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Roman Catholic Church

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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

3217 County Rd. 2
Keene, Ontario K0L 2G0
Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Holy Mass Schedule:

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Tuesday 6:30 p.m. for the first Tuesday
of the month and 8:00 a.m. for all others
(Tuesdays in July & August: Masses 8:00 a.m.)
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 Msgr. 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.**

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.



3RD Sunday of Advent December 17, 2023

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

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 Msgr. Michael
about this after any of the Masses. Preparation
course is required.

Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Sunday: 8:15 – 8:45 a.m.

**You may also book an appointment with Msgr.
at ANYTIME**

MASS INTENTIONS

DEC. 18 - 25

MONDAY, December 18
8:00 a.m. ~ Joey Craigen
(Friends)



TUESDAY, December 19
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, December 20
8:00 a.m. + Brian Fitzgerald
(Mike & Noreen Malloy)

THURSDAY, December 21
8:00 a.m. ~ Special Intention
(Family)

FRIDAY, December 22
6:00 p.m. ~ Adoration & Benediction
7:00 p.m. ~ Special Intention

SATURDAY, December 23
No morning Mass

SUNDAY, December 24
4TH Sunday of Advent
4:00 pm (Sat.) + Dolores O'Malley
(Patrick & Terri O'Malley)

9:00 a.m. + Francis, Rita & Marry Walsh
(The Walsh Family)

10:30 a.m. (Keene) ~ Missa Pro Populo

Christmas Masses

4:00 pm (Sun) ~ Missa Pro Populo

7:00 pm (Sun) ~ Missa Pro Populo

9:00 am (Mon) ~ Missa Pro Populo

10:30 am (Mon) (Keene) ~ Missa Pro Populo

Peterborough Pregnancy Support Services

A gold-coloured box will be on the back table during Advent to receive donations to Peterborough Pregnancy Support Services. This non-profit organization has a trained staff to provide hope and encouragement to women & men facing unplanned pregnancies. They do not offer abortion referrals. If you wish to make a donation by cheque, make it payable to PPSS. Tax receipts will be issued. Also, if you wish put cash in envelope be sure to include your name & address.

CANCELLED STAMPS

Mail will increase over the next few weeks with Christmas celebrations. Collect your cancelled stamps and the CWL is happy to take them to the Sisters of St. Joseph for fundraising for Development and Peace. Cut them from the envelope with a half inch border and place them in the designated box on the table at the back of the church. Thank you. Any questions, call Diane Creeden at 742-9625. Collecting until Jan. 14th, 2024



Carolling on Dec. 10TH

Thank you to all who organized the carolling on Sun. Dec 10th and to those who came out to joining in the singing. It was a wonderful way to help promote the Spirit of Advent and Christmas

800th Anniversary of St. Francis & the Creche---Plenary Indulgence from Dec 8-Feb 2, 2024

The Conference of the Franciscan Family is pleased to announce that a Plenary Indulgence has been granted on this, the 800th Anniversary of St Francis of Assisi's establishment the Christmas Crib (Creche) at Greccio, Italy in 1223. This Plenary Indulgence is available from **Dec 08, 2023 until Feb 2, 2024**. It may be obtained by visiting a Church, Oratory or Chapel served by the Franciscans and praying before the nativity scene present there. For further information or to visit please call La Verna 705-243-9131



Blood Pressure Clinic Kawartha Home Care

Free blood pressure clinic available every Monday 10-12/1-3 p.m. at 320 Water St. Unite 72, Peterborough, Kawartha Home Care Clinic.



4TH Sunday of Advent

LAY MINISTRY
4:00 p.m. (Sat.)
Sun 9:00 a.m.
10:30 a.m.

Eucharistic Minister
Colleen Petersen
Valerie Collicutt
Julia Davis

Reader
Jean Hall
Judy Lukes
Claire Doris

Dec. 23 - 24, 2023

Gift Bearers
Joe & Barb Amarelo
Lou & Shirley Leveck
Joanne & Sarah Nelson

**Gentle Women Peaceful Dove :
TAIZE PRAYER EVENING**



Taizé is a form a Christian prayer originating from the ecumenical Christian community of Taizé in France. You are invited to rest in God through the singing of simple chants, alternating with periods of silent reflection and scripture. It is a time to "come away and rest for a while" and experience the simplicity and depth of the Word of God. All are welcome!

When: December 20, 2023 -- 6:30 p.m. Where: St. Joseph Douro Ontario 300 country Road 8

Let us prepare for the great celebration of Christmas. Let us pray for PEACE throughout our world. Bring a friend

Journey Through Advent

With Advent beginning next Sunday, I am pleased to inform you that the National Liturgy Office, the *Office national de liturgie*, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis are once again releasing the video series titled "**Journey through Advent**".

