



Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Parish

· St. John the Evangelist, Keene, Ontario



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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.



**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 3, 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**

July 4 – July 10

MONDAY, July 4
St. Elizabeth of Portugal
 8:00 a.m. + Special Intention

TUESDAY, July 5
St. Anthony Zaccaria
 6:30 p.m. + Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, July 6
St. Maria Goretti
 8:00 a.m. ~ Faye & Don Bell
 (Anne Fitzgerald)

THURSDAY, July 7
St. Willibald
 8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

FRIDAY, July 8
St. Kilian
 6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00 p.m. ~ A Special Intention
 (Joe)

SATURDAY, July 9
St. Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions
 8:00 a.m. + Chris Doherty
 (Gerry & Dianne Doherty & Family)

SUNDAY, July 10
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 5:00 p.m. (Sat.) ~ Pro Populo
 9:00 a.m. + Marie Affeldt
 (Joe & Judy Lukes & Family)
 10:30 a.m. + Brenda Power
 (Paul & Anne Beebe)

Devotion to the Precious Blood

Devotion to the Precious Blood is a spiritual obligation for every follower of Christ. Devotion, as we know, is a composite of three elements: - *veneration, invocation, and imitation.*

I found this passage in the oldest document, outside of sacred scripture, from the first century of the Christian era - from Pope St. Clement I, dated about 96 A.D.:
 "Let us fix our gaze on the Blood of Christ and realize how truly precious It is, seeing that It was poured out for our salvation and brought the grace of conversion to the whole world."

This veneration of the Precious Blood, which is the first element in our devotion to the Precious Blood means that we have a deep sensitivity to the awfulness of sin. Sin must be terrible. It must be awful. It must be the most dreadful thing in the universe. Why? Because it

cost the living God in human form the shedding of His Blood.

Devotion to the Precious Blood means that we *invoke* Christ under the attribute of His Precious Blood. I thought I would read a few *invocations* from the *Litany of the Precious Blood*;

"Blood of Christ, Only-Begotten Son of the eternal Father."

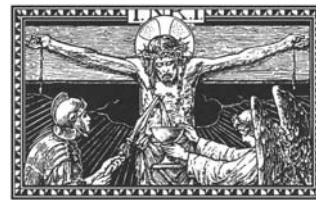
What are we saying? Are we saying that Blood was the Only Begotten Son of the Eternal Father? Frankly, yes. Because we know that term, Precious Blood, is not just a symbol, not just a title. It identifies that quality of the Only-Begotten Son of the Eternal Father which Christ wants us to constantly have in mind, namely, that the Only-Begotten Son of the Eternal Father suffered. Suffered for us.

"Blood of Christ falling upon the earth in the Agony."

In the Middle Ages there were those who speculated that maybe, just maybe, when Christ shed His Blood either in the Agony in the Garden or on Calvary, that once the Blood left the Body It was just ordinary blood. And the Church infallibly defined: Every drop of Christ's Blood in the Agony in the Garden, every drop He shed on Calvary, every drop was united hypostatically with the Second Person of the Trinity. Every drop of that Blood was adorable.

"Blood of Christ, Price of our salvation."

The more people I deal with, the more I have come to identify two words: love and pain. If one person claims to love someone else, the one



who claims to love, infallibly - is not only resigned to enduring pain -- pain is the proof of love, pain is the price of love. That's why God became Man: that He might be able to endure pain, especially the pain of draining His Blood out of love for us.

Finally, devotion means *imitation*. In other words, if Christ showed His love for us by the shedding of His Blood, we are to show our love for Him by the shedding of *our* blood. That is what the Church means when she has us say that when Christ offers Himself daily on the altar in the Sacrifice of the Mass, we are told to identify that as our sacrifice - His and ours. He, the Head of the Mystical Body, can no longer suffer, but thank God, we can!

Even if it is not God's Will that we shed our blood for Christ, to manifest our love for Him physically, let's make sure, absolutely sure, that we let no opportunity go by without shedding our blood spiritually.

PRAYER: Lord Jesus, You became Man in order by Your Passion and Death and the draining of Your Blood on the Cross, might prove to us how much You, our God, love us. Protect us, dear Jesus, from ever running away from the sight of blood. Strengthen our weak human wills so that we will not only not run away from the cross, but welcome every opportunity to shed our blood in spirit in union with Your Precious Blood, so that, dying to ourselves in time we might live with You in Eternity.

Amen

<http://www.therealpresence.org>

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 10, 2016

LAY MINISTRY

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

Eucharistic

Colleen Petersen
Gladys Fowler
Sue Livings

Lector

Rose Rabishaw
Judy Lukes
Cristy Doris

Gift Bearers

Leon & Trish Dorff
Joanne Bolton & Pat Scott
Bonnie & John Kuharski

Knights of Columbus



Your Knights of Columbus Council would like to thank you for your support for our Raffle and Auction sale this past weekend and thank you to all that helped with both events.

