



# 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.**



26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25, 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**

September 26 – October 1

**MONDAY, September 26**

*Canadian Martyrs*

8:00 a.m. + Adriana Wilkins

**TUESDAY, September 27**

*St. Vincent de Paul*

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

**WEDNESDAY, September 28**

*St. Wenceslaus*

*St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions*

8:00 a.m. + Jack Kelly

(Mike & Noreen Malloy)

**THURSDAY, September 29**

*Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael*

8:00 a.m. + Deanna O'Neill

(Her Family)

**FRIDAY, September 30**

*St. Jerome*

6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 p.m. + Special Intention

**SATURDAY, October 1**

*St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus*

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

**SUNDAY, October 2**

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

5:00 p.m. (Sat.) ~ Pro Populo

9:00 a.m. + Special Intention

10:30 a.m. + Jack & Sue Bolin

(Their Family)

**Life Chain**

The annual Life Chain is scheduled for **Sun., October 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Please meet at the parking lot at the corner of Lansdowne St. and Monaghan St. at 2:00 p.m. PRAYER VIGIL will be conducted at St Alphonsus Liguori Parish at approximately 3:30 p.m. Let us be witnesses to the sanctity of life!



**Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: An invitation to support the faith and evangelization mission of the Church!**

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is mandated by the Holy See and the Bishops of Canada to assist dioceses/eparchies and their Bishops in a number of areas of pastoral life: faith formation, doctrine, ecumenical dialogues, international relations, interreligious conversations, liturgy, relations with Indigenous Peoples, social justice, and building a culture of life and family.

In his letter to the parishes for the annual collection, CCCB President Bishop Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., of Hamilton, expresses the recognition of all the Bishops, a few weeks from the end of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy towards the parishes for their pastoral care to be close to the suffering and sick people. "We remember our compassionate Catholic response to the refugee crisis as well as to the tragedy of the legalization of euthanasia and assisted suicide. Palliative care continues to be undeniably the only moral, effective and much needed alternative, the only truly compassionate choice for the terminally ill and the dying, now that our country has embarked upon this perilous road," the CCCB President writes.

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**Year of Mercy Reflection**

General Audience of Pope Francis: Sept. 21, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters: In our Gospel passage this morning, we are reminded of our call to be merciful even as our heavenly Father is merciful (cf. Lk 6:36). When we look at salvation history, we see that God's whole revelation is his untiring love for humanity which culminates in Jesus' death on the Cross. So great a love can be expressed only by God.

Jesus' call to humanity to be as merciful as the Father, however, is not a question of quantity. Instead it is a summons to be *signs, channels* and *witnesses* to his mercy. This is the Church's mission, to be God's sacrament of mercy in every place and time. As Christians, therefore, God asks us to be his witnesses, first by opening our own hearts to his

divine mercy, and then by sharing that mercy towards all people, especially those who suffer. In this way, our works of mercy and charity will offer to the world a glimpse of the face of Christ. In the Gospel, Jesus explains that we especially show the Father's mercy when we *pardon* one another, for we express the free gift of God's love, and help one another on the way of conversion. Jesus invites us also to *give* freely, for all we have has been freely given to us by God, and we will receive only in the measure that we freely give to others. Merciful love is the only path, for by it we are able to make known the Father's mercy that has no end.

First Saturday is October 1<sup>st</sup>. Mass is at 8:00 a.m. during which Father will anoint anyone who wishes it.



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

**October 2, 2016**

LAY MINISTRY

Eucharistic

Lector

Gift Bearers

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Patrick Pinto

Judy Pinto

Paul & Catherine Kelly

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Joanne Bolton

Judy Lukes

Wayne & Bev Harrington

**CWL News**

The next Catholic Women's League Meeting is Tues., Oct. 4, 7:00 pm after the 6:30 p.m. Mass. Hopefully, many ladies will join us to develop our fall and winter plans.

