



THE CANDLE OF PEACE

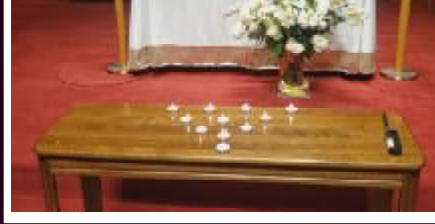
December 8, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mon., Dec. 9 th	-----	The Immaculate Conception (from Dec. 8 th)
	7:00 pm	Grief Support Candlelight Service (in Chapel)
Tues., Dec. 10 th	9:00 am	Feast Day Mass of Our Lady of Loretto
Wed., Dec. 11 th	9:00 am	Weekday Mass (St. Damasus)
	7:00 pm	PENITENTIAL SERVICE/General Absolution
Thurs., Dec. 12 th	9:00 am	Feast Day Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Fri., Dec. 13 th	9:00 am	Feast Day Mass of St. Lucy (Lucia)
Sat., Dec. 14 th	5:00 pm	VIGIL MASS OF 3 rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Sun., Dec. 15 th		MASSES OF THE 3 rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

REMEMBERING OUR DECEASED KNIGHTS



At a special Mass on November 25 at St. Agnes Church, we prayed for the Knights of our City who died this past year:
 1130: Ignit Stetsko, Severino Maronese, Edmund Ferris Michael Chochla +++++
 1447: Arden Carniato, Romano Taddeo 7332: no deaths
 8602: Cyril Cano Peter Charbonneau 15995: no deaths
 9295: Vilvergo Lanquibo, Lawrence Skunta and Rev. Henryk Augustynowicz



PENITENTIAL SERVICE ON DECEMBER 11th



Come to our Advent Parish Service with General Absolution next week at 7:00 pm

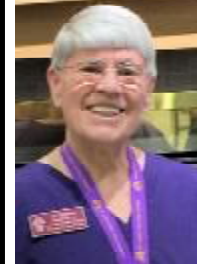
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

On Monday, December 9th our annual Grief Support Candlelight Prayer Service will begin at 7pm in Our Lady's Chapel. ALL ARE WELCOME!



A FOND FAREWELL TO OUR TWO FRIENDS

This past week we received the sad news of the deaths of two very good friends of our Parish and Diocese. We are thankful to both for their faithful and selfless ministry to us .



Sister Dolores Turgeon, C.S.J.

Our Cathedral Parish was well served by Sister's ministry here while she was part of our Pastoral Team. Her faithful service to her Hospital Ministry and her care for the sick was exemplary.

Most Rev. Fred Henry, D.D.



In the relatively short time that Bishop Henry served our Diocese (1995-98) as our fourth Bishop, he settled a number of pressing issues and always spoke out in defence of the marginalized.

TERI MacNEIL won \$3,790. in our most recent November 50/50 Raffle.

DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 5,062.65
On-Line Donations	425.00
Missals/Calendar Sales	55.00
Votive Candles	169.00
St. Anthony Poor Fund	43.50

"ST. PAT'S HAT" DONATIONS THIS WEEK

Special Single Donation (online).....	\$ 16,517.00
Special Donation (online).....	500.00
Special Donation	1,000.00
Free Will & Online Donations.....	405.00
50/50 Raffle Parish net share	2,896.00
Monthly Renovations Collection	1,500.00
In Memory of Larry Smykalski	100.00
Donation Totals this Week	\$ 22,918.00



TOTAL PLEDGED/COLLECTED TO DATE

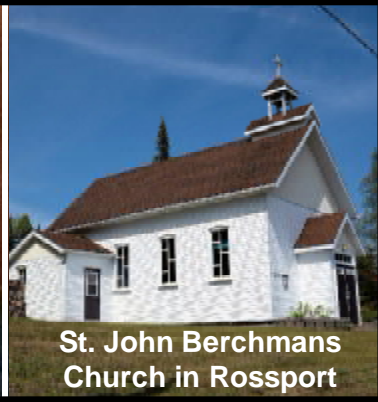
*** \$ 1,311,826.00 ***



YOU WERE ASKING . . . by Msgr. P. Stilla

Q. I recently attended Mass in Rosspport in a small Church named St. John Berchmans. I have never heard of this Saint. Who was he and why did they name the Rosspport church after him?

A. Rosspport was one the many communities along the North Shore of Lake Superior which was regularly visited by the early Jesuit missionaries from 1880 to 1905. Although I am not certain, I can only assume that the small church in Rosspport was named after this young Jesuit Saint to honour the Jesuit missionaries. This Saint had been a Jesuit seminarian who was declared a Saint in 1888, the same year that Rosspport was founded as a Jesuit Mission.



St. John Berchmans Church in Rosspport

A Saint from Belgium

John Berchmans was born in the Flemish region of Belgium in 1599. As a child he was known for his exemplary devotion to the Eucharist and for his enthusiasm to serve at daily Mass as an altar server. He entered the Jesuit Order at the age of 17 but was never ordained to the priesthood. He unfortunately succumbed to a terminal illness when he was only 22. At his canonization many years later in Rome, the Church named him the Patron of Youth and the first Patron Saint of Altar servers, because of his childhood ministry of daily service at the Altar for Mass.



St. Francis Xavier Patron Saint of Missions

Jesuit Saint-named Churches

When we consider all that the Jesuit missionaries did to introduce the Faith in this part of Ontario, it is surprising that there are only two other churches in our Diocese which were named for Jesuit Saints. The churches in the Pic River First Nation, just east of Marathon and in Balmertown, near Red Lake are

both named St. Francis Xavier. This great missionary was born in 1506 in Spain.

When he enrolled at the University of Paris at the age of 19, he first met a classmate, Ignatius of Loyola, the future founder of the Society of Jesus. He was so inspired by the fervour and words of Ignatius, that Francis became one of his original six companions who took personal vows at Montmartre to become one of the first members of the Society of Jesus.

Then, he travelled to India, Japan and China to preach the Gospel. When he was canonized in 1622 he was likened to Saints Patrick and Boniface as one of the greatest of pioneer Christian missionaries and was named the Patron Saint of all Missions.



Catholic Women's League

MEMBERSHIP 2025 RENEWAL

Please place the \$35 fee in the envelope in your set and fill in the front of the envelope, and place it in the collection basket. A new option is renew by e-transfer. Use this email address: cwlmembership@tbaytel.net For questions about renewing membership or joining, please contact Joan Joubert: 622-4754 or at: joubertj@tbaytel.net

DECEMBER, 2024 UPDATE
at: www.stpatrickscathedral.ca



Knights of Columbus



MEETING INVITATION

Our last regular meeting of 2024 is on Tuesday Dec 10th at 7:30 pm at the Columbus Centre. Come and join our brothers for a special year end recap. For those who cannot attend, a Happy Christmas and New Year to you and your families.

Grand Knight, Mike Spivak

THANKS TO SUPERIOR SHORES



Thanks to their generous co-operation, our K.C. Council # 1447 has already raised close to \$15,000, for the 'St. Pat's Hat' Roof Campaign,



Development and Peace
CARITAS CANADA

Due diligence legislation which we support requires Canadian companies to take action to prevent harm to peasant farmers and their land caused by business activities, and those of their subcontractors and suppliers.