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Diocese of Thunder Bay News ◆ Notices ◆ Upcoming Events OCTOBER 19, 2026

EUCHARISTIC MUSIC FESTIVAL: As part of our year-long celebration of Corpus Christi Church's 75th Anniversary, a Eucharistic Music Festival is being planned for **Sunday, November 8, at 2 p.m**. This event is to feature musical performances/pieces inspired by or based on the Holy Eucharist. It can be classical or contemporary, vocal and/or instrumental. If you or someone you know are interested in performing/presenting, please reach out to office@corpuschristi-tbay.ca or 807-345-6541 at your earliest convenience.

ST. ELIZABETH PARISH: The CWL 2-Bit Auction Fundraiser 2026: Sunday, November 15th, 2026, 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 5 p.m., Sunday 9:30 a.m.). Licence # M891573 - ***Must be 19+ to play.***

WESTERN DEANERY LITURGICAL WORKSHOP: A workshop for those involved in Liturgical Ministries (Altar Servers, Lectors, Hospitality, & Eucharistic Ministers) is being held at **St. Joseph's Church, Dryden, for the Western Deanery,** on **Saturday, November 7, 2026 from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM**. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. Pastors recruiting new ministers are encouraged to do so before **November 7**. Please register by email (derekwest@tbaytel.net) or call Deacon Derek at 807-630-8761. A workshop for Music Ministers will be held at a later date.

COLUMBUS CENTRE: Small group Christmas dinner and dance, Saturday, December 12. Symposium at 6 pm, buffet dinner 7 pm and dance from 9 pm to 1 am. Cost is $47.50 per person, tax included. Call Rosie at 807-623-3252 or email admin@columbuscentre.ca to reserve your table.

SYNODALITY IN THE PARISH: Saturday October 31, 2026, from 1-4 p.m. ET We, members of Concerned Lay Catholics are thrilled to present a workshop on Synodality in the Parish led by Avril Baigent of the UK School for Synodality. The School for Synodality exists to support the Church's synodal journey of openness to the Holy Spirit through listening, sharing, and discernment. In partnership with dioceses, religious congregations, parishes, communities, and individuals, we create resources, workshops, and opportunities to reflect together, as speaking, writing and offering formation on synodality. In this workshop, taking a uniquely Canadian angle, we will explore how to apply the principles of synodality to transform our communities, our relationships and our decision-making. The workshop will include an introduction to synodality together with practical tools, and is for anyone interested in the renewal of parish life. Avril will be joined by members of the CCCB Ad Hoc Committee on Synodality and CLC's Synodality Working Group, as we apply the synodal method in our diverse Canadian context.

DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER: We are accepting articles and photo submissions for the Diocesan Newsletter all year round, but the **Winter Submission Deadline is October 28th**. If you or anyone you know would like to submit any parish news or faith-based articles, please call the Pastoral Centre and ask for Grace, or email dotb.communications@gmail.com. Guidelines are available upon request. For this upcoming issue, we invite submissions on family Advent traditions, and local parish holiday events and outreach (giving trees, meal drives, shelter support). Reflections on community accomplishments over the past year are welcome too. Submissions received after the deadline will be considered for the next edition.