

Monday Memo

Diocese of Thunder Bay

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April 15, 2024

Next Sunday, April 21st is the 4th Sunday of Easter and is commonly known as Good Shepherd Sunday. On this Sunday we direct our prayers in a special way for Vocations to the priesthood, the diaconate and to religious life. We pray that the Lord will answer our prayers as we seek more priests in particular, to minister in our parishes in northwestern Ontario and the Diocese of Thunder Bay. As a faith community let us not only pray for vocations but also encourage young men and women in our families to consider a vocation to the priesthood or to religious life. The Lord, the Good Shepherd, mighty be using you as His voice to encourage vocations for His Church. Will you be willing to be that voice?

<u>"The Bible: Well Used to Teach but Misused to Divide":</u> SAVE THE DATE! Msgr. P.M. Stilla will once again be holding his Bible Sessions for 2 evenings. *Thursday April 11 and Thursday April 18* from 7pm – 8pm at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 1222 Reaume Street – Behind the police station. Make sure you arrive early as you know it fills up fast. See you then.

<u>Knights of Columbus Spaghetti & Meatballs Take-Out:</u> April 18, 2024 - 2:00pm – 5:30pm, 301 May Street, 807-623-3252

<u>St. Agnes Parish</u>: You are invited to a Praise and Worship evening Tuesday May 7th at St. Agnes Church from 7 to 9 pm. Mass will be followed by the Anointing of the Sick, Adoration, Praise and Worship, individual prayer teams and a social. Come worship the Lord in community!

Grade 8 Confirmation preparation sessions are taking place in the Catholic schools this year! The Diocese of Thunder Bay and Thunder Bay Catholic District School Board have partnered to prepare grade 8 students to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation during the school day as an extension of their Religious Education Curriculum. All Senior Elementary Catholic schools: Bishop Gallagher, Bishop E.Q. Jennings and Pope John Paul II are participating. This venture also seeks to strengthen the triad of and connection between Home-School-Church. Furthermore, Confirmation will be celebrated as a school-faith community allowing students to celebrate with their classmates. The Northside (Bishop Gallagher & Bishop E.Q.Jennings) celebration will take place on May 3, 2024 at 12:30pm in St. Patrick's Cathedral. The Southside (Pope John Paul II) celebration will take place on May 24, 2024, at 12:30pm in St. Patrick's Cathedral. This comes with the blessing of Bishop Colli. His Excellency has also added in a third celebration to take place on Pentecost Sunday, May 19, 2024, at St Patrick's Cathedral at 10:30 am for all other candidates in our Diocese.

<u>Fundraiser for Corpus Christi CWL</u>. Mom's Pantry. Website <u>www.momspantry.ca</u> Order Number 388465 Passcode: 12124. All orders have to be in by Sunday, April 28th. Call Jeannette 807-472-9347 if you have any questions.