



Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Parish

Mission ~ St. John the Evangelist, Keene, Ontario



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Weekend Holy Mass Schedule:

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Saturday 4:00 p.m. in the fall & winter and
5:00 p.m. in the spring & summer.
(Times will switch at Seasonal time change)

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

Keene, Ontario

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Holy Mass Schedule:

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

(Fourth and (Fifth) Tuesdays of the Month at 8:00 a.m.)

Friday 7:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction:

Every Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Followed by Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.

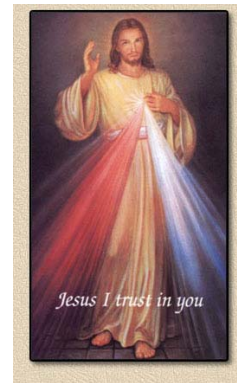
NEW PARISHIONERS—

Have you registered in our Parish?

“Parish Census” Forms can be found
at the back of the Churches. Please introduce
yourself to Fr. Michael and welcome!

Reminder -

**If you or a family member is in the
hospital and you would like the priest at
Our Lady of the Assumption to contact you,
please phone the office at 705 – 741 – 1018.**



Divine Mercy Sunday

**Holy God, Holy Mighty One,
Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us
and on the whole world.**

Parish Office: Phone: (705) 741-1018

**Secretary: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and
Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Catholic Women's League:

► President: Anna Marie Bolin
(705)742-8249

Knights of Columbus:

► Grand Knight: Peter Clancy
(705)748-3075

Marriage: Registered Parishioners must
contact the Parish Office twelve months
before the proposed Wedding date. No
date for a Wedding can be set before a
couple has met with the Priest.

Baptism: Registered Parishioners must
contact the Parish Office one month before
the desired Baptism date.

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. & 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

You may also ask Father at **ANYTIME**



MASS INTENTIONS

April 24 – April 30

MONDAY, April 24
St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
 8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

TUESDAY, April 25
St. Mark the Evangelist
 8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, April 26
Our Lady of Good Counsel
St. Alda
 8:00 a.m. + Bernice O'Brien
 (Bob & Karen Crough)

THURSDAY, April 27
St. Zita of Lucca
 8:00 a.m. ~ For all those in whose memory plants were donated at Easter

FRIDAY, April 28
St. Louis Marie de Montfort
St. Peter Chanel
 6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00 p.m. ~ Loretta Leonard
 (Helen Vozza)

SATURDAY, April 29
St. Catherine of Siena
 8:00 a.m. ~ Katie Linnen
 (Marrocco Family)

SUNDAY, April 30
3rd Sunday of Easter
 5:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Vince Torpey
 (Marg, Doyle, Jennifer & Cayden)
 9:00 a.m. + Rosemarie Woods
 (Sandra O'Toole)

10:30 a.m. ~ Pro Populo

Divine Mercy

Veneration of the Image

The image of Jesus, The Divine Mercy, is to have a special place of honour on the Feast of Mercy, a visual reminder of all that Jesus did for us through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection ... and a reminder, too, of what He asks of us in return - to trust Him and be merciful to others:
 "I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it" (341).

A Special Promise of Mercy

"I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy" (1109).

"Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment" (300).

Extraordinary Graces

"My great delight is to unite Myself with souls ... When I come to a human heart in Holy



Communion, My hands are full of all kinds of graces which I want to give to the soul. But souls do not even pay any attention to Me; they leave Me to Myself and busy themselves with other things. Oh, how sad I am that souls do not recognize Love! They treat Me as a dead object" (1385) ...

Prepare Yourself Properly

Our Lord's words to Saint Faustina about this requirement to be merciful are very strong and leave no room for misinterpretation:

"Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy ... I demand from you deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to your neighbours always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to excuse or absolve yourself from it" (742).

Thus, to observe the Feast of Mercy, we should:

1. **Celebrate** the Feast on the Sunday after Easter;
2. Sincerely **repent** of all our sins;
3. Place our complete **trust** in Jesus;
4. Go to **Confession**, preferably before that Sunday or within a reasonable time;
5. Receive **Holy Communion** on the day of the Feast;
6. **Venerate the Image** of the Divine Mercy;
7. **Be merciful to others**, through our actions, words, and prayers on their behalf.

<http://www.divinemercysunday.com>

Divine Mercy Sunday

The Divine Mercy service will take place at the Cathedral, Sun, April 23rd at 2:30 pm.

