



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. 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.**



*16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 23, 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. & 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****July 24 – July 30****MONDAY, July 24**

*St. Olga, St. Sharbel Makhluf,
St. Anthony of the Caves*
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

TUESDAY, July 25

*St. James,
Sts. Philip Evans & John Lloyd*
8:00 a.m. + J. Shulist

WEDNESDAY, July 26

Sts. Anne & Joachim
8:00 a.m. + Marilyn Manley

(Her son, Jamie)

THURSDAY, July 27

St. Celestine I
8:00 a.m. + R. Shulist

FRIDAY, July 28

*Sts. Nazarius & Celsus
St. Vladimir the Great*
6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 p.m. ~ Special Intention

SATURDAY, July 29

St. Martha
8:00 a.m. + Bill & June Higgins

(Joe & Judy Lukes)

SUNDAY, July 30*17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Anne Gostola

(Jerry & Anne Coughlin)

9:00 a.m. ~ Pro Populo

10:30 a.m. ~ Loretta Bolin on the occasion of her 95th birthday

(Her family)

St. Anthony of the Caves Feast Day: July 24th

Ukrainian hermit. Born in 983 in Ljibek in the Ukraine, Anthony went to the famed monastic community on Mt. Athos in Greece to become a hermit, remaining there for several years. He returned to the Ukraine and built a hermitage in Kiev. The site became the "Caves of Kiev," the first Ukrainian monastery founded by Ukrainians. Land for the monastery was given to Anthony by a local prince. He founded another monastery in Chernagov but died in the Caves of Kiev. Anthony is called one of the fathers of Ukrainian monasticism. <http://www.catholic.org>

**Reflection**

Today's Gospel reading contains three of the seven parables: the parables of the weeds among the wheat, the mustard seed, and the yeast (or leaven). Like the parable of the sower and seeds heard last week, all three express something about the growth of the Kingdom and how God's word brings about that mysterious—and often unseen—growth. Like the parable of the sower and the seeds, the parable of the weeds among the wheat has an agricultural setting. However, the parable is unique to Matthew's Gospel and does not appear in the other Gospels. The focus is less on the response of the soil to the sower's seeds and more on the mystery of evil and how it grows alongside what the Son of Man has planted in the field of the world. In his explanation of the parable to the disciples, Jesus draws a stark



contrast between the children of the kingdom and the children of the evil one. Those who hear the word of God and reject it are the children of Satan. Having been offered light, they

choose darkness (cf., Jn 1:9-11; 3:19-20).

But, as Saint Augustine noted, what is currently wheat can become a weed, and what is a weed can still become wheat "and no one knows what they will be tomorrow." It is right to lament the sins committed by sons and daughters of the Church. But we shouldn't be blind to our own weaknesses, nor to the ravenous appetite of the devil, who "is prowling around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour" (1 Pet 5:8). Mindful of our failings, as the Apostle Paul exhorts the Romans in today's epistle, we must trust in the Holy Spirit, who "comes to the aid of our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought."

The parable of the mustard seed, although short, is memorable in its imagery, especially in the comparison between the largeness of the bush (growing to ten feet in height) and the smallness of the seed. Its central meaning is that the works of God often begin in small ways and are usually ignored or missed by the world. The temptation for the children of the Kingdom is to become impatient, forgetting that this tree has now been growing for thousands of years, and will continue to grow until the end of time. Even shorter is the parable of the yeast, or leaven. From what seems to be of little consequence comes a super abundance, a theme echoing the reality of the Incarnation and the stunning truth of the empty tomb. It is Christ, the lover of mankind, who is the leaven. And it is through his death and Resurrection and by his Body and Blood that we are leavened—transformed and transferred into the always growing kingdom of the Son (Col 1:13). (Carl E. Olson)

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30, 2017

LAY MINISTRY

Eucharistic
 Sat 5:00 p.m. Rose Rabishaw
 Sun 9:00 a.m. Mary Pat Goodridge
 10:30 a.m. Bud Monahan

Lector

Roddy Turpin
 Judy Lukes
 Anna Marie Bolin

Gift Bearers

Colleen Petersen & Rose Rabishaw
 Bob & Betty Brown
 Jackie & Colleen Bolin

CWL News



Please note: the **closing date** for applications for the CWL Bursary is **Monday, July 31**.



Vacation Bible School

The VBS program this year is *A Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer.... with Amazing Angels and Super Saints*. It is jam-packed with great songs, crafts and fun activities for kids ages 4-11 to help them grow in their Catholic faith. The overall goals of the program are to help the children learn more about prayer and how to put it into action. August 14-18th from 9 am to noon at the parish hall. Class size limited to 25. Call Val Collicutt at 748-5237. Cat Chat website, www.catchat.ca

July 9th Offertory: Env. \$1474.00 + Loose \$381.00 + P.A.P. \$470.00 = \$2325.00 St. Vincent de Paul \$5.00 Fuel: \$28.00 Annual Diocesan Appeal \$294.00

St. Anne's Parish Feast Day

St Anne's Parish is celebrating their Feast Day on **Wed, July 26** & we would like to invite all parishes to join us. There will be Mass at 9 a.m. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 4 p.m. There will be confessions, Divine Mercy and Chaplet of St. Anne. Bishop Meihm will officiate at Holy Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by a potluck dinner.



INVITATION TO THE VIANNEY FAIR



Fr. John Perdue and the Vocations Office invite you to this year's Vianney Fair. This is a family-friendly day to celebrate and promote religious vocations, featuring children's games, swimming, face

painting, live music and a free supper. Many religious orders will be present and will set up booths to share information about their history and charism. The Fair will take place on **Sun, Aug 27th from 2-7pm at 2097 Heritage Line**. Questions? 705-874-1871 Registration required ... www.ptbovocations.ca/vianney_fair.

