



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!!



*Easter Sunday
March 27, 2016*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

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**



MASS INTENTIONS
March 28 – April 3

MONDAY, March 28
Solemnity
8:00 a.m. ~ Florence Devereaux
(Parishioner)

TUESDAY, March 29
Solemnity
8:00 a.m. + Deanna O'Neill
(Pauline & Mike O'Neill)

WEDNESDAY, March 30
Solemnity
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention
(Family)

THURSDAY, March 31
Solemnity
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

FRIDAY, April 1
Solemnity
10:45 a.m. Mass at Monsignor O'Donoghue
6:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00 p.m. For all who have suffered from abortions

SATURDAY, April 2
Solemnity
8:00 a.m. In reparation for the outrages, offences & blasphemies against Christ in the Holy Eucharist & insults to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

SUNDAY, April 3
Divine Mercy Sunday
5:00 p.m. (Sat.) + Hazel O'Brien
(Vicki, Shelley, Justin & Brett)
9:00 a.m. + Helen Garvey
(Sandra O'Toole)
10:30 a.m. ~ Pro Populo

DIVINE MERCY

<https://www.ewtn.com>

Concerning the Feast of Mercy Jesus said: Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. (*Diary* 300)
On one occasion, I heard these words: I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. **The soul that will**



go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of

man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy. (*Diary* 699)
Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to our neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to absolve yourself from it. (742)
As you can see the Lord's desire for the Feast includes the solemn, public veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy by the Church, as well as personal acts of veneration and mercy. The great promise for the individual soul is that a devotional act of sacramental penance and Communion will obtain for that soul the plenitude of the divine mercy on the Feast. **THE DIVINE MERCY SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CATHEDRAL, SUN., APRIL 3RD AT 2:30 PM.**

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 3, 2016

LAY MINISTRY

Eucharistic

Lector

Gift Bearers

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

Patrick Pinto
Bob O'Brien
Bud Monahan

Roddy Turpin
Mary Pat Goodridge
Julia Davis

Marg Caley & Colleen Petersen
Joanne Bolton & Betty Clark
Elaine & Gary Lambe

BURY THE DEAD

Offertory

Thank you for your generosity

March 13: Env. \$1359.00 + Loose \$162.00 = \$ 1521.00
March 20: Env. \$1692.25 + Loose \$176.75 + P.A.P. \$470.00 = \$ 2339.00

Fuel: \$98.00 Development & Peace \$439.00
Other Lenten Charities per our Diocese \$35.00

Easter Homily by St. John Chrysostom



Let all pious men and all lovers of God rejoice in the splendor of this feast; let the wise servants blissfully enter into the joy of their Lord; let those who have borne the burden of Lent now receive their pay, and those who have toiled since the first hour, let them now receive their due reward; let any who came after the third hour be grateful to

join in the feast, and those who may have come after the sixth, let them not be afraid of being too late; for the Lord is gracious and He receives the last even as the first. He gives rest to him who comes on the eleventh hour as well as to him who has toiled since the first: yes, He has pity on the last and He serves the first; He rewards the one and praises the effort.

Come you all: enter into the joy of your Lord. You the first and you the last, receive alike your reward; you rich and you poor, dance together; you sober and you weaklings, celebrate the day; you who have kept the fast and you who have not, rejoice today. The table is richly loaded: enjoy its royal banquet. The calf is a fatted one: let no one go away hungry. All of you enjoy the banquet of faith; all of you receive the riches of His goodness. Let no one grieve over his poverty, for the universal kingdom has been revealed; let no one weep over his sins, for pardon has shone from the grave; let no one fear death, for the death of our Saviour has set us free: He has destroyed it by enduring it, He has despoiled Hades by going down into its kingdom, He has angered it by allowing it to taste of His flesh. When Isaias foresaw all this, he cried out: "O Hades, you have been angered by encountering Him in the nether world." Hades is angered because frustrated, it is angered because it has been mocked, it is angered because it has been destroyed, it is angered because it has been reduced to naught, it is angered because it is now captive. It seized a body, and, lo! it encountered heaven; it seized the visible, and was overcome by the invisible.

O death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory? Christ is risen and you are abolished. Christ is risen and the demons are cast down. Christ is risen and the angels rejoice. Christ is risen and life is freed. Christ is risen and the tomb is emptied of the dead: for Christ, being risen from the dead, has become the Leader and Reviver of those who had fallen asleep. To Him be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. <https://www.ewtn.com>

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:



www.embracingmercy.peterboroughdiocese.org

Contact: Robyn Hennighan 705-745-5461
familyministries@peterboroughdiocese.org

Knights of Columbus News



The Special Olympics and Arthritis tickets are available. Ask a Knight and they can get you tickets for this worthwhile cause.

