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Mission ~ St. John the Evangelist, Keene, Ontario



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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
(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.

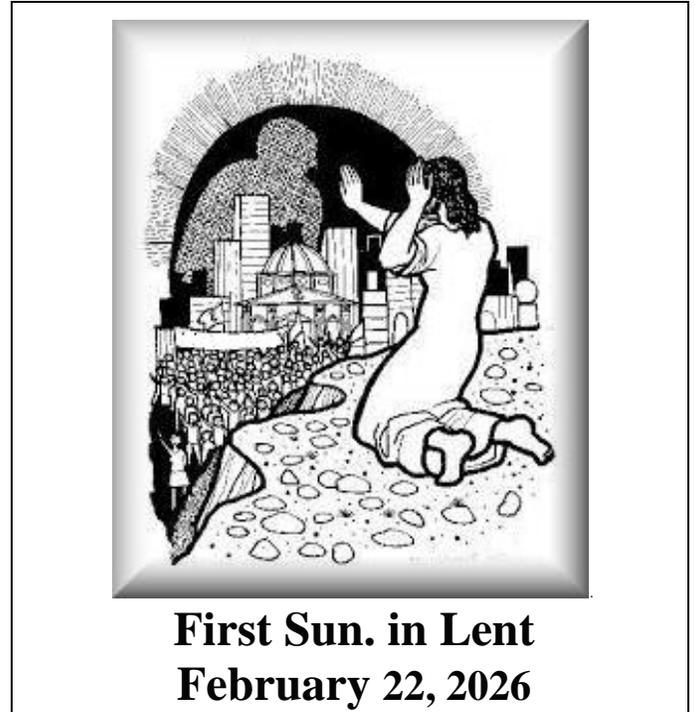
NEW PARISHIONERS—

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.



**First Sun. in Lent
February 22, 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 23 - MARCH 1

MONDAY, February 23
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

TUESDAY, February 24
8:00 a.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

WEDNESDAY, February 25
8:00 a.m. + Sieglinde Kulla
(Anne Fitzgerald)

THURSDAY, February 26
8:00 a.m. ~ Diane & Dan Collins & Family
(Marrocco Family)

FRIDAY, February 27
6:00 p.m. Adoration & Benediction
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

SATURDAY, February 28
No morning Mass

SUNDAY, March 1
Second Sun. In Lent
4:00 p.m. (Sat.) + The Living & Deceased Members of
The Rabishaw & Brisbois Families
(The Rabishaw Family)

9:00 a.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

10:30 a.m. (Keene) + Arnold Wren
(The Bolin Family)



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.



The Way of  the Cross

Lenten Food Drive



Our annual Lenten food drive to support the Otonabe 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 LENT

Reminder our free streaming platform, FORMED.org has many great Lent resources! Attached is a Lent calendar with daily suggestions to enrich this time of penance and preparation for Easter. Did you know that the platform also has a **Spanish section**? A family section? Documentaries? A Saint section and more!!! Sign-up today its **FREE** in our Diocese!

POP CAN TABS

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



Sat., Feb. 28th, 2026

***D&P Peterborough DIOCESAN General Meeting - IN-PERSON PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND.**

Location: Mount St. Joseph 1555 Monaghan Rd Peterborough

Time: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (approx.) Bring your own lunch and water. Tea, coffee, and juice provided.



2ND Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2026

	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
4:00 p.m. (Sat)	Eileen Parry	Roddy Turpin	Colleen Petersen & Rose Rabishaw
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	Bob O'Brien	Judy Lukes	Terry & Marlene Fitzgerald
10:30 a.m.	Rose Wornoff	Aileen Doris	Elaine & Gary Lambe



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 your use. Thanks to those members who have already submitted their dues.

March C.W.L. Meeting

March 3, 2026 at 1:30 P.M.

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>



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

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- 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

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.

Journey Through Lent With Bishop Miehm

As we journey through Lent 2026, I am pleased to inform you that the **First Sunday of Lent** video of the series titled "Journey through Lent" is now available on the CCCB website:

in English: <https://www.cccb.ca/lent/>

in French: <https://www.cecc.ca/careme/>

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.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY:

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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

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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 15, 2026: Offertory - \$1985.00

Fuel Fund - \$40.00

40th World Youth Day 2025



I wish to inform you that the Holy Father's Message to young people for the **40th 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-xl-gmg.html>

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

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