



**THIS WEEKEND, WE
CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF
OUR PATRONESS,
OUR LADY OF CHARITY**

OCTOBER 2TH, 2022 OUR LADY OF CHARITY

Sun.,	Oct. 2 nd	2:00 pm	8:30 am	Mass Choir Rehearsal
Mon.,	Oct. 3 rd	-----		No Mass on Monday
Tues.,	Oct. 4 th	9:00 am		MASS OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI
Wed.,	Oct. 5 th	9:00 am		Weekday Mass (<i>St. Faustina Kowalska</i>)
Thurs.,	Oct. 6 th	9:00 am		Weekday Mass (<i>St. Bruno & Bl. Marie Durocher</i>)
Fri.,	Oct. 7 th	9:00 am		MASS OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY .. First Friday Benediction after Mass
Sat.,	Oct. 8 th	5:00 pm		Vigil Mass: 28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun.,	Oct. 9 th			Masses: 28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am and 10:30 am

A SPECIAL WEEKEND TO CELEBRATE THE FAITH OF OUR DIOCESAN FAMILY!

Dioceses around the world celebrate Festivals that are significant to the people in their area. The celebration of Our Lady of Charity, as our Patroness is this weekend's festivity for the people of our Diocese. Over 40 years ago, it was decided that on the 1st weekend of October each year, 'Our Patroness, Our Lady of Charity', would be celebrated in every Parish in our Diocese: to give thanks for our Faith, to pray for our Bishop and Diocese, to strengthen the bond of unity that our Parishes share with each other and to commemorate those who helped build up the Faith Community in this part of the world.



Diocesan History and Statistics
 .. Established on April 29, 1952;
 .. Bishop E. Q. Jennings was appointed our first Bishop, our church was named its Diocesan Cathedral and Our Lady of Charity and St. Patrick were named our Diocesan Patrons;
 .. Five Bishops have served our Diocese since 1952;
 .. Bishop Fred Colli was installed in the Cathedral on March 25, 1999;
 .. Our Diocese serves over 78,000 Catholics in 45 Parishes and 8 Missions in an area of 222,000 sq. kms.,
 .. We are served by 27 Diocesan Priests, 7 Religious Order Priests, 27 Deacons and 22 Ministers of Service.



**BISHOP'S SCHEDULE
OCTOBER 8/9
MASSES AT
OUR LADY OF LORETTO**

BECOMING A CATHOLIC

If you have not been baptized OR ... if you were baptized in another Faith but now wish to become a Catholic, call our Office at 622-5389, or complete this form and return it.

_____ Name
 _____ Telephone/E-Mail

I will be in Fort Frances this week until Friday. Fr. Mahoney and Fr. Devas will celebrate Mass on Oct. 4, 5 & 6. *Msgr. Pat.*

We congratulate Isabelle Pike who made her First Holy Communion last Saururday!



LAST WEEK'S PARISH DONATIONS

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 3, 598.00
Online Donations (<i>last week</i>).....	80.00
Collection (<i>Needs of Can. Church</i>)...	1, 030.00
Votive Candles	121.00
St. Anthony's Poor Fund	40.85

"ST. PAT'S NEEDS A HAT" DONATIONS THIS WEEK

Anonymous Donations	\$ 20.00
In Memory of Loved Ones (<i>Anonymous</i>)	5, 000.00
In Memory of Joanne Werstedt	325.00

