



# Our Lady of the Assumption

## Roman Catholic Church

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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

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  
(Tuesdays in July & August: Masses 8:00 a.m.)  
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 Msgr. 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.



**1<sup>ST</sup> Sunday of Advent  
December 3, 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

**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 Msgr. 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 Msgr.  
at ANYTIME**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**DEC. 4 - 10**

MONDAY, December 4  
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention



TUESDAY, December 5  
6:30 p.m. + Rita Walsh  
(C.W.L.)

WEDNESDAY, December 6  
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

THURSDAY, December 7  
*St. Ambrose*  
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

FRIDAY, December 8  
*Feast of the Immaculate Conception*  
6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration & Benediction  
7:00 p.m. ~ Ed Hopper (Friends)



SATURDAY, December 9  
No morning Mass

SUNDAY, December 10  
*2<sup>ND</sup> Sunday of Advent*  
4:00 pm (Sat.) + Lina Mauro  
(Loretta & Family)

9:00 a.m. + Rita Walsh  
(Patrick & Sandra Lynch)

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



The CWL dues are due and anyone who has paid their dues by Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> will be included in a draw for \$35.00 that is to be held at the Christmas Luncheon. The dues for 2024 are \$35.00.

**CANCELLED STAMPS**

Mail will increase over the next few weeks as Christmas celebrations our cancelled stamps and take them to the Sisters of St. Joseph for fundraising use by Develop approach. The CWL is happy to collect yment and Peace. Cut them from the envelope with a half inch border and place them in the designated box on the table at the back of the church. Thank you. Any questions, call Diane Creeden at 742-9625.



**Peterborough Pregnancy Support Services**

**A gold-coloured box will be on the back table during Advent to receive donations to Peterborough Pregnancy Support Services. This non-profit organization has a trained staff to provide hope and encouragement to women & men facing unplanned pregnancies. They do not offer abortion referrals. If you wish to make a donation by cheque, make it payable to PPSS. Tax receipts will be issued. Also, if you wish put cash in envelope be sure to include your name & address.**



**YEAR B - Memorial Acclamation**

**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

**Blood Pressure Clinic Kawartha Home Care**

Free blood pressure clinic available every Monday 10-12/1-3 p.m. at 320 Water St. Unite 72, Peterborough, Kawartha Home Care Clinic.



**Keene Lions Club Santa Claus Parade Saturday December 9th @ 10am**

Starts at Northshore School south to Hwy #2 then east on Hwy #2 to four corners. North to Lions Den. Visit Santa and take home some treats. If you would like to participate call Marion @705-295-6139 Theme: A Canadian Christmas

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

LAY MINISTRY

Eucharistic Minister

Reader

Gift Bearers

4:00 p.m. (Sat.)

Eileen Parry

Joanne Bolton

Betty Clark & Sharon Hunt

Sun 9:00 a.m.

Noreen Malloy

Gladys Fowler

Joe & Cathy McGriskin

10:30 a.m.

Sue Livings

Aileen Doris

Elaine & Gary Lambe

**Dec. 9 - 10, 2023**

## Come Join In An Hour of Carolling



Sunday December 10, 2023  
3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
In Assumption Church



Followed By Refreshments in Parish Hall

### Bambinelli Sunday (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent)

Bambinelli Sunday is an event that takes place in Rome on the third Sunday of Advent each year. The idea is to encourage everyone to bring their 'Bambinelli' to be blessed on the third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday. This blessing of the Christ Child is a way to help children focus on the real and true meaning of Christmas, the birth of Jesus. It is suggested that families be encouraged to take the 'Bambinelli' home after the blessing, place it in a special box and then wrap the box. Families open the gift on Christmas morning, before their presents, and place Jesus in the manger. It is advisable to mark your baby Jesus, so it is easily identifiable when collecting at the end of Mass.



