



# Our Lady of the Assumption CATHOLIC PARISH

HURON CHAPEL, 1804

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**250**<sup>th</sup>  
YEAR OF CELEBRATION  
1767 — SEPTUAGESIMAL — 2017

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### PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Maurice Restivo CSB - Pastor  
Fr. Jim Stenberg CSB - Parochial Vicar  
Dcn. Paul Bezaire - Deacon  
Jean Beneteau-Pastoral Minister  
Melissa Pacitti-Fallone-Coordinator of Youth Ministries  
Marilyn Morrison - Bereavement Ministry

### PARISH STAFF

Sally McQuaid - Secretary  
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Kevin McQuaid - Properties  
Tim McKinley - Properties  
Ammilla Perera - Parking Lot Manager

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Kevin Alexander - Chair

### PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Dan Hallett - Chair

### 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

### MORNING PRAYER - ROSARY CHAPEL

Monday to Friday - 7:40am

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - ROSARY CHAPEL

Monday to Friday - 8:30am to 8pm

### BAPTISMS

Contact Dcn. Paul Bezaire at the Parish Office for details of the program.

### MARRIAGES

Couples should be registered and active in the parish. Contact the Parish Office.

### RCIA

Program for those interested in the Catholic Faith. Contact the Parish Office.

**YOUTH MINISTRY:** Guardians of the Gospel  
For students in JK to Grade 8 and those preparing for First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation.

### VISITATION OF THE SICK

Contact Dcn. Paul Bezaire for arrangements.

### FUNERALS

Please have the Funeral Director contact the office for arrangements.

### DIVORCED AND SEPARATED SUPPORT

Contact Rose Marie Ruston at [cdsg.assumption@gmail.com](mailto:cdsg.assumption@gmail.com).

### CAMPUS MINISTRY (519-973-7033)

Fr. Paul McGill, C.S.B. - *Chaplain*  
Chrisandra Skipper, Andrea Dula - *Campus Ministers*

### CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS

Assumption Parish Community Association:

Bridget Russo - Chairperson  
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Tim McKinley - Grand Knight

St. Vincent de Paul:

Holy Name of Mary Chair - Tim McKinley  
Blessed Sacrament Chair - Charlie Long

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.

# First Sunday of Lent—February 18th, 2018

## From The Pastors Desk...

A few months after I entered recovery for addictions I was asked by my congregation to go to Southdown, near Toronto, for an assessment. They recommended residential treatment. I agreed, externally, but inside I was fighting it with every part of my being. I could not imagine being cut off from my normal life, much less of having the stigma of “needing help”. In retrospect, though, I realize that those months were among the best in my life. They were a time of growth and healing, on a level I would not have experienced without being removed from my day-to-day concerns. I can’t help but have that image in my mind when I read Mark’s description of Jesus’ *being driven by the Spirit* into the wilderness. Matthew and Luke have a much gentler, “led by the Spirit,” but Mark is strong. There is a force behind that word. Jesus was *impelled* to go—and the Judean wilderness is not a very hospitable place. Yet I can’t help but think that it was an important, formative time for Jesus. In those days of deprivation between his baptism and the beginning of his ministry, he was able to focus on what kind of ministry he would have, and where the Father was leading him.

For me, that is what Lent is about, albeit on a much gentler scale. Each year the Church gifts us with this season of preparation, and invites us to do something “out of the ordinary”. The “what” is completely personal: It can be giving up something you like, or adding something (which is actually giving up of one’s free time). Many people choose to give up desserts, or eating between meals, or a favourite dish. Others choose to introduce (or increase) time for prayer and reflection. In today’s world where so many of us spend hours online or on our smartphones, perhaps time away from that is a beneficial activity. You may choose to be a part of the parish mission. The *Little Black Books* from Saginaw are a good way to take six minutes of your day to focus on spiritual things (and you can learn a lot, too! Just in the first week we learn about St. Leo the Great, Venerable Pierre Toussaint, Fr. Gerard Manley Hopkins, Sr. Blandina [Rosa Maria Segale], and St. Andrew Kim Taegon.). It’s never too late to begin, nor to start over. So, if you haven’t yet chosen anything, or if you’ve already fallen away from what you chose, I encourage you to try. Together we journey towards Easter and the great feasts of our Church.

*In Maurice*

## Reflection for the Week

The Spirit sent Jesus out toward the desert (Mk 1:12)  
Loving ever present God, Companion God, increase my  
consciousness of you walking with me during this Lent.

**ATTENTION PARENTS**—If your child is in grade 3 or above they are welcome to participate in the ministry of altar serving.

**There will be a three day hands-on-training camp during the March break (March 12th,13th &14th) in the church. Snacks and lunch will be provided.**

For more details or to register your child for this training event please contact Melissa at the parish office 519-253-2493 or email [mpacitti-fallone@dol.ca](mailto:mpacitti-fallone@dol.ca)

## Our Lenten Mission has Begun!

Please be sure to attend Barbara Eckert’s presentations for inspiration and guidance as we begin the Lenten journey into deeper discipleship.

She will be presenting Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning in Rosary Hall at 9:00am.

On each of the same evenings Barbara will lead a variety of reflective experiences on similar themes as her morning talks.

Monday evening Barb will lead a family focused discussion after the Family Day Intergenerational dinner from 5:00pm-7:30pm in the parish hall downstairs.

Tuesday evening will be a night of personal prayer and reflection in the church at 6:30pm.

Wednesday she will speak at the mission’s concluding celebration of the Eucharist at 6:30pm.

