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Diocese of Thunder Bay

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NOVEMBER 3, 2025

SAVE THE DATE! St. Elizabeth Church: CWL 2-Bit Auction Fundraiser 2025: **Sunday, November 9th, 2025**, from **1-4 p.m.** **Doors open at noon.** Tickets: **\$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.** Great prizes to be won! Refreshments served. **Call St. Elizabeth Church for tickets 622-1085,** email steliz@tbaytel.net or **pick-up after Mass** (Saturday 3:34 p.m., Bilingual Mass Sunday 9:00 a.m.) Licence #M880717 Must be 18 or over.

St. Agnes Gold Rush Bazaar: Come join us on **Saturday, November 8th from 11 am to 4 pm at the West Thunder Community Centre.** All are welcome to partake in the baking, preserves, crafts, jewelry, dime auction, cash draws, refreshments and much more! Free admission and free parking!

St. PATRICK'S PARISH GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP PROGRAM OFFERINGS: will be holding a Candlelight Service in memory of lost loved ones **at 7 p.m. on December 8, 2025**, in the **chapel in Saint Patrick's Cathedral.** The service, followed by a social gathering, is open to everyone and no registration is required. **Access to the chapel is from Donald Street.**

St. Theresa Parish: Is hosting BINGO NIGHTS every **Wednesday until December 17th.** Doors open **at 6:30.** Early Bird starts at 6:45. Bingo begins at 7:00. 10 Porter Street in Kakabeka

St. Andrew's Parish is holding a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, **November 9th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Saunders Hall.** The cost is **\$20 for Adults, \$10 for Children (ages 6 to 12) and Children 5 and under eat for free.** The meal includes: Finn Pancakes, Breakfast Sausage Patties, Ham, Country Home Fries, Dessert, Coffee & Tea. Proceeds from this fundraiser are in support of the church's Boiler Replacement Project. All are welcome.

Christmas is just around the corner, which means Christmas Gift Bags for seafarers: The Mission to Seafarers: Port of Thunder Bay is looking for donations for **Christmas Gift Bags** to be given to seafarers starting on **December 1.** Our objective is to prepare for 14 ships with 19 bags/ship or 266 bags. **Donations need to be at the Seafarers' Centre by November 18;** use the drop-off box outside the Seafarers' Centre or **call the Seafarers' Centre 807-344-8241 to make an appointment.** Suggested donations include mittens, gloves, toques, neck warmers, Chap Stick, tooth paste, disposable razors, and chocolate. For further information visit www.missiontoseafarersthunderbay.ca and click on Christmas Gift Bags or call the Seafarers' Centre.



Nov. 1 All Saints Day

Is a celebration of all Christian Saints

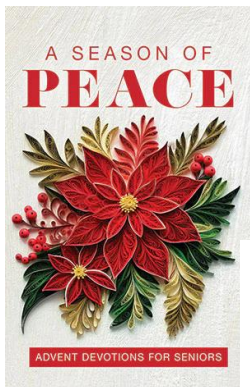
Nov. 2 All Souls Day

It is a day of alms giving and prayers for the dead.

Nov. 11 Remembrance Day

Commemorates the sacrifices of people in all armed conflicts.

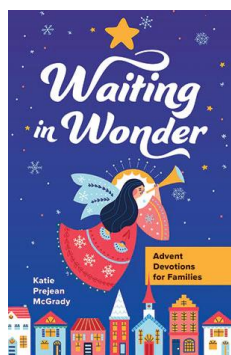
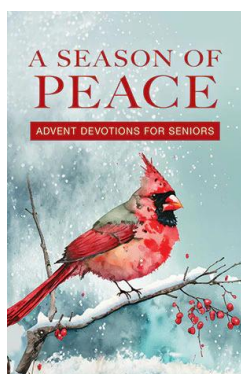
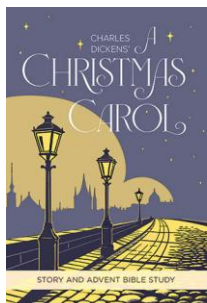




Christmas Cards



**Advent
begins on
November 30**



Preparing for Advent



Advent is the time to prepare for the arrival of Jesus. The Season of Advent is filled with many signs and symbols that provide the meaning of days and weeks leading up to the celebration of Christ's birth on Christmas.

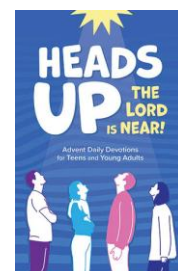
Advent Calendars – ways to count the days of December until Christ's birth. Opening a pocket or window that has candy, a Scripture verse, a poem or a little gift or ornament that can sometimes be added to a larger display of a manger scene or Christmas tree.

Advent Wreath – Each Sunday during Advent a new candle lit. Purple candles symbolize repentance and blue candles mean hope. The pink or rose candle is lit on the Third Sunday of Advent, meaning "Rejoice".

Trimming the Tree – the Christmas tree is a sign during the weeks of anticipation that our Lord Jesus is ever-present, and the branches on an evergreen that naturally point to the sky reminds us that we, in our living, should always point to heaven.

Caroling – not only brings a smile to our face, but it reminds us of the song of the angels that started it all: "Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth".

Advent is our time for reflection, meditation and preparation.



**Holy
Family
Ornaments**

Diocese of Thunder Bay Catholic Pastoral Centre
These and many more items available. Drop in!
Monday to Friday ~ 8:30am to 4:30pm
*closed from 12:30pm to 1:00pm

1222 Reaume Street, located behind the Police Station

