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Fr. Maurice Restivo CSB - Pastor

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Kevin Mannara CSB – Seminarian

Dcn. Paul Bezaire - Deacon

Fr. Matthew Durham CSB – In Residence

Sr. Lise Jolie SNJM – Business Manager

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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

# **EUCHARISTIC 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 PROGRAMMING**

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)

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Assumption Parish Community Association

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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.

# Second Sunday of Advent—December 4th, 2016

#### From The Pastors Desk...

When I was in Texas during my diaconal year, the confirmation class had a Mass sometime before they actually received the sacrament. They chose the readings; the gospel was the same one we have this weekend. Fr. Peter preached to the congregation, made up of the confirmation class, family members, and catechists. He singled out several people; one of the first was a catechist, a lovely lady, who used to make lots of cookies and bring them to the rectory. He said something like, "So, Joanne, there you are! You think you're so special, just because you're a catechist. You think you can be saved just because you fatten us up with your cookies. Forget it!" He went on a bit longer, singling out other fine, committed people in the parish. He told the students how their mind was probably always on sex anyway. You can imagine the reaction—there were plenty of gasps, and horrified looks. Others kind of squirmed in their seats, because they knew that, at least in part, Fr. Peter was right. There's a part of me that would love to try something like that in our parish, but I can't quite drum up the courage.

John the Baptist, however, had that courage. Can you imagine the reaction of those good religious people when John called out to them, saying: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?" It is a scary to imagine something like that happening to us, yet it seems to be necessary—although not necessarily in that manner. It is the same message we've been hearing for weeks, now: the need to die in order to truly experience life. In this case, I think the gospel is telling me that I need to strip away all of my pride, all of my security in order to recognize the one coming after John: Jesus the Christ.

For us with 2000 years of collective memory, it's easy to recognize God in Jesus. But it wasn't easy for his contemporaries, those who were alive when he was. And the good, "religious" people didn't recognize him for who he truly was. It was the poor, the downtrodden, the marginalized—or, as Pope Francis would say, those on the periphery—who were able to recognize the specialness of Jesus. My prayer for me and for each one of us this Advent season is that we allow God to strip away all our pretences, all our pride, and be able to stand before God as our flawed selves. Then we will be able to recognize him as he is, among us, even today.

#### **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

n. Maurica

24th Annual Solemn Celebration in Honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrim Image Monday December 12th, 2016 6:15pm-Holy Rosary 6:45pm-Procession of Nations 7:00pm-Eucharist Presider Fr. Maurice Restivo C.S.B. Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus

Reception to follow in church basement

CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST is held on the 2nd Saturday of each month at The Lumberjack Restaurant (Howard @ Tecumseh). Newcomers are always welcome! Guest speakers for December 10th and January 14th found at <a href="mailto:catholicmen.yolasite.com">catholicmen.yolasite.com</a>. Or phone Deacon Mike Horoky (519) 969-1348 for details.

#### **Liturgy Corner by Kevin Mannara**

Our focus during the season of Advent this year is **Emmanuel: Christ with us today!** This was talked about in the *Advent Evening Retreat* this past Monday and will also be the focus this coming Monday at our *Advent Day of Reflection: What the World Needs Now.* 

During Advent's four weeks before Christmas we look forward to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ as king and judge at the end of time and to our Christmas celebration of his coming as our Saviour 2,000 years ago. But we must not neglect that Jesus is Emmanuel: God with us (Isaiah 7:14 and Matthew 1:23). That means this day too! Through His Son, Jesus Christ, God remains with us in multiple ways: The Church, which is the Body of Christ on earth; through the Eucharist, his sacramental presence; through all creation, especially human beings because we share a common humanity with Jesus Christ. Among all people, we are to particularly see Jesus with us today in the most vulnerable and those in need (Matthew 25: 35-45).

#### **Quotable Pope Francis**

"Let us renew our commitment to remove every obstacle that prevents us from experiencing the merciful works of our Father, and let us ask him for an ever deeper faith so that we may be signs and instruments of his mercy".

#### Reflection for the Week

John the Baptist said "Prepare the way of the Lord". In what area (attitudes disposition, behavior) might you address this Advent?



Next Saturday at the 5:00pm Mass we will celebrate Fr. Quentin Johnson's Golden Jubilee of priesthood. Fr. Q will concelebrate Mass and then afterwards the Basilian Lay Associates will host a reception in his honor in our parish hall.

All are invited!

