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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.

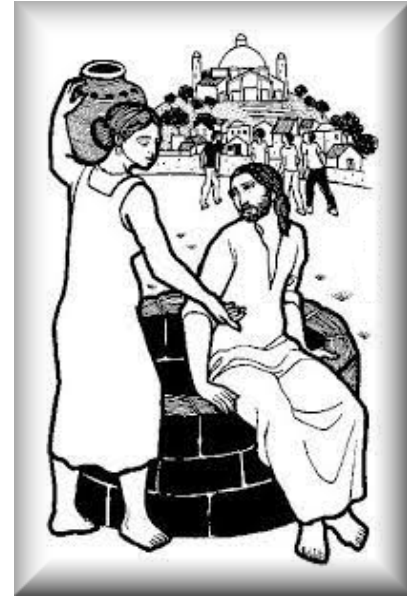
NEW PARISHIONERS—

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.



**Third Sun. in Lent
March 8, 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: 4:15 – 4:45 p.m.

Sunday: 8:15 – 8:45 a.m.

**You may also book an appointment with Msgr.
at ANYTIME**

MASS INTENTIONS

MARCH 9 - 15

MONDAY, March 9
8:00 a.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

TUESDAY, March 10
6:30 p.m. + Souls in Purgatory
(Parishioner)

WEDNESDAY, March 11
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

THURSDAY, March 12
8:00 a.m. + Francis & Rita Walsh

FRIDAY, March 13
6:00 p.m. Adoration & Benediction
6:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross
7:00 p.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

SATURDAY, March 14
No morning Mass

SUNDAY, March 15
Fourth Sun. In Lent
5:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Frank & Lina Mauro
(Estate of Lina Mauro)

9:00 a.m. + Terri-Lynn O'Malley
(Sandra J. Losasso)

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

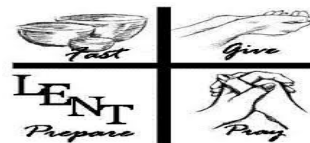


FORMED.org LENT

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!

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.



Please Note - Mass Time Change
Sat. Mar. 14 - Mass 5:00 p.m.

POP CAN TABS

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



MAiD
Kills the Body
And the Soul

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.



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.

The Way of  the Cross

4TH Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2026

	<u>Eucharistic Minister</u>	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Gift Bearers</u>
5:00 p.m. (Sat)	Roddy Turpin	Bernadette Peters	Joanne Bolton & Peter Clancy
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	Judy Lukes	BoB O'Brien	Pat Scott
10:30 a.m.	Aileen Doris	Anna Marie Bolin	Sue & Tom Livings

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.

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- 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

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.

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.

Relic Saint Faustina

At Our Lady of Mercy Bancroft

Sunday March 22, Mass 10:00 am Our Lady of Mercy, Bancroft will be welcoming a 1st class relic of St. Faustina. His Excellency Michael Brehl, C.Ss.R., Bishop of the Diocese of Pembroke will be the main celebrant. Light lunch to follow in the hall.

Journey Through Lent With Bishop Miehm

As we journey through Lent 2026, I am pleased to inform you that the Third 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/>

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!

March 1, 2026: Offertory - \$2114.00

Fuel Fund - \$246.00

40th World Youth Day 2025



Anyone interested in World Youth Day 2027 are invited to attend an information session on March 11th at 7:00 PM.

Please email

FrStephenDecarlo@peterboroughdiocese.org

to register. While some details are still being finalized, this meeting will allow us to ask the questions we have.

Lenten Retreat Villa St. Joseph

"12-Step Retreat"

Friday, Mar. 13, 7:00pm – Sunday, Mar. 15, 1:00pm

Facilitated by Mildred Frank, Sr. Mary Rowell, CSJ and Sr. Linda Gregg, CSJ

You must be an active member of a 12-Step program. **Suggested donation: \$265 – A deposit of \$125 is required at the time of registration. E-transfers can be made to villa@csjcanada.org.**



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