



# Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Parish

· 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 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

### **ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

Keene, Ontario

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

## **Weekday Holy Mass Schedule:**

### **OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday 6:30 p.m.

**(Fourth and (Fifth) Tuesdays of the Month at 8:00 a.m.)**

Friday 7:00 p.m.

## **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with 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 at 705 – 741 – 1018.**



*20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
August 14, 2016*

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:**

► Grand Knight: Peter Clancy  
(705)748-3075

**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:** Registered Parishioners must contact the Parish Office one month before the desired Baptism date.

## **Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. & 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

You may also ask Father at **ANYTIME**

**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. Call 705-741-1018.

**MASS INTENTIONS**August 15 – August 21

**MONDAY, August 15**  
*Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
 8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

**TUESDAY, August 16**  
*St. Stephen of Hungary*  
 6:30 p.m. + John Shine  
 (Margie & Christine Shine)

**WEDNESDAY, August 17**  
*Blessed Élisabeth Turgeon*  
 8:00 a.m. + Don Keating  
 (Anne Fitzgerald & Mike Sullivan)

**THURSDAY, August 18**  
*St. Helena*  
 8:00 a.m. + Angela Boos  
 (Ironside Family)

**FRIDAY, August 19**  
*St. John Eudes*  
 6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 7:00 p.m. ~ Special Intention

**SATURDAY, August 20**  
*St. Bernard of Clairvaux*  
 8:00 a.m. ~ Emilia Mazzarolo  
 (Paul & Mary Marrocco)

**SUNDAY, August 21**  
*21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 5:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Janice Benson  
 (Marjorie, Marie & Tom Shaughnessy)  
 9:00 a.m. + Don Keating  
 (Bernard & Pat Clancy)  
 10:30 a.m. ~ Pro Populo

**Saint Bernard of Clairvaux:  
 God's Infinite Power, Mercy and Judgment**

...If it seemed right to St Paul to describe Christ's head in terms of the divinity, it should not seem unreasonable to us to ascribe the feet to his humanity. Let us call one of these feet mercy, the other judgment. You are familiar with these two words, they both occur together in several passages of Scripture. That God assumed the foot of mercy in the flesh to which he united himself, is taught in the Epistle to the Hebrews, which speaks of Christ as one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin, that he might become merciful. And the other foot that is called judgment? Does not God made man plainly point out that this also belongs to the assumed humanity where he declares: "Because he is the Son of Man the Father has appointed him supreme judge." With these two feet, therefore, so aptly united and controlled by the divine head, he who was the invisible Emmanuel is born of a woman, born a

subject of the Law, appears on earth and moves among men. It is on these feet that, in a spiritual, invisible manner, he still goes about doing good and curing all who have fallen into the power of the devil. With these very feet he finds his way into the souls of his lovers, tirelessly enlightening and searching the hearts and loins of the faithful. Therefore, all the ways of the Lord are mercy and truth.

Happy is the man then in whose soul the Lord Jesus once sets these feet of his. There are two signs by which you may recognize such a one, for he cannot but bear upon him the imprint of these divine footsteps. These signs are fear and hope, the former presenting the



imprint of judgment, the latter that of mercy. Truly, the Lord takes pleasure in them that fear him, and in them that hope in his mercy, for the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, hope the growth of wisdom. Its perfection charity reserves to itself. If all this be true, then

obviously this first kiss, given to the feet, brings forth no small fruit. But of one thing you must beware, that you do not neglect either of these feet. If, for instance, you feel deep sorrow for your sins along with the fear of the judgment, you have pressed your lips on the imprint of truth and of judgment. But if you temper that fear and sorrow with the thought of God's goodness and the hope of obtaining his pardon, you will realize that you have also embraced the foot of his mercy. It is clearly inexpedient to kiss one without the other; a man who thinks only of the judgment will fall into the pit of despair, another who deceitfully flatters God's mercy gives birth to a pernicious security.

I myself, however wretched I may be, have been occasionally privileged to sit at the feet of the Lord Jesus, and to the extent that his merciful love allowed, have embraced with all my heart, now one, now the other, of these feet. And if, as happened at times, I should grow forgetful of his mercy, and with a stricken conscience become too deeply involved in the thought of the judgment, sooner or later I was cast down in unbelievable fear and shameful misery, enveloped in a frightful gloom out of which I cried in dismay: "Who has yet felt the full force of your fury, or learnt to fear the violence of your rage?" But if on escaping from this I should cling more than was becoming to the foot of mercy, the opposite happened. I became dissipated, indifferent, negligent; lukewarm at prayer, languid at work, always on the watch for a laugh, inclined to say the wrong thing. And my interior was no steadier than my behavior. But you know what a teacher experience is; no longer of judgment alone or mercy alone, but of mercy and judgment I will sing to you, O Lord. I shall never forget your precepts, mercy and judgment will be the theme of my songs in the house of my pilgrimage, until one day when mercy triumphs over judgment, my wretchedness will cease to smart, and my heart, silent no longer, will sing to you. It will be the end of sorrow.

