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Dcn. Paul Bezaire – *Deacon*  
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Marilyn Morrison – *Bereavement Ministry*

### PARISH STAFF

Sally McQuaid – *Secretary*  
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### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Kevin Alexander - *Chair*

### PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jason Grech - *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

### 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  
Chad McPhedran - *Chair*  
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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.

# The Baptism of the Lord - January 10, 2016

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The older I get, the faster it seems that time passes. Whereas when I was a child, weeks and months went by so slowly, and now as an adult they race along. I find it hard to believe that I've been here at Assumption for over six months now!

It seems like the same thing with Jesus: for the last few weeks we've been looking at Mary's pregnancy, then Jesus' birth and the arrival of the Magi... and now he's an adult, being baptized by John! In fact, the gospel readings for the weekday Masses beginning this past Monday have already focused on the adult Jesus' preaching. So why have we passed so quickly through his childhood?

Partly, the Church turns to the adult Jesus because *there*, in his ministry, we find his teachings and learn about what he wants for us. And partly, it is because the early Church focused much more on Jesus' *life and ministry* than on his birth or even his resurrection appearances. As the Letter to Titus tells us in this weekend's second reading, God's grace is "... training us ... in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly." Note that it is God's grace that trains us. And our own baptism is often our first encounter with God's grace.

We believe that, Jesus, as both God and human, is already the fullness of God. Yet in another sense, he, the second Person of the Trinity, is made complete at his baptism, when he receives the Spirit and hears the affirmation of the Father. It is in that fullness of the Trinity that Jesus begins his ministry. Luke tells us that as Jesus was praying after his baptism, "... the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'" How could Jesus not go forth and proclaim the good news of the Kingdom after hearing those words from the Father?

And now, from our own baptism, we, too, are commissioned to go out and live by the values of the Kingdom... because we, too, are God's children; we are beloved. In us, God is well pleased!

*J. Maurice*

### The Pope's prayer intentions for January

#### **Universal: Interreligious Dialogue**

That sincere dialogue among men and women of different faiths may produce the fruits of peace and justice.

#### **Evangélization: Christian Unity**

That by means of dialogue and fraternal charity and with the grace of the Holy Spirit, Christians may overcome divisions.

## Liturgy Corner

Today we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, which is the end of the liturgical season of Christmas. In secular society, the season of Christmas begins in late November and ends by January 1. (How many Christmas trees come down the day after Christmas, just as our Christian celebration is beginning!) Our decorations in the church are still up, demonstrating our concept of Christmas is distinct from what is happening in the rest of the world.

Throughout the Christmas season our liturgies reflect on the various manifestations of Christ. The infant Jesus was revealed to the shepherds, the child Jesus to the Magi, and now the adult Jesus to the whole world. On Christmas day we read about the angels announcing to the (Jewish) shepherds that their Savior had come. At Epiphany, the light of the star led the Gentile (non-Jewish) Magi to Christ, representing all the nations on Earth coming to Christ. At the Baptism of the Lord, God Himself affirms what the angels said and what the Magi discerned: Jesus is God's beloved Son.

—Kevin Mannara C.S.B.

## Quotable Pope Francis



In the Year of Mercy, **every Christian family can become a privileged place for experiencing the joy of forgiveness.** Within the family we learn how to forgive, because we are certain that we are understood and supported, whatever the mistakes we make.

### Offering Envelopes



**There are still several boxes of envelopes that have not been picked up for 2016**

**ALL PARISHIONERS WHO CURRENTLY HAVE ENVELOPES HAVE BEEN REASSIGNED A NEW ENVELOPE NUMBER.**

If you wish to start using offertory envelopes, please fill out a registration form found at the back of the church.

If you have changed your address or name, or cannot find your envelopes please contact Sally at the rectory.

**PLEASE TAKE THE ENVELOPES WITH YOUR NAME**

- PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS ON THE FIRST FEW YOU USE IN 2016 TO MAKE SURE YOUR NUMBER COINCIDES WITH YOUR NAME IN OUR DATA BASE
- RECYCLE YOUR 2015 ENVELOPES **DO NOT USE THEM IN 2016**

**Thank You!**

A Sunday school teacher asked the children just before she dismissed them to go to church, "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" Annie replied, "Because people are sleeping."