Catholic Women's League



Each spring the CWL sponsors Christian Living Awards for a boy and a girl grade 8 graduate at Saint Patrick and Monsignor O'Donoghue Catholic Elementary schools.

Congratulations to this year's recipients:

St. Patrick: Olivia Gartlan & Chase Moore

Msgr. O'Donoghue: Kalee Wirtanen-Axford & Evan Murphy

Best wishes to all graduates as they move forward in their education. May God's blessings be with you.

Again this year, the CWL of Assumption/ St. John's is offering two bursaries to assist high school graduates. This award will be granted to one boy and one girl from the Parish planning to continue their education at a post-secondary institution. Application forms have been placed at the back of the two churches. If you qualify, please pick one up, complete and submit as directed on form. **Deadline is July 31.** Questions? Contact Diane Creeden at 742-9625.

Cat. Chat Vacation Bible School will be held from August 15 - 19 at O.L.A. Hall from 9:00 a.m. to



noon daily. Cost \$25 per child or family of three or more, \$60 for the week.

Registration deadline is July 17. Contact Val Collicutt at 748-5237, Sylvia O'Rourke

743-8968 or Mary Pat Goodridge at 740-9280. Theme

A Wilderness Adventure through the Sacraments.

Registration forms are at the back of the church.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference at Immaculate Conception Parish presented a gift to the grade 8 graduate who most represented the values of SSVP in the classroom and in life. The winner from Immaculate Conception was

Kody Davis and from Monsignor O'Donoghue was Abby McGill. The youth are our future and we will keep them in our prayers.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel - 2016 Parish Mission A Time of Great Grace

Plan to attend our parish mission July 19th and 20th.

The mission will be preached by Fr. Dominic Borg who is Disalced Carmelite Friar, O.C.D.

July 19th - 6:00 pm Mass; 6:30 pm Pot-Luck Supper;

7:30 - 9:00 pm Mission Talk

July 20th - 6:30 pm Mass;



7:00 - 9:00 pm Mission Talk (snack provided) Help Wanted

Are you available for some Friday mornings between 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. to help take seniors in a nursing home to Mass? If you are able to help please contact Valerie at 705-748-5237 or Anna Marie at 705-742-8249.

Altar Servers

If you would like to become an altar server at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, please call the office at 741-1018 and let Fr. Michael know. Children must have received their First Holy Communion. Training for servers will be held on the following Saturdays ... **July 9, 16 and 23 at 9:30 a.m. at Assumption Church.** You must be able to attend two of the three sessions.

Diocesan Special Collection

There will be a Diocesan Special Collection **next weekend.** This collection will go to **the JPIL House.**

Pilgrimage to Shrine of St. Ann in Cormac:

Plan to attend the 78th annual pilgrimage to the Shrine in Cormac on Sunday, July 31st, with Bishop Michael Mulhall and Father Howard Chabot. The theme of the pilgrimage will be **"With the Lord there is Mercy."** The Principal Pilgrimage Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 am, with Bishop Mulhall presiding, and a Mass of healing will be celebrated at 2:00 pm. Local priests will be assisting with the anointing with St. Anne's oil. Religious articles, St. Ann's Mass League memberships, and food and refreshments will be available. Everyone welcome! For further information, please see www.cormacpilgrimage.com.

Daughters of St. Paul Summer Program

The Daughters of St. Paul invite young women ages 14 - 18 years to the Saint Paul Summer Program from August 8 - 13. There will be Mass, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, morning and evening prayer in addition to classes on the Word of God, Discerning God's call in your Life, Pauline Consecrated Life etc. Also, you can learn and get hands-on experience from the sisters who are artists, designers, writers and editors. Applications must be received by July 8 and participants must have parental consent and be open to the idea of religious life as a vocation. The program will be at Daughters of St. Paul Motherhouse, Boston, MA. The cost will be \$125. To register phone Sr. Emily Beata at 703-549-3806.

FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH

Thurs. July 14: 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

Offertory

June 26: Env. \$1264.00 + Loose \$230.00 = \$1494.00
St. Vincent de Paul: \$36.00 Fuel: \$25.00

Thank you for your generosity



**CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION
FOR LIFE AND FAMILY**
Building a civilization of love

Friday, June 17, 2016, is a sad date in Canadian history. On that day Bill C-14 (*medical assistance in*

dying) was passed by the Canadian Parliament. With royal assent, euthanasia and assisted suicide became legal procedures in Canada. Some citizens may now lawfully kill others.

This act of legalization does not render physician assisted suicide and euthanasia morally right. They remain grave sins against the love of God, and stand as an affront to human life and dignity. Consequently, opposition and resistance to them must continue.