A plenary indulgence, granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff) to the faithful who, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!) www.ewtn.com

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2017

LAY MINISTRY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic

Joanne Bolton
Gladys Fowler
Rose Wornoff

Lector

Roddy Turpin
Judy Lukes
Cristy Doris

Gift Bearers

Wayne & Bev Harrington
Dorothy O'Brien & Joanne Walker
Jackie Bolin

C.W.L NEWS



The next CWL meeting will be on **Tuesday, May 2nd** after the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

Knights of Columbus News



Sunday April 30th 9am Mass Special Olympic Flag Relay refreshment after in the Hall. **Sat May 6th 8am** - Road clean up please remind your crew in Advance ... all welcome. **Sat May 13th** - Estate Downsizing and Yard Sale in Hall more details to follow. **Weekend of May 13 & 14th** will be Roses for Life. Also as a reminder Priest Appreciation Dinner limited tickets. Thanks for your support Pete Clancy, Grand Knight

Is God Calling You to Service as a Permanent Deacon?

From its earliest days, the church has selected and ordained individuals to minister within the faith community. Permanent deacons have served the community as sacramental signs of "Christ the Servant" in the world. The Bishop of the Diocese of Peterborough invites eligible individuals to consider service as permanent deacons. If you are interested, speak with your parish priest and attend an open inquiry session for more detailed information. Inquiry sessions are open to everyone.

Sat. May 6: St. Anne, Peterborough, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Sat. May 13: St. Francis, Newcastle, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Sat. May 13: St. Mary's, Lindsay, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Sat. May 20: St. Paul, Gravenhurst, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

All are welcome!!!

One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies - this year's One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies global prayer event will be on **5-7 May**. People can participate from wherever they are at the time by praying at least one rosary for an end to abortion. To register see www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org

Development And Peace – Caritas Canada

Please know that your efforts this Lent really have transformed lives around the world. You have brought comfort and hope to people in poverty. You have provided food for people who are hungry; water to those who thirst, and light to people facing a dark future.

With your donations, we will be able to continue our work in Haiti to help peasant women repair their homes and relaunch their agricultural activities as a result of Hurricane Matthew. Thank you.

***Quo Vadis (Where are you going?) ***

A Quo Vadis meeting for men 18 – 35 yrs. of age will take place on May 13th at John Paul II House. There will be Mass, adoration, confession, a talk and lunch.

Holy Hour for Vocations

There will be a holy hour for vocations on **May 6th from 7 - 8 p.m.** Prayers will be offered specifically for Seminarian Stephen DeCarlo who will be ordained to the transitional diaconate the following day at 9 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church. This event will be followed by a social.

Sisters in Christ 'No Greater Love'

High school-aged young women are invited to the Sisters in Christ 'No Greater Love' retreat from **May 5-7** at the George Vari women's residence of Sacred Heart College. These discernment retreats are hosted by the Vocations Office and offer young women a chance to learn more about their faith, to discern their vocations and to have fun with friends. Talks will focus on the 4 types of love, as outlined in C.S. Lewis' 'The Four Loves.' Early bird registration (before April 30) is \$25 and registration is \$30 afterwards. Register at www.ptbovocations.ca/sic & email vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org

Parish Vocations Team News

Thurs, May 4th is a National Day of "12 Hours of Prayer and Meditation", sponsored by the Catholic Women's League of Canada. We ask our parish families to enter into this special time of prayer for our youth to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in discerning their vocation. A guide to this day of prayer is available at (www.cwl.ca).

On April 21st, Sister Roseanne C.S.J. celebrates her 103rd birthday. We honour Sr. Roseanne with prayers and best wishes on this blessed day, in thanksgiving for the decades of dedication she has given to God's service.

We send our prayers and our best wishes, with gratitude to Bishop Wm McGrattan in Calgary, as he celebrates the 30th Anniversary of his Ordination on May 2nd.

Immaculate Conception Parish

ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER by CHEF ENZO

Sat April 29th Tickets are \$15 per person

Social hour ~ 5:30 p.m. Dinner ~ 6:30 p.m.



