



*Our Lady of the Assumption*  
**Roman Catholic Church**  
*Mission ~ St. John the Evangelist, Keene, Ontario*



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*Pastor: Monsignor Michael Heffernan C.H.F.*

**Weekend Holy Mass Schedule**

*Our Lady of the Assumption*

Saturday 4:00 p.m. in the fall & winter and  
 5:00 p.m. in the spring & summer.  
 (Times will switch at Seasonal time change)

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. for the first two Tuesdays  
 of the month and 8:00 a.m. for all others  
 Friday 7:00 p.m.

*Adoration and Benediction*

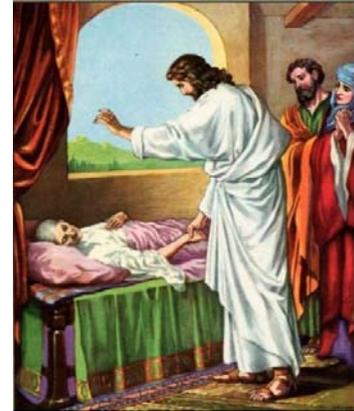
**Every Friday** from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.  
 followed by Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m.

**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.**



*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*February 4, 2018*

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:** Please speak with Fr. Michael about  
 this after any of the Masses. Preparation course is  
 required.

**Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. & 4:30 – 4:50 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**

February 5 – February 11

**MONDAY, February 5**

*St. Agatha*

8:00 a.m. + Peter & Jean Malloy  
(The Family)

**TUESDAY, February 6**

*St. Paul Miki & Companions*

6:30 p.m. + Jim La Franiere

(Frank & Mary Doris)

**WEDNESDAY, February 7**

8:00 a.m. ~ The Welch Family

(Family)

**THURSDAY, February 8**

*St. Jerome Emiliani*

*St. Josephine Bakhita*

8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

**FRIDAY, February 9**

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

7:00 p.m. + Gerry Doherty

(Mike & Sue Girard)

**SATURDAY, February 10**

*St. Scholastica*

8:00 a.m. ~ Jason & Meg Ironside & family

(Family)

**SUNDAY, February 11**

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

4:00 p.m. (Sat.) + John Jones

(Knights of Columbus)

9:00 a.m. + Mary Beth Zister

(Jim & Nora Zister)

10:30 a.m. ~ Missa Pro Populo

**Sacred Heart College presents ...**

*"Venturing in Faith with John Henry Cardinal Newman*

*– A Moment in Lent"* with Dr. Donald Graham

Spend an evening savouring the wisdom of a superb guide to the spiritual life. Energize your Lent with John Henry Cardinal Newman and let his life lessons inform yours! **February 22 @ 7:00 p.m.** St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish Hall 1066 Western Ave.

**Suggestions on how to prepare for Lent**

Lent begins on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> this year

Ask God, every day, **"What does my soul need?"** Just ask, and wait quietly. Because we're very good at fooling ourselves about how we're doing, it might take several days of praying this question before we're truly open and humble enough to know the answer.

Ask God, every day, **"What about my life makes you happy?"** Yes, when God looks at your life, some parts of it—perhaps many aspects of it—bring joy to God's

heart. Think of how your children or grandchildren or other people close to you make you happy. God is in relationship with you, which means that your sins grieve God's heart, but also that your growth and love and freedom and kindness bring joy to God of the universe. Again, you will probably need to pray this



a few times before you are willing to consider that you give God pleasure, that you make God happy in any way. Stick with this little prayer and keep listening. Tell God, and yourself, every day, **"I want to be open to the graces of this Lenten season."** Maybe you're not open right now, or you're not as open and willing as you'd like to be or think you should be. What else is new? We can always open our lives a bit more, let go of more stuff, listen better, and do more quickly and passionately what we know helps nurture God's kingdom on earth.

This is a beginning: three short and simple prayer starters to ready yourself for the holy season.

[www.ignatianspirituality.com](http://www.ignatianspirituality.com)

**DAYS OF FAST & ABSTINENCE**

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.**

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

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

**LAY MINISTRY**  
Sat 4:00 p.m. Colleen Petersen  
Sun 9:00 a.m. Mary Pat Goodridge  
10:30 a.m. Bud Monahan

**Lector**  
Mary Anne Bernie  
Pat Clancy  
Julia Davis

**February 11, 2018**

**Gift Bearers**  
Paul & Catherine Kelly  
Al & Valerie Collicutt  
Jackie Bolin

## CALL FOR CONSCIENCE CAMPAIGN

The Call for Conscience 2018 Campaign is underway. Most Rev. Bishop Miehm and bishops across Ontario are asking for an email address and/or postal code from every Catholic family in their community. This information will be used to communicate periodically on issues of particular importance for the Catholic community.

