

Monday Memo

Diocese of Thunder Bay

November 20TH, 2023

<u>Update on the Synod on Synodality</u>: This session of the Synod is completed and a summary document of the topics discussed is now available. This document talks of the issues brought forward for discussion and is not a final document. The document can be found at the website of the Bishops of Canada (<u>www.cccb.ca</u>). These topics will be shared over the next year in discussions, and the synod delegates will return to Rome in October 2024 for the final session of the Synod.

<u>Holy Habits: Being Clothed in Christ</u> This free two part presentation will connect select saints, their stories, and how they are depicted in sacred art with our own journey of faith. A great way to celebrate the month of All Saints and to prepare for the holy season of Advent. *Presented by Fr. Terry Sawchuk* on Sunday, November 19, and Monday, November 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the *Catholic Pastoral Centre*, 1222 Reaume Street, Thunder Bay

<u>St. Andrew's Catholic Cemetery</u>: Please join Bishop Colli in the celebration of the Annual Memorial Mass where he will be praying for all our deceased relatives and friends. Mass will be held on November 25th at 10:00 a.m. at St. Dominic's Church (130 Redwood Ave. W.) Seating is limited. No RSVP required.

<u>Advent Mission</u>: Msgr. P.M. Stilla will be conducting an Advent Mission at Holy Cross Church, 415 West Victoria Ave. November 28, 29, 30 starting at 6:30 PM. All are welcome.

<u>Our Lady of Loretto Parish</u> is holding a Parish Mission from Sunday Dec. 3 until Wednesday December 6, 2023. A parish Mission is a special time when the faith community is invited to be renewed in their faith journey. Fr. Eugene O'Reilly, a Redemptorist from Toronto, will be the speaker for the Mission. Mission preaching is Fr. Eugene's full-time ministry. Introductory talks will be held on Saturday at 5 p.m. Mass, Sunday 10 a.m. Mass and 12 Noon at St. Mark's Chapel on Lakeshore Drive. The main talks will be from Sunday to Wednesday at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend the Mission.

<u>St. Andrew's Parish is hosting an ADVENT RETREAT</u> with Fr. Gerald McDougall on Monday, December 4th and Tuesday, December 5th from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Baxter Hall. The theme for Monday evening will be "Prepare the way of the Lord; Exploring Together the Season of Advent" and for Tuesday evening "Arise, Shine for Your Light has Come; Exploring together the Season of Christmas". All are welcome, however, seating is limited so please call the parish office at 807 345-5202 to register.

<u>Catholic Faith Calendars</u>: The Catholic Faith Calendars have arrived at the Catholic Pastoral Centre. They are \$3.00 each. There is a limited amount available so pop in and get yours soon.