March for Life

The annual **March for Life** will take place on **May 11th** at Parliament Hill. The Rally and March run from 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. **Please come and witness to the sanctity of human life.**

Offertory *Thank you for your generosity*

April 14th: Good Friday \$1638.00

April 16th Offertory: Easter Sunday

\$3769.00

Offertory PAP \$470.00 + \$160.00 =

\$630.00

D&P \$154.00

Other Lenten Charities \$35.00

Fuel: \$64.00 St. Vincent de Paul:

\$5.00

LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON THE FIRST AND LAST SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 1:00 PM AND EVERY SATURDAY MORNING AT OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, HASTINGS AT 8:30 AM. ALL OTHER SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH, MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT ST. MARY OF THE VISITATION CHURCH, CAMPBELLFORD AT 12:30 PM. YOU ARE MOST WELCOME TO ATTEND

The Peterborough & District Italian Club invites you to attend their Annual Mother's Day Dinner & Dance. **Saturday, May 6th, 2017**

Parkway Banquet Hall

1135 Lansdowne St. W., Peterborough

Social: 5:30 Dinner 6:30

Cost: Members: \$50.00/person

Non-Members: \$55.00/person

Age 14 and under: \$25.00

For tickets please contact Deb or Paul at (705) 536-2906, Bernie at (705)745-4295, Michele at (705) 930-8613 or John at (705) 876-6718.

"Healing Mass – May 3rd at Mount St. Joseph @1:30 pm. All are invited to come and pray for healing. Opportunity for anointing and healing prayer."

JOURNEY OF FAITH

The 2017 Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Cap de la Madeleine, St. Anne de Beaupre and St. Joseph's Oratory, Quebec will take place **July 8 to July 10, 2017**. Please call Mrs. Beth Lariviere at 289-240-1499 or Mrs. Maria Andreoli at 705-745-0110 to reserve your place.

March for Life

The annual **March for Life** will take place on **May 11th** this year on **Parliament Hill, Ottawa**. The Rally and March run from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please come and witness to the sanctity of human life.



The Catholic Church teaches, "Human life is sacred because from its beginning it involves the creative action of God and it remains forever in a special relationship with the Creator, Who is its sole end. God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until its end: no one can under any circumstance claim for himself the right directly to destroy an innocent human being" (Donum Vitae, 5)

Euthanasia Prevention Coalition



The Euthanasia Prevention Coalition has set up a special help line (**Compassionate Community Care**) to help anyone who needs help with end of life issues etc. The number operates 7days a week, 24 hours a day from

coast to coast.

Toll free: 1-855-675-8749

Readings:

April 23rd : Divine Mercy Sunday

1st Reading: Acts 2: 42 – 47

Psalm 118

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1: 3 – 9

Gospel: John 20: 19 – 31

May 7th:

1st Reading: Acts 2.14a, 36b – 41

Psalm 23

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2: 20– 25

Gospel: John 10: 1 – 10

**Holy Father's Intentions: April
Young people**

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Every Tuesday evening from 7 pm to 8 pm, we gather at St. Peter-in-Chains Cathedral rectory for prayerful reading, reflection and discussion of the readings for the following Sunday. Everyone is welcome. All that is needed is a desire to come closer to the Lord and to discover what it means to be His follower. Call Tom (705 243 4133).

MAKE A ' LIFE ' DIFFERENCE.

Prayer does have power. Join us this Saturday morning from 10:00 am to 11:00 am across from the Peterborough hospital. Come singly or as part of a group. We need you to participate in our **sidewalk prayer vigil for the unborn**. Defend life and be part of this public witness against the horror of abortion.

For information: **Paul 741- 4000 or Tom 243-4133**

The greatest deception, and the deepest source of unhappiness, is the illusion of finding life by excluding God, of finding freedom by excluding moral truths and personal responsibility. (St. Pope John Paul II)

STOCKDALE CENTRAL CONCERT - Sunday, **June 11th** at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m at Market Hall. Adults \$20. Students \$10. Assigned seating. Wheelchair accessible. Fundraiser for

St. Joseph's Church, Douro. For tickets please call Carmella LeMoire 652-7776 or Mary Carlow 295-6494.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**At St Alphonsus Oratory 7a.m. - Midnight and Noon-
Midnight (Sunday)**



Info: Bernadette 705-742-3055

"Christ is truly the Emmanuel, that is, God with us, day and night, he is in our midst. He dwells with us full of grace and truth.

He restores morality, nourishes virtue, consoles the afflicted, strengthens the weak." (Pope Paul VI, Mysterium Fidei)

Church Cleaning Ministry

Please find the church cleaning sheet on the glass religious article case at the back of the church. Once a week, one month at a time, we need cleaners to vacuum, dust mop and do general dusting at Assumption.



ROSARY FOR LIFE ON THURSDAYS

Come and join in praying the 15-decade Rosary (Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious) for the sanctity and protection of life from abortion, euthanasia and assisted suicide, followed by the Memorare and St. Michael's Prayer. **Thursdays at 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church.**

FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH

Thurs. April 13th : 12 -2 p.m., & 4 – 6 p.m.

