



Our Lady of the Assumption

Roman Catholic Church

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 and 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.



*32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 12, 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. Preparation course is required.

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. & 3:30 – 3:50 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. In addition, an address change is required for sending out the year's tax receipts.

**MASS INTENTIONS**November 13– November 19**MONDAY, November 13***St. Frances Xavier Cabrini**St. Stanislaus Kostka*

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

TUESDAY, November 14*St. Laurence O'Toole*

6:30 p.m. + Gerry Doherty

(Robin & Diane Creeden)

WEDNESDAY, November 15*St. Albert the Great**St. Nikola Tavelić*

8:00 a.m. + Frank & Clotilde Brash & Angela Welch

(Ironside Family)

THURSDAY, November 16*St. Gertrude**St. Margaret of Scotland*

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

FRIDAY, November 17*St. Elizabeth of Hungary*

9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick School

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

7:00 p.m. + Peter and Jean Malloy

(The Family)

SATURDAY, November 18*Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul**St. Rose Duchesne*

8:00 a.m. ~ Sister Mary of the Infant of Prague

(Family)

SUNDAY, November 19*33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

4:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Mart O'Brien

(Dorothy & Family)

9:00 a.m. + Frank King and his daughter, Laura

(Friends)

10:30 a.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund

The crisis in Myanmar has resulted in the influx of an additional 816,000 Rohingya refugees into Bangladesh since August, the majority being women and children. This has triggered a humanitarian emergency on such a scale that concerted international action is urgently required.

In order to address this situation, Canada launched the Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund on October 31, 2017. For every eligible donation made by individuals to registered Canadian charities before **November 28, 2017**, the Government of Canada will contribute an equivalent amount to the Myanmar Crisis Relief Fund.

The Value of Suffering

The saints suffered everything with joy, patience, and perseverance, because they loved. As for us, we suffer with anger, vexation and weariness because we do not love. If we loved God, we should love crosses, we should wish for them, we should take pleasure in them ... we should be happy to be able to suffer for the love of Him who lovingly suffered for us. (*St. John Vianney*)

When Blessed Angela of Foligno was asked how she could accept and suffer so happily all the trials that befell her, she replied: "Believe me when I say that the value and greatness of suffering is not known. If we understood it well, we would try our utmost to steal from one another the occasions of suffering."

If God were to grant you the gift of raising the dead, He would be giving you much less than when He permits you to suffer. In fact, with the gift of miracles He makes you His debtor, but with sufferings He makes Himself your debtor. And if your sufferings should not be rewarded in any other way but to be able to suffer a little for



that God Who loves you, would not this be a sufficiently great recompense in itself?

(*St. John Chrysostom*)

Bodily and spiritual affliction are the surest sign of Divine predilection. Gratitude for suffering is a precious jewel for our heavenly crown ... Man should always firmly believe that God sends just that trial which is most beneficial for him.

(*St. Gertrude the Great*)

If God causes you to suffer much, it is a sign that He has great designs for you and that He certainly intends to make you a saint. And if you wish to become a great saint, entreat Him yourself to give you much opportunity for suffering: for there is no wood better to kindle the fire of holy love than the wood of the cross, which Christ used for His own sacrifice of boundless charity. (*St. Ignatius Loyola*)

Suffering is not a punishment, not a fruit of sin, it is a gift of God. He allows us to share in His sufferings and to make up for the sins of the world. (*St. Teresa of Calcutta*)

"Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I complete what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of His Body, that is, the Church." Col. 1:24 ...

"Suffering is a great grace; through suffering the soul becomes like the Saviour; in suffering love becomes crystallized; the greater the suffering, the purer the love." (*St. Faustina*) (reprinted here with the kind permission of the Ave Maria Centre of Peace)

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

LAY MINISTRY

Sat 4:00 p.m.

Sun 9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic

Joanne Bolton

Martin Corkery

Bud Monahan

Lector

Helen Vozza

Pat Clancy

Anna Marie Bolin

November 19, 2017

Gift Bearers

Cesare & Anne Mauro

Joanne Walker & Dorothy O'Brien

Raphael & Casandra Dunne & family

C.W.L. News



The CWL Snowflake Bazaar 2017 was a wonderful success due to the hard work and goodwill of so many. It is a community event which brings all ages together, to visit, shop and enjoy the event. We raised \$3715. for the good works of the CWL, our best results to date. The \$660. raised in Attic Treasures will be forwarded to Catholic Missions in Canada to help spread the Gospel message in remote areas of the Canadian north. Thanks to all who contributed in any way to the Bazaar.

Knights of Columbus News



Keene Remembrance Day - Sunday 12th 1:00

Lion's Den ... Parade to Cenotaph 1:45 pm

Knights of Columbus Meeting – Tues. Nov 14th

Memorial Mass: Sun 19th 11 am– St. Martin's, Ennismore
Knights of Columbus Sponsored **Parish Christmas Dinner** Friday Nov 24, 2017 Turkey with all the trimmings. Cost \$ 20.00 pp **Advance Tickets only.** Tickets will be available at Church after all Masses or call Pete 705-748-3075 6pm - Social 7pm - Dinner followed by Entertainment.