St. Joseph's Parish Cemetery Mass

"St. Joseph's Parish in Douro will hold its annual Cemetery Mass on **August 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the Cemetery**. We welcome everyone to come and join us as we remember our departed love ones and those who worked and prayed to establish both St. Joseph's Parish and our Diocese. (Inclement weather Mass will be held in the church). A special collection will be taken to be used towards cemetery upkeep. Please bring a lawn chair."

Fr. Randy's Annual Trip to Cape de Magdalene



Sept. 13-16, three nights and four days trip to Cape de Magdalene and day trip to St. Anne-de-Beaupre with Fr. Randy Foster. This includes three nights accommodations at Cape de Magdalene guest house (breakfast/dinner per day), bus fair and a day trip to St. Anne's. Cost is \$400 pp double occupancy. Deposit of \$150.00 to confirm your booking by Aug. 18. To reserve a seat, contact the office/email at pastor@stannespeterborough.ca **Good St. Anne, pray for us!**

Prayer to St. Martha Feast Day July 29th

O blessed St. Martha, your faith led Jesus to proclaim, "I am the resurrection and the life"; and faith let you see beyond his humanity when you cried out, "Lord I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God." With firm hope you said, I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him, and Jesus called your brother Lazarus back from the dead. With pure love for Jesus you welcomed him into your home. Friend and servant of our Saviour, I too am "troubled about many things." (*Pause for silent prayer.*) Pray for me that I may grow in faith, hope and love, and that Jesus, who sat at your table, will hear me and grant me a place at the banquet of eternal life. Amen.

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.



ST ANNE'S BOAT CRUISE

Join us for a nice scenic Sunday Cruise up the Liftlock & enjoy music by Theresa Foley & Terry Finn who have volunteered their talents on **Sun. Aug 27th** from 1-3 Tickets are \$30/person & will leave Little Lake at 1:00 pm & return around 3:00 pm. Makes a nice gift! Call Debbie 745-3229 for tickets Mon to Thurs 8 to 3 pm.

St. Paul's Lakefield Beef Barbeque with Live Entertainment Sunday, August 13.

Dinner is served from 3:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Includes fresh picked corn on the cob with butter and home baked pies. Adults \$20.00 6-12 years \$10.00 Children under 6 are FREE! Tickets available at the door. Everyone is welcome!

Offertory Thank you for your generosity

Humour and Fact

A little boy was listening to a long and excessively boring sermon in church. Suddenly the red sanctuary lamp caught his eye. Tugging his father's sleeve, he said, "Daddy, when the light turns green can we go?" In fact, the sanctuary candle is generally in a red glass container, and is kept burning day and night wherever the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in Catholic churches or chapels. It is an emblem of Christ's abiding love and a reminder to the faithful to respond with loving adoration in return.

Defend life and be part of this public witness against the horror of abortion.

For information: **Paul 741- 4000 or Tom 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

Readings:

July 23rd: 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 12: 13, 16 – 19

Psalm 86

2nd Reading: Romans 8: 26 – 27

Gospel: Matthew 13: 24 – 43

July 30th: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: 1 Kings 3: 5 – 12

Psalm 119

2nd Reading: Romans 8: 28 – 30

Gospel: Matthew 13: 44 – 52

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. August 10: 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

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

Holy Father's Intentions: July

Lapsed Christians: That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian 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).

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

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.**

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>

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.

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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)

Sts. Philip Evans and John Lloyd

Philip Evans was born at Monmouth in 1645, was educated at Saint-Omer, and joined the Society of Jesus at the age of twenty. In 1675 he was ordained at Liege and sent to South Wales. He was soon well known for his zeal, but no active notice was taken by the authorities until the scare of Oates plot, when in the November of 1678 John Arnold, of Llanvihangel Court near Abergavenny, a justice of the peace and hunter of priests, offered a reward of £ 200 for his arrest. Father Evans refused to leave his flock, and early in December was caught at the house of Christopher Turberville at Sker in Glamorgan. He refused the oath and was confined alone in an underground dungeon in Cardiff Castle. Two or three weeks afterwards he was joined by Mr John Lloyd, a secular priest, who had been taken at Penlline in Glamorgan. He was a Breconshire man, who had taken the missionary oath at Valladolid in 1649 and been sent to minister in his own country. After five months the two prisoners were

brought up for trial at the shire-hall in Cardiff, charged not with complicity in the plot but as priests who had come unlawfully into the realm. It had been difficult to collect witnesses against them, and they were condemned and sentenced by Mr Justice Owen Wynne principally on the evidence of two poor women who were suborned to say that they had seen Father Evans celebrating Mass. On their return to prison they were better treated and allowed a good deal of liberty, so that when the under-sheriff came on July 21 to announce that their execution was fixed for the morrow, Father Evans was playing a game of tennis and would not return to his cell till he had finished it. Part of his few remaining hours of life he spent playing on the harp and talking to the numerous people who came to say farewell to himself and Mr Lloyd when the news got around. The execution took place on Gallows Field (at the north-eastern end of what is now Richmond Road, Cardiff). St Philip died first, after having addressed the people in Welsh and English, and saying 'Adieu, Mr Lloyd, though for a little time, for we shall shortly meet again, to St John, who made only a very brief speech because, as he said, 'I never was a good speaker in my life.

<http://www.catholic.org>

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

