



# 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.**



**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 12, 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**

June 13 – June 19

**MONDAY, June 13**  
*Saint Anthony of Padua*  
 8:00 a.m. + Special Intention

**TUESDAY, June 14**  
*Saint Basil the Great*  
 6:30 p.m. + Finn Family  
 (Helen O’Connell)

**WEDNESDAY, June 15**  
*St. Germaine Cousin*  
 8:00 a.m. + Anne Gainey  
 (Marrocco Family)

**THURSDAY, June 16**  
*Saint John Francis Regis*  
 8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

**FRIDAY, June 17**  
*Saint Harvey*  
 6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 7:00 p.m. + Michael Gatt  
 (The Kimball Family)

**SATURDAY, June 18**  
*Saint Romuald*  
 8:00 a.m. + Holy Souls in Purgatory

**SUNDAY, June 19**  
*12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
 5:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Harold Heffernan  
 (Geraldine Heffernan)  
 9:00 a.m. + Lorne Brown  
 (Bill & Pat Keating)  
 10:30 a.m. ~ Pro Populo

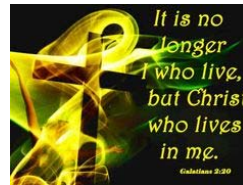
**Our Lady Queen of Peace Community Rosary**



Monday, June 13 at 6:30 p.m.  
 Sacred Heart, Peterborough  
 Join us for coffee/tea/treats after  
 Rosary  
 Everyone is welcome to attend.

*“It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.”*

For St. Paul, a Christian is one who puts on the person of Jesus Christ so that the individual Christian literally loses his or her identity because Christ now dwells in them. We seek to live in a way as if Christ Himself were acting through us. Of course, no one fully succeeds at this. It’s the constant striving that counts. (Remember that Paul himself had quite a temper). But if we fall we get right back up with the grace of Christ. In plain fact for St. Paul, the Gospel was no “private matter” but the essence of life. Here we have an important reason why Pope Benedict proclaimed the Pauline year. North America struggles with an incipient superficiality which reduces the Gospel to something “private” that must not be seen outside the privacy of one’s home, lest you “intrude” on society. We go through daily life not conscious that Christ must live in me to that I strive to live and act as Christ Himself would? During his recent trip to America, Pope Benedict faced this issue squarely saying, “The subtle influence of secularism can color the way people allow their faith to influence their behaviour. Is it consistent to profess our beliefs in church on Sunday, and then during the week to promote business practices or medical procedures contrary to those beliefs? Is it consistent for practicing Catholics to ignore or exploit the poor and the marginalized, to promote sexual behaviour contrary to Catholic moral teaching, or to adopt positions that contradict the right to life of every human being from conception to natural death? Any tendency to treat religion as a private matter must be resisted. Only when their faith



permeates every aspect of their lives do Christians become truly open to the transforming power of the Gospel.” Does our faith permeate every aspect of our lives? Is it our worldview, our bottom line, our very identity, or is it just

something cultural? Remember that in eternity, what ethnic nationality we are won’t mean a hill of beans: it won’t exist. What will matter is whether we have been transformed in Christ. Always remember the saints. They always had one eye on eternity because they knew where their true home lay. A transformed person doesn’t compartmentalize his or her life into neat segments to fit the occasion. The martyrs went to their deaths being faithful to the very things that we compromise on so readily. St. Paul himself would suffer martyrdom by being beheaded. Since he was a Roman citizen he was given the “privilege” of a quick death. Also, since Roman law forbade the shedding of a citizen’s blood within the walls of Rome, Paul was taken outside the walls of the city for his execution. Hence the Church named “St. Paul Outside the Walls.” We close again with words from Pope Benedict: “From St. Paul we draw a very important lesson: what counts is to place Jesus Christ at the center of our lives, so that our identity is marked essentially by the encounter, by communion with Christ and His Word.”

Excerpted for the article at <http://maronitemonks.org>

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**June 19, 2016**

**LAY MINISTRY**

**Eucharistic**

**Lector**

**Gift Bearers**

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

Rose Rabishaw  
 Martin Corkery

Colleen Petersen  
 Melissa Corkery

Paul & Liz Heffernan  
 Bob & Ruth O’Brien

**Knights of Columbus News**

**On June 14<sup>th</sup>** there will be a Knights of Columbus meeting following the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

**Knights of Columbus Auction**

**Sunday, June 26, 1 p.m.** Assumption Hall with auctioneer Keith Monk. Kayak & paddle, hardwood flooring, art, vintage items, reproduction map of Ptbo County 1882, and more.  
Raffle tickets, \$2 each, three for \$5.

**Catholic Women's League****Congratulations Diane Creeden**

Diane Creeden was presented with the CWL Maple Leaf Pin on June 1st, at the CWL Pot Lunch Supper. This pin is given to CWL members who have served the League in an exceptional and meritorious manner. Thank you Diane for your many years of service to God and Canada.