Total this week \$ 5, 345.00

*** **TOTAL TO DATE** ***
 \$ 106, 805.00

All donations are Income Tax Deductible



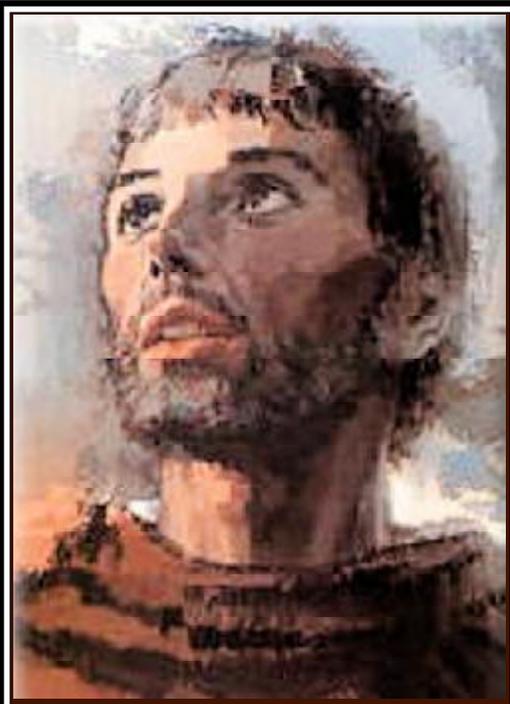


Q. I was told that after St. Francis' death, the Franciscan Order which he founded, divided into a number of groups. Is this true and, if it is, do these different Franciscan Communities still exist today?

A. The answer is "Yes", to both of your questions. It seems inevitable in history that, after a founder dies, some of the followers take it upon themselves to divide the original group according to their own interpretations. After all, look at the different Christian denominations that exist today!

Three Divisions

When the Franciscan Order was first founded by Francis and approved by the Pope in 1209, it was officially named, the 'Order of Friars Minor'. The group wore a brown hooded habit, gathered at the waist by a cord with 3 knots in it.



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: OCTOBER 4TH

These were meant to remind the Brothers of their vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. The rule of life which they followed was written by St. Francis himself!

A Difference of Opinion

After Francis died, different interpretations regarding aspects of the original rule of life and the Franciscan goals began to surface among the followers. While some of Francis' disciples sought to follow his guidelines strictly, others believed that certain aspects of the rule should be relaxed and modified. Still others thought that both interpretations were too

permissive and so they began to follow a third, stricter version. Of course, this led to an eventual splitting of the Franciscan Order and changes to the monks' clothing (habits) were made to identify the three different branches which resulted, and which still exist to this day.

Habits & Goals

The first group continued to wear the traditional brown habit and retained the original name, 'Order of Friars Minor' (O.F.M.). Their goal is "to follow Christ in joyful poverty and in humble living and mission". The new group, became known

as the 'Conventuals' (O.F.M. Conv.). Their goal is "to live in urban centres and to teach and preach there". The colour of their habit was changed from brown to black. The third group was organized in 1619 and took the name, the 'Capuchins' (O.F.M. Cap.). Their goal is "to serve those in need by living a simple life together and drawing closer to the Lord through prayer". The name of the Italian coffee, "cappuccino" was derived from the word "Capuchin", because the colour of this mixture of coffee and milk resembles the grey colour of the Capuchin habit.

ATTENTION C.W.L. MEMBERS

As some may already know, the National Council of the Catholic Women's League asked all Members to vote on an increase in the cost of the membership fees last spring. Our Council voted against the increase and the results of this vote were announced at the C.W.L. National Convention this past summer. Unfortunately, other Councils voted for the increase and we are sorry to say that the membership fee starting in 2023 will now be \$35.

Please Note: If you subscribe to our parish envelopes, the amount on the C.W.L. envelope in January may still read \$25. because it was too late to make the necessary change.

DIOCESAN

FAITH DEVELOPMENT DAY

DATE: Sat., October 15, 2022
 PLACE: St. Peter's Church Hall (Thunder Bay East End)
 TIMES: Opening Mass: 9 am
 Registration: 9:30 am
 Sessions: 10 am to 2 pm
 COST: \$10.00 (lunch cost)

Our members who plan to attend this wonderful day are asked to please let JoAnn Floen know by Wednesday, October 12th.

She will register you and our League Council will cover the cost for your lunch.

JoAnn can be reached at: 623-6388 or floj3@shaw.ca