



Our Lady of the Assumption

Roman Catholic Parish

Mission ~ St. John the Evangelist, Keene, Ontario



1830 Keene Rd., Otonabee, ON, K9J 6X7

Phone: (705) 741-1018

email: assumptaest@sympatico.ca

web: www.assumption-stjohns.ca

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 and Benediction

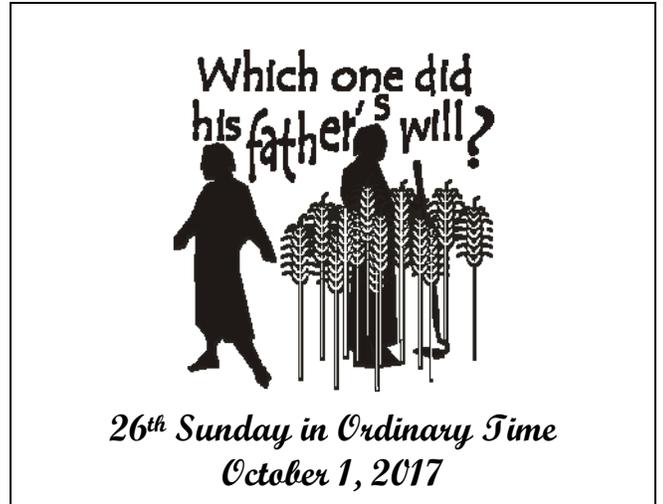
Every Friday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
followed by Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.

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.**



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 1, 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. & 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**October 2 – October 8

MONDAY, October 2

Guardian Angels

8:00 a.m. ~ The Welch Family

TUESDAY, October 3

St. Gerard of Brogne

6:30 p.m. + Loretta Bolin

(C.W.L.)

WEDNESDAY, October 4

St. Francis of Assisi

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

THURSDAY, October 5

St. Faustina Kowalska

8:00 a.m. + Helen Pullyblank

(Her nieces)

FRIDAY, October 6 *First Friday**St. Bruno, Bl. Marie-Rose Durocher*

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

7:00 p.m. + Bill & Johannah Lane

(The Family)

SATURDAY, October 7 *First Saturday**Our Lady of the Rosary*

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

SUNDAY, October 8

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:00 a.m. + Joe & Frances Sullivan

(The Family)

10:30 a.m. + Jack, Loretta and Sue Bolin

(Their Family)

The Holy Rosary

October is the month of the rosary and each week there will be meditations based on the different mysteries ... joyful, luminous, sorrowful and glorious.

The Joyful Mysteries

(typically prayed on Mondays & Saturdays)

The Annunciation ... humility

The angel Gabriel appeared to Mary to let her know she would be the mother of God! Even though this was very hard to believe, and Mary knew it would be difficult, she still said, "Yes!" While we pray this mystery, imagine what that night must have been like. Was Mary afraid when the angel appeared? Did she have peace and joy upon learning she'd be the mother of Jesus? Would you have said "yes" like Mary did? What difficult thing might God be asking of you? Let's

pray this mystery and ask for the grace and strength to do the will of God in our lives, like Mary did.

The Visitation ... love of neighbour

In this Mystery we see Mary setting off to visit her cousin Elizabeth. Elizabeth, who was quite old, was also pregnant, but much closer to giving birth than Mary was. Because of this, Mary wanted to offer her help to someone in need. When Elizabeth saw Mary, her son - John the Baptist - leapt for joy inside her womb, because he recognized Jesus inside Mary's womb. How can we bring Jesus to others in the way that Mary brought Jesus to Elizabeth? Who are the neighbours, friends, classmates, co-workers, and family around us each day that might need our help? Let's offer up their intentions while praying this mystery, and also pray that we would have the grace to love those around us.

The Nativity ... spirit of poverty

Here we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus. This is the miraculous story of God becoming man. That alone is amazing! But what's also important in the Nativity is that God allowed his Son to be born in a dirty cave, with a bed made in the place where animals went to eat. While we pray, let's ask God to help us be content with the spiritual gifts He gives us, and to be more wise in what we buy, especially when we're tempted just to gather more "things" we don't really need.

**The Presentation ... obedience**

When Jesus was just a little baby, Mary and Joseph brought Him to the Temple to be presented to God. Making an offering wasn't just something they wanted to do, but according to Jewish law, they had to do this. But why would this be necessary since Jesus is the Son of God? They did it because Mary and Joseph wanted to be obedient to God in all things. It is important that even when it is difficult, or when we don't want to, that we try to do what God wants us to do. What's also exciting about this mystery is that there are two other people in this story - Simeon and Anna - who had waited years to see God fulfill his promise of sending the Messiah. From their example we can learn how to be patient in waiting for God, and to trust that God is a Father who fulfills his promises to us. Let's pray for the strength to be obedient, trusting, and patient.

