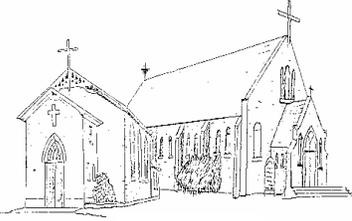




Our Lady of the Assumption
Roman Catholic Church
 Mission ~ St. John the Evangelist, Keene, Ontario



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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. 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.



3rd Sunday of Lent
March 15, 2020

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

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: Half an hour before Mass
 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

March 16 – March 22

MONDAY, March 16

8:00 a.m. ~ For an end to the spread of the coronavirus and for a speedy

recovery of those who are sick

TUESDAY, March 17

St. Patrick

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, March 18

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

8:00 a.m. ~ Kevin & Michelle Sullivan

(Anne Fitzgerald)

THURSDAY, March 19

St. Joseph

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

(Your friends)

FRIDAY, March 20

6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration & Benediction

6:30 p.m. ~ Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m. + Annette Catterall

(Patrick & Olga Mucci)

SATURDAY, March 21

8:00 a.m. + Richard Ironside

(Family)

SUNDAY, March 22

4th Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Hazel O'Brien

(Vicki, Shelley, Justin & Brett)

9:00 a.m. + Ruth & Claire O'Toole and Catherine & Karl

(Ruth & Gino Ciraulo)

10:30 a.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

NET Canada 25th Anniversary Gala

NET Canada's silver anniversary - 25 years of doing youth ministry in Canada. Thurs., April 30, 5:30 pm, at the St. Elias Centre, 750 Ridgewood Ave. Guest speaker: Fr. Emmanuel Mansford, CFR. Cost:

\$100/ticket with \$40 tax receipt (\$125 after March 13).

For tickets & more info: Danica 613-841- 4141;

[https://netcanada.ca/25th-anniversary/2-pages/571-](https://netcanada.ca/25th-anniversary/2-pages/571-25th-gala)

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Information Session on Responding to Sexual Abuse by Clergy

There will be an information session on responding to sexual abuse by clergy with a presentation by Most Reverend Bishop Daniel Miehm, Fr. Joe Moran, Robyn Henighan, and Deirdre Thomas. The presentation will be followed by discussion and questions.

WHERE - St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Hall, Huntsville

WHEN - Tuesday, April 21, 2020, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. All are welcome.

SOCIAL JUSTICE INFORMATION

All over the world migrants face risky voyages to escape violence, war, and poverty. In his 2020 New Year's Day Message, our Holy Father emphasized the need for welcoming people of different cultures. "We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters ... may be heard and considered." St. Alphonsus' St. Vincent de Paul Conference is responding to the Pope's appeal by sponsoring a Syrian refugee. He arrives in Peterborough on March 25. For information on how your parish can sponsor refugees, contact Lynn-Marie Gallant-Whipp (Chair of the SSV Social Justice Committee): lmwhipp@cogeco.ca.

Immaculate Conception "Come From Away"

Raptors try for a repeat and so does Immaculate Conception! After a successful outing to "Come from Away" Immaculate Conception has organized another bus to see the play on **Wed, June 10 at 1:30** for \$160.00 which includes the ticket for the play, transportation and bus driver gratuity. Please note a bus pick up stop has been arranged for Newcastle. Tickets are going fast! Call 742-5466 or 768-0844 for more details. Great presents for Mother's Day and Father's Day. First come, first served.

Thank you for your generosity

Offertory March 8: OLA \$1,870.00

St. John the Evangelist \$232.00

Fuel \$35.00 St. Vincent de Paul \$496.00

Fasting cleanses the soul, raises the mind, subjects one's flesh to the spirit, renders the heart contrite and humble ... and kindles the true light of chastity.

St. Augustine

4th Sunday of Lent

LAY MINISTRY

Eucharistic

Lector

March 22, 2020

Gift Bearers

Sat 5:00 p.m.

Colleen Petersen

Helen Voza

Leon & Trish Dorff

Sun 9:00 a.m.

Gladys Fowler

Pat Clancy

Wava Brown & Lynda DeNoble

10:30 a.m.

Anna Marie Bolin

Jackie Bolin

Bonnie & John Kuharski

Knights News



Knights of Columbus would like to thank all who attended the Fourth Annual Parish Spaghetti Dinner and from all comments, it was a success.

Chef Patrick Pinto did an excellent job with the spaghetti sauce and we would like to thank all those who helped in any way in making it a success. Monies raised will be used for charity and for hall maintenance. Thanks again. Peter Clancy

40 Cans for Lent

This project of the local Knights council continues until **Easter Sunday, April 12**. The concept is to put one can of food aside each day during Lent. Save them up to the end of Lent or bring them in weekly when coming to church and deposit in the bin inside at the front of the Church. All donations will go to the Keene Cupboard. Ideas for canned food: meat, fruit, tuna, pork and beans, tomatoes, evaporated milk, peanut butter, cheese whiz, mac and cheese, canned stew, oatmeal, nut free school snacks, cereal, canned vegetables, pasta sauce, paper products, and toilet tissue. Please support this effort.

