



# Our Lady of the Assumption

## Roman Catholic Parish

Mission ~ St. John the Evangelist, Keene, Ontario



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**Pastor:** *Monsignor Michael Heffernan C.H.H.*

**Permanent Deacon:** *Rev. Mr. Paul Dunford*

### **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. for the first two Tuesdays  
of the month and 8:00 a.m. for all others

Friday 7:00 p.m.

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction:**

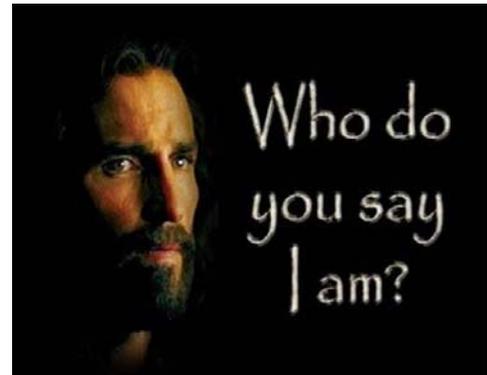
**Every Friday** from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.  
followed by Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.

### **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.**



*21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 27, 2017*

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:** Please speak with Fr. Michael about  
this after any of the Masses.

### **Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. & 4:30 – 4:50 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

You may also ask Father at **ANYTIME**

**MOVING?** ~ Please let the office know of your  
move from this parish. Also, an address  
change is necessary for sending out the  
year's tax receipts. Call 705-741-1018.

**MASS INTENTIONS**August 28 – September 3**MONDAY, August 28***St. Augustine*

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

**TUESDAY, August 29***The Passion of St. John the Baptist*

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

**WEDNESDAY, August 30***St. Fiacre of Brie*

8:00 a.m. + Mary Anne O'Connell

(Helen O'Connell)

**THURSDAY, August 31***St. Arostedes*

8:00 a.m. ~ Al &amp; Valerie Collicutt and volunteers of the Vocation Bible School program

**FRIDAY, September 1 *First Friday****St. Giles*

6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 p.m. ~ Special Intention

**SATURDAY, September 2 *First Saturday****Bl. André Grasset*

8:00 a.m. ~ In reparation for the outrages, offences and blasphemies against Christ in the Holy Eucharist and insults to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**SUNDAY, September 3***22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) ~ Pro Populo

9:00 a.m. + Dean Scott

(Pat Scott &amp; Family)

10:30 a.m. ~ Bud &amp; Muriel Monahan

(Jack &amp; Norma Bertrand)

**Did Jesus really make Peter Pope?**

In Catholic tradition, the foundation for the office of the pope is indeed found primarily in Matthew 16:13-20. Here, Jesus asked the question, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" The Apostles responded, "Some say John the Baptizer, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." Our Lord then turned to them and point-blank asked them, "And you, who do you say that I am?"

St. Peter, still officially known as Simon, replied, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." Our Lord recognized that this answer was grace-motivated: "No mere man has revealed this to you, but My heavenly Father."

Because of this response, our Lord said to St. Peter, "You are 'Rock,' and on this rock I will build My Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." The name change itself from Simon to Peter indicates the Apostle being called to a special role of leadership; recall how Abram's name was changed to Abraham, or

Jacob's to Israel, or Saul's to Paul, when each of them was called to assume a special role of leadership among God's people.

The word "rock" also has special significance. On one hand, to be called "rock" was a Semitic expression designating the solid foundation upon which a community would be built. For instance, Abraham was considered "rock" because he was the father of the Jewish people (and we refer to him as our father in faith) and the one with whom the covenant was first made.

On the other hand, no one except God was called specifically "rock," nor was it ever used as a proper name except for God. To give the name "rock" to St. Peter indicates that our Lord entrusted to him a special authority. In the original Aramaic language, which is what Jesus spoke and which is believed to be the original language of St. Matthew's Gospel, the word "Kepha," meaning rock, would have been used.

"The gates of hell" is also an interesting Semitic expression. The heaviest forces were positioned at gates; so this expression captures the greatest war-making power of a nation. Here this expression refers to the powers opposed to what our Lord is establishing—the Church. Jesus associated St. Peter and his office so closely with Himself that He became a visible force protecting the Church and keeping back the power of hell.