**Honouring VEYO and Welcoming JPPII House**

The Vocations, Evangelization and Youth Office for the Diocese of Peterborough is transitioning. As we vision for the future, it has been decided to separate these offices in order to meet changing needs. As a result, VEYO no longer exists as an amalgamated office. The current VEYO building is becoming JPPII House, the home of the Saint John Paul II House of Discernment and the Vocations Office for the Diocese. The Saint John Paul II House of Discernment is a male residence of Sacred Heart College, where young men can experience Catholic Christian community and discern a possible call to priestly ministry. Vocations Office events such as the Carpenter's Cup will continue to be hosted at JPPII House as well. This is an announcement to invite everyone who is free to come for an afternoon to pay tribute to the good work of the VEYO Office, to say goodbye, and to be introduced to JPPII House. This event will take place **Sat. Oct. 15 from 10AM to 2PM at 820 Frank Street**, and will feature a prayer service with Bishop McGrattan, an open house and a complimentary BBQ.

**High School Girls' Retreat**

High School-aged young women are invited to an awesome retreat to bring you together as **Sisters in Christ** - the retreat will be SIC! These new retreats from the Vocations Office will gather you to share about your faith and to have a blast! Teaser: corn mazes may be involved. The retreat, called 'The Adventure Begins,' runs from October 21-23 at Villa St. Joseph in Cobourg (445 Monk Street - we will carpool). Early bird registration fee of \$25 before Oct. 7, registration is \$30 afterwards. Register at [www.ptbovocations.ca/sic](http://www.ptbovocations.ca/sic)

**Sisters of Saint Elisabeth**

The Sisters of St. Elisabeth were founded to render spiritual, social and financial support to the sick and suffering in Belarus. The sisters are coming on **Mon., Sept 26<sup>th</sup>** following the 8:00 a.m. Mass and will be bringing many handmade religious articles and souvenirs. By purchasing items you will be supporting the good works of the sisters.



*A Night with The God Squad  
Of St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish*

Theme: 20/20 Vision **Friday, September 30**  
At 7:30 p.m. in the Church. Admission: \$20 each.  
Children under 12, free. For more information and tickets, phone 745-8623.

**St. Joseph's at Fleming Auxiliary**

The Fall Bazaar & Bake Sale will be held on Saturday October 1<sup>st</sup> from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.  
Admission is free ..... 659 Brealey Drive

*St. Vincent de Paul*

*There will be a collection for the St. Vincent de Paul after all Masses next weekend. Please be generous!*

**A special thank you**

*A special thank you to Marcel Sabourin for his work on sanding the front doors at St. John the Evangelist with his new orbital sander. God bless you for all your hard work!*

**Christopher Leadership Course**

**Find your voice and learn life skills - The Christopher Leadership Course** will enhance your leadership and communication skills, while building your self-confidence. This 11-week course is geared towards those 16 years of age and over. Three hours per class, one evening per week. Christopher Leadership Course 1-800-418-8925 or 416-410-7776 or visit [www.clctorontoeast.com](http://www.clctorontoeast.com)

**Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA)**

**A papal agency for humanitarian and pastoral support**  
**No rain and no crops, so no food! Animals are dying. People are starving.** "There is a hunger crisis in Ethiopia. And we need your help!" CNEWA's director for Ethiopia, Argaw Fantu, shares about the struggles of poor families in his country and the surrounding region. **Please visit the website** <http://www.cnewa.ca>

**Project Rachel**

Our retreats provide an opportunity for women who have suffered from an abortion experience to find healing, forgiveness and reconciliation through personal and shared reflection, a compassionate, non-judgemental leadership team, and accompaniment through the steps of healing. The next retreat is October 28 - 30. Please contact us in confidence, at 416 629 8264 or at [projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org](mailto:projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org)

**Vendors Required for Autumn Tea and Bazaar**

Sacred Heart Church is hosting their annual **Autumn Tea and Bazaar** on **Sat, Oct 29<sup>th</sup>**. If you would like to rent a table as a vendor or know someone who would, please contact Jan Burke at 705-868-6307.

**Peterborough Canadian Irish Club Presents**

**Comhaltas Echoes of Erin Concert Tour of North America.** Irish Traditional Music, Song, Dance and Humour performed by current and former All-Ireland Champions.