## 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 21, 2016

### LAY MINISTRY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.

### Eucharistic

Rose Rabishaw  
Noreen Malloy  
Bud Monahan

### Lector

Colleen Petersen  
Bob Holland  
Rose Wornoff

### Gift Bearers

Paul & Liz Heffernan  
Dolly Kylie & Family  
Dana & Brent Bidgood & Family

### **Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Mass will be celebrated here on the feast day of our church on Aug 15 at 8:00 a.m.

Apostolic Constitution of Pope Pius XII

defining the dogma of the Assumption, 1 Nov, 1950

“by the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and by our own authority, we pronounce, declare, and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.”



### **St. Joseph's Douro Cemetery Mass**

**Mon Aug 15 – 7:00 pm** On the feast of the Assumption, please join us in our beautiful cemetery to honour our Blessed Mother, and remember our deceased relatives. Refreshments will be served following the Mass. A free will offering will be gratefully accepted to help with cemetery maintenance costs.

### **Reflection for Year of Mercy**



In our continuing catechesis for this Holy Year of Mercy, we now consider the miracle of Jesus' raising of the son of the widow of Nain. Jesus, moved by compassion for the grief of a mother, directly confronts the reality of death and restores life to her young son. This encounter before the town gates can inspire our own encounter with the Lord's life-giving mercy as we pass through the Holy Door on our Jubilee pilgrimage. We approach that Door bringing with us our entire past, its joys and sorrows, trusting that Jesus will grant us a new beginning and revive our hope in his promises. The new life given to the son of the widow of Nain reminds us that we too have been raised from the dead and given new life in Christ through the grace of baptism. The Church has become our mother and we are called to be witnesses of God's merciful love before the world. During this Jubilee Year, may we turn once more to Jesus, for he is the Door leading to salvation and new life. May the divine mercy which we have received pass from our hearts to our hands, and find expression in our practice of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

General Audience Pope Francis August 10, 2016

### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

A unique opportunity to receive Level I training in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, a children's formation programme is being offered beginning in September 2016 at St Mary's Church, Lindsay. For more info, please contact Fr. Eric Mason at

705-324-4828 or email [cgs Lindsay@gmail.com](mailto:cgs Lindsay@gmail.com)

## Vocations Welcome BBQ



All are welcome to a BBQ to celebrate three new religious communities to the Diocese of Peterborough!

Oblates of Mary Immaculate,  
Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate, and  
Servants of the Holy Name of Jesus  
Enjoy swimming, children's games,  
and music! Bring a lawn chair and join us  
Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> from



2-6 p.m. at the home of Paschal and  
Sylvia McCloskey,

2097 Heritage Line. R.S.V.P.: Sister  
Mary Catherine (email preferred)

[srmarycatherine@solisisters.ca](mailto:srmarycatherine@solisisters.ca) or 905-517-5301



### **“LIVING MERCY: PRAYER, PRACTICE, PASSION AND PROMISE”**

A pilgrimage retreat for young adults (men and women 18-35) to be held in Hamilton, **August 26-28**, at the Sisters of St. Joseph residence. In this Year of Mercy, join other young adults as we explore how to live the call to mercy through prayer and service with the Sisters of St. Joseph. As “contemporary pilgrims” we will learn to pray, reflect, serve, learn and celebrate “living mercy”. Cost for the weekend is \$150:00, including accommodation, meals and materials. Cost without accommodation is \$65:00 (if cost is a concern, please contact Sister Mary or Sister Linda at: 905.372.2741 or e-mail: [mrowell@csjcanada.org](mailto:mrowell@csjcanada.org)). To register, contact Vanessa Nicholas-Schmidt: 416.467.2645 or e-mail: [faithconnections@csj-to.ca](mailto:faithconnections@csj-to.ca)

### **Immaculate Conception's Annual Giant Yard Sale August 27 beginning at 7:30 a.m.**

The Yard Sale is our major fundraiser, so check your cupboards, your basement and your garages for all those treasures you can live without. Someone will love them!! You can drop off your treasures now! Call 705 742 5466.