Donations of goods can be dropped off at Three Roads Farm and other Keene locations.

osmfoodcupboard@nexicom.net or 295-6952



The National Catholic Broadcasting Council (NCBC) has some exciting news with respect to the Daily TV Mass.

The goal of the NCBC is to insure that Catholics are able to experience the Mass each day when they are unable to attend their local parish. The primary way we enable this across

Canada is through our Broadcast Partners at [Salt + Light Television](#), VisionTV and yesTV.

Now the NCBC's Daily TV Mass (Monday-Saturday) is available anytime and anyplace on our new website, on our new YouTube

Channel and in the near future on an APP for use on Apple or Android devices.

If you have any questions about this announcement or about the Daily TV Mass in your area please contact Deacon Mike Walsh, our Executive Director, at 1-884-6899 or by e-mail at

mike.walsh@ncbc.ca.

After Abortion Canadian Helpline

Second Chance Ministry 905-430-7990

We offer support to those struggling with emotional and psychological effects of abortion, sometimes known as post abortion trauma or post abortion syndrome.

Angelina@SecondChanceMinistry.ca

Project Rachel

Project Rachel offers accompaniment, counselling, personal presence and support, and other services at any time they are needed by women or men. They also offer weekend retreats



which provide opportunity for women who have suffered from an abortion experience to find healing, forgiveness and reconciliation.

Are you hurting as a result of an abortion? Healing is possible.

Please contact them for upcoming dates, in confidence, by telephone at 416 629 8264 or by e-mail

projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org.

<http://www.stmarysrefuge.org>

"The Mass is the most favourable occasion to speak with the eternal Father, because then we offer Him His only Son as a victim for our salvation. Before celebrating, reflect on the sufferings of your Redeemer, commune peaceably with Him, even in the midst of dryness; carry to the altar the needs of the entire world."
St. Paul of the Cross

"A saint is not someone who never sins, but one who sins less and less frequently and gets up more and more quickly."

– [Bernard of Clairvaux](#)

Peterborough Communication Support Systems

A non-profit agency that provides support services to Deaf / non-verbal individuals living with intellectual disabilities.

They provide quality sewing, custom embroidery, printing services and woodworking products. They are located at 192 B Hunter St. West. Phone: (705) 748 6680

Working for God (St. Josemaría Escrivá)

Rest assured that it is not difficult to convert work into a prayerful dialogue. As soon as you offer it up and then set to work, God is already listening and giving encouragement. We acquire the style of contemplative souls, in the midst of our daily work! Because we become certain that He is watching us, while He asks us to conquer ourselves anew: a little sacrifice here, a smile there for someone who bothers us, beginning the least pleasant but most urgent job first, carefulness in little details of order, perseverance in the fulfillment of our duty when it would be so easy to abandon it, not leaving for tomorrow what should be finished today: and all this, to please Him, our Father God! On your desk or in some inconspicuous place that nobody notices, you perhaps place your crucifix to awaken in you a contemplative spirit and to act as a textbook for your mind and soul where you learn the lessons of service. If you make up your mind to follow these ways of contemplation, in the midst of your ordinary work, without doing anything odd or withdrawing from the world, you will immediately feel that you are a friend of the Master, with the God-given task of opening up the divine ways of the earth to the whole of mankind. Yes. With your work you will help to spread Christ's kingdom in every continent. You will offer up hour after hour of work for far-off lands which are being born to the faith, for the peoples of the East who are being cruelly forbidden to profess their faith, and for the traditionally Christian nations where it seems that the light of the Gospel has grown dim and souls are struggling in the obscurity of ignorance ... Then, how valuable your work becomes as you persevere with the same effort a little longer, a few minutes more, until the job is finished! In a

simple and practical way you are converting contemplation into apostolate, seeing it as an imperative necessity of your heart, which beats in unison with the most sweet and merciful Heart of Jesus, Our Lord. *Friends of God, 67*

Chalice is a ministry of the Catholic Community, creating and nurturing relationships of life and love. To find out how Chalice Helps go to website <http://www.ccare.ca/>

Quo Vadis (Where are you going?)
Quo Vadis brings together young men (18-35yrs.) who are on the journey toward the answer to the question 'what is my vocation?' We will have Mass, adoration, confessions, talk and lunch. Join us on **Aprilth from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** John Paul II House.

Flower Committee



Volunteers needed to help with flower decor for the Assumption Church Sanctuary. If interested please call Judy at 705-740-2062 or Joanne at 705-313-6750.