



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.

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.**



*6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 12th, 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: 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**

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

February 13 – February 18

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13
St Catherine de Ricci
 8:00 a.m. + Special Intention
 (Geraldine Heffernan)

TUESDAY, February 14
St. Valentine
St. Cyril and St. Methodius
 6:30 p.m. + John Shine
 (Mom and Christine)

WEDNESDAY, February 15
St. Faustinus, St. Jovita
 8:00 a.m. ~ Richard Hilts
 (Marrocco Family)

THURSDAY, February 16
St. Juliana, St. Onesimus
 8:00 a.m. – Special Intention
 (Fr. Michael)

FRIDAY, February 17
Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
 6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00 p.m. ~ Patrick Linnen
 (Marrocco Family)

SATURDAY, February 18
St. Bernadette Soubirous
 8:00 a.m. + Rosamond Rainbow
 (Roddy Turpin)

SUNDAY, February 19
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Glendon Lawrence Lecour
 (Bill and Janelle Carey and Family)
 9:00 a.m. + Kevin Keast
 (The Holland Family)
 10:30 a.m. ~ Pro Populo

St. Bernadette Soubirous (February 18th)



Mary, our Mother, in Christ you welcome each of us as a son or daughter. Sustain the trusting expectation of our hearts, succour us in our infirmities and sufferings, and guide us to Christ, your Son and our brother.

Help us to entrust ourselves to the Father who accomplishes great things.

St. Valentine's Day – February 14th

Saint Valentine was a Catholic priest who had also worked as a doctor. He lived in Italy during the third century AD and served as a priest in Rome. Historians don't know much about Valentine's early life. They pick up Valentine's story after he began working as a priest.

Tradition tells us that Valentine became famous for marrying couples who were in love but couldn't get legally married in Rome during the reign of Emperor Claudius II, who outlawed weddings. Claudius wanted to recruit lots of men to be soldiers in his army and thought that marriage would be an obstacle to recruiting new soldiers. He also wanted to prevent his existing soldiers from getting married because he thought that marriage would distract them from their work.

When Emperor Claudius discovered that Valentine was performing weddings, he sent Valentine to jail. Valentine used his time in jail to continue to reach out to people with the love that he said Jesus Christ gave him for others.

The traditional story says Valentine befriended his jailer, Asterious, who became so impressed with Valentine's wisdom that he asked Valentine to help his daughter Julia with her lessons. Julia was blind and needed someone to read material for her to learn it. Valentine then became friends with Julia through his work with her when she came to visit him in jail.

Tradition also tells us that the Emperor Claudius also came to like Valentine. He offered to pardon Valentine and set him free, if Valentine would renounce his Christian faith and agree to worship the Roman gods. Not only did Valentine refuse to leave his faith, he also encouraged Emperor Claudius to place his trust in Christ. Valentine's faithful choices cost him his life. Emperor Claudius was so enraged at Valentine's response that he sentenced Valentine to die.

A Loving Letter Inspires Valentine's Day Messages

We hear from tradition that before he was killed, Valentine wrote a last note to encourage Julia to stay close to Jesus and to thank her for being his friend. He signed the note: "From your Valentine." That note inspired people to begin writing their own loving messages to people on Valentine's Feast Day, February 14th, which is celebrated on the same day on which Valentine was martyred. Valentine was martyred on February 14, 270. By 496, Pope Gelasius designated February 14th as Valentine's official feast day.



7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2017

LAY MINISTRY
 Saturday 4:00 p.m. Eucharistic Rose Rabishaw
 Sunday 9:00 a.m. Judy Lukes
 10:30 a.m. Bud Monahan

Lector
 Colleen Petersen
 Pat Clancy
 Aileen Doris

Gift Bearers
 Roddy Turpin
 Bob and Betty Brown
 Bonnie and John Kuharski

C.W.L NEWS



Due to the freezing rain event last Tuesday, our Feb. 7th meeting was cancelled and has been rescheduled:

Tuesday, February 14th at 1:00 in the afternoon.

Knight's of Columbus



Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday Feb. 11, 2017
Hosted by your Knights of Columbus

Dinner served from 4 – 7 p.m.

Spaghetti, Caesar Salad, Bun and Apple Crisp
Cost: \$ 10.00 per person, children \$5 see a Knight
after Mass to reserve/get your tickets.

Upcoming Event at the JP II House Quo Vadis (Where are you going?)

Quo Vadis brings together young men (18-35yrs.) who are on the exciting, once-in-a-lifetime journey toward the answer to the question 'what is my vocation?' If this is a question that you are serious about answering, this group is for you!

We will have Mass, adoration, confessions, talk and lunch.

Join us one Saturday a month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the John Paul II House. For date for of our next meeting, please call 705 - 874 - 1871. The theme for this year is '*Authentic Christian Manliness*'.

Actors and Actresses Needed for the Way of the Cross

Good news - the annual Way of the Cross through downtown Peterborough will be returning again this year, hosted by the Vocations Office of the Diocese. At this time, Fr. John Perdue is looking for young men and women of high school or university/college age to act in the production. Community service hours can be obtained. Rehearsals will take place on Fridays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. at JP II House (820 Frank St.) beginning on Feb. 10, and the actual event will be on Good Friday, April 14th from 10AM to 1PM beginning at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains. If you are interested, please call Fr. John (705.874.1871), text @wotc to 289-278-3338, or email vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org.

Development & Peace – 50th Anniversary

On February 9, 2016 Development and Peace launched the solidarity quilt to prepare us for Development and Peace's 50th anniversary celebrations in October 2017.