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.



The next retreat for women will be held on **May 1-3, 2020**. To register phone 416 629 8264 or e-mail ProjectRachel@stmaryrefuge.org

Way of the Cross

The Way of the Cross is in its 16th year. To make this re enactment a success much help is required. Currently only two people are involved. Volunteers are desperately needed for a wide variety of positions. 15 parade marshals (for crowd control) required. For further information contact Deacon Aidan Murphy; email deaconaidanmurphy@gmail.com.

Proposed Expansion of Euthanasia

Legislation that would expand access to euthanasia in our country was introduced on Feb 24th (Bill C-7) by the federal government. Among the alarming changes are amendments to expand euthanasia to those without a terminal illness, including those with disabilities. Every life has value – visit www.helptheliving.ca to send a letter (prepared for you) to your Member of Parliament. More information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia Let us continue to pray and advocate for the vulnerable among us.

Eucharistic Adoration

Spend Some Time with Jesus

St. Alphonsus Adoration Chapel is open seven days a week, Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to midnight and Sunday from noon to midnight. Drop in for five minutes or spend an hour with Jesus.



Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - Only 10 spots left!

Fr. John Perdue and Fr. Justin Pulikunnel are leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from **June 8- 17, 2020**, and you are invited! We will walk, chronologically, in the footsteps of Jesus from the site of the Annunciation to the Road to Emmaus. Cost is \$3,690 and there are 10 spots left. If you are interested, contact Fr. John at 705-874-1871 or vocations@peterboroughdiocese.org

Movie Night

Immaculate Conception is showing the movie "I Can Only Imagine" starring Dennis Quaid on **Fri, March 27**, at **7:00pm** in the parish hall. Come watch a fantastic movie of a modern-day prodigal son seeking peace in his life through reconciliation with others who he has hurt or have hurt him. There is no charge for the movie but feel free to bring canned food for our 40 Cans for 40 Days Lenten Challenge. For more information call 705-742-5466 or 705-768-0844

Job Opening for Office Administration Assistant

The Rectory Office for the Churches of St. Alphonsus, Wooler, St. Jerome, Warkworth and Holy Angels, Brighton is accepting applications for the permanent part-time position (two days per week) of Administration Assistant to work in the Wooler Office. The position requires good organizational skills, knowledge of producing documents with Word and Website posting. Resumes will be accepted until March 31, 2020. Please contact the Wooler Office if you are interested 613-397-3189.

Development & Peace

For several years now, the Mura people of Brazil's Amazonas state have sought to assert their claim to their ancestral lands. To their frustration however, it has been much easier for cattle herders and a potash mine to occupy and control those lands than it has been for them to have their rights respected. Development and Peace's partner, the Indigenous Missionary Council (CIMI), helps them advocate for, defend and publicize their cause more effectively. "On behalf of the Mura in my region, I want to thank Canadians. We are very happy to have your support. It helps us in our struggle to have our rights and our land respected." – Jeremias Oliveira, representative of the Mura community, Brazil. devp.org/campaign/mura.

Good Friday Fish Fry

The Keene Lions will be hosting a Fish Fry at the Keene Lions Den on **Friday, April 10th from 4pm to 7pm**. Tickets are \$15.00 for a two piece dinner and \$12.00 for one piece. Eat in or take out. Tickets can be purchase at the Keene Branch of the Kawartha Credit Union or from any Lions member.

Dynamic Women of Faith

Evening for Mothers and Daughters **Friday March 27, 7-10 pm**, Le Treport Banquet Hall, 1075 Queensway East, Mississauga, high powered talks from 5 popular women speakers, for Mothers and High School/University women. \$25.00
www.dynamicwomenfaith.com

Theology of the Body

Jason Evert, Catholic speaker on Theology of the Body, is speaking over 3 nights on Reclaiming Love: Theology of the Body for Everyone, in the Archdiocese of Toronto. **May 19-21** (Barrie, Markham & Mississauga). See bulletin board.

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*

Diocesan Pastoral Planning Update

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough moved from the Entry Phase of Pastoral Planning to the Formal Phase in 2019. The Formal Phase of the Pastoral Planning Process will continue until 2021 culminating in the launch of a new Pastoral Plan for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough. Please check out this weblink for more information about the process with the invitation for your participation and input. Let us keep this planning process in our prayers that the Spirit of God will lead us with wisdom, charity, and courage.

<https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/about-us/pastoral-planning.aspx>

Church Cleaning Ministry

Please find the church cleaning sheet on the table 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.



Holy Land 2020 IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS WITH FR. JOSEPH DEVEREAUX

Nov 2 - Nov 16th, 2020 Join us on an unforgettable journey! Walk in the footsteps of Jesus and explore the Holy Land. Travel to where the Christian faith began. Explore historic landmarks with other pilgrims. Step back from life to hear the voice of God in the place where Jesus was born. Whether you are making this pilgrimage with your spouse, best friend, or by yourself, you will meet an incredible group of people who are passionate about their faith. Contact frjdevereaux@gmail.com (705-696-2254) or claire@talkofthetowntravel.com (416-312-9095)

Pilgrimage to Mexico

Celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe in 2020 in Guadalupe! **December 10-13, 2020** with Father Raymond Rick. Mexico City and the shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Cost: \$1650+ (see bulletin board for more information).