Second, Jesus says, "I will entrust to you the keys of the kingdom of heaven." In the Old Testament, the

"number two" person in the Kingdom literally held the keys. In Isaiah 22: 19-22 we find a reference to Eliakim, the master of the palace of King Hezekiah (2 Kings 18:17ff) and keeper of the keys. As a sign of his position, the one who held the keys represented the king, acted with his authority and had to act in accord with the king's mind.

Therefore, St. Peter and each of

his successors represent our Lord on this earth as His Vicar and lead the faithful flock of the Church to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Finally, Jesus says, "Whatever you declare bound on earth shall be bound in heaven; whatever you declare loosed on earth shall be loosed in heaven." This is rabbinic terminology. A rabbi could bind, declaring an act forbidden or excommunicating a person for serious sin; or a rabbi could loose, declaring an act permissible or reconciling an excommunicated sinner to the community.

Here, Christ entrusted a special authority to St. Peter to preserve, interpret and teach His truth.

Our Church boasts of an unbroken line of legitimate successors of St. Peter who stand in the stead of Christ. We must always remember that one of the official titles of the pope, first taken by Pope Gregory the Great is "Servant of the Servants of God." (See full text at <https://www.ewtn.com/library/ANSWERS/PETPOPE.HTM>)



## 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 3, 2017

LAY MINISTRY	Eucharistic	Lector	Gift Bearers
Sat 5:00 p.m.	Colleen Petersen	Helen Vozza	Leon & Trish Dorff
Sun 9:00 a.m.	Noreen Malloy	Mike Malloy	Jim & Nora Zister
10:30 a.m.	Anna Marie Bolin	Peter Doris	Joanne & Sarah Nelson



### C.W. L. News

The next CWL meeting is **Tues, Sept. 5th**, at **7:00 p.m.** following the 6:30 p.m. Mass. Come out and join us.

### Healing Mass

"Healing Mass – **September 6<sup>th</sup>** at Mount St. Joseph @1:30 pm. All are invited to come and pray for healing. Opportunity for anointing and healing prayer." Celebrant Father Leo Coughlin.

### Parish Beef & Pork Dinner

**Sat, September 23rd**

Serving from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. Delicious Roast Beef, Succulent Roast Pork with all the trimmings and delicious home-made pies. **Tickets** are available before and after Mass or through the parish office.

For adult tickets, if purchased in advance the tickets are \$15, at the door \$16, Youth (6 – 14) \$6.00 and children under 6 – free



### Invitation to listen to a girl's choir at the cathedral

The Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains welcomes "The Madchenkantorei am Bamberger Dom", (The Cathedral Girl's Choir of Bamberg, Germany) for a concert on **Sunday, September 3rd at 3:00 pm.** Concert Tour of Canada 2017, "Blessing for a Journey" with Werner Pees, Conductor. Music from; Kodaly, Nystedt, Hovland, Hamilton; The choir consists of 40 girls, between the ages of 14 and 19, and are being billeted here in Peterborough, by parishioners of St. Peter-in-Chains. This is a **Good Will Offering** event! Fundraiser for the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains for their Light & Sound System.

### Meditation on St. John the Baptist

St. John the Baptist spoke the truth with great courage in calling others to a true change of heart, and to embrace the ways of God. He did this not only by preaching, but also by example. He fasted in the desert, and prepared the way for Jesus. He had such a great courage, that he wasn't fearful of speaking out about the immoral activities of his day. This was the reasoning that led to his death, but he continued. We can learn a lot from his life. We too, can embrace the ways of God and speak out of the immorality of our

day, and with the help of St. John the Baptist, we can prepare the way for Jesus to those around us.

*Quote by Blessed André Grasset*

*"There is so little distance between heaven and earth that God always hears us. Nothing but a thin veil separates us from God."*

### Cape De Magdalene and St. Anne's

Fr. Randy Foster Pilgrimage/retreat to Cape De Magdalene and St. Anne's Sept. 13-16. Come and enjoy the peaceful surrounding one of Canada's oldest shrine. Refresh yourself in the spiritual program, meet new people and be up-lifted by the graces of God. Leaving St. Anne Sept. 13 morning - three nights at Cape De Magdalene -day visit to St. Anne's the grandmother of Christ and returning late afternoon on Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>. Still room on the bus book soon by call 705 745 3229 or emailing [pastor@stannespeterborough.ca](mailto:pastor@stannespeterborough.ca)

### Douro Doings-Labour Day, September 4<sup>th</sup>

Children's Games, Races, Ball Games, Classic Cars, 10k Run. Music entertainment begins at 3pm (hall grounds). Home-Cooked Beef Supper from 3:00 to 6:00 pm. Adults \$14.00, Children 6-12 \$7.00. Preschoolers free. Quilt Raffle begins at 6pm. Fun for everyone! **Parking** available, courtesy of the Cemetery Board - south of the cemetery.