Sisters in Christ Retreat

Start: November 24th

End: November 26th

Location: Villa St Joseph in Cobourg, 445 Monk Street
The Sisters in Christ 'Wonderwomen' Retreat will take place **November 24-26** at the Villa St. Joseph in Cobourg. Between great discussions about the faith, Holy Hours and Mass, retreatants will have the opportunity to explore some of the fall fun in the Cobourg area.

The retreat starts Friday night at the Villa St. Joseph in Cobourg (445 Monk Street - we will carpool).

Early Bird Registration (until Nov 15th): \$25

After Nov 15th: \$30 Don't hesitate to contact Father John with questions. vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org

Development & Peace Corner

Across the world, brave women are coming together to struggle, to resist and to build a more peaceful world. This week, Development and Peace will introduce you to three of these women through our Women at the Heart of Peace Brochure or you can find it at www.devpo.org under resources. Please get acquainted with **Luz Estella Cifuentes**, who leads an inter-ethnic political training school for peasant farmers, Afro-Colombian and Indigenous women; **Jamila Safi**, who provides training for imams and women on women's rights; and **Rabia Kadiry** who organizes workshops to build social peace in Lebanon.

On **November 18th and 19** we will be asking you to sign Our Action Card asking the Canadian government to give women the resources they need to be at the heart of peace.

November: the month dedicated to the holy souls in Purgatory. Let us pray

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them, may they rest in peace. Amen

Recently Sally Rye, of **One Roof Diner**, a community from St. John's Anglican Church which provides meals & food for the poor & homeless of Peterborough **ASKED FOR OUR HELP.** We in turn are opening it to all the parish. They are in desperate need of basic essentials: Hats, mitts, scarves, socks, baby clothes, women & men's hygiene products, mugs cutlery etc. There will be a box in the alcove of both churches for several weekends and a box at our annual CWL Christmas luncheon for donations. **PLEASE BE GENEROUS** and the CWL appreciates your help. **THANK YOU!** Any concerns please call Joanne Bolton 705-313-6750

Progressive Euchre Tournament

The Knights of Columbus Council of Assumption/Keene is holding a **PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE TOURNAMENT ON Fri, Nov 17th** starting at **7:00 p.m.** at the **ASSUMPTION HALL** on Keene Rd. There will be cash prizes and a light lunch will be served. Refreshments will be available. Admission \$10. For tickets/ more info. Phone Bob O'Brien at 745-3840. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Fashion Show at Immaculate Conception Parish

Be sure to set aside **Sun, Nov. 19th from 2 – 5 p.m.** for the "Social Event of the Season". Immaculate Conception is sponsoring an "Alia Tan Jay Fashion Show". Treat yourself to an outing & possibly a new outfit. Organize a table of eight of your family and friends. Tickets are \$15 ... light refreshments served. Call 742-5466 for your tickets.

ST ANNE'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TALENT

NIGHT is Fri. Nov 17 at 7 pm. If you can sing, dance, play a musical instrument, tell jokes, perform a skit etc. come & share your talent. **Sign up sheets are at the Church or Call Mike Condon 745-0356.** Join us for an evening of fun & good friendships. Free refreshments, 50/50 draw & free admission! Free Will Offering!

The Cathedral CWL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR is on Sat, Nov 18, 2017, 11:00am – 3:00pm, in the Bishop Doyle Hall, across from the Cathedral. Items available include: **BAKED GOODS, SILENT AUCTION, CRAFTS, TEA ROOM & MORE!** We will have a "NEW" Special Shopping Area for Children! Silent Auction and other donations from trinkets and jewelry to larger items are all greatly appreciated. To donate contact Mary Joan, [705-931-4477](tel:705-931-4477)

Offertory Thank you for your generosity

Nov. 5th Offertory: Env. \$1795.00 + Loose \$267.75

+ P.A.P. \$610.00 = \$2672.75 Fuel:
\$209.00
St. Vincent de Paul: \$211.50 World
Mission: \$20.00

The Then & Now Tour

3rd Annual Downeyville House Tour – Nov. 18th
Tickets \$20.00 – time 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
8 stops on your tour – Lunch available at
Downeyville Hall and a Christmas Bazaar as well.
For tickets contact Mary Connell 705-793-2013.
Hope to see you there.

The deVeber Institute for Bioethics and Social
Research invites you to a Free Annual Public Lecture!
“Conscience and conscientious objection for nurses
and other health care professionals: Advancing a
way forward for education and practice”
Tues, Nov 14th at Carr Hall, 100 St Joseph St,
University of Toronto Lecture to start at 7:30pm sharp
*Please call [416-256-0555](tel:416-256-0555) or email us at
bioethics@deveber.org to reserve your seat!

Join the Peterborough & District Italian Club on our annual Christmas shopping bus trip.