Already we hear calls for the expansion of assisted suicide and euthanasia to include the mentally ill and mature children, as well as demands that these lethal procedures be included in advance directives. Our voices must continue to resound not only with a clear defence of the dignity of all human life from beginning to natural end but also an insistent demand for effective conscience protection across Canada. Advocacy must also continue for new and major investments in palliative care— the only truly human answer to end of life challenges.

From now on, the disciples of Christ share a double challenge :

Education to dispel the confusion surrounding *medical aid in dying*, and to propose with clarity the Christian vision of life and suffering;

Care for the vulnerable with the truth, charity and compassion that so clearly render euthanasia and assisted suicide unacceptable and unnecessary that they choose to live until their natural death.

The first Christians' contemporaries used to say: "See how they love one another"... Will people say the same about us, the first Christians of the third millennium?

COLF is co-sponsored by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Supreme Council of the Knights of Columbus.

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.

Meditation on the Cross of Christ

Nourish yourself with God's holy will. Drink of this Chalice of Jesus. Close your eyes and do not seek to know what it contains. It is enough to know that Jesus offers it.

- St. Paul of the Cross

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 July to December.

READINGS:

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 10

1st Reading: Genesis 18: 1 – 10

2nd Reading: Colossians 1: 24 – 28

Gospel: Luke 10: 38 – 42

Holy Father's Intentions: July

Universal: Human Solidarity

That indigenous peoples, whose identity and very existence are threatened, will be shown due respect.

Evangelization: Seminarians and Novices

That the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean, by means of her mission to the continent, may announce the Gospel with renewed vigour and enthusiasm.

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

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

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

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>

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.

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/>

Our Lady of Mount Carmel - 2016 Parish Mission A Time of Great Grace

Plan to attend our parish mission Tues. July 19th and Wed. July 20th — just following the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. The mission will be preached by Fr. Dominic Borg who is Discalced Carmelite Friar, O.C.D. He was born in Malta, studied Theology, ordained priest in 1972. He also studied Philosophy and Biblical Languages in the United Kingdom. His knowledge and love of Scripture flows from his heart and is contagious.

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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.

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

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.

Virtues are formed by prayer. Prayer preserves temperance. Prayer suppresses anger. Prayer prevents emotions of pride and envy. Prayer draws into the soul the Holy Spirit, and raises us to Heaven. (St. Ephrem)

What is Prayer?

1. Prayer means standing before God and raising up our mind and heart to him with reverent attention and devotion.

2. Prayer is the devout offering of our entire self in the Holy Spirit to the Father through Jesus Christ.

RELATED ARTICLES

To answer the question "What is prayer," we must realize that our search leads, not to an activity, but to a way of being. Prayer is less a function and more a disposition. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) tells us, prayer is "a vital and personal relationship with the living God ... the living relationship of the children of God with their Father" (2558, 2565).

To understand the meaning of prayer, we must first believe that God exists, and that he is a personal being, a person who can be addressed and who responds. We must believe that God knows us, cares for us and loves us – even more than we love ourselves.

In fact, some describe prayer as "talking and listening with God." Others call it "love letters" to God.

Since prayer engages and expresses our relationship with God, the essence of prayer is communication.

For the way that persons in love deepen their bond of charity with each other is through the sharing of their interior lives in an authentic and generous exchange of words, gestures, and feelings. The conversation of prayer deepens our intimacy with God by drawing us into the communication with him that leads to ultimate communion. In the process, prayer conforms us to the Lord we love so that, as Saint Teresa of Avila says, "the will becomes united in some way with the will of God."

Prayer takes five basic forms:

Adoration exalts the greatness of God, the Creator and Sustainer, in the spirit of humility and homage. The gracious generosity of God compels us to bless the One who remains the source of every blessing in our life.

The prayer of petition acknowledges our dependence on God the Father, especially as it prompts us to turn back to him in a spirit of repentance and contrition, asking for forgiveness.

Through the prayer of intercession we entrust ourselves to God's mercy, especially by placing before the Father the concerns of others in need.

The prayer of thanksgiving gives voice to the gratitude that befits every mature and honest person, especially as it calls to mind the redeeming deeds of Jesus that save us and set us free.

Finally, as the Catechism explains, the prayer of praise "lauds God for his own sake and gives him glory, quite beyond what he does, but simply because he is" (2639). In short, these five different forms of prayer enable us to love God for what he has created, to love God for his compassionate mercy, to love God for his presence and



From



the Pastor's Desk

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



■ Fr. Michael

As Catholics, we pray that we can respond to God's call to holiness for our lives in the way that Mary did. Mother Theresa prayed to emulate Mary's devotion to Christ:

"Mary, Mother of Jesus, give me your heart so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate, so full of love and humility that I may be able to receive

Jesus in the Bread of Him as You loved serve Him as You served Him..."

The Season of Lent



Life, love Him, and



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