### Seniors Euchre at Immaculate Conception

Seniors Euchre returns to Immaculate Conception Parish Hall on **Tues. Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.** All are welcome! Be sure to LUG-A-MUG.

### "Taste of Poland Dinner"

Get your calendars out and save **Sat. Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> for Immaculate Conception's Annual Dinner at 6:00 p.m.** Come and enjoy roast pork, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, perogies, Polish cakes. Adults: \$15 – Under 12: \$8 Under 5: Free Call 705-742-5466 to order tickets or drop by the parish office Mon. to Thurs. from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

### 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. We still have no one to clean for the last 3 months of the year.



*Offertory Thank you for your generosity*

Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> Offertory: Env. \$1332.00 + Loose  
\$323.00 + P.A.P. \$470.00 = \$2125.00  
St. Vincent de Paul \$260.00 Fuel: \$25.00  
Vocations, Youth & Family Programs  
\$25.00

Diocesan Special Appeal: \$20.00

### Life Chain 2017

**Please save the date!** Life Chain in Canada has been organizing the pro-life Chains for many years and the twenty-sixth one will be held on **Sunday, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>** on the north and south sidewalks of Lansdowne Street at Monaghan Road in Peterborough. The Life Chain is a peaceful witness with non graphic images and the references to Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary will echo the Consecration of Canada to the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please plan to attend.

**Spiritual Warfare** - On **October 28<sup>th</sup>** join Fr. Gary Thomas (exorcist) and Zachary King (Convert, Former High Wizard of a Satanic coven) at the Canada Christian College in **Toronto** for an exciting day of prayer, fellowship and inspiring talks that will equip and embolden you to fight the spiritual battle we are in while protecting yourself and loved ones. A reality check with messages of hope and mercy.

Group and student rates available.

All info and to purchase tickets:

[www.serviamministries.com/events/spiritual-warfare/](http://www.serviamministries.com/events/spiritual-warfare/),  
[info@ServiamMinistries.com](mailto:info@ServiamMinistries.com) or 1-888-522-2070.

### Readings:

#### August 27<sup>th</sup>: 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 22: 15, 19 – 23

Psalm 138

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 11: 33 – 36

Gospel: Matthew 16: 13 – 20

#### September 3<sup>rd</sup>: 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Jeremiah 20: 7 – 9

Psalm 63

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Romans 12: 1 – 2

Gospel: Matthew 16: 21 – 27

### Holy Father's Intentions: August

#### Artists

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

### 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

### 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 7 days a week, 24 hours a day from coast to coast.

Toll free: 1-855-675-8749

### 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**

### 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)

### 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. September 14: 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org).

<http://www.stmarysrefuge.org>



**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 **from 9:30 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.

### Church Cleaning Ministry

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### 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

*"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

**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)**

St. Jean-Marie Vianney, the Cure of Ars once asked one of his parishioners who spent hours in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, "My good father, what do you say to our Lord in those long visits you pay Him every day?" "I say nothing to Him," was the man's moving reply; "I look at Him and He looks at me."

*"All the good works in the world are not equal to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass because they are the works of men; but the Mass is the work of God. Martyrdom is nothing in comparison for it is but the sacrifice of man to God; but the Mass is the sacrifice of God for man."*

*St. John Vianney, Cure d'Ars*

### Prayer to Our Lady of Sorrows

O most holy Virgin, Mother of our Lord Jesus Christ: by the overwhelming grief you experienced when you witnessed the martyrdom, the crucifixion, and the death of your divine Son, look upon me with eyes of compassion, and awaken in my heart a tender commiseration for those sufferings, as well as a sincere detestation of my sins, in order that, being disengaged from all undue affection for the passing joys of this earth, I may sigh after the eternal Jerusalem, and that henceforward all my thought and all my actions may be directed towards this one most desirable object. Honour, glory, and love to our divine Lord Jesus, and to the holy and immaculate Mother of God. Amen

(St. Bonaventure)

### Our Lady of All Nations

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send your Spirit over the earth.



Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war.

May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. Amen