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Fr. Maurice Restivo CSB – *Pastor*
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WEEKEND MASSES McEWAN CAMPUS

Saturday Vigil - 5 pm
Sunday - 9 am, 11 am, 7:30 pm

CONFESSIONS - McEWAN CAMPUS

Saturdays - 3:45pm to 4:45pm

DAILY MASSES - ROSARY CHAPEL

Monday – 8:00am
Tuesday – 8:00am & 12:10pm
Wednesday – 8:00am & 5:00pm
Thursday – 8:00am & 12:10pm
Friday – 8:00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - ROSARY CHAPEL

Monday to Friday - 8:30am to 8pm

BAPTISMS

Baptisms for children of parishioners are celebrated monthly. Contact Dcn. Paul Bezaire for details of the program.

MARRIAGES

Couples must arrange one year in advance and be active in the parish. Contact the Parish Office.

RCIA

Program for those interested in the Catholic Faith. Contact the parish office.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMING

For children preparing for First Confession, Communion, Confirmation and for all other grades at well. Registration is required in September.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Contact Dcn. Paul Bezaire to make arrangements.

FUNERALS

Please have the Funeral Director contact the office for arrangements.

CAMPUS MINISTRY

(519-973-7033)
Fr. Paul McGill, C.S.B. - *Chaplain*
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CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS

Assumption Parish Community Association
Bridget Russo - *Chairperson*
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Ivan Benko - *Chair*

ASSUMPTION PARISH WELCOMES ALL VISITORS AND WE ARE BLESSED TO HAVE YOU WITH US.
NEW PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO INTRODUCE YOURSELVES TO A MEMBER OF OUR
PASTORAL TEAM AND TO REGISTER IN THE PARISH.

Fourth Sunday of Easter—April 17, 2016

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I remember the first time I ever saw a sheep. I was in high school, and went to a classmate's house one day after school. Out in their back yard they had a sheep tied up; he called the sheep their "lawnmower," because they would move the stake around and the sheep kept the grass nice and short. I thought that was kind of funny, but what most impressed me was the sheep itself. She was dirty! The wool was matted and kind of yellow. I had been around lots of cows in my life, but this animal smelled! I thought, "Yuck!" It didn't look anything like the pretty white sheep I'd seen in textbooks, or around Jesus' neck in drawings. It didn't look anything like the fuzzy sheep we made by gluing nice white cotton onto construction paper back in grade school.

In his message to priests the first Holy Thursday after his election, Pope Francis mentioned that a priest had to smell like his flock. That is a powerful order. It means that I, and priests around the world (as well as bishops, cardinals, and the like) are called to get out of our offices and the sanctuaries at church and be with people.

In reality, though, it's nothing new. Both the Old and the New Testaments contain images of God as our shepherd. And those images were first given to people who *knew* what a sheep was like. They knew how they smelled, and how they could wander off. They knew how they needed protection from marauders. *And our God is the One who is with them, who searches them out when they are lost, who protects them!* Our great and glorious God, enthroned in the highest heaven (like we hear in this weekend's second reading), is also the one who gets dirty with us, who is with the little ones.

There is an old Hasidic tale that says that a rabbi once asked God why he refers to himself the One who brought the Israelites out of Egypt, and not the One who created the world and all that is in it. God responded that it was because the only way people will listen to him is if they knew that he is the One who pulled them up out of the muck. I hope to remember always that I can never get so low, so messy, so smelly, that my God is not there to be with me, to rescue me, and to pull me out of the muck and bring me back into safety and life.

In. Maurice



2016 Anniversary Mass

The Wedding Anniversary Mass honoring all married couples in southwestern Ontario will be held Sunday, May 1, 2016 at 2:30pm, at Visitation Parish in Comber.

Bishop Fabbro will preside at the Mass. All married couples are invited to attend.

Please call the parish office or use the sign up forms in the back of Church to register.

Please have your registration forms back to the parish office by April 25, 2016.

Liturgy Corner

Over the past two weeks we noted that during the Easter season the baptismal font and the Paschal candle are given noted prominence because of the baptismal character of the Easter season. The other baptism related liturgical furnishing is called the ambry. It is where the Sacred Chrism, Oil of Catechumens and Oil of the Sick are kept. It is usually located in the baptistery since it is used at baptisms, or it can be in the sanctuary as ours is.

Throughout the Easter season the sprinkling rite may be used in the Opening Rite of Mass. The proper response when blessed with holy water, whether during this liturgical rite or privately done to one's self upon entering the church, is to make the sign of the cross. Whenever we do this we recall our own baptism, the sacrament through which we entered the Church. No matter where one lives in the world, what parish one belongs to or whatever era of history one lives in, what unites us all is our common baptism into the Body of Christ.