The Catholic's  
**DIVORCE  
SURVIVAL**  
*Guide*

**Divorced? *The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide*** 12-week group begins a new session on Wednesday, January 27, 2016 @ 7 pm in Rosary Hall (basement of Rosary Chapel) at the Huron Church campus of Our Lady of Assumption Church. Cost of registration is \$20 and includes a "Personal Survival Guide".

This Christian program is based on the teachings of the Catholic Church and open to anyone who needs comfort, counsel and clarity after divorce (or separation).

To register call Rose Marie Ruston – 519-967-1782 or email: [assumption@cogeco.net](mailto:assumption@cogeco.net)



### **Bereavement Support Group**

Our Lord assured us that those who mourn are blessed and they shall be comforted. This Christ centered faith sharing bereavement group will meet on a bi-weekly basis.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday evening, January 19, 2016 from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in Rosary Hall. In the time we spend together, we will walk with you on your journey, offering support, comfort and sharing in this new chapter of your life.

This is an opportunity to talk about your loss, to express your grief, ask questions, and to walk alongside you through life's most difficult experiences.

**Facilitator:** Marilyn Morrison, Bereavement Ministry

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Marilyn at 519-253-2761.

## **Sunday Collection**

### **December 20, 2015**

Regular	\$9,199.90
Miscellaneous	<u>\$1,416.05</u>
Total	\$10,615.95

### **December 25, 2015**

Christmas	\$12,774.43
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 128.10</u>
Total	\$12,902.53

### **December 27, 2015**

Regular	\$5,354.15
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total	\$5,354.15

### **January 1, 2016**

New Years Day	\$3,714.10
Miscellaneous	<u>\$1,484.69</u>
Total	\$5,198.10

### **January 3, 2016**

Regular	\$5,731.37
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 222.00</u>
Total	\$5,924.37

## **Mass Intentions**

### **Monday, January 11th**

8:00am †Vincenzo & Eugenia Giannone by F & C Calamita  
†Antonio & Roosalia Quadri by the Vitarelli Family  
For the Intentions of Berny Lesperance by Cecilia Lesperance

### **Tuesday, January 12th**

8:00am For Peace in the Islamic countries by Antoneta Tunaj  
  
12:10pm †Ruthanne Collins 1st Anniversary by her husband Cecil  
†For the deceased members of the Collins Family by Cecil

### **Wednesday, January 13th**

8:00am †Eleanor Fader by her Siblings  
  
5:00pm †Jim Gatto by his sister Veronica Gatto  
†Sebastian D'Cunha by Bob & Charlotte Carr  
For the Intentions of Ernestine & Santana Dias by Bob & Charlotte Carr

### **Thursday, January 14th**

8:00am †Prena Nikac by the Family  
  
12:10pm For the Intentions of Leela Doig & Bruce Romain by Lisa & Michael

### **Friday, January 15th**

8:00am †Agnes Griffith 26th Anniversary by Kevin, Sally & Kevin Jr McQuaid  
†Patrocenia & Emeterio Leonida by Cecile Leonida  
†Silvio Campanaro by his wife Antonietta and Family

### **Saturday, January 16th**

5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

### **Sunday, January 17th**

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

## **Week at a Glance**

### **Monday, January 11th**

6:00pm Catechism Class (McEwan Campus-Hall)

### **Tuesday, January 12th**

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

### **Wednesday, January 13th**

### **Thursday, January 14th**

10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Hall)  
7:30pm Nar Anon (Rosary Hall)  
7:30pm Hour of Power (Rosary Hall)

### **Friday, January 15th**

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)

### **Saturday, January 16th**

8:30am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Hall)  
3:45pm Confessions (McEwan Campus-Church)  
5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

### **Sunday, January 17th**

9:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
11:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
12:00pm Weekly Coffee Social after Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
7:30pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)



### **Homilies On Line**

Father Maurice and Deacon Paul are now recording their weekend homilies and they are available on our website: [www.assumption.dol.ca](http://www.assumption.dol.ca)

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