### **Offertory Thank you for your generosity**

**July 31:** Env.: \$1499.00 + Loose: \$407.00 + P.A.P.: \$550.00 = \$2,456.00 St. Vincent de Paul: \$5.00  
Fuel: \$4.00 JP II House: \$20.00 V.E.Y.O.: \$20.00  
**Aug. 7:** Env.: \$1410.00 + Loose: \$249.00 = \$1659.00

Fuel: \$200.00 JP II House \$60.00  
St. Vincent de Paul: \$236.00 V.E.Y.O.: \$247.00

### **BUS TRIP TO CAPE DE LA MADELEINE**

Join Fr Randy Foster on Sept 28, 29 & 30 for a Pilgrimage to Cape de la Madeleine. Cost of Bus, 2 nights accommodation, Dinner on the night of arrival, Breakfast, Dinner & Breakfast on the day of departure is \$385.00 per person. Recite the Rosary as we walk around the Shrine's beautiful gardens in a candle light procession, Mass at the Basilica or the Old Shrine, Divine Mercy Healing Service, Learn of the Miracles of the Eyes & Ice Bridge. Return trip we visit Old Montreal, Notre Dame/Holy Door or free time. BOOK EARLY ONLY ROOM FOR 30! Call St Anne's Office 745-3229.

### **LIFE CHAIN**

The twenty-sixth annual **Life Chain in Canada is scheduled for Sunday, October 2, 2016.** Each year at over 200 locations across the country, thousands of Canadians line the sidewalks in an effort to remind people of the injustice abortion enacts on the child in the womb. They peacefully and silently hold non-graphic signs with slogans like "Abortion kills Children."

We will be meeting at the parking lot at the corner of Lansdowne St. and Monaghan St. at 2:00 p.m.  
Hope to see everybody there!

### **ROSARY FOR LIFE ON THURSDAYS**



Come and join in praying the 15-decade Rosary (Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious) for the sanctity and protection of life from abortion, euthanasia and assisted suicide,

followed by the Memorare and St. Michael's Prayer.  
**Thursdays at 3:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church.**

### **READINGS:**

**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time August 21**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 66: 18 – 21

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 12: 5 – 7, 11 – 13

Gospel: Luke 13: 22 – 30

### **Holy Father's Intentions: August** **Universal: Sports**

That sports may be an opportunity for friendly encounters between peoples and may contribute to peace in the world.

### **Evangelization: Living the Gospel**

That Christians may live the Gospel, giving witness to faith, honesty, and love of neighbour.

### **SCRIPTURE STUDY**

Every Tuesday evening from 7 pm to 8 pm, we gather at St. Peter-in-Chains Cathedral rectory for prayerful reading, reflection and discussion of the readings for the following Sunday. Everyone is welcome. All that is needed is a desire to come closer to the Lord and to discover what it means to be His follower. Call Tom (705 243 4133).

### **LATIN TRIDENTINE MASS**

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON THE FIRST AND LAST SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 1:00 PM AND EVERY SATURDAY MORNING AT OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, HASTINGS AT 8:30 AM. ALL OTHER SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH, MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT ST. MARY OF THE VISITATION CHURCH, CAMPBELLFORD AT 12:30 PM.

YOU ARE MOST WELCOME TO ATTEND

### **Church Cleaning Ministry**

Please find the church cleaning sheet on the glass religious article case at the back of the church. Once per week, for one month at a time, we need cleaners to vacuum, dust mop and do general dusting/ wiping at



*Assumption. We need cleaners for September & October.*

### **Come Cook with Us classes**

**Thursdays Sept 15, 22, 29 and Oct 6, 13 from 12:30 to 2:45 p.m.** at Keene United Church. Child care available if requested. Limited enrollment. To register, call 743-1000 ext. 316 or [comecookwithus@hotmail.com](mailto:comecookwithus@hotmail.com)

### **Courses at Sacred Heart College**

Please visit our website [www.shofp.ca](http://www.shofp.ca) or call Sr. Krolowa 705 745 5549 for info regarding:

- courses schedule
- awards and bursary information
- residence application
- the continuing education course on The Church's Best Kept Secret: The Tradition of Catholic Social Justice

### **MAKE A 'LIFE' DIFFERENCE.**

Prayer does have power. Join us this Saturday morning from 10:00 am to 11:00 am across from the Peterborough hospital. Come singly or as part of a group. We need you to participate in our **sidewalk prayer vigil for the unborn.**

Defend life and be part of this public witness against the horror of abortion.

For information: **Paul 741- 4000 or Tom 243-4133**

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**At St Alphonsus Oratory 7am-Midnight and Noon-Midnight (Sunday) "Come to me all you who labour**

**and are burdened and I will give you rest." (Mt. 11:28) INFO: Bernadette 705-742-3055**

**Beautiful words to live by from St. Pope John XXIII:**

"Consult not your fears but your hopes and your dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do."

