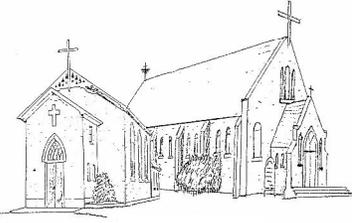




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Weekend Holy Mass Schedule

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

3217 County Rd. 2
Keene, Ontario K0L 2G0
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Holy Mass Schedule:

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Tuesday 6:30 p.m. for the first Tuesday
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.**

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.



**1st Sunday of Lent
February 26, 2023**

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:



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: 3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Sunday: 8:15 – 8:45 a.m.

**You may also book an appointment with Father
at ANYTIME**

MASS INTENTIONS**FEB 27 – MARCH 5**

MONDAY, February 27
St. Gregory of Narek
 8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention



TUESDAY, February 28

8:00 a.m. + Paola Michalopulo
 (Peter & family)

WEDNESDAY, March 1

8:00 a.m. + Rick Brioux
 (Ruth & Gino Ciraulo)

THURSDAY, March 2

8:00 a.m. + David Crowley
 (Mike & Marg Heffernan)

FRIDAY, March 3 *First Friday*

6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration & Benediction
 6:30 p.m. ~ Stations of the Cross
 7:00 p.m. ~ In reparation for the outrages, offences & blasphemies against Christ in the Holy Eucharist and insults to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

SATURDAY, March 4 *First Saturday*

St. Casimir
 No morning Mass

SUNDAY, March 5
2nd Sunday of Lent

4:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Robert Payne
 (Jeff & Chiarina Payne)

9:00 a.m. + Lorne Brown
 (Wava & family)

10:30 a.m. (Keene) ~ Missa Pro Populo

Live streaming of the Mass for the First Sunday in the Season of Lent

The Mass for the First Sunday in the Season of Lent will be live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains starting at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 25, 2023. The Mass will be available thereafter on the YouTube channel for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough.

Please click the link below to join in prayer:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RY519w2jEcg>

World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer will be celebrated across the world on Friday, March 3rd. The program was prepared by the WDP Committee of Taiwan. The theme this year "I have heard about your faith" is based on Ephesians 1:15-19.

Locally the service will be at Keene United Church 30 North St. Keene at **1:30 p.m. on Friday the 3rd of March**. Everyone is welcome.

CCCB Video---Journey through Lent

Journey through Lent will be available once again on the CCCB website. This year's Lenten reflections are delivered by His Eminence Gérald Cyprien Cardinal Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec and Primate of Canada, and the Most Reverend Brian Joseph Dunn, Archbishop of Halifax-Yarmouth.

<https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-lent-2023/>

WORLD YOUTH DAY CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER WITH PURDY'S CHOCOLATE

Yummm: World Youth Day pilgrims are once again selling chocolate...this time for Easter! It is a laudable thing to do to support the pilgrims and prepare for a tastier part of the coming Easter solemnity. Please support the group! **Deadline for orders is March 21st**. Orders will be brought to you by the pilgrims themselves. Once they are ready, you will be contacted. [ORDER ONLINE](#) using campaign number: **63356**

Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2023

Lift Jesus Higher Rally March 4, 2023, from 9am-5:30pm at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto. This year's theme: "EMPOWERED TO STAND" - "Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong." (1Corinthians 16:13)

Website link: www.ljhr.ca

2nd Sunday of Lent

LAY MINISTRY Eucharistic Minister
 Sat 4:00 p.m. Colleen Petersen
 Sun 9:00 a.m. Valerie Collicutt
 10:30 a.m. Anna Marie Bolin

Lector
 Roddy Turpin
 Bob Holland
 Peter Doris

March 5, 2023

Gift Bearers
 Joanne Bolton
 Terry & Marlene Fitzgerald
 Elaine & Gary Lambe

C.W.L. News



The next CWL meeting will be **Tuesday, March 7th at 1:00 in the hall.** Come and join us.

CWL ELECTIONS: General elections are now underway. Nominations are open for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, 3 Standing Committee (Faith, Service, Social Justice) positions. If you know someone who would be a good candidate or you wish to stand for a position please contact Noreen Malloy. She may be contacted at 705-742-3070. The closing date for nominations is March 24th. Elections will be held at the April meeting.

CWL LENTEN COLLECTION SOCKS & TOILETRIES

The CWL will be collecting socks (new & used) and toiletries for One City Peterborough during the first 3 weeks of Lent. See the laundry basket at the church entrance for drop off.

Stations of the Cross

The men of the parish are invited to participate in the Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings in March. The dates: 3, 17, 31 at 6:30 pm. We are alternating with the CWL. It involves leading one or two Stations. Contact Roddy Turpin 705-939-1145 if there are any questions.