When: Saturday 9th December

Departing at 8 AM from TBD Stops planned:

1. Vaughan Mills Premiere Outlet Mall
2. Coppa's Fresh Market
3. The Seafood Depot
4. Grace Textile
5. Grande Cheese

Price: \$35/PDIC member or \$40/person

Please RSVP with Deb Malandrino at 536-2906

Readings:

Nov 12th: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 6: 12 - 16

Psalm 63

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13 – 18

Gospel: Matthew 25: 1 – 13

Nov 5th: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Proverbs 31: 10 – 13, 16 – 18,
20, 26, 28 – 31

Psalm 128

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1 – 6

Gospel: Matthew 25: 14 – 30

Holy Father's Intentions: November

Christians in Asia That Christians in Asia, bearing
witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may
promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding,
especially with those of other religions.

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*



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

The Compassionate Community Care

(CCC) helpline is a national service for  people who are seeking advice, help  & support regarding euthanasia &
assisted suicide prevention, and all end-of-life
treatment issues or concerns. They can be reached
toll free at 1-855-675-8749 ... The number operates
7days a week, 24 hours a day from coast to coast.

www.CompassionateCommunityCare.org

Upcoming Retreats at Villa St Joseph Ecology and
Spirituality Centre, 445 Monk St., Cobourg, ON

Day of Stillness

Wednesday November 15, 2017

9:00 a.m. 4 p.m.

A gathering prayer invites you into silence and solitude.
This unstructured day offers opportunity for personal
prayer, relaxation and connection with God's creation.
Cost is \$30.00 includes lunch and snacks. To register, call
905-372-2741, email: villa@csjcanada.org, visit our site
www.villastjoseph.ca

Interfaith Hour for Peace

Thursday November 23, 2017

7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Come join us for an hour of prayer, as we come together
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. To register,
call 905-372-2741, email: villa@csjcanada.org, visit our
site www.villastjoseph.ca

Personal Retreat Days,

Wednesday Nov 29 at 9:00 a.m. to Fri Dec 1 at 4 p.m.

Villa St Joseph offers a quiet and relaxing environment
that supports prayer and a deepening awareness of God's
presence. The time and space is yours. You may choose
to come for the entire time or for a shorter stay. The
Sisters at the Villa are available for spiritual direction
during these days. Delicious, homemade meals and
snacks are provided. Coffee and tea available throughout
the day (\$80/day). To register, call 905-372--2741, email:
villa@csjcanada.org

Advent Sabbath Weekend,
Friday December 1, 2017 7 pm to Sun Dec 3 at 1 pm
Come away and embrace the gifts of silence in the spiritual journey. The prayerful stillness and beauty of nature offer a peaceful and life giving setting. Cost \$160. To register, call 905-372--2741, email: villa@csjcanada.org

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. **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 or 295-6952

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.

Quo Vadis for this year:

November 11, December 2, January 13, February 10, March 3, April 7, May 12, June 23

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

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.



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. 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

Clearly, what God wants above all is our will which we received as a free gift from God in creation and possess as though our own. When a man trains himself to acts of virtue, it is with the help of grace from God from whom all good things come that he does this. The will is what man has as his unique possession.
St. Joseph of Cupertino

St. Anthony Mary Claret:

The Christian who desires to follow Jesus carrying his cross must bear in mind that the name “Christian” means “bearer or imitator of Christ” and that if he wishes to bear that noble title worthily, he must above all do as Christ charges us in the Gospel; we must oppose or deny ourselves, take up the cross, and follow him.

holy Church, as her true son, nurtured by so tender a Mother. In this way you will demonstrate gentle divine charity and patience as well.” (Saint Catherine of Siena)

In danger, in distress, in uncertainty, think of Mary, call upon Mary. She never leaves your lips, she never departs from your heart; and so that you may obtain the help of her prayers, never forget the example of her life. If you follow her, you cannot falter; if you pray to her, you cannot despair; if you think of her, you cannot err. If she sustains you, you will not stumble; if she protects you, you have nothing to fear; if she guides you, you will never flag; if she is favourable to you, you will attain your goal... (Hom. II *super Missus est*, 17: PL 183, 70-71).

— St. Bernard of Clairvaux from his homily on the Incarnation of Christ.

WHAT IS THE FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION? The Catholic devotion of First Saturdays was given to the Church by Our Lady of Fatima and the Child Jesus through the children of Fatima. In 1925, Mary and the Child Jesus appeared to Lucia, the sole surviving Fatima visionary, at a convent in Spain and promised her that she would “...assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who on the first Saturdays of five consecutive months confess, receive Holy Communion, pray a Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditating on the fifteen mysteries with the intention of offering me reparation.” **HOW TO DO THE FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS:** There are 4 requirements to faithfully fulfill the five first Saturdays: Go to Confession. Receive Holy Communion. Say five decades of the Holy Rosary. Meditate for fifteen minutes on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary (separate from saying the Rosary).

“Bring me the sign of true humility by being not overly ambitious in your position, but lowly. Don’t be impatient over any pain or abuse you might suffer, but endure within the body of holy Church by the firm power of patience, even to the point of death. When you speak and proclaim the truth, whether in giving counsel or in any other role, do it fearlessly, looking only to God’s honour, the salvation of souls, and the advancement of