**"Only for Today..." THE DAILY DECALOGUE OF POPE JOHN XXIII**

- 1) Only for today, I will seek to live the lifelong day positively without wishing to solve the problems of my life all at once.
- 2) Only for today, I will take the greatest care of my appearance: I will dress modestly; I will not raise my voice; I will be courteous in my behaviour; I will not criticize anyone; I will not claim to improve or to discipline anyone except myself.
- 3) Only for today, I will be happy in the certainty that I was created to be happy, not only in the other world but also in this one.
- 4) Only for today, I will adapt to circumstances, without requiring all circumstances to be adapted to my own wishes.
- 5) Only for today, I will devote 10 minutes of my time to some good reading, remembering that just as food is necessary to the life of the body, so good reading is necessary to the life of the soul.
- 6) Only for today, I will do one good deed and not tell anyone about it.
- 7) Only for today, I will do at least one thing I do not like doing; and if my feelings are hurt, I will make sure that no one notices.
- 8) Only for today, I will make a plan for myself: I may not follow it to the letter, but I will make it. And I will be on guard against two evils: hastiness and indecision.
- 9) Only for today, I will firmly believe, despite appearances, that the good Providence of God cares for me as no one else who exists in this world.
- 10) Only for today, I will have no fears. In particular, I will not be afraid to enjoy what is beautiful and to believe in goodness.

Indeed, for 12 hours I can certainly do what might cause me consternation were I to believe I had to do it all my life.

**"A saint is not someone who never sins, but one who sins less and less frequently and gets up more and more quickly."**

– Bernard of Clairvaux

**After Abortion Canadian Helpline**

Second Chance Ministry 905-430-7990

We offer support to those struggling with emotional and psychological effects of abortion, sometimes known as post abortion trauma or post abortion syndrome.

[Angelina@SecondChanceMinistry.ca](mailto:Angelina@SecondChanceMinistry.ca)

**Project Rachel**

Project Rachel offers accompaniment, counselling, personal presence and support, and other services at any time they are needed by women or men. They also offer weekend retreats which provide opportunity for women who have suffered from an abortion experience to find healing, forgiveness and reconciliation.

Are you hurting as a result of an abortion? Healing is possible. Please contact them for upcoming dates, in confidence, by telephone at 416 629 8264 or by e-mail [projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org](mailto:projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org).

<http://www.stmarysrefuge.org>



**FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH**

**Thurs. Sept. 8: 12 -2 p.m.,**

**& 4 – 6 p.m.** Donations of goods can be dropped off at Three Roads Farm and other Keene locations.

[osmfoodcupboard@nexicom.net](mailto:osmfoodcupboard@nexicom.net) or 295-6952



**Chalice** is a ministry of the Catholic Community, creating and nurturing relationships of life and love. To find out how Chalice Helps go to website <http://www.ccare.ca/>

**Legion of Mary**

We are looking for people to join the Legion of Mary. As you know, we are living in a foggy world. With the love of our Blessed Mother you will bring the sunshine and joy of

Christ to many people. If interested contact

Jack Cerveny 742-9839 or Marilyn Mitchell 745-52505

**Our Lady Queen of Peace Community Rosary**



**Monday, at 6:30 p.m.**

**Sacred Heart, Peterborough**

**Join us for coffee/tea/treats after Rosary**

**Everyone is welcome to attend.**

**Peterborough Communication Support Systems**

A non-profit agency that provides support services to Deaf / non-verbal individuals living with intellectual disabilities. They provide quality sewing, custom embroidery, printing

services and woodworking products. They are located at 192 B Hunter St. West. Phone: (705) 748 6680

"A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer."

– Pope John Paul II, The Gospel of Life (Evangelium Vitae), n. 100.

When we ask, we receive. We should invite our people to join the ongoing worldwide novena to end abortion, at [www.PrayerCampaign.org](http://www.PrayerCampaign.org).

working for many years to promote Vocations at a parish level. Rhonda is coming to help inspire and encourage the Parish Vocation Teams that are working in the Diocese of Peterborough. The workshop will be from 9:30AM to 3PM at the Bishop Doyle Hall across from the Cathedral Church in Peterborough and all are welcome. Email Father John if you are interested! To learn more about Rhonda's work, visit [www.vocationministry.com](http://www.vocationministry.com)



### From the Pastor's Desk

■ *Fr. Michael*



### Vocations Workshop with Rhonda Gruenewald

Join us Sunday September 25th, 2016 for a workshop featuring Rhonda Gruenewald, author of 'Hundredfold: A Guide to Parish Vocation Ministry.' Rhonda will be joining us from Houston, Texas, where she has been