The first campaign of 2018 is the Call for Conscience, inviting our elected Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs) and those seeking office this June to increase funding/access to palliative care, to protect health care workers wishing to abstain from any involvement in euthanasia/assisted suicide and to protect faith based facilities from participation in euthanasia/assisted suicide.

For more information, go to the Diocese of Peterborough website:

[https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/about-us/respect-life.aspx?\\_mid=12320](https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/about-us/respect-life.aspx?_mid=12320)

Please provide the information on the weekends of **Feb 4 and 11**. Thank you for living our faith!

### C.W.L. News



The next Catholic Women's League Meeting is **Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm** after the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

Next Saturday, the 10th CWL will be preparing 140 meals and serving them at the One Roof Diner. The CWL is in need of another pan of scalloped potatoes and another salad. If you are able to help please call Joanne at 705-313-6750 or Anna Marie at 705-742-8249.

### Knights news



Come out and enjoy our Annual Spaghetti Supper **Sat Feb 17** Serving 4-7 pm, Adults \$10.00 Children 7 to 10 \$5.00 each and under 6 is free.

To Reserve a spot please call Pete Clancy at 705-748-3075 Tickets will be available soon for this Knights of Columbus sponsored Event ... All Welcome. Tickets available before and after mass

### All You Can Eat Shrove Tuesday Supper

**Tues, Feb 13<sup>th</sup> 4:00-6:00 pm.** at Sacred Heart Church Hall Adults \$6.00, Family \$15.00(Parents & Children Under 12) Sausage, Pancakes, Baked Bean, Fruit Salad Peanut Free Event! Hosted by Sacred Heart Catholic Auxiliary For information please call Jan at 705-868-6307

**"Healing Mass – February 7<sup>th</sup> at Mount St. Joseph at 1:30 pm.** All are invited to come and pray for healing. Opportunity for anointing and healing prayer." Celebrant Fr. Leo Coughlin

### Quo Vadis (Where are you going?)

**Quo Vadis brings together young men (18-35yrs.)** who are on the journey toward the answer to the question 'what is my vocation?' We will begin with Mass or adoration, discussions, questions and prayer followed by lunch at noon. Join us on **Feb 10<sup>th</sup> & Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to Noon** at the John Paul II House.

## Be part of something so big it's BIBLICAL

Youth in grade eight and beyond as well as young adults are invited to be part of the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Way of the Cross through downtown Peterborough this coming Good Friday. Help is needed for all roles. **Rehearsals begin on February 16<sup>th</sup>.** Learn more at [www.wotc.ca](http://www.wotc.ca) or join by visiting [join.wotc.ca](http://join.wotc.ca) or texting '@wotcptbo' to 289-278-3338. Touch hearts and earn community service hours. Questions? Contact Fr. Craig at [info@wotc.ca](mailto:info@wotc.ca) or 705-932-2712.

### A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land – November 11-20, 2018.

Have you ever dreamt of being alive 2,000 years ago and walking side by side with Jesus. To have actually witnessed the miracles or heard the parables first hand. If that is the case, Faith Journey is offering an excursion of a lifetime. Visit Nazareth, Cana, the River Jordan, Capernaum, the Mount of Beatitudes, Bethsaida, Mount Tabor, Tabgha, Jericho, the Valley of death, Jerusalem, Bethlehem and many more of these sacred spaces. The price is \$2695 plus \$695 for airport tax and fuel surcharge.

If you are interested in participating in this 10 day faith experience please contact the spiritual leader for the pilgrimage Fr. Bill Moloney of Immaculate Conception Parish, Peterborough @ 705-742-5466

### CATHOLIC DIVORCE?

The process of receiving an annulment in the Catholic Church can sometimes be difficult to understand. We would like to help you!

Friday evening, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Alphonsus Liguori Parish Hall we have invited Fr. Raymond Rick, Diocesan Priest and Canon lawyer, to come and speak and help you understand the process plus clear the air about some misconceptions. All are invited to a Coffee House style evening with snacks and drinks. No charge.