### 800<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Francis & the Creche---Plenary Indulgence from Dec 8-Feb 2, 2024

The Conference of the Franciscan Family is pleased to announce that a Plenary Indulgence has been granted on this, the 800<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St Francis of Assisi's establishment the Christmas Crib (Creche) at Greccio, Italy in 1223. This Plenary Indulgence is available from **Dec 08, 2023 until Feb 2, 2024**. It may be obtained by visiting a Church, Oratory or Chapel served by the Franciscans and praying before the nativity scene present there. For further information or to visit please call La Verna 705-243-9131



### La Verna God IS Calling, are YOU listening?"

Are you being called to live the spirituality of St Francis and St Clare of Assisi?  
Come, explore living life a committed life as a professed member in the Secular Franciscan Order, a lay order recognised by the Church (formerly the Third Order of St Francis) For more information call La Verna Ministries at 705.243.9131  
check our current online calendar on the Diocesan Website or visit us at 820 Frank Street Peterborough ON.



**A Huge Thanks** to everyone who was able to make a donation to the winter clothing drive. It is much appreciated. **This Sunday will be the last day.**

Donations can continue to be left at the Peterborough Action for Tiny Homes (PATH) building at 385 Lansdowne Street East across from Morello's Independent on Wednesday Saturdays after 9am. It is the former Peterborough Humane Society building.

Financial donations may be made online, cheque, or e-transfer.

Online: Go to the [Brock Mission page on CanadaHelps.org](https://www.brockmission.ca/CanadaHelps.org). Enter the donation amount.

On the drop down menu, choose PATH;

By cheque: Make your cheque payable to Brock Mission and write PATH in the memo line.

Mail it to: PATH Treasurer PO Box 61 Peterborough, ON K9J 6Y5

E-transfer: Send your donation to [PATHptbo@gmail.com](mailto:PATHptbo@gmail.com). Please put your name and contact information in the comment box.

### Journey through Advent

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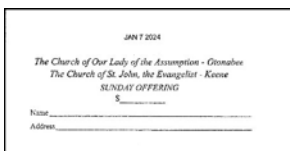
**Thank you for your generosity!**  
**November 26, 2023: Offertory \$2,375.00**  
Fuel \$40.00; I.R.F. \$50.00

**2024 Envelopes will be available Dec. 9 - 10**



### POP CAN TABS

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



## LIVE-STREAMING OF THE MASS FOR The First Sunday of Advent

The Mass for the First Sunday of Advent will be live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains starting at 5:00 p.m. Today - Saturday, December 2, 2023. The Mass will be available thereafter on the YouTube channel for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough. Please join in prayer through the weblink

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-fv4qa0cJxU>

The parish of Our Lady of Assumption Church in Keene has an opening for a part time, approx. 16-20 per week, Administrative Assistant and Bookkeeper. The position is responsible for providing administrative and accounting services for the parish. The candidate requires experience in office administration work, Microsoft office programs and accounting with \*Quickbooks software experience required/preferred. Qualified candidates are asked to submit their resume to [office@assumptiononabee.ca](mailto:office@assumptiononabee.ca) by December 12, 2023. A copy of the Job Description is available upon request, via email, to the parish.

## Advent Reconciliation in the City

St. Peter-In-Chains, Day of Grace is Saturday December 9, 9:30 am-4:30 pm  
Immaculate Conception

Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

St. Alphonsus, Thursday December 14, 2023, from 4 pm to 8 pm. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 3:30 pm.

Saint John the Baptist: Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> 3-6pm with Adoration

Sacred Heart: Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> 1:30-6:30pm with Adoration



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## December 12th celebrate the Feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Mary’s Church, Lindsay

Father Simon Magana will be celebrating the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe with a bilingual mass. Join us at St. Mary’s Church, 40 Russell Street East, Lindsay for:

4:30 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Bilingual Mass (English and Spanish)

6:00 p.m. Refreshments and Video at the Parish Hall (St. Mary School Gym)



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From 12 noon to 2 p.m.  
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**Contact Information:  
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*Thanks You*

To Our Lady of the Assumption  
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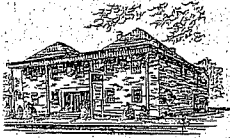
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Sincerely,  
Joan Alfusua  
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