



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
yourselves to Fr. Michael and welcome!!



*Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 24, 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: Joanne Bolton
(705)743-6562

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 address
change is necessary for sending out the year's
tax receipts. Call 705-741-1018.



MASS INTENTIONS
January 25 – January 31

MONDAY, January 25
Conversion of St. Paul
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

TUESDAY, January 26
Saint Timothy & Saint Titus
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intentions

WEDNESDAY, January 27
Saint Angela Merici
8:00 a.m. + Iwona Mitas
(Anne Fitzgerald)

THURSDAY, January 28
Saint Thomas Aquinas
8:00 a.m. ~ Scott Ironside
(Ironside Family)

FRIDAY, January 29
7:00 p.m. + For all those in whose memory plants were donated at Christmas
6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SATURDAY, January 30
8:00 a.m. + Julie Vissers
(Joe & Judy Lukes)

SUNDAY, January 31
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m. + James & Bernadette Crough & Sr. Eileen Crough C.S.J.
(Allan & Shirley O'Neill)
9:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention
(Claudette & Hank Vanderploeg)
10:30 a.m. ~ Pro Populo

THE MESSIANIC MESSAGE

Before His own townspeople, Christ refers to the words of the prophet Isaiah: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord." These phrases, according to Luke, are His first messianic declaration. They are followed by the actions and words known through the Gospel and thereby, Christ makes the Father present among men. It is very significant that the people in question are especially the poor, those without means of subsistence, those deprived of their freedom, the blind who cannot see the beauty of creation, those living with broken hearts, or suffering from social injustice, and finally sinners. It is especially for these last that the Messiah becomes a particularly clear sign of God who is love, a sign of the Father. In this visible sign the people of our own time, just like the people then, can see the Father...

... Christ reveals God as "rich in mercy," ... Making the Father present as love and mercy is, in Christ's own consciousness, the fundamental touchstone of His mission as the Messiah...

On the basis of this way of manifesting the presence of God who is Father, love and mercy, Jesus makes mercy one of the principal themes of His preaching. It is sufficient to recall the parable of the prodigal son, or the parable of the Good Samaritan, but also - by contrast - the parable of the merciless servant. We need only consider the Good Shepherd who goes in search of the lost sheep, or the woman who sweeps the house in search of the lost coin.

... Christ by becoming the incarnation of the love that is manifested with particular force with regard to the suffering, the unfortunate and sinners, makes present and thus more fully reveals the Father, who is God "rich in mercy." At the same time, by becoming for people a model of merciful love for others, Christ proclaims by His actions even more than by His words that call to mercy which is one of the essential elements of the Gospel ethos. In this instance it is not just a case of fulfilling a commandment or an obligation of an ethical nature; it is also a case of satisfying a condition of major importance for God to reveal Himself in His mercy to man: "The merciful...shall obtain mercy."

<http://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/johnpaul/encyclical7.php>

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 31, 2016

LAY MINISTRY	Eucharistic	Lector	Gift Bearers
Thursday 5:00 p.m.	Rose Rabishaw	Colleen Petersen	Roddy Turpin & Paul Heffernan
Friday 9:00 a.m.	Valerie Collicutt	Bob O'Brien	Pat Clancy & Family
10:30 a.m.	Bud Monahan	Rose Wornoff	Raphael & Casandra Dunne

ALL YOU CAN EAT
SHROVE TUESDAY SUPPER

Tues. Feb. 9th 4pm-6pm. **Sacred Heart Church Hall**
\$6.00 Adults, \$15.00 Family (Parents & Children under 16)
Sausage, pancakes, baked beans & Fruit Salad



Hosted by Sacred Heart Catholic Auxiliary
For information & tickets, please call Jan 705-868-6307

Saint Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like

to thank Assumption Parish for your generosity over the last year. Your donations to help feed the most needy in our community is certainly appreciated.

Knights of Columbus News



Upcoming Events

Come out and enjoy our First Spaghetti Supper on **Sat. Feb 6th**. Family \$20 (2 adults & 2 children) Adults 10.00, children 10 yrs. and under \$5. To reserve a spot please call Peter Clancy at 705-745-3075. Dinner time: 4 – 7 p.m. Tickets are available. All are Welcome.

Feb 19: Card Party at Hall - contact Bob O' Brien at 705-745-3840 for details.

Catholic Women's League



The next CWL meeting is Feb 2nd, at 7:00 after 6:30 Mass. At this meeting we will be swearing in the new 2016-17 Executive in the church.

