



# 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  
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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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### 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*  
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### CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS

Assumption Parish Community Association:

Bridget Russo - Chairperson  
Knights of Columbus:

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.

# Fifth Sunday of Lent—March 18th, 2018

## From The Pastors Desk...

At my first Mass, the day after ordination to the priesthood, the homilist mentioned that for us Christians a cross is a blessing. Of course, we make the sign of the cross as a blessing, but I never really thought any more about it. In the past several years, though, if I had to pick one thing I've learned, or come to believe, about God, it would have to be how God can take something really bad—a cross—and turn it into a true blessing. The prime example of that is, of course, Jesus' own passion, death, and resurrection. As horrible as that experience was—and next weekend we will hear the Passion according to Mark, which paints the bleakest, most brutal portrait of Jesus on the cross—the final word from God was Easter, Jesus' rising to new life.

I think that this weekend's first reading gives us a clue as to how or why God would act that way. In this tender passage from Jeremiah, God tells us that he will write his law on our hearts. We won't even need to teach one another, because we will know it intuitively. God loves us. God wants us to be *his people*. God forgives our sinfulness, totally. Looking at Jesus' passion from that perspective we see how it is obvious that the loving Father would take the result of people's sin—Jesus' crucifixion—and forgive it, turning it into new life for all. Jesus, the seed, "falls into the earth" by being nailed on the cross. And from that, he bears incredible fruit. The resurrected Christ is Lord! This pattern seems to be repeated over and over and over again. So many hard moments end up being the catalyst for something new, something far better. Ask any alcoholic or addict in recovery: life in recovery is far better than life was, even before the drink or drug became a problem.

Yet, faith that God can turn our crosses into blessings does not mean that the cross is not painful when we are going through it. The letter to the Hebrews tells us that Jesus had "loud cries and tears," offering up supplications "to the one who was able to save him from death." When I'm honest with myself, I tend to try and run from my difficulties, and they remain. When I face them, however, something new and powerful almost always emerges. How could it be otherwise, when we have a God who loves us so much he wants to write his law on each of our hearts?

*J. Maurice*

## Reflection for the Week

Create a clean heart in me O God (Psalm Response)  
How can I celebrate God's love for me this week?



The sacrament of reconciliation (confessions) will be available for the entire zone of West and South Windsor

Tuesday, March 27th, 2018

7:00pm to 9:00pm

at Corpus Christi Parish, 1400 Cabana Road West

Several priests will be on hand, so waiting will be minimal.

<https://www.facebook.com/assumptionparishwindsor>

*The  
Season  
of  
Lent*



As we continue the Lenten journey, let us purposefully find time to spend reflecting on the meaning of the paschal mystery in our own lives. Remembering our parish mission themes, how does your life story fit with the great story of God's great plan for us?

May the Holy Spirit guide your reflections both privately, and with others, perhaps through your participation in the Tuesday Scripture reflections, Friday evening stations of the cross, your Why Catholic groups, and of course the Eucharist. Also, don't forget to take the opportunity to experience the healing mercy of God through the sacrament of reconciliation at the usual times or on the Day of Confessions March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Remember that next weekend is Palm Sunday, celebrated at all the regular weekend mass times. See next week's bulletin for Holy Week details and also on our website.

May God's grace fill your heart as we continue to move through Lent toward Easter.

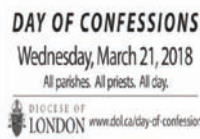
## Good News for Families!

This year on Good Friday, the L'il Saints children's program will take place during the 3:00pm Good Friday Service. The children will be called forward early in the solemn service, and return in time to venerate the cross and return to their seats with their parents before the communion rite.

Please share this information with the young families you know, so they know a children's liturgy of the Word will be available on Good Friday.

This is Solidarity Sunday, the weekend we support *Development and Peace*, through the Share Lent collection. Thank you so much for your support of this wonderful campaign to act in solidarity with our brothers and sisters throughout the world. *Development and Peace* wishes to thank you as well: "We wish to thank you for your generosity on this Development and Peace Solidarity Sunday. Your donation will be used to help our sisters and brothers all over the world – from Lebanon to Cambodia, to Nigeria and beyond! The theme of our Share Lent campaign Together for Peace, invites us to build peace through dialogue and reconciliation and to consider mercy as a source of hope for the future. This is what Pope Francis underlined on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mercy: "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

Thank you for helping us create a future filled with hope!



This year's diocesan Day of Confessions will take place on **Wednesday, March 21st, 2018** enabling us to set aside our old ways, to be renewed in heart and soul, and to be reconciled with our merciful and loving God. As Pope Francis reminds us, confession is where we encounter Jesus.

**Confession times in Rosary Chapel are:  
8:30am to 5:00pm and 6:00pm to 8:00pm**

Our diocesan website ([www.dol.ca](http://www.dol.ca)) offers a schedule of confession times for other parishes, as well as information about Lent, Day of Confessions and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

## Week at a Glance

### Monday, March 19th

6:00pm Youth Program (McEwan Campus-Basement)

### Tuesday, March 20th

12:10pm Scripture Sharing (Rosary Hall)  
 3:00pm YWAR (McEwan Campus-Classroom)  
 7:00pm Latin Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
 7:00pm Bereavement Support Group (Rosary Hall)  
 7:00pm Cenacle of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Rosary Chapel)

### Wednesday, March 21st-Day of Confessions

**Starts at 8:30am-5:00pm & 6:00pm-8:00pm**

### Thursday, March 22nd

10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Basement)  
 5:00pm Two Hearts Prayer Group (Rosary Chapel)  
 6:30pm Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Church)  
 7:30pm Nar-Anon Meeting (Rosary Hall)

### Friday, March 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, March 24th

9:00am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Basement)  
 3:45pm Confessions (McEwan Campus-Church)  
 5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
 7:00pm All Are Welcome-AA Meeting (Rosary Hall)

### Sunday, March 25th

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

We are excited to announce that we will be having a Family Easter Party on **Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup>** after the 11am mass. More details to follow.

**Please save the date and plan to join us.**



The Assumption Parish Mission Club is currently making Chicken Pot Pies and Meat Pies.

To place your order for one of these yummy pies, contact Fran Partridge at 519-977-5774

**Proceeds go to support various missions around the world!**

## St. Vincent de Paul Collection

### For the Month of February

February 4th	\$ 315.00
February 11th	\$ 385.00
February 18th	\$ 305.00
February 25th	\$ 495.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,500.00</b>



## Sunday Collection

### March 11th, 2018

Regular	\$4,850.50
Miscellaneous	\$ 846.50
Building Maintenance