### Men's Conference

On Feb 24<sup>th</sup> join Hector Molina and Bishop Gerard Bergie for Serviam Ministries' **Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference** at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The theme is "Manly Virtue". It is a one day intensive men's retreat consisting of spiritual talks, Mass, Adoration, Confession, fraternity and prayer. Special Father/Son rates available. All info and tickets: 1-888-522-2070 or <https://www.serviamministries.com/events/virtue/>, [info@ServiamMinistries.com](mailto:info@ServiamMinistries.com)

### Volunteer needed to assist with the hall



The parish is in need of someone who would be responsible for the running of the hall. Please ask Fr. Michael for details.

*Thank you for your generosity*

Jan. 28, 2018 Offertory: Envr. \$1568.25 +  
\$246.75 = \$1815.00 Fuel: \$55.00 St.  
Vincent de Paul: \$5.00

Psalm 32  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 10: 31 – 11:1  
Gospel: Mark 1: 40 – 45

### A Musical for the Entire Family!!!

St. Peter's Secondary School presents "Beauty and the Beast" from Feb. 14-17<sup>th</sup> at Showplace Performance Centre. More than 200 students and staff are involved in putting this gigantic production together. Come see a cast of 50 talented students and almost as many talented musicians in the pit-band share a story of friendship and forgiveness. Tickets can be purchased on line at [showplace.org](http://showplace.org) or by visiting the box office in person. It's a "tale as old as time" and you don't want to miss the incredible acting, singing and dancing. The music is timeless, the set is incredible, the costumes are supreme, and the talent is extraordinary. Get your tickets before it's too late. Thanks for supporting the Arts at St. Peter's!

### Holy Father's Intentions: February

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

### 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

### 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)

### Development & Peace Corner

Lent begins on Wednesday with the marking of ashes. Lent is a special time when we stop and think about how we can play our part in God's hope for a world that is fair, just and peaceful. We think about our relationship with God, and how serving others draws us closer to God. We also think about the changes we can make in our lives, to be God's love and mercy in our world, ensuring all people have a just future.

Thanks to money donated annually by Catholics during Share Lent, Development and Peace can support 170 partners and 202 projects in 36 countries around the world! There are many ways to be part of Share Lent. You could use the Solidarity Calendar with your family, join your Development & Peace Committee or join us at St. Alphonsus Parish Hall on March 17th at 7:00 pm for a presentation by one of our partners, Felix Morka, Executive Director of SERAC, Lagos, Nigeria. Solidarity Collection will be held on March 16th & 17th.

### The Compassionate Community Care

(CCC) helpline is a national service for people who are seeking advice, help & support regarding euthanasia & assisted suicide prevention, and all end-of-life treatment issues or concerns. They can be reached toll free at 1-855-675-8749 ... The number operates 7 days a week, 24 hours a day from coast to coast.  
[www.CompassionateCommunityCare.org](http://www.CompassionateCommunityCare.org)



### 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. **Paul 741- 4000 or Tom 243-4133**

### Summer Camp

Chilawee Trails has overnight week long camps for girls in August for girls ages 9-14. Located in Barry's Bay it offers sports, daily Mass, swimming, rosary, crafts, confessions, canoe, and drama - a week of fun, friendship and faith awaits!

Registration opens in March. Consider helping campers from low-income families. For more info: [chilaweetrails.ca](http://chilaweetrails.ca).

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

**At St Alphonsus Oratory 7a.m. - Midnight and Noon-Midnight (Sunday)**

Info: Bernadette 705-742-3055

"Christ is truly the Emmanuel, that is, God with us, day and night, he is in our midst. He dwells with us full of grace and truth. He

restores morality, nourishes virtue, consoles the afflicted, strengthens the weak." (Pope Paul VI, Mysterium Fidei)



### Readings:

**Feb 4<sup>th</sup>: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Job 7: 1 – 4, 6 – 7

Psalm 147

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 9: 16 – 19. 22 – 23

Gospel: Mark 1: 29 – 39

**Feb 11<sup>th</sup>: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Leviticus 13: 1 – 2, 45 – 46

### 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.**

## FOOD CUPBOARD AT KEENE UNITED CHURCH

Thurs. December 14: 12 -2 p.m., & 4 – 6 p.m.

Donations of goods can be dropped off at Three Roads Farm or at the back of the Church.