Many may know Father from his decades of service at Assumption College School, where he taught thousands of students over the years. If you know any Assumption graduates, please pass this invitation on to them. Let's honor and celebrate this dedicated and wonderful priest. He currently ministers at Amica Windsor, Hospice of Windsor and at local hospitals.



is the title of the new Christmas CD by Greg Mailloux & friends. Buy the CD Sunday for just \$10 (\$7 goes to our Youth ministry). Or download FREE during Advent at mailloux.yolasite.com



The Assumption Parish Children's Christmas Party Saturday, December 10th, 2016 from 10am to 1pm McEwan Campus Basement



FOOD TREATS

Oh and a Surprise visitor!!!!

#### Week at a Glance

Monday, December 5th

8:00am Advent Day of Reflection (Rosary Chapel/Hall) 6:00pm Catechism program (McEwan Campus-Basement)

Tuesday, December 6th

7:00pm Latin Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) 7:00pm Bereavement Group (Rosary Hall) 7:00pm Seven Sorrows (Rosary Chapel)

Wednesday, December 7th

6:30pm Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Church)

7:00pm The Catholic's DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide Group (Rosary Hall)

7:00pm RCIA (McEwan Campus-Basement)

<u>Thursday, December 8th</u> 10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Basement) 7:00pm Advent Taize Service (Rosary Chapel) 7:30pm Nar Anon (Rosary Hall)

Friday, December 9th

9:00am SVDP Forgotten Harvest Produce (McEwan Campus)
3:00pm Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel)
6:30pm Confessions (Rosary Chapel)

7:00pm Apostolate of Fatima Mass & Rosary (Rosary Chapel)

<u>Saturday, December 10th</u> 9:00am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Basement)

5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

6:00pm Reception for Fr. Q Johnson (McEwan-Campus-Basement)

7:00pm All Are Welcome Group of AA (Rosary Hall)

Sunday, December 11th

9:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) 11:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

12:00pm Coffee Social (McEwan Campus-Church)

12:10pm Baptism (McEwan Campus-Church) 4:00pm Campus Ministry Mass (Rosary Chapel) 7:30pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

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- IF YOU DO NOT SEE YOUR ENVELOPES OR WOULD LIKE ENVELOPES PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.



Mass for the Deceased - Resurrection Mausoleum at Heavenly Rest Cemetery

Tuesday, December 6th, 2016 at 4:30pm

All those grieving the loss of a loved one are welcome.

Presider: Fr. Chris Bourdeau Mary Heath, Pastoral Minister 519-969-4836

#### **Mass Intentions**

Monday, December 5th †Vincenzo & Eugenia Giannone by F & C Calamita 8:00am

†Maria & Antonio Perrotta by the Family

†David Koren by the Koren Family

Tuesday, December 6th

†Katarina Koren by the Koren Family 8:00am †Joseph Mannara by Kevin Mannara

For the Intentions of Mike Mallen by Dennis Malette

12:10pm †Dan Barron by his wife Dorene

†Kenneth Plumb by Margaret Badour

†Janis & David Meunier by Margaret Badour

Wednesday, December 7th

8:00am

†Elezovic Mrija by the Family †Elizabeth Masse by Norm & Terry Masse †Rosemary Fancsy by Dennis Malette

5:00pm †Maria Giuseppina Nardone by Amasio Nardone & Famiy

†Suzanne Silva by Maria Rosario Travassos For the Intentions of Elissa Halliday by her Parents

Thursday, December 8th

†Alexandra Di Ponio by Santina Pasqualitto
†Eugene Robinet by Berny Lesperance 8:00am

For the Intentions of Fr. Quentin Johnson CSB 50th

Anniversary of Ordination

12:10pm †For the Souls of Frs.Chui, Callaghan & Beaune by Mary

For the Intentions of Maria Janisse by Kevin Mannara

Special Intentions St. Joseph & St. Anthony

Friday, December 9th
†Suzanne Silva by Friends

8:00am

†Lloyd Berlasty 6th Anniversary by Mary Shiner

†Dino Dominato by Dennis Malette

Saturday, December 10th—McEwan Campus

5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

<u>Sunday, December 11th—McEwan Campus</u> 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**

#### For the week of December 4th Rosary Chapel

†For the Deceased Members of the Mucciaccio & Mucciaccio Families

#### **Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus**

†Suzanne Silva by Manuel Silva

Our Advent Penance Service will be held on Wednesday, December, 14th 6:30pm to 8:00pm **Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus** 

Let us plan on this time to prepare ourselves to again celebrate Christ's birth and to prepare for his coming at the end of time.

Li'l Saints Program is offered during the 11am Mass. Age appropriate activities for children ages 3-7. Please encourage your children to join in!

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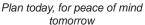




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