**We welcome Barb to our community and look forward to all she will share with us to further open our hearts to Christ!**

## LENT BEGINS

What will your Lenten practices be? Please consider:

- Following the Development and Peace Solidarity Calendar. For this year’s Share Lent, Development and Peace is encouraging us to come together for peace! You may read more about their work in the mini-magazines at the church entrance, or on line at [www.devp.org./sharelent](http://www.devp.org./sharelent).
- Participating in a weekly reflection on the Scriptures following the 12:10pm mass on Tuesdays in Rosary Hall.
- Attending the Friday evening soup dinners followed by the Stations of the Cross in Rosary Chapel.
- Attending the Lenten mission events.
- Seeking the sacrament of reconciliation.
- Being generous in offering time, talent and treasure where you see a need.
- Spending time in prayer and reflection on how you are personally called to share in Christ’s mission.
- being intentional about acts of outreach and kindness.
- Adding specific intentions to your daily prayer, for the parish, for families, or other specific groups.

Whatever you choose to do as a Lenten observance, may you be ever more mindful of God’s presence, and blessed by an awareness of his grace in your life.

**May we support and encourage each other on the Lenten journey.**

**HAPPY  
FAMILY  
DAY**

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED  
ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 19th  
FOR FAMILY DAY!**

**REOPENS ON TUESDAY AT 9:00AM**

## Week at a Glance

### Monday, February 19th-FAMILY DAY-OFFICE CLOSED

9:00am Mission Event (Rosary Hall)  
5:00pm Mission with Barb Eckert (McEwan Campus-Basement)

### Tuesday, February 20th

9:00am Mission Event (Rosary Hall)  
12:10pm Scripture Sharing (Rosary Hall)  
3:00pm YWAR (McEwan Campus-Classroom)  
6:30pm Mission with Barb Eckert (McEwan Campus-Church)  
7:00pm Latin Mass (Rosary Chapel)  
7:00pm Bereavement Support Group (Rosary Hall)

### Wednesday, February 21st

9:00am Mission Event (Rosary Hall)  
6:30pm Mission with Barb Eckert (McEwan Campus-Church)

### Thursday, February 22nd

10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Basement)  
5:00pm Two Hearts Prayer Group (Rosary Chapel)  
6:30pm Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Church)

### Friday, February 23rd

9:00am SVDP Forgotten Harvest Produce (McEwan Campus)  
3:00pm Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel)  
6:00pm Soup before Stations (Rosary Hall)  
7:00pm Stations (Rosary Chapel)

### Saturday, February 24th

9:00am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Basement)  
3:45pm Confessions (McEwan Campus-Church)  
5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

### Sunday, February 25th

9:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
11:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
7:30pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

## Alliance of The Two Hearts Communion of Reparation All Night Eucharistic Vigil

Rosary Chapel on Friday March 2nd at 9:00pm and concludes with Saturday Mass at 7:00am

**Celebrant**-Fr. Christopher Pietraszko



Did you know we have Pre-authorized Payment plans available on our website? Go to [www.assumption.dol.ca](http://www.assumption.dol.ca) and click on **Donate Here** and follow the instructions!

OR

Fill out a Pre-Authorized Form located at the front entrance of the church on your right hand side. Please complete the form along with a "void" cheque and put it in the offertory basket during the collection.

*Whether you choose to give with an envelope or by pre-authorized payment we  
**THANK YOU for your continued support!***

## St. Vincent de Paul Collection

### For the Month of January

January 7th	\$ 430.00
January 14th	\$ 290.00
January 21st	\$ 400.00
January 28th	\$ 395.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,515.00</b>



## Sunday Collection

### February 11th, 2018

Regular	\$3,622.75
Miscellaneous	\$ 393.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,016.00</b>



## Mass Intentions

### Monday, February 19th-FAMILY DAY-OFFICE CLOSED

8:00am †Domenica Nardone by Joe & Kenya Spiteri  
†John Joseph Piazza by Fernando Torti  
For the Living & Deceased members of the Wheeler Family by Brian Hickey

### Tuesday, February 20th

8:00am †Ardijaj Gjinaj by the Family  
For the Intentions of Sarah Rankin by Brian Hickey

12:10pm †Camillo & Nicholas Laberi by Antonia Laberi & Family  
†Antonia Savoni by daughter Filomena Liburdi  
†Rodolfo Pinpin by Nil & Norma Nambayan

### Wednesday, February 21st

8:00am †Adolfo Marro by his Wife & Children  
†For the Deceased Members of the Crolla & Marro Families by Rita Marro

5:00pm For the Intentions of Joyce Marancé by Michelle Hennin

### Thursday, February 22nd

8:00am †Americo Padilla by the Family

12:10pm †D J MacEachern by the Assumption Parish Mission Club  
†Roy Spezowka by Joseph & Kenya Spiteri

### Friday, February 23rd

8:00am †Kay Stobbs by her Sister Betty Grant  
†Mary Anne De Benedictis by Fernando Torti

### Saturday, February 24th—McEwan Campus

5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parish Parishioners

### Sunday, February 25th—McEwan Campus

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

## Sanctuary Light Memorial

### For the week of February 18th, 2018

Rosary Chapel

For the Intentions of Berny Lesperance by Rose & Family

**Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus**

†Bruce Elliott by Pam Elliott



Please pray for our parish families, especially for those families who have children celebrating their first sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday, February 26th.

And that the children will experience the joy of God's never ending love and mercy, and that their families will be graced to be instruments of healing and peace within their homes and throughout the community.

## We Welcomed into the Church

### On Sunday February 11th, 2018

**Lennon Grace Hetry**

Daughter of *Craig Thomas Hetry and Mazy-Lee Eady*

**Grace Diane Major**

Daughter of *Jason Major and Jayme Leigh Rock*

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Son of *Stephan Oliver Rene-de-Cotret and Danielle Brooke Stephans-Downes*

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