



# 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**

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.

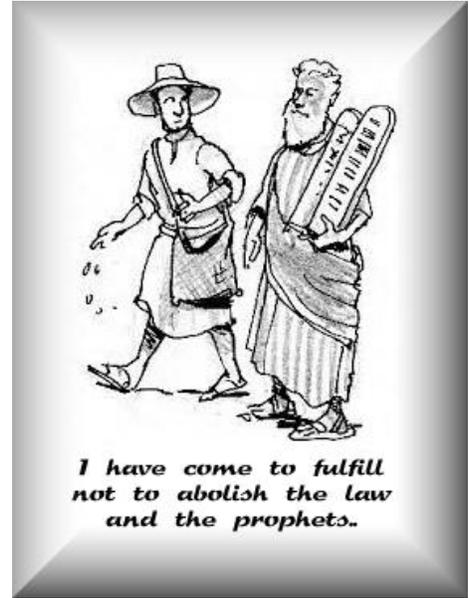
#### **NEW PARISHIONERS—**

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.



**Sixth Sun. in Ord. Time**  
**February 15, 2026**

**Parish Office: Phone: (705) 741-1018**

**Office Administrator: Dominic Gomes**

#### **Catholic Women's League:**

► **President: Anna Marie Bolin**  
(705)742-8249

**Marriage:** Parishioners must contact the Parish  
Office 12 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**

**FEBRUARY 16 - 22**

MONDAY, February 16  
8:00 a.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

TUESDAY, February 17  
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, February 18  
**Ash Wednesday**  
9:00 a.m. [Mass in St. Patrick School (All welcome)]  
~ Missa Pro Populo

12 Noon ~ Missa Pro Populo

6:30 p.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

THURSDAY, February 19  
8:00 a.m. ~ Mary Grace Afagh  
(Marrocco Family)

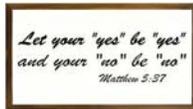
FRIDAY, February 20  
6:00 p.m. Adoration & Benediction  
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross  
7:00 p.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

SATURDAY, February 21  
No morning Mass

SUNDAY, February 22  
**First Sun. In Lent**  
4:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Vern Malloy  
(Mary Jo Shortreed)

9:00 a.m. + Kay Gravelle  
(The Clancy Family)

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



**Lenten Food Drive**



Our annual Lenten food drive to support the Otonabee South Monaghan Food Cupboard, in Keene, runs from Ash Wednesday (Feb. 18) until Palm Sunday, (March 29).

Please note that with more families being served, it is recommended obtaining the following donations: peanut butter, mac & cheese, canned tuna, pork & beans, canned vegetables, plain canned tomato sauce, canned tomatoes, dry pasta (elbows and spaghetti), hearty (chunky) beef and chicken soup, veggie, tomato, mushroom, chicken noodle condensed soup, toilet paper, paper towels, and facial tissue. All items should have the "best before date" after September 30th, 2026. The Food Cupboard serves the residents of Otonabee-South Monaghan Township and Hiawatha First Nation.

**formed.org**

Sign up under our parish for free. This website has many materials like daily reflections to help us grow in our faith all during the year.

**POP CAN TABS**

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



**National Family and Life Week 2026**

Will take place from **Sunday, 10 May to Sunday, 17 May 2026**. The chosen theme, "**I am with you always**" (Matt 28:20), is drawn from the Gospel reading for the closing Sunday (17 May 2026), the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. A digital pastoral toolkit will be distributed closer to the date.



**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.



**Deacon Formation Program Fall 2026**



With the current Deacon Formation Program in the Diocese of Peterborough entering its final year, a new program will be starting up in September 2026. This is a 4-year program open to men aged 35-62 who are discerning a call to become a deacon. Program only runs every 4 years.