This year's presenters are the Most Rev. Jon Hansen, C.Ss.R., Bishop of Mackenzie-Fort Smith, and the Most Rev Alain Faubert, Auxiliary Bishop of Montreal. They will each present, in English and French respectively, a reflection on the Readings of Mass for each Sunday in Advent, one week at a time.

in English: <https://www.cccb.ca/oec/journey-through-advent/>

in French: <https://www.cecc.ca/oec/cheminer-ensemble-durant-lavent/>

Thank you for your generosity!

**December 10, 2023: Offertory \$2,080.00
Fuel \$65.00;**

Reconciliation Times Before Christmas

Tue. Dec. 19 - 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Wed. Dec. 20 - 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Thurs. Dec. 21 - 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Fri. Dec. 22 - 7:30 - 8:30 pm

Sat. Dec. 23 - 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Donation of Flowers For Christmas



Flowers Donated for Christmas may be dropped off in the Church on this weekend of Dec. 16/17) (4th Sunday of Advent is Christmas Eve this year)



**Schedule of Masses Over
Christmas & New Years**



Sunday Masses

Sat. Dec. 23 - 4:00 p.m. - Otonabee
Sun. Dec 24 - 9:00 a.m. - Otonabee
Sun. Dec. 24 - 10:30 a.m. - Keene

Christmas Masses

Sun. Dec. 24 - 4:00 p.m. - Otonabee
Sun. Dec. 24 - 7:00 p.m. - Otonabee
Mon. Dec. 25 - 9:00 a.m. - Otonabee
Mon. Dec. 25 - 10:30 a.m. - Keene



Sunday Masses

Sat. Dec. 30 - 4:00 p.m. - Otonabee
Sun. Dec. 31 - 9:00 a.m. - Otonabee
Sun. Dec. 31 - 10:30 a.m. - Keene

The Feast of Mary, the Mother of God (New Year)

Sun. Dec. 31 - 4:00 p.m. - Otonabee
Mon. Jan. 1 - 9:00 a.m. - Otonabee
Mon. Jan. 1 - 10:30 a.m. - Keene



Simbang Gabi

The Filipino community will be holding their traditional Novena Mass (Simbang Gabi) this year at Immaculate Conception parish, 386 Rogers Street, from December 15th to December 23rd at 6:30 p.m. A communal sharing of traditional Philippine dishes follows ALL Masses. Masses will be celebrated by a different priest each day, with Bishop Miehm celebrating on the last day. All are welcome!



Steubenville 2024

The Peterborough Diocesan Youth Office is presently organizing a group to take part in the Steubenville Youth Conferences on June 28-30, 2024, in Steubenville, Ohio. Youth in high school (grades 9-12) are welcome to join our Youth Office group from across the diocese, especially from parishes who cannot form a sizeable group of their own. Final costs will be determined as soon as possible but any interested parishes and/or youth should let us know by January 15th, 2024. Let us know at 705-745-5123 or at frstephendecarlo@peterboroughdiocese.org. For more information on the Steubenville Youth Conference, visit <https://steubenvilleconferences.com/youth/>

**The Third Sunday of Advent
Sunday of Joy**

LIVE-STREAMING OF THE MASS FOR The Third Sunday of Advent

The Mass for the First Sunday of Advent will be live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains starting at 5:00 p.m. Today - Saturday, December 16, 2023. The Mass will be available thereafter on the YouTube channel for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough. Please join in prayer through the weblink

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E9V707pbuak>



The Catholic Herald - Christmas 2023

The Catholic Herald will be distributed in parishes & missions at Christmas, and it is available online through the link below.

Web Link: <https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/catholicherald/>



Confession Times Before Christmas

Tue. Dec. 19	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Wed. Dec. 20	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Thur. Dec. 21	7:00 to 8:00 pm
Fri. Dec. 22	7:30 to 8:30 pm
Sat. Dec. 21	6:00 to 7:00 pm



Christmas Mass Times

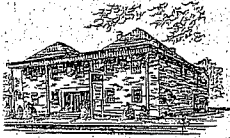
Sun. Dec. 24	4:00 pm - Assumption 7:00 pm - Assumption
Mon. Dec. 25	9:00 am - Assumption 10:30 am - St. John's

New Year's (Mary, the Mother of God)

Sun. Dec. 31	4:00 pm - Assumption
Mon. Jan. 1	9:00 am - Assumption 10:30 am - St. John's

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