The Knights are having their yard sale in May so, when spring cleaning, please keep us in mind. Any questions call Grand Knight, Pete Clancy at 705-748-3075.

Catholic Women's League



The next CWL meeting will be on April 5th at 7 p.m. following the 6:30 Mass.

The 95th Catholic Women's League Diocesan Convention will be held on **April 16th & 17th** at St. Mary's School in Lindsay. Registration will be paid by our League and ladies will be responsible for meal fees. Justice Lisa Marion Cameron will be speaking on youth justice in Ontario. Colleen Randall will address Mental Health in the Workplace. Contact Anna Marie at 742-8249 for more information or if you wish to attend. Deadline: March 25.

STEP INTO SPRING FASHION SHOW featuring Northern Reflection's spring & summer lines on **Wed., April 20 at 7:00 p.m.** at Our Lady of the Assumption Hall. Admission is \$5. Phone Joanne Bolton 743-6562 or Gladys Fowler 748-6438 for tickets or get them following the weekend Masses.

Tickets are also available at the parish office (741-1018).



IGNITE will be volunteering at Vinnie's, Sat. April 2nd. Please RSVP to

igniteptbo@gmail.com if you can come as we have limited spots for this event! Meet at 1:15pm at Sacred Heart if you need a ride OR 1:30pm at Vinnie's. We will be hanging out and having snacks after volunteering! We hope that you can join us!

Vocations Office - Fisher of Men Episode 4

Watch Father John Perdue catch a few beautiful bass and share a great message in Fisher of Men Episode 4, the latest video from the Vocations Office. Go to www.youtube.com and type in 'Fisher of Men Episode 4.'

Reminder to pray the Divine Mercy Novena

The Novena started on Good Friday but you can begin it now and "catch up". It concludes on Saturday in time for the Feast of Mercy on Sunday, April 3rd. There are leaflets which contain the prayers at the back of the Church.

CWL Spaghetti Supper at St. Alphonsus Parish Hall

April 9th, 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Adults \$12.00 Children under 10 \$5.00 Please join us to enjoy a fabulous Spaghetti Supper, Salad, Dinner Rolls, Home Made Desserts, Tea & Coffee are included. Please invite your family and friends as this is an event they won't want to miss!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Annual Spaghetti Dinner by Chef Enzo

Sat. April 16 Social hour at 5 p.m. and dinner at 6

p.m. Tickets: Adults - \$15 & Children - \$10

Knights of Columbus Council 12418

Thank you

A big thank you from the OSM Food Cupboard to Our Lady of Assumption and St. John the Evangelist parishes for the ongoing support through the donation of food. As well, thank you to the CWL members from both parishes for the monetary donation towards purchasing foods on our grocery list, as well as fresh produce. Thank you for helping families in need in our community.

Heroic Catholicism

Serviam Ministeries is hosting their annual Spring event on **Sat. May 28 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** The event will be held at Canada Christian College and the theme is **“Heroic Catholicism”**. Topics will include:

Black and White – Moral Clarity in a World of Gray

Couch Potato Catholics

Five Non-Negotiables

Being Fed Lies

Catholics and The Culture War

Tim Staples and Tanya Granic Allen will host the event.

General admission - \$45, Students - \$39 and

Group rate (10 + people) \$39.

Tickets and more information:

www.serviamministeries.com/events/heroic

Spring is in the air. What better way to celebrate it than joining us at our annual Mother's Day Dinner & Dance **Saturday, April 30, 2016** at The Parkway Banquet Hall, 1135 Lansdowne St. W. You'll enjoy a full course dinner, complimentary wine, door prizes, and of course great dance music. After an evening of dancing, dessert and fruit will be served around midnight. Cocktails at 5:00 p.m. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$55 per person. There are still some tickets available. Buy your tickets from John Mazziotti 705. 876.1282: Gloria Anthony – Jones 705.742.2482: Paul Malandrino 705.536.2906. A great way to show your Mother/Grandmother/Sister/Aunt/Daughter that she is the BEST!!!

READINGS:

Divine Sunday April 3

1st Reading: Acts 5: 12 – 16

2nd Reading: Revelation 1: 9 – 13, 17 – 19

Gospel: John 20: 19 – 31

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS

March

Universal: Families in Difficulty

That families in need may receive the necessary support and that children may grow up in healthy and peaceful environments.

Evangelization: Persecuted Christians

That those Christians who, on account of their faith, are discriminated against or are being persecuted, may remain strong and faithful to the Gospel, thanks to the incessant prayer of the Church.

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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).

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**



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SDM KRAKÓW 2016



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.**

FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH



**Thurs. March 10: 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

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

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>

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/>

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.



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

The Season of Lent



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

<http://www.iubilaeummisericordiae.va>

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