SUNDAY AFTERNOON MASS

Immaculate Conception Parish is instituting a 3:30 p.m. Mass starting Sunday, March 1.

Milk Bags

The parish will once again be collecting milk bags. Please bring your clean milk bags and leave them in the front foyer of the Church. Thank you

Lector Ministry

We are in need of additional readers for the Saturday evening Mass and Sunday morning Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption. Please let Fr. Michael know if you feel called to volunteer in this capacity. Thank you.

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 Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola: A prayerful silent retreat.

The Spiritual Exercises are a series of practical instructions and meditations arranged to help you come to a deeper knowledge of self and God. St. Ignatius's intention is to lead you to a renewed conversion of life and a deeper experience of the love of God. This retreat is a weekend adaptation, faithful to the spirit of St. Ignatius. Up-Coming Spiritual Exercises offered in Peterborough 2020:

For men: Sacred Heart Parish Victoria Day Weekend: Friday, May 15 (evening) - Monday May 18 (midday)

Cost: \$80 Questions or to sign up: contact M. Parousia at m.parousia@servidoras.org or phone 705-745-7631

Eucharistic Adoration

Spend Some Time with Jesus

St. Alphonsus Adoration Chapel is open seven days a week, Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to midnight and Sunday from noon to midnight. Drop in for five minutes or spend an hour with Jesus.

"The Church and the world have great need of Eucharistic Worship. Jesus waits for us in the sacrament of love. Let us be generous with him in going to meet him in adoration and in contemplation that is full of faith and ready to make reparation for the great faults and crimes of the world." (St. John Paul II)



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.

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.

The next retreat for women will be held on **May 1-3, 2020**. To register phone 416 629 8264 or e-mail ProjectRachel@stmaryrefuge.org



Message from Pope Francis on Global Compact on Education

At the request of the Congregation for Catholic Education, and with the approval of the Executive Committee, in view of the International Congress on Global Compact on Education which will take place 14 May 2020, we are forwarding to you the Message of the Holy Father for the launch of the Global Compact Education. You are invited to share the Message with the faithful of your diocese/eparchy and to encourage them to pray for the event and to follow its proceedings which will be simultaneously broadcast worldwide from the Paul VI hall. For more information on Global Compact on Education, please consult

<https://www.educationglobalcompact.org/en/>

Flower Committee

Volunteers needed to help with flower decor for the Assumption Church Sanctuary for 2019. Volunteer weeks are negotiable. If interested please call

Judy



Employment Opportunity—St. Mary's Refuge

St Mary's Refuge is a charitable organization that serves the marginalized in southeastern Ontario. These positions, both three-year contracts, will be excellent opportunities for someone who wishes meaningful, hands-on work "that makes a difference" in the charitable sector, and wants to gain valuable work experience, enhance and develop skills. We are looking for someone who is inspired by the vision of Laudato si' and willing to find ways to put it into action. Positions are Program Coordinator and Outreach Development Manager info@stmarysrefuge.org to apply or for info.

Holy Father's Intentions: March 2020

Catholics in China

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

Latin Tridentine Mass

Mass will be celebrated all Sundays of the month at 1:00 pm and every Saturday morning at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Hastings at 8:30 am.

Mass will be celebrated at St. Paul's Church in Norwood at 9:00 a.m. each Saturday morning, and at various dates and times during the week. Please check the bulletin for more details.

You are most welcome to attend

Traditional Latin Mass

Bishop Daniel Miehm has provided for a weekly Sunday celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Peterborough (208 Romaine Street). Every week the Traditional Latin Mass will be offered at **5 pm** at Sacred Heart Church. All are welcome.

Readings:

March 15: 3rd Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Exodus 17: 3 – 7

Psalm 95

2nd Reading: Romans 5: 1 – 2, 5 – 8

Gospel: John 4: 5 – 42

March 22: 4th Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1, 6 – 7, 10 – 13

Psalm 23

2nd Reading: Ephesians 5: 8 – 14

Gospel: John 9: 1 – 41

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/>

P.A.P. Special Collection for 2020

The only change to the P.A.P. schedule for special collections for 2020 is as follows:

Other Lenten Charities or D&P: March 15th

Good Friday and Easter: April 15th

There are no changes for the remainder of the year.

FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH

Thurs. April 9th: 12 -2 p.m., & 4 – 6 p.m.

Donations of goods can be dropped off at Three Roads Farm or at the back of the Church.



Are you interested in knitting for a good cause?

We will be knitting on 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Wed of the month. For further information, phone Gladys at

POP CAN TABS

Don't forget your can tabs. They will help someone in need. Your help is appreciated.



The Diocese of Peterborough parishes have twinned, in support of the **Archdiocese of Keewatin-Le Pas**. All parishes are able to accept donations for the Archdiocese of Keewatin-Le Pas along with the ability for parishioners to donate online on the Diocesan website at:

<https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/get-involved/donate.aspx>