If you think you know of someone who may be interested, please direct any inquiries to Dcn. Bill Radigan

at the Diocesan Pastoral Centre:  
[billradigan@peterboroughdiocese.org](mailto:billradigan@peterboroughdiocese.org)

**1<sup>ST</sup> Sunday in Lent**

**February 22, 2026**

	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
<b>4:00 p.m. (Sat)</b>	<b>Roddy Turpin</b>	<b>Anne Pecoskie-Schweir</b>	<b>Greg &amp; Jean Hall</b>
<b>Sun. 9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Noreen Malloy</b>	<b>Valerie Collicutt</b>	<b>Bob &amp; Ruth O'Brien</b>
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Julia Davis</b>	<b>Rose Wornoff</b>	<b>Grace &amp; Joy Davis</b>

## Dynamic Women of Faith Conference

Save the date! Saturday March 21, 2026

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/dynamic-women-of-faith-conference-2026-tickets-1963637316072>



**Reminder: The 2026 CWL dues are due. Membership fee is \$35**

**We accept cash, cheque or e-transfer.**

There are envelopes at the back of the church for you use. Thanks to those members who have already submitted their dues.



The proceeds from sales at the Vinnie's stores are used to run the Saint Vincent de Paul food pantry on Murray St. Last year, food was provided to 16,035 persons.

The stores are in urgent need of

- men's summer tops, pants, coats, belts and ties.
- children's coats and shoes
- ladies purses and winter shoes
- housewares decor, crafts, knick knacks

Thank you so much for your generous support of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

## LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY:

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY  
Saturday • March 14, 2026 • 9am - 5:30pm

**NO GREATER LOVE**



You are invited to the Metro Toronto Convention Center for the 35th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally to be held March

14th. This is an event where we seek to build up the Church with the living Word of God and to invite the Holy Spirit to transform us with His presence. During this one-day event, you can expect:  Holy Mass  Eucharistic Adoration  Confession  Inspiring Speakers  Spirit-Led Worship  and much more!

For all rally details, including youth and adult rally speakers, schedule, vendor information, conference T-shirt, FAQs, and more, <https://ljhr.ca/>

## Thank you for your generosity!

**February 8, 2026:** Offertory - \$1885.00

Fuel Fund - \$165.00

St. V. De P. - \$363.95



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Website: [www.campnorthernlights.com](http://www.campnorthernlights.com)  
Email: [info@campnorthernlights.com](mailto:info@campnorthernlights.com)

This year the special Camp Northern Lights collection will take place on the weekend of February 21st and 22nd. Special envelopes will be available at the back of the church.

## World Day of Prayer



2026 program has been prepared by the women of Nigeria. This year's theme is "I will give you rest: come" Mt. 11: 28-30.

Join in the program **Friday, March 6th at 1:30 p.m.** at Our Lady of the Assumption Church. Reception to follow.

## Keene Lions

Enjoy live music and fun for St. Patrick's Day on Saturday March 14th from 3-7pm at the Keene Lions Den featuring traditional Celtic music with Phil and Debbie. Admission by donation. Stew will be available to purchase and the bar will be open with alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages.

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Kills the Body

And the Soul

## April 2026 Project Rachel Retreat



Have you suffered the loss of a child from abortion, or the abortion pill? If grief, sadness, or shame has kept you alone in this, know that you are not alone, and that there is healing for you. Project Rachel at the

Refuge will hold a retreat for post-abortive women on April 24-26, 2026. Here you will find a beautiful, natural setting, companionship, and a welcome free of judgment or condemnation – healing is possible. Call 613-473-2679 in confidence, and see [stmarysrefuge.org/rachel](http://stmarysrefuge.org/rachel).

## 40<sup>th</sup> World Youth Day 2025



I wish to inform you that the Holy Father's Message to young people for the 40<sup>th</sup> World Youth Day 2025 was issued by the Holy See Press Office and is available on the Holy See's website.

In English: <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/youth/documents/20251007-messaggio-xi-gmg.html>

In French: <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/fr/messages/youth/documents/20251007-messaggio-xi-gmg.html>



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