Please come, meet and support this new Executive.

As you are aware, the 2016 CWL membership drive is in full swing and we remind the ladies not yet signed up to get their memberships in. If you do not use parish envelopes CWL envelopes are at the back of the Church.

Way of the Cross 2016

Call out to Actors and Volunteers!

Hello Everyone,

It's that time of the year again when we start gearing up for the Way of the Cross!

This is a big year for us and your help is needed. Good Friday is early this year, March 25, and so we are starting on the first Friday following exams. As always we are in need of actors for the various roles and more than normal we want you to invite your friends to be a part of the Way of the Cross with us on Good Friday. We need to fill the roles of soldiers and women of Jerusalem more than ever and make this a spectacular part of the Jubilee of Mercy. If you want to be a part of the Way of the Cross this year and if you have friends who would get something out of it and want to be a part of this year's procession click below to register.



First Meeting/Rehearsal: Fri. Feb. 12 at 4:00 p.m.

Location: The VEYO Centre (820 Frank St.)

REGISTER (Volunteer): veyo.ca/cross OR

705-745-5123 ext #24 OR youth@veyo.ca

Closing Mass for the YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE

Do you know a Religious Sister, Brother or Priest who has made a difference in your life? Join them at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains for a Mass in thanksgiving on **Sun, Jan 31st @ 3:30p.m.** Reception to follow.

OFFERTORY

Jan 3: Env. \$1907.00+ Loose \$286.95= \$2193.95

Jan 10: Env. \$1472.00 + Loose \$138.00 = \$1610.00

Jan 17: Env. \$1617.75 + Loose \$167.25 + PAP \$470.00 =

\$2255.00

St. Vincent de Paul: \$526.50

Birthright: \$387.85

Thank you for your generosity

St. Francis of Assisi Lenten Retreat

Sponsored by St. Francis of Assisi CWL and K of C

Guest Speaker: Patrick Sullivan

(Catholic Speaker & Catechist)



Saturday, February 13, 2016

Doors open at 9:30 am

Retreat 10:30 am – 2:30 pm

1st Talk–10:30 am, 2nd Talk–12:45 pm

Come for one or both!

Free Admission & Light lunch provided.

Call 905 987 5446 or email dennieradcliffe@gmail.com to register

Year of Mercy Event for our diocese

Embracing Mercy: A journey to Martyr's Shrine



A diocesan wide pilgrimage to the National Canadian Shrine built to honour eight Jesuit saints in Midland is scheduled for **Sat June 4th**. Mass, reconciliation, devotional prayers at designated shrines, a race to St. Ignace, a visit to St. Marie Among the Huron's, and much more! Further details

including cost, options & transportation can be found at:

www.embracingmercy.peterboroughdiocese.org

Contact: Robyn Hennighan 705-745-5461

familyministries@peterboroughdiocese.org

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Cathedral Church of St. Peter in Chains will host a Service of Prayer to celebrate and pray for full, visible communion amongst the Christian Churches. We will gather on **Sunday, January 24th at 4:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Church on Hunter St.

Bishop McGrattan from the Catholic Diocese of Peterborough will preside over the service and Bishop Nicholls, Area Bishop of the Trent-Durham Anglican Diocese of Toronto, will be our homilist. All are invited to come and join us.



CWL Pancake Supper Fundraiser

The St. Peter-in-Chains CWL will be serving a delicious pancake supper from 4:30-6:30 pm in the Bishop Doyle Hall. Adults \$7.00, 6-12 years \$5.00 and children under 6 years can eat for free! A family ticket price (up to six people) is only \$20.00! You can choose Chocolate, Blueberry or Plain Gourmet Pancakes, with Sausages, Fruit and Beverage. All proceeds from this fundraiser are used to support the needs of our local parish. Please support this event! Tickets will be available at the door on the 9th of February and the CWL ladies will be selling tickets in advance at all masses the week-ends of January 30/31 and February 6/7.

CWL 95th Anniversary

We are excited to announce that this is the **95th Anniversary year of our Cathedral Parish CWL!** We are one of the oldest CWLs in Canada. The first meeting of our CWL took place on Jan. 31st, 1921. We will be formally celebrating the 95th

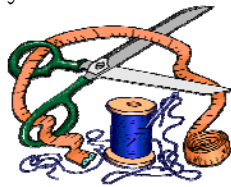
Anniversary on the Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel in April 2016. Please stay tuned for more details on this exciting year of celebration!