The Finding of Jesus in the Temple ... piety

When Jesus was a young boy, He traveled with Mary and Joseph to a special celebration far from his home. While there, He was separated from his parents. For three days Mary and Joseph couldn't find their son! When they finally found Jesus, He was in the Temple teaching and listening. People were amazed at how much Jesus knew about God. And though Jesus IS God, He went home with Mary and Joseph and was obedient to them. As we pray this mystery, let's ask God to help us find Jesus in our lives - especially in the Eucharist during Mass. Let's also pray that He help us learn to worship Him and be obedient to Him.

<http://archden.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/ArchdenFamilyRosary.pdf>

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2017

LAY MINISTRY	Eucharistic	Lector	Gift Bearers
Sat 5:00 p.m.	Joanne Bolton	Brittany Roelofs	Al & Valerie Collicutt
Sun 9:00 a.m.	Noreen Malloy	Mike Malloy	Bob & Ruth O'Brien
10:30 a.m.	Bud Monahan	Anna Marie Bolin	Jackie Bolin

C.W.L. News



The next Catholic Women's League Meeting is **Tues., Oct. 3**, 7:00 pm after the 6:30 p.m. Mass. Please join us to develop our fall and winter plans.

Rosary



The C.W.L. will be leading the rosary before the **9:00 a.m.** Mass each Sunday for the month of October. Please join us.

The Keene Pumpkin Festival:

Come join the fun at the Pumpkin Festival on **Sat, Oct 14th** and enjoy our parish CWL "Pie to Go", and pick up some delicious, home-made baked goods. Donations of pumpkin pies, cookies, squares, other kinds of pies, candy, preserves are requested for the CWL tables in Keene.



Knights of Columbus



Special Olympics Bottle Drive is ongoing. Please bring your bottles to Mass and place them in the trailer at the hall. This will continue for the Month of Oct - contact Kievan Lonergan 705-745-1471 Peter Clancy 705-748-3075. Thanksgiving Food Drive for Keene Food Cupboard for the month of October ... all donations gratefully accepted. Next meeting **Tuesday, Oct 10th at 7pm** following Mass. Mark your Calendar for our Annual Parish Christmas Dinner this will be **Sat, Nov 18th**. Ticket will be available soon.

Life Chain 2017 ... THIS WEEKEND!



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1st on Lansdowne Ave. east of Monaghan Rd. We prayerfully gather for one hour, from 2pm to 3pm, as a silent reminder of the holocaust of abortion that is in our midst. Our presence is a sign that we recognize that God has asked for us to be His witness

to save lives and change hearts. For info, call 243 4133. A Prayer Service will follow at St. Alphonsus.

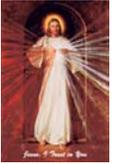
The Carpenter's Cup Sports Challenge

The Carpenter's Cup is back! High school aged young men are invited to a weekend of meaningful talks, Mass, adoration and a sports competition! Guys will compete in floor hockey, basketball and a surprise event to see who takes home the Carpenter's Cup trophy! The retreat will take place **Oct. 27-29** at JPII House For more information or to register visit www.ptbovocations.ca/carpenterscup or email vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org



St. Faustina's Thanksgiving Prayer

(Feast Day: Oct. 5) O Jesus, eternal God, I thank You for Your countless graces and blessings. Let every beat of my heart be a new hymn of thanksgiving to You, O God. Let every drop of my blood circulate for You, Lord. My soul is one hymn in adoration of Your mercy. I love You, God, for Yourself alone (1794).



"Healing Mass – October 4th at Mount St. Joseph @1:30 pm. All are invited to come and pray for healing. Opportunity for anointing and healing prayer." Celebrant: Fr. Leo Coughlin.

Thank you

A sincere thank you to all involved in helping with the dinner last weekend and those who supported it by buying tickets. More details will be available soon.



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER - October 20-27 in Mississauga - CELEBRATE YOUR LOVE. Come to a weekend of discovery ... enhance your lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals & as a couple. The weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly, in private, without group sharing, or marriage counseling. Info at <http://www.wvme.org> or call Ken or Kathy Reid (905) 372-5097. Register with Gerard & Marge at gerard.marge@rogers.com or call (905) 792-1925.

Camp Northern Lights

All supporters of the camp are invited to come and visit the camp to view the renovations and upgrades and to explore the programs offered. There will be an open house on **Sat. Oct 14th or 15th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Hamburgers and hot dogs will be available. The address is 1615 Universal Rd., Highlands East, Haliburton.

St. Joseph's at Fleming Auxiliary Tea & Bazaar

The Bazaar is the major fund raising event for the year and the Auxiliary relies on these funds to host events throughout the year that help to enhance the quality of life for the Residents of the Home.

Saturday October 7th from 1:00 to 3:30 pm. at the Auditorium St. Joseph's at Fleming, 659 Brealey Dr.

Offertory Thank you for your generosity
Sept. 24th Offertory: Env. \$1683.00 + Loose \$389.00

= \$2072.00 Fuel: \$40.00

St. Vincent de Paul: \$5.00

Needs of the Canadian Church: \$185.00

October 8th: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 5: 1 – 7

Psalm 80

2nd Reading: Philippians 4: 6 – 9

Gospel: Matthew 21: 33 – 43

Holy Father's Intentions: September Parishes

That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Summary report for July and August

3,384 people helped with food, including 1,102 children, \$4,957.10 in clothing vouchers for Vinnie's Store, \$5,122.29 spent on beds and mattresses for those in need. Thank you all for your generous donations collected each month

Immaculate's Conference of SSVP gives a gift to grade 8 graduate who lives their life with charity Congratulations to Cole Milligan of Immaculate Conception School and to (The Circle of Friends) at Msgr. O'Donoghue: Aaron Cowie, Lily Briand, Grace Malloy, and Shannan Glover Please keep all Vincentians in your prayers as we work to see Jesus in the face of the poor

St. Alphonsus Liguori C.W.L. Country Bazaar — Please join us for a Warm Wooler Welcome at our highly anticipated County Bazaar on Saturday, October 28th from 10am to 2pm at St. Alphonsus Liguori Church Hall, Wooler.

Admission is free and you can enjoy a light lunch of sandwich, squares, tea and coffee for \$5.00 served by our friendly parishioners of St. Alphonsus.

Visit - Our famous bake table with many, many pies; cookies; squares; homemade bread etc;

Our Cozy Country Cupboard of Preserves, Pickles and Jams and our fabulous craft table. You can also enjoy our super fun Penny Table -- a family favourite!

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

Spiritual Warfare - On October 28th

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/,
info@ServiamMinistries.com or 1-888-522-2070.



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 cleaning at Assumption. The months of November and December are still open.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPAGHETTI DINNER

will be held **Friday, Oct 20 in St Anne's Parish Hall from 5:00 to 7 pm.** Enjoy Spaghetti with meat sauce, rolls, dessert, tea/coffee. Adults \$7, children 3-12 \$4 & under 3 years free, Family Rate \$20 (2 adults/2 children). Everyone Welcome.

Readings:

October 1: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25 - 28

Psalm 25

2nd Reading: Philippians 2: 1 – 11

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28 – 32

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

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 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:

September 9

October 7

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. 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

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.

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).

God’s generous mercy and goodness

In today’s Gospel, Jesus talks to us about the Kingdom of heaven, where God’s generous mercy and goodness far exceeds our concept of justice. St. Francis de Sales notes: When there is absolutely no human good to hope for, it is precisely then that God’s awe -inspiring mercy shines forth and surpasses God’s justice. God’s ways are not our ways. God would sooner work miracles than leave us without help. For this reason our Saviour came to redeem us and deliver us from the tyranny of sin. The heart of our Saviour is wholly filled with mercy and kindness

for the human family. God’s providence is wiser than what we are. We imagine we would feel better if we were on another ship. That may be, but only if we change ourselves! There is a real temptation to become dissatisfied and depressed about the world we have to live in. Truly we must not lose heart. God will never abandon us. It is we who abandon God. If you are troubled you never want to leave God. An ounce of virtue practiced in adversity is worth more than a thousand pounds exercised in prosperity. We may be weak but our weakness is not nearly as great as God’s mercy toward those who desire to love God, and place all their hope in God. The problem is that all the nooks and corners of our hearts are cluttered with thousands of desires that prevent our Saviour from giving us the gifts that he desires to shower on us. We ought to be like the mariner who, in steering his vessel, always keeps his eye on the needle of the compass. We must keep our eyes open to correct our desires and have only one, that of pleasing God. Let our Lord reign in our hearts, as he desires. Then let us remain at peace, without hurry or fear in our hearts, and go on our little way. So long as we mean well and hold to our desire to love God, we are on the right track.

The Joyful Mysteries