### 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/>

### Quo Vadis (Where are you going?)

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who are on the journey toward the answer to the question 'what is my vocation?' We will have Mass, adoration, confessions, talk and lunch. Join us on **from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.** John Paul II House. Quo Vadis schedule: February 10, March 3, April 7, May 12, June 23

### 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. 192 B Hunter St. West. Phone: (705) 748 6680

*"The Mass is the most favourable occasion to speak with the eternal Father, because then we offer Him His only Son as a victim for our salvation. Before celebrating, reflect on the sufferings of your Redeemer, commune peaceably with Him, even in the midst of dryness; carry to the altar the needs of the entire world."*  
*St. Paul of the Cross*

**"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

**The greatest deception, and the deepest source of unhappiness, is the illusion of finding life by excluding God, of finding freedom by excluding moral truths and personal responsibility. (St. Pope John Paul II)**

St. Jean-Marie Vianney, the Cure of Ars once asked one of his parishioners who spent hours in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, "My good father, what do you say to our Lord in those long visits you pay Him every day?" "I say nothing to

Him," was the man's moving reply; "I look at Him and He looks at me."

### St. Anthony Mary Claret:

The Christian who desires to follow Jesus carrying his cross must bear in mind that the name "Christian" means "bearer or imitator of Christ" and that if he wishes to bear that noble title worthily, he must above all do as Christ charges us in the Gospel; we must oppose or deny ourselves, take up the cross, and follow him.

*"All the good works in the world are not equal to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass because they are the works of men; but the Mass is the work of God. Martyrdom is nothing in comparison for it is but the sacrifice of man to God; but the Mass is the sacrifice of God for man."*

*St. John Vianney, Cure d'Ars*

In danger, in distress, in uncertainty, think of Mary, call upon Mary. She never leaves your lips, she never departs from your heart; and so that you may obtain the help of her prayers, never forget the example of her life. If you follow her, you cannot falter; if you pray to her, you cannot despair; if you think of her, you cannot err. If she sustains you, you will not stumble; if she protects you, you have nothing to fear; if she guides you, you will never flag; if she is favourable to you, you will attain your goal... (Hom. II *super Missus est*, 17: PL 183, 70-71).

— St. Bernard of Clairvaux from his homily on the Incarnation of Christ.

**"The reason for loving God is God Himself. The measure is to love Him beyond measure."** St. Bernard of Clairvaux

WHAT IS THE FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION? The Catholic devotion of First Saturdays was given to the Church by Our Lady of Fatima and the Child Jesus through the children of Fatima. In 1925, Mary and the Child Jesus appeared to Lucia, the sole surviving Fatima visionary, at a convent in Spain and promised her that she would "...assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who on the first Saturdays of five consecutive months confess, receive Holy Communion, pray a Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditating on the fifteen mysteries with the intention of offering me reparation." HOW TO DO THE FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS: There are 4 requirements to faithfully fulfill the five first Saturdays: Go to Confession. Receive Holy Communion. Say five decades of the Holy Rosary. Meditate for fifteen minutes on the mysteries of the Holy Rosary (separate from saying the Rosary).

**"Bring me the sign of true humility by being not overly ambitious in your position, but lowly. Don't be impatient over any pain or abuse you might suffer, but endure within the body of holy Church by the firm power of patience, even to the point of death. When**

*you speak and proclaim the truth, whether in giving counsel or in any other role, do it fearlessly, looking only to God's honour, the salvation of souls, and the advancement of holy Church, as her true son, nurtured by so tender a Mother. In this way you will demonstrate gentle divine charity and patience as well." (Saint Catherine of Siena)*

*Clearly, what God wants above all is our will which we received as a free gift from God in creation and possess as though our own. When a man trains himself to acts of virtue, it is with the help of grace from God from whom all good things come that he does this. The will is what man has as his unique possession.* St. Joseph of Cupertino

"Never give up prayer, and should you find dryness and difficulty, persevere in it for this very reason. God often desires to see what love your soul has, and love is not tried by ease and satisfaction." St. John of the Cross

### Flower Committee

Volunteers needed to help with flower decor for the Assumption Church Sanctuary for 2018. Volunteer weeks are negotiable. If interested please call Judy at 705-740-2062 or Joanne at 705-313-6750.



### Church Cleaning Ministry

Please find the church cleaning sheet on the glass religious article case at the back of the church. Once a week, one month at a time, we need cleaners to vacuum, dust mop and do general dusting at Assumption.



### Prayers of the Faithful

As we approach the holy season of Lent, may the concern of the Catholic community be one of love and compassion for all members of the human family. Guide us to act in solidarity with those most marginalized and vulnerable to injustice so together we can work for A Just Future for all. We pray to the Lord

