

Our Lady of the Assumption Parish

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A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As you know, the Masses and parish gatherings in the church are currently suspended during this pandemic. We are living “love of neighbor” by praying at home, staying at home, physically distancing, washing our hands, and connecting with each other virtually.

While gathering for Mass as a parish community is not possible, the priests in the parishes continue to celebrate Mass privately for the intentions of the faithful, and our parish is finding ways to continue connecting with and serving parishioners during this time.

There have been enquiries from parishioners about ways to support the parish without being physically present. This is a sensitive topic to address with so many uncertainties and a situation which is evolving so rapidly. Many parishioners may already be facing financial difficulties as a family, and the first priority must be to take care of the needs of family and loved ones.

The parish relies on the generosity of the faithful. For those parishioners continuing to donate either by dropping off their donation or through pre-authorized payments (PAP), Thank You! We are grateful for your financial support.

If parishioners without a PAP are able to consider supporting the parish, there are some online options:

- 1. Here is the link from our parish website to donate directly to the parish:**

<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/848623575RR0011-our-lady-of-the-assumption-church/#donate-now-pane>

- 2. Consider setting up pre-authorized payments (PAP), by contacting the parish for a PAP form that can be emailed to you.**

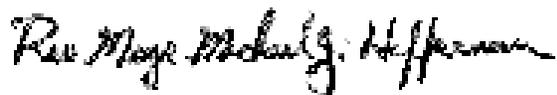
- 3. You can go online through the website for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough and direct your donation to your parish or as desired from the dropdown menu:
<https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/get-involved/donate.aspx>**

You may also send a donation to the parish by regular mail or drop it off in the parish office mail slot. To send a donation by regular mail to the parish, check the parish directory for the mailing address.

<https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/about-us/parishes-of-the-diocese.aspx>.

Continuing to support our parish at this time is an act of generosity and faith. The parish is grateful for any contribution you are able to make recognizing that these are difficult times financially for many people. Even more important at this time is your prayer for the parish, the priest, your fellow parishioners and especially those who are suffering from illness, those who have died and frontline workers during this COVID-19 pandemic. Let us continue to keep each other in prayer!

With Prayers and Best Wishes,



Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Heffernan