January Devotion

January is the month of the Holy Name of Jesus. The feast of the Holy Name originated in the 1500s and was formerly celebrated on the second Sunday of Epiphany. It was removed from the calendar in 1969, "since the imposition of the name of Jesus is already commemorated in the office of the Octave of Christmas." (*motu proprio: Mysteriori Paschalis, 1969*) It was restored in 2002 as an optional memorial on the first free day after January 1st. The official litany of the Holy Name of Jesus is included in the book [A Prayerbook of Favorite Litanies](#). There are indulgences attached to the devotion to the Holy Name; one hundred days each day if the devotion is made privately, three hundred days each day, if the devotion is made in a public church or chapel. Because of the feasts in January which pertain to Christ's infancy and childhood, January has also become a month dedicated to the Holy Childhood of Jesus.

News & Requests from VEYO

Help is needed for the 12th annual Way of the Cross in Downtown Peterborough on Good Friday! Right now, there is great need for individuals who have experience with making repairs or alterations to clothing to help repair and modify the costumes that will be worn at this year's Way of the Cross. Those interested in learning more should contact Ben at youth@veyo.ca or 745-5123.



Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Adult theme: "The Unshakable Kingdom"

Youth theme: "Mercy"

Saturday, March 5 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Metro Convention Centre

Tickets Adults - \$20, Youth (13-18 yrs.) - \$15

Contact: To order tickets or for further info, phone 416-251-4255 or 905-833-0360

Web: www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.org

Email: ljhr@lift-jesus-higher-rally.org

Serviam Ministries - Men's Conference

On **March 19th**, join Cardinal Thomas Collins, Matt Fradd and Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers for Serviam Ministries' 1st annual **Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference** at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The day will strengthen and challenge men to grow in faith and virtue while also addressing the struggles that men face.

Special Father/Son rates available. All info and tickets: www.BandofChristianBrothers.com/events/iron/, info@ServiamMinistries.com or 1-888-522-2070.

The theme of the event is: "Iron sharpeneth iron, so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend"

(Proverbs 27:17).

Topics for the day:

God, the Universe and Everything

Clothed and in His Right Mind: Reclaiming the Heart of the Spiritual Man

Taking Down Goliath (Porn)

Putting on the Armor of God: Preparing for Spiritual Combat

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

Universal: Interreligious Dialogue

That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

Evangelization: Christian Unity

That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions.

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 and no previous study of Sacred Scripture is necessary. 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).

READINGS:

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 31

1st Reading: Jeremiah 1: 4 – 5, 17 – 19

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 31, 13: 1 – 13

Gospel: Luke 4: 21 – 30

Diocesan Prayer Corner

Let us pray for the people and clergy of St. John the Baptist parish in Peterborough, that as members of the Holy Body of Christ, they may give an ever more powerful witness to the salvation Christ came to bring.

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

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**

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

31st WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 in Krakow, Poland The Official LOGO

The image is composed of a **geographical outline of Poland** in which there is a **(yellow) Cross, symbol of Christ** who is the soul of World Youth Day. **The yellow circle** marks the position of Krakow on the map of Poland and is also a symbol of youth. **The (red and blue) flame of Divine Mercy emerges from the Cross**, and its colours recall the image "*Jesus, I trust in you*". **The colours used in**



the logo - blue, red and yellow are (also) the official colours of Krakow and its coat of arms.

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FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH



**Thurs. February 11: 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 or 295-6952

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 livelong 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.

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/>

VEYO Discernment Groups – Ever wonder if you could be called to the priesthood or to religious life? Ever wish that you could find out what God's plan for your life is? For more details contact Fr. Craig at 705-749-0330 or vocations@veyo.ca or Fr. John Purdue, Director of Vocations at 705-745-4681.

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

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.

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.
<http://www.stmarysrefuge.org>

<http://www.iubilaeummisericordiae.va>

Use this for the Year of Mercy logo



Our Lady Queen of Peace Community Rosary

Mon. - Rosary: 6:30pm.
Everyone welcome.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter



From the Pastor's Desk

-- *Fr. Michael*



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO
CLEAN
ASSUMPTION CHURCH

Sign the **Cleaning Ministry Sheet** on the table at the back of the church. Cleaning is done once a week and you may choose whatever time or day works for you.

Life Chain

