers, to assist us from time to time in our ongoing "St. Pat's Needs a Hat" activities. To join us, please complete this form or call our Office: 622-5389.

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