THE SHEPHERD'S POST by Ruth Ann

DID YOU KNOW? Tucked away at the back of the hall at Immaculate Conception Parish (Peterborough) is a space created especially for children, to nurture their spiritual and religious formation through the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS). Here children aged three to twelve encounter Jesus and grow in their Catholic faith together in a small community by trained adults. If you would like to know more about the CGS, you are invited to our **Open House** the weekend of **February 25/26 after all Masses.**

St. Patrick's Day Celebration

St. Patrick's Day Celebration hosted by the Peterborough Canadian Irish Club on Saturday, March 11th at the Parish Hall, Douro. Featuring local entertainment from 1:00 - 6:00 pm. Food available for purchase 4:30 - 6:30 pm. Dance to the music of The Patio Stones from 7:00 - 11:00 pm. All day tickets \$15 for members; \$17 for non members and dance tickets \$10 for members and \$12 non members. Family pass \$25 for 2 adults and children. For tickets please call Shelley at 705-875-5437. Promises to be a grand day!

Parish Lenten Food Drive

Assumption Parish Lenten food drive to support the Keene Food Cupboard is underway and will continue until Palm Sunday, April 2nd. The following items are being accepted: peanut butter, mac & cheese, canned tuna, pork & beans, canned vegetables, pasta sauce (cans please), canned tomatoes, dry pasta (elbows and spaghetti), canned fruit (low sugar fruit cocktail, peaches, and pears), and condensed soup (veggie, tomato, mushroom, chicken noodle). All items should have the best before date after September 30th, 2023.

The Food Cupboard serves Otonabee South Monaghan Township and Hiawatha First Nation.

Monetary donations are also welcome: Cash, including collection jars at Keene General Store and Three Roads Farms; Cheque, (payable to 'Keene United Church' and in the memo line 'OSM Food Cupboard'). Mail to Keene United Church, P.O. Box 17, Keene ON K0L 2G0; E-transfer, treasurerkuc@nexicom.net, and in the comment section, 'OSM Food Cupboard' and your civic mailing address for the receipt); Charitable receipts will be issued for donations over \$20. Any donation large or small will be deeply appreciated. Thank you for supporting families experiencing a lack of food in our communities through the OSM Food Cupboard.

Way of the Cross---2023

"After a three-year hiatus, the youth of our diocese will once again take to the streets of Peterborough to re-enact the Way of the Cross on Good Friday, April 7. All are invited to join the procession, starting with a prayer service inside the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains at 10am and concluding at Immaculate Conception Parish by 1:00pm. We are looking for volunteers for all aspects of production.

Please contact Tom W. at (705) 313-9846 if you are interested in helping out!

<https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/get-involved/way-of-the-cross.aspx>

Way of the Cross website <https://wotc.ca>."



WORLD YOUTH DAY BOTTLE DRIVE

Clean out all your empty cans, beer, wine and liquor bottles post St. Patrick's Day! Please drop off at Immaculate Conception on March 25 from 9:30-2 pm May 27 from 9:30-2 pm. All proceeds go to WYD pilgrims. Thank you!

Thank you for your generosity!

February 19: Offertory \$1,470.00
Indigenous Reconciliation Fund \$425.00
Camp Northern Lights \$20.00
February 15: P.O.P. Offertory \$630.00

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Dear Parishioners and Friends of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish and St. John the Evangelist, Keene:

We would like to assure you of our genuine gratitude for your continued financial support for our parish and its ministries.

Our parish thrives on the volunteerism of its people, both in its social events that draw us together and in charitable efforts that reach out to the community. We absolutely need your participation in these activities as well as in our Sunday Masses. And we absolutely need your financial support as well. Your offerings keep the lights and the heat on - very necessary things for our continued presence in the community. Pray for our parish, too, by all means!

May God continue to bless you, and all of us as one parish community! With your participation, we will remain a great parish together. Our Lady of the Assumption, pray for us! St. John the Evangelist, pray for us!

Thank you for your contribution to Assumption Parish.
You make a difference in every way.
May God continue to bless your generosity.

Sincerely in the Lord,



Rev. Msgr. Michael J. Heffernan

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Press release

For immediate release

Bishops and Catholic Organizations in Canada Launch Turkey/ Syria Earthquake Emergency Aid Campaign

Ottawa, February 10, 2023: With the support of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB), Aid to Church in Need (ACN), Canadian Jesuits International (CJI), Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) Canada, and Development and Peace-Caritas Canada (DPCC) are launching an emergency aid campaign in response to the destructive earthquake that hit Turkey and Syria on Monday. They have pledged the total sum of nearly one million Canadian dollars.

“As Catholics we are compelled to come to the aid of our brothers and sisters in dire circumstances like the thousands of families that have lost loved ones, or are injured and have lost their homes, due to the earthquake,” said Bishop Poisson, president of the CCCC and Bishop of Saint-Jérôme-Mont-Laurier. “For this reason, local Bishops have been invited to promote this emergency campaign in their dioceses/eparchies and to invite their faithful to donate to any one of the organizations collecting funds.”