—Kevin Mannara C.S.B.



Attention readers, and those interested in becoming a reader at Mass. Fr. Maurice will host a workshop on Saturday, April 30 from 10am to 2pm. Lunch will be provided.

You must register so that we can properly prepare. Please call or email the office.

As a former professor at St. Mary's Seminary, Houston, this is an area of his expertise.



Our Lenten Holy Heroes program was such a success that we are extending it to every Sunday at the 11am mass, and will be called the "Li'l Saints" program.

Children 3 to 7 years old are welcome to join!

If any adults are willing to volunteer a Sunday or two to this program please see Sr. Connie.



Saturday April 9, 2016

Brooke Filiault
Tyler Reid

Sunday April 10, 2016

Branden Akins (Durocher)
Destiny Akins (Durocher)

Ava Brown
Sara Charles
Jolin Dawe
Jack Renaud
Jude Renaud
Jayden Timpug

Please continue to pray for our young people.



Week at a Glance

Monday, April 18th

Tuesday, April 19th

10:00am Moms & Tots (McEwan Campus-Hall)
7:00pm Latin Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
7:00pm Cenacle of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Rosary Chapel)

Wednesday, April 20th

10:00am Mission Club Meeting (McEwan Campus-Hall)
7:00pm Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide Program (Rosary Hall)

Thursday, April 21st

10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Hall)
6:30pm Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Hall)
7:30pm Nar Anon (Rosary Hall)

Friday, April 22nd

3:00pm Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel)
6:30pm Confessions (Rosary Chapel)
7:00pm Apostolate of Fatima Mass & Rosary (Rosary Chapel)

Saturday, April 23rd

8:30am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Hall)
5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
5:00pm First Communion (McEwan Campus-Church)

Sunday, April 24th

9:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
11:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
11:00am First Communion (McEwan Campus-Church)
11:00am Li'l Saints Program (McEwan Campus-Hall)
12:00pm Coffee Social (McEwan Campus-Church)
6:30pm High School Youth Group (McEwan Campus-Hall)
7:30pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
8:30pm Coffee Social (McEwan Campus-Church)

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Pope Francis on "Mercy"

Mercy seeks out the lost sheep, and when one is found, a contagious joy overflows. Mercy knows how to look into the eyes of every person; each one is precious, for each one is unique.

Sunday Collection

April 10, 2016

Regular	\$6,063.75
Miscellaneous	\$1,349.70
Total	\$7,413.45



Mass Intentions

Monday, April 18th

8:00am †Tom & Donata Nardone by the Nardone Family
†Eno Nardone by the Nardone Family
†Giovanni DiManno by the Nardone Family

Tuesday, April 19th

8:00am †Bernadette Parent by Jeannette Roy & Gerry Teno
†Julia Hickey by Marguerite White
†Harold Rindlisbacher by Dennis Malette

12:10pm †Barbara Zimmerman by Margaret Badour
†Hubert Chauvin by Margaret Badour
†Ian Howie by A. Soave

Wednesday, April 20th

8:00am †John Guiry by Mr & Mrs John Nassr
†Lucie Comartin by Rose Marie Ruston
†Alistair MacLeod by his wife Anita & Family

5:00pm

Thursday, April 21st

8:00am †June Forster by Bernadette Lesperance
†Gerardo DeRubeis by Anna Vitella
†Paula Stasiak by the Perrara Family

12:10pm †Brian Natalie by the Rankin Family
†Julia Hickey by Antonia Laberi

Friday, April 22nd

8:00am †Lucy DiLuca by Ida Sabatini
†Virginia Mocerri by Ann Marie & Steven Belanger
Giving thanks to God for another year for Murjanat Dambatta by her Mother

Saturday, April 23rd—McEwan Campus

5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

Sunday, April 24th—McEwan Campus

9:00am For the intentions of the Assumption Parishioners
11:00am For the intentions of the Assumption Parishioners
7:30pm For the intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

Sanctuary Light Memorial



Our Sanctuary Candles burn 24 hours a day... as long as the Eucharist is in the Tabernacle. You can dedicate this Sanctuary Light at Rosary Chapel or Holy Name of Mary Church in memory of a loved one or for a special intention for one week. The names will be published in the bulletin so that your intention can be prayed for by everyone during that time.

The donation is \$10. Contact the parish office to reserve your date.

For the week of April 17th

Rosary Chapel

For the Intentions of Darcey by Ken & Dianna Stewart

Holy Name of Mary Church

†For the Holy Souls in Purgatory by Mary Shiner

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Please Note... as of May 1st, 2016, there will be no 12:10pm and 5:00pm Campus Ministry Masses in Rosary Chapel until classes resume in September.

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