**Sat. Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30pm, in Market Hall. Tickets \$33.00ea,** available at Market Hall box office: 705-775-1503, Moondance 425 George St: 705-742-9425 or online at [tickets.markethall.org](http://tickets.markethall.org)

**Development & Peace Workshop**

Development and Peace is preparing to celebrate 50 years of Solidarity! Come and discover the rich history of the organization and the impact of its mobilization campaigns in Canada and around the world since 1967. Join us at the workshop on **Sat., Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>**, at St. Anne's Parish Centre, 859 Barnardo Ave. **Registration 9:00 a.m. Workshop 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.** (lunch included). Contact [kstaunton@coqeco.ca](mailto:kstaunton@coqeco.ca) or call 745-0034.

**October, the month of the Rosary**

The CWL will be leading the rosary before the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption for the month of October.

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

**Sept. 18:** Env.: \$1783.00 + Loose: \$207.00 + P.A.P. \$470.00  
= \$2460.00 Needs of the Canadian Church: \$75.00  
Fuel: \$35.00 St. Vincent de Paul: \$5.00

discover what it means to be His follower. Call Tom (705 243 4133).

**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

**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.**

**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**

**The deVeber Institute for Bioethics and Social Research presents**

FREE ANNUAL PUBLIC LECTURE **ON SAYING "NO": The Ethics of Conscientious Objection in Healthcare**  
**THURS, OCT 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm,** Wycliffe College, 5 Hoskin Ave, University of Toronto with special guest Dr. Ewan Goligher MD, PhD, FRCPC

**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**

**READINGS:**

**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time October 2**  
1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Habakkuk 1: 2 – 3, 2: 2 – 4  
Psalm 95  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Timothy 1: 6 – 8, 13 – 14  
Gospel: Luke 17: 5 – 10

"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).

**Holy Father's Intentions: September**

**Universal: Centrality of the Human Person**  
That each may contribute to the common good and to the building of a society that places the human person at the center.

**Evangelization: Mission to Evangelize**  
That by participating in the Sacraments and meditating on Scripture, Christians may become more aware of their mission to evangelize.

**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)

**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

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

**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.

**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>



**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

**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 October.

**FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH**  
**Thurs. September 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



this meal our Saviour instituted the sacrament of his Body and Blood. He did this in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the Cross throughout the ages and to entrust to the Church his Spouse a memorial of his death and resurrection. As the Gospel of Matthew tells us:

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins."

Recalling these words of Jesus, the Catholic Church professes that, in the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. Jesus said: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world. . . . For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink" (Jn 6:51-55). The whole Christ is truly present, body, blood, soul, and divinity, under the appearances of bread and wine—the glorified Christ who rose from the dead after dying for our sins. This is what the Church means when she speaks of the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist. This presence of Christ in the Eucharist is called "real" not to exclude other types of his presence as if they could not be understood as real (cf. *Catechism*, no. 1374). The risen Christ is present to his Church in many ways, but most especially through the sacrament of his Body and Blood.

What does it mean that Jesus Christ is present in the Eucharist under the appearances of bread and wine? How does this happen? The presence of the risen Christ in the Eucharist is an inexhaustible mystery that the Church can never fully explain in words. We must remember that the triune God is the creator of all that exists and has the power to do more than we can possibly imagine. As St. Ambrose said: "If the word of the Lord Jesus is so powerful as to bring into existence things which were not, then *a fortiori* those things which already exist can be changed into something else" ( *De Sacramentis*, IV, 5-16). God created the world in order to share his life with persons who are not God. This great plan of salvation reveals a wisdom that



**From the Pastor's Desk**

■ *Fr. Michael*



The Holy Rosary:  
[www.catholic.org/prwire/headline.php?ID=7806](http://www.catholic.org/prwire/headline.php?ID=7806)

**The Holy Eucharist**

The Lord Jesus, on the night before he suffered on the cross, shared one last meal with his disciples. During

surpasses our understanding. But we are not left in ignorance: for out of his love for us, God reveals his truth to us in ways that we can understand through the gift of faith and the grace of the Holy Spirit dwelling in us. We are thus enabled to understand at least in some measure what would otherwise remain unknown to us, though we can never completely comprehend the mystery of God.

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/order-of-mass/liturgy-of-the-eucharist/the-real-presence-of-jesus-christ-in-the-sacrament-of-the-eucharist-basic-questions-and-answers.cfm>