As it travels across Canada each diocesan council has added their quilt patch to the suitcase. Peterborough added their quilt patch at the special **Mass on Sat, Feb. 11th at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains.**

At the end of the pilgrimage, the patches will be sewn together, producing two large quilts. For further information: kstaunton@cogeco.ca or 745 0034.

Offertory Thank you for your generosity

Feb. 5th Offertory:

Env. & Loose Donations: \$1879.00

Fuel: \$242.00 St. Vincent de Paul: \$5.00

Holy Father's Intentions: February

Welcome the needy: that all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

The *Knights of Columbus Council* of Assumption/Keene is holding a **PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE TOURNAMENT on FRI., FEB. 17th starting at 7:00 p.m. at the ASSUMPTION HALL on the OLD KEENE RD.** There will be cash prizes and a light lunch will be served. Refreshments will be available. **Admission will be \$10.** Fro tickets or more information, phone Bob O'Brien at 745-3840. Tickets available at door.

All are welcome!

His Excellency Most Reverend Bishop McGrattan will celebrate the Sunday Masses at St. Peter-in-Chains Cathedral on Feb. 18th & 19th.

Sat at 5:00 p.m. and Sun at 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Farewell reception will be held from noon to 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 19th at the Bishop Doyle Hall. This is a gathering to thank His Excellency for his faith-filled leadership and send him forth with our love and prayers.

Serviam Ministries are hosting our 2nd Annual **Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference Sat., Feb. 18** with Fr. Larry Richards, and Archbishop Christian Lépine of Montreal

The theme of the event is "Step Up".

Topics for the day: Be A Man Who Repents, The Family, The Spirit Makes Us Strong, Loving & Wise

See link <https://www.serviamministries.com/events/step-up/schedule/>

Lift Jesus Higher Rally – With the New Year upon us, the 25th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally is fast approaching and will be held on Sat, March 4. The website for the event is

www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca



Events at Villa St. Joseph, 445 Monk St, Cobourg:

To register call 905-372-2741 or email: villa@csjcanada.org

Retreat Day:

"Literary Spirits: The Sabbath Poems of Wendell Berry"

Saturday, February 18 - 9:30 a.m. to 4 pm

For many years, the poet Wendell Berry, has been writing what he calls, Sabbath Poems. The poems revive a "sense of Sabbath" and they express awe and gratitude. Using Berry's poems as a focus this retreat will provide a "time of Sabbath" to encounter God in rest and silence and a time to consider the life-giving gifts of Sabbath in our personal lives and in our world. Prayer during the day will express praise and thanksgiving and a renewed call to commitment in our beautiful, complex and sometimes broken world. Cost \$40.00 includes lunch and snacks.

Interfaith Hour for Peace and Healing of our Earth

Thursday, Feb 23, 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Come join us for an hour of prayer, as we come together with the riches of our various faith traditions to pray for healing in our fractured world. This will be a time of prayer, music and silent meditation for Peace in our World and the Healing of our Earth. All welcome! Refreshments to follow. Goodwill Offering.

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.

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 705-652-7776 or Mary Carlow 705-295-6494.

Readings:

Feb 5th: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 58: 6 – 10

Psalm 112

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 1 – 5

Gospel: Matthew 5: 13 – 16

Feb 12th: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Sirach 15: 15 – 20

Psalm 119

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 2: 6 – 10

Gospel: Matthew 5: 17 – 37

FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH

Thurs. February 9th: 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 705-295-6952



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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

COLF

It is a pleasure to invite you to COLF's upcoming Seminar on Life and Family, which will be held on **March 30-31, 2017**, in Gatineau (just across the river from Ottawa). In his recent Apostolic Exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis points to the various forms of an "ideology of gender" as constituting one of

the greatest challenges confronting contemporary society. Inspired by the Holy Father and by recent developments in Canadian law and society, we have chosen as our theme: "**Sex, Gender and Ideology**". An impressive roster of Canadian, American and European speakers will be addressing different facets of this issue. The presentations, as well as the exchanges, will be made in both official languages by means of simultaneous translation.

If you have any questions, please contact us at: (613) 241-9461, extension 161, or by email (colf@colf.ca).

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)

Custodian Job Posting for the Teopoli Catholic Spiritual Centre, Gravenhurst

The United Society is looking for a practicing Catholic family or an individual who can be a custodian at the Teopoli Catholic Spiritual Centre in Gravenhurst, Ontario. The requirements for this position are:

- 1) A basic knowledge of the Catholic Faith
 - 2) The ability to communicate it to others
 - 3) Live full time at Teopoli in Gravenhurst, Ontario
 - 4) The ability to communicate in English with people visiting and working at Teopoli
 - 5) Basic knowledge and skills of building maintenance and equipment for outdoor property maintenance
- The Association is ready to negotiate the financial terms for this position.

Applicants are asked to send resume with references to info@teopoli.com **Closing Date:** Until filled
job posting link: <https://teopoli.com/2015/08/07/custodian-wanted-at-teopoli/>

Build confidence with the Christopher Leadership Course!

This course will develop your leadership, communication and public speaking skills, while improving your self-confidence. Join us for three hours, one night a week, for 11 weeks. Classes are appropriate for those 16 years of age and older. Call us at 1-800-418-8925, or visit our website www.clctorontoeast.com to learn more about us and this positive, supportive course. Monsignor Paul Dwyer High School, 700 Stevenson Road, Oshawa Tues. evenings, 7 – 10 pm from Feb. 21st to May 16th, 2017 (no classes March 14th or May 2nd)

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).

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

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*)

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 anywhere 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.

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.**

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

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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/>



From the Pastor's Desk

■ Fr. Michael





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.

