

**SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2022      26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**"And lying at the door was a poor man, Lazarus."  
(This Sunday's Gospel)**

Sun., Sept. 25 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 pm	8:30 am	Mass Choir Rehearsal
Mon., Sept. 26 <sup>th</sup>	-----		No Mass on Monday
Tues., Sept. 27 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am		Weekday Mass ( <i>St. Vincent de Paul</i> )
Wed., Sept. 28 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am		Weekday Mass ( <i>St. Wenceslaus, Martyr</i> )
Thurs., Sept. 29 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am		MASS OF STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL
Fri., Sept. 30 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am		MASS OF ST. JEROME AND OF THE DAY OF "TRUTH & RECONCILIATION" ( <i>Office Closed</i> )
Sat., Oct. 1 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 pm		Vigil Mass for OUR LADY OF CHARITY SUNDAY .. First Saturday of Mary's Immaculate Heart .. Feastday of St. Thérèse of the Child, Jesus
Sun., Oct. 2 <sup>nd</sup>			Masses for OUR LADY OF CHARITY SUNDAY

**TRUTH & RECONCILIATION**

September 30<sup>th</sup> marks the "National Day for Truth and Reconciliation". This year, our Mass at 9 am next Friday will honour the children who never returned home and survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. This marks our Cathedral's commemoration of the painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools and is a vital component of the reconciliation process.



**100TH ANNIVERSARY PLANT BLESSING AND FIRST GATHERING OF THE FALL: THIS SUNDAY**



Following the 10:30 am Mass this Sunday, our League Members are invited to gather outside in the Prayer Garden for the blessing of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary plant donated to our Parish by the C.W.L. After this blessing, our first gathering of the Fall will then take place in our Cathedral Auditorium to reconnect with one another after our break and to plan for future projects ... !

**Our prayers and best wishes to St. Casimir's Parish as they celebrate 100 years this weekend!**



**BISHOP'S SCHEDULE  
OCTOBER 1  
MASS AT ST. CASIMIR  
OCT. 2 (8:30 AM)  
CATHEDRAL (O.L. OF CHARITY)**

**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.

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Name

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Address/E-Mail



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

One Time Special Donation .....	\$ 50,000.00
One Time Special Donation .....	1,000.00
Sum of Free Will Donations .....	260.00
In Memory of Jeffrey Bentz (1/2 of \$10,000. Pledge).....	5,000.00

Total this week ..... \$ 56,260.00

\*\*\* **TOTAL TO DATE** \*\*\*

\$ 101,460.00



**Thanks for your generous support!**

*All donations are Income Tax Deductible*

**LAST WEEK'S PARISH DONATIONS**

Last Sunday's Collection .....	\$ 5,202.75
Online Donations ( <i>last week</i> )....	330.00
Votive Candles .....	123.00
St. Anthony's Poor Fund .....	110.10



Q. Recently, during "Open Doors: Thunder Bay", I visited St. Benedict's Chapel, on Highway 61. The Saint's statue placed on a wall pedestal above the main altar held a staff surmounted by a cross with three crossbars. I assumed it represented St. Benedict and, if so, why is he depicted holding a three barred cross? The guide didn't seem to know. - *Anonymous*

A. Although this Chapel is named after St. Benedict, I am certain that the statue over the main altar does

the triple crown that the artist placed of the head of the image. In the past, this type of crown was

not depict this Saint but probably depicts a Saint who was a Pope! Not knowing much about the origins of the Chapel and its builders, I am not sure why a statue of Benedict was not displayed in this place of honour. It would be interesting to research the Chapel's history to uncover the story.



ST. BENEDICT'S CHAPEL STATUE

worn only by the Pope. However, since the reign of Pope John Paul I it has no longer been used. The three crowns stacked on top of each other represented the Trinity and the Pope's triple mandate. Not only would our St. Benedict never have worn such an ornate crown but the head-dress itself was not invented until the 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> century and Benedict died in 548 A.D.!

The Triple Cross Staff

You mention the unique "staff" in your question.

This is the first hint which convinces me that this is a Pope's image and not Benedict's. Although rarely used today, this unique cross staff (crosier) was used solely by reigning Popes in the Middle Ages. It symbolized a Pope's 3 mandates to "teach, govern and sanctify". Although Benedict, as the founder of Monasticism and as Abbot, may have used this, as abbots do today, his abbot's staff would have been like a bishop's, curved at the top and not straight with three crossbars.



ST. BENEDICT

The Mass Vestments and Pallium

The final hint is in his attire. Like many monks today and in the past, Benedict was not an ordained priest and so would not have worn Mass vestments. Moreover, he would never have worn a 'pallium' (the narrow cloth hanging over the shoulders and vertically down the front). The pallium is still worn today, solely by Archbishops and Popes. Like most monks now, he would have worn a simple robe (habit) with a cowl and scapular.



POPE ST. LEO

Could it be a 'Pope St. Benedict'?

This is not likely since there was only one 'Pope St. Benedict' and his images do not resemble our statue. The one that does is the statue of Pope St. Leo the Great (see above).



ST. JOHN PAUL

A Papal Crown

The second reason why I know that that this statue represents a Pope is

FAITH DEVELOPMENT DAY

This will be our first Diocesan Development Day in a long time, and so we encourage all our Members to attend.

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)

Please email Mary Wilson mary.wilson045@gmail.com

THIS MONTH'S INITIATIVE  
Bring to the Church this week-end or to the Office on Monday, September 26<sup>th</sup> - until Noon.

Dew Drop Inn

- Crackers
- juice boxes/crystals
- Granola bars/cookies
- Margarine/mayonnaise
- Canned beans
- Tomato paste
- Ranch dressing
- Cream Soups
- Canned klik/ham/chicken

R.F.D.A.

- All Items accepted +
- Hygiene Products
- Diapers
- Baby Food
- Cleaning Products
- Dog food

Peace and Blessings,  
CWL Donation Initiative Team



Knights of Columbus



MEDALS OF OFFICE MASS

The Medals of Office will be officially presented to all current Council Officers at Mass in the Cathedral on Thurs., Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

Coffee and Conversation

Every Friday: 8:30 to 10 am