**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 may be directed to Diane Creeden at 705-742-9625.

**"Symposium for Life"**

Euthanasia, Physician-Assisted Suicide & a Call to Action  
In our country, we are facing a threat to the sacredness of life as legislation to permit Physician Assisted Suicide is being pushed forward. Catholics and many others feel called to respond urgently for LIFE! **The Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough with Sacred Heart College of Peterborough will be holding a "Symposium for Life" on the evening of June 17 and continuing on Saturday June 18, 2016.** The symposium will be held at the Catholic Education Centre, 1355 Lansdowne Street West in Peterborough. Speakers will include, His Excellency Bishop William McGrattan, Dr. William Sullivan, MD, Fr. Tom Lynch, Sister (Dr.) Mary Rowell, csj, and Dr. Bridget Campion. Topics will include Legal and Medical Contexts; Church Teaching on End of Life; Euthanasia and Conscientious Objection; Pastoral Care; and a Call to Action. There will be a panel, case studies and group discussions. **Please mark your calendars for this important event as together in faith we act for life and for the care of those who are dying.**

**[Boycott the movie Me Before You](#)** that promotes the idea that assisted suicide is better than living with a disability. Euthanasia Prevention Coalition

**Offertory**

June 5: Env. \$1570.00 + Loose \$330.00 + P.A.P. \$550.00 = \$2450.00 St. Vincent de Paul: \$372.00  
Priest Benefit Fund: \$658.00 Fuel: \$121.00  
**Thank you for your generosity**

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Hastings, Cemetery Mass**

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery Board of Hastings invites all parishioners, past and present, to the **Annual Cemetery Mass** to be held at the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Cemetery on **Father's Day, Sunday, June 19, 2016 at 10 am.** Father Joseph Devereaux will be the Celebrant at this year's Mass. Please plan to join us for a delicious lunch immediately following the Mass. Remember to bring your lawn chair to sit on, under the shade tents that are provided. (In case of rain, Mass will be held at the Church.) **Please invite your family and friends to come and to offer prayers for family members and friends who have gone before us.**

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

**Plan to attend our parish mission Tues. July 19<sup>th</sup> and Wed. July 20<sup>th</sup>** — 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.

**July 19<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm Mass; 6:30 pm Pot-Luck Supper;**

**7:30 - 9:00 pm Mission Talk**

**July 20<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 pm Mass;**

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



**Strawberry Social: Sacred Heart Church**  
**Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.**  
*Admission \$5:00 and includes Delicious Strawberry Shortcake with a beverage. Also a Bake and a "New to You" Table*

**Carillon Ringers handbell choir**

**Wed, June 22, 7pm** — the Carillon Ringers choir from St Louis, Missouri will perform popular melodies arranged for handbells at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains.

Admission is \$10 (free for all students and children). For further information, please call the Shed Bakery, 705-743-0113 or contact Randy Mills at [rmills@tcs.on.ca](mailto:rmills@tcs.on.ca)

**St. Martin's Ennismore - Annual Cemetery Mass - Sun. June 19 - 1:30 pm**

All are welcome to join us as we prayerfully remember our dearly departed loved ones in an outdoor Mass in our Main Cemetery at 1:30 pm on **Father's Day - June 19<sup>th</sup>** Please bring your lawn chairs, sun hats & umbrellas for shade. In the event of rain, we will move the Mass indoors. Light refreshments following the Mass.

**Carpenter's Cup 'Gonz Fishin'!**

High school-aged young men are invited to the Carpenter's Cup 'Gone Fishin' retreat with the Vocations Office! This will take place **July 8-10** at St. John the Baptist Church on Lake Rosseau in Muskoka. Carpooling is available from Peterborough. Register by visiting [www.vzgo.ca/carpenterscup](http://www.vzgo.ca/carpenterscup)

### **Immaculate Conception Parish**

**Taste of Poland Dinner: Coming SOON! Mark your calendars for June 25<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.** Great Polish Food: Roast Pork, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, perogies, gravy & delicious Polish cakes, tea, coffee & other cold beverages. Door Prizes & more ... Tickets: Adults/\$15 Under 12/\$8 under 5 FREE. Tickets go fast so get yours now! Pick up tickets at parish office or call 742-5466.

### **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. This takes place every Thursday at 2:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church. Contact Shirley at 705-874-5051 for more information.



### **Pilgrimage Experience July 9 to 11**

St. Benoit du Lac Abbey (Mass in Latin and Gregorian chants) and St. Joseph's Oratory (Saint Brother Andre) and Notre

Dame Basilica in Montreal, Cap de la Madeleine Prayer and Quebec Spiritual Church History included. If any parishioners wish to attend, they can contact Mrs. Maria Andreoli 705-745-0110.

### **READINGS:**

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time June 12**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Zechariah 12: 10 – 11

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Galatians 3: 26 – 29

Gospel: Luke 9: 18 – 24

### **Holy Father's Intentions: June**

#### **Universal: Human Solidarity**

That the aged, marginalized, and those who have no one may find—even within the huge cities of the world—opportunities for encounter and solidarity.

#### **Evangelization: Seminarians and Novices**

That seminarians and men and women entering religious life may have mentors who live the joy of the Gospel and prepare them wisely for their mission.

### **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**

### **EUCHARISTIC 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

**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/>

### **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](mailto: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](mailto:vocations@veyo.ca) or Fr. John Purdue, Director of Vocations at 705-745-4681.

**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

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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.

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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 assistance in our lives, to love God for his redemptive tenderness, and to love God for himself.

This article is excerpted from the booklet [A Life of Prayer: A Guide for Men](#) by Father John Peter Cameron, O.P.

Pope Francis'



### From the Pastor's Desk

■ *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 Life, love Him as You loved Him, and serve Him as You served Him..."

<http://www.catholicscomehome.org>

### 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.

<http://www.iubilaeummisericordiae.va>

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### FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH

Thurs. : 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



*Weekwide Meetings Encounter*



*The Season of Lent*



*Life Chain*