“These four organizations are well positioned in the region to respond quickly and efficiently with their Caritas and Jesuit Refugee Service networks, local Eastern Churches, and their many social and emergency initiatives,” said Bishop Poisson.

“Our partners in the region know the local reality and they have been working together on the ground to support Syrian families in Syria and Syrian refugees in Turkey who have been affected by 12 years of civil war,” said, Marie-Claude Lalonde, National Director of ACN, Jenny Cafiso Executive Director of CJI, Dr. Adriana Bara, National Director of CNEWA Canada and Carl Héту Executive Director of DPCC.

Funds received will be used now and in the coming months for food, medical supplies, shelter, and other essentials to meet basic human needs. These funds will also serve to meet long term needs to help families go back to a more stable life.

To donate or for any inquiries you can contact the organisations as follows:

ACN: web: <https://bit.ly/acn-donate-syria> Toll free #: 1-800-585-6333 Ext 228

[more]

CJI: web <https://canadianjesuitsinternational.ca> Toll free #: 1-800-448-2148

CNEWA Canada: web: www.cnewa.ca Toll free #: 1-866-322-4441

DPCC: web www.devp.org Toll free #: 1-800-494-1401

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About the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is the national assembly of the Bishops of Canada. It was founded in 1943 and officially recognized by the Holy See in 1948.

About Aid to Church in Need

Aid to the Church in need is a pontifical charity founded in 1947 and funding emergency and pastoral projects in more than 140 countries.

About Canadian Jesuit International

Canadian Jesuits International is the international solidarity agency of the Jesuits of Canada that supports poor and marginalized people in Africa, Asia and Latin America through the work of Jesuits and other partners as they strive for a more just society. CJI also carries out education and advocacy in Canada on international social justice and global solidarity.

About CNEWA Canada

Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) has been a lifeline for the poor, displaced people, and those affected by war in the Middle East, North-East Africa, India and Eastern Europe. Founded by Pope Pius XI in 1926, and under the guidance of Pope Francis, CNEWA works for, through and with the Eastern Catholic churches to identify needs and implement solutions.

About Development and Peace-Caritas Canada

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada. It works in partnership with local organizations in over 40 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin American and the Middle East to create greater justice in the world and to act in solidarity with the most vulnerable people.

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World Youth Day 2023 Lisbon Pilgrimage

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March 25th 9:30 AM -2:00PM

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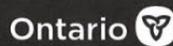
ELDERS & TRADITIONAL PEOPLES GATHERING

March 10-12, 2023

Through keynote addresses, panel discussions, workshops, and ceremony, 2023 Elders & Traditional Peoples Gathering will focus on renewing connections to community, to culture and to traditions for all Indigenous Peoples on Turtle Island. All are welcome to join us in person or virtually. Visit trentu.ca/eldersgathering for program details and to register.

[TRENTU.CA/ELDERSGATHERING](https://trentu.ca/eldersgathering)

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TRC #59. *We call upon church parties to the Settlement Agreement to develop ongoing education strategies to ensure that their respective congregations learn about their church's role in colonization, the history and legacy of residential schools, and why apologies to former residential school students, their families, and communities were necessary.*

**ST. JEROME CATHOLIC CHURCH, WARKWORTH
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TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

**Wednesday, March 1, 2023, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.
Warkworth Town Hall Centre for the Arts
40 Main Street, Warkworth, ON, K0K 3K0**

To reserve your seat, email TruthandReconciliation@StJeromesWarkworth.ca
Admission is free.

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TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION**

Mark your calendars!

St. Jerome's Catholic Church will be facilitating a presentation on Truth and Reconciliation

Warkworth Town Hall Centre for the Arts

Wednesday, March 1st, 6pm until 7:30pm

We seek to bring the concerns of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission to the local level.

St. Jerome's Church welcomes Chief Dave Mowat, of Alderville First Nation. He was a student of Justice Murray Sinclair (Manitoba's first, and Canada's second, Indigenous judge, and chair of the TRC) during the period Justice Sinclair was adjunct professor of Law in the Department of Native Studies at the University of Manitoba. Chief Mowat's knowledge of local Indigenous history is extensive, and this history merits our acknowledgement and contemplation.

The purpose is to join our neighbours in learning about the local history of Alderville First Nation in response to the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) of Canada.

Inspiration: *"... true reconciliation is a second chance at building a mutually respectful relationship."*
Wab Kinew, Truth and Reconciliation Commission, Honorary Witness (2012).

Admission is free.

If you are interested in reserving a seat at the presentation, please forward your email address to TruthandReconciliation@StJeromesWarkworth.ca as seating capacity is limited. Also, include any particular question you'd like Chief Mowat to address. He will try to answer any pre-submitted questions as possible, and as time permits.



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