



Our Lady of the Assumption

Roman Catholic Parish

Mission ~ St. John the Evangelist, Keene, Ontario



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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.**



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 8, 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 9– October 15

MONDAY, October 9

*Thanksgiving Day**St. John Leonardi,**St. Denis St. John Henry Newman*

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention



TUESDAY, October 10

St. Gislénus, St. Thomas of Villanova

6:30 p.m. ~ Genevieve Graham

(Marrocco Family)

WEDNESDAY, October 11

St. John XXIII, St. Firminus

8:00 a.m. ~ Jerry Doherty

(Anne Fitzgerald & Mike Sullivan)

THURSDAY, October 12

St. Wilfred

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

FRIDAY, October 13

St. Edward the Confessor

10:45 a.m. Mass at Msgr. O'Donoghue

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

7:00 p.m. ~ John Velasquez

(Anne Sheridan)

SATURDAY, October 14

St. Callistus I

8:00 a.m. ~ Angela Hilts

(Marrocco Family)

SUNDAY, October 15

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:00 a.m. + Mary Curtin

(Frank & Teresa Harrington)

10:30 a.m. + Loretta Bolin

(Anna Walsh)

The Holy Rosary

(typically prayed on Thursdays)

The Baptism of the Lord ... openness to the Holy Spirit

In this mystery Jesus presents Himself to be baptized as an example for each of us, and so that we might receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Those gifts are wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord. After He was baptized, Jesus went and prayed and fasted for forty days in the desert, where He was tempted by the devil. As we pray this mystery, let's ask for an abundant outpouring of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, as well as the strength to resist whatever

temptations we have in our lives that might cause us to sin.

The Wedding Feast at Cana ...**To Jesus through Mary**

The second Luminous Mystery is the Wedding Feast of Cana, where Mary teaches us one of the most important lessons in life. She tells the servants at the wedding feast to do whatever Jesus tells them to do. In our lives, are we willing to do whatever Jesus tells us to do? Let's ask Mary to pray with us that we might have the graces necessary to do whatever Jesus calls us to do in this life, as well as the ability to trust in Mary's intercession for us, as Jesus answered his mother's request that day in Cana.

**The Proclamation of the Kingdom ...****repentance and trust in God**

During his earthly ministry, Jesus performed miracles, healed the sick, and raised people from the dead. During this time of ministry, He proclaimed the Kingdom of Heaven and continually called for people to repent - to be sorry for their sins. Do we want to go to Heaven when we die? If so, are we prepared to be sorry for our sins, to confess our sins, and to sin no more? Let's pray for the grace to be truly sorry for any ways we've stumbled and failed, and ask for the grace to overcome areas where we keep committing the same sins.

The Transfiguration ... desire for holiness

In the biblical story of the Transfiguration, Jesus lets three of his friends get just a small preview of the glory of God. His clothes turned bright white and there was a brilliant light; it was like they were seeing Jesus in Heaven! But what Jesus was showing us was that we are all called to be holy, to be pure and spotlessly clean from sin, so that we, too, can be with Him in Heaven. As we pray this mystery, let's beg not only for the strength to be pure, but the desire to want to be holy, as Jesus is holy.

The Institution of the Holy Eucharist ... active participation at Mass and love of our Eucharistic Lord

How often do we go to Mass and say the prayers with our lips but not with our hearts? In this mystery we see Jesus give us the Eucharist - His Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. The Catholic Church teaches that the Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith.

This means that everything we have and everything we're working toward (Heaven) is based in the Eucharist, where Jesus Christ is truly present. At Mass we receive Jesus. Let's pray this mystery and ask for help not just to go to Mass, but to actively participate in this celebration of our faith!

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 15, 2017

LAY MINISTRY

Sat 5:00 p.m.
Sun 9:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic

Colleen Petersen
Martin Corkery
Rose Wornoff

Lector

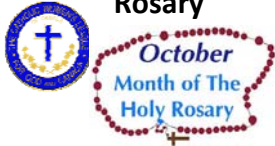
Mary Anne Bernie
Gladys Fowler
Maggie Doris

Gift Bearers

Paul & Liz Heffernan
Wava Brown & Lynda DeNoble
Henrietta Duff

C.W.L. News

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:

Saturday, Oct 14th

Come join the fun at the Pumpkin Festival 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.

Dropping off your baked donations:

On Friday Oct. 13th between 5 and 7 pm. at the parish hall or on Saturday in the large white tent on the ball diamond before 10 am. After 10 a.m. the road is closed to vehicles.

Proceeds go to CWL charitable works.

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.

Whoever has a bountiful eye will be blessed, for he shares his bread with the poor. Proverbs 22:9

I wish to thank all of you who participated in any capacity to make this year's parish supper such a success! It was a great mix of veteran and new volunteers. All of you should be proud of the work you did to support this event and make it work out so well.



Everyone who attends our supper feels welcome and satisfied with a delicious meal and a friendly atmosphere. We have many who come year after year because of you and your dedication to making this a wonderful experience. Thank you all for your time and commitment. I am blessed and honoured to work with all of you on this annual endeavour. God Bless, Colleen Petersen

Offertory Thank you for your generosity

Oct 1st Offertory: Env. \$1513.00 + Loose \$465.50

+ P.A.P. \$570.00= \$2548.50 Fuel:

\$226.00

St. Vincent de Paul: \$392.50

Needs of the Canadian Church:

\$80.00



Join the All Saints' Day Festivities

"Join us in celebrating *All Saint's Day* and learn about how the *Saints* have provided us inspiration in responding to and living out our *Vocations*. Come dressed in your best *Saint's* costume for a chance at a prize and enjoy our many themed activities and scrumptious foods! Dinner will be provided. The Party runs from 3 pm until 7pm on Sun, Oct 29th at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall. Please **RSVP** at 705-760-5411. All are welcome!"

Operation Christmas Child

Our parish will be participating in Operation Christmas Child again this year, so start collecting items to fill your shoebox. Boxes will be available soon.



St. Alphonsus Liguori C.W.L. Country Bazaar

Please join us on **Sat, Oct. 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. Visit - Our famous bake table; 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!

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.

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., Haliburton.

Oct 13th: Last of the apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima
All day devotions at Sacred Heart of Mary Church, Madoc

- begins at 8:00 a.m. and finishes at 5:30 p.m.
The Rosary is a powerful weapon to put the demons to flight and to keep oneself from sin... If you desire peace in your hearts, in your homes, and in your country, assemble each evening to recite the Rosary. Let not even one day pass without saying it, no matter how burdened you may be with many cares and labours. ~Pope Pius XI

vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org or [874.1871](tel:874.1871)

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.

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.wwme.org> or call Ken or Kathy Reid (905) 372-5097. Register with Gerard & Marge at gerard.marge@rogers.com or call (905) 792-1925.

Readings:

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

October 15: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 25: 6 - 10

Psalm 23

2nd Reading: Philippians 4: 12 – 14, 19 – 20

Gospel: Matthew 22: 1 – 14

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. Tickets at 1-888-522-2070.

Holy Father's Intentions: October Workers and the Unemployed

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

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

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*

Carpenter's Cup Retreat for High School Men

This retreat will take place **Oct. 27-29** at JPII House in Peterborough - begins at 6 p.m. on Sat and concludes 1 p.m. on Sun. Woven into meaningful talks and prayer will be a series of sports challenges to determine who will have their name engraved on the Carpenter's Cup trophy. A \$20 registration fee is requested. Register at www.ptbovocations.ca/carpenterscup. If you have questions, please contact Father John Perdue at



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

www.CompassionateCommunityCare.org

*Compassionate
Community Care*

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**

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.

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:

October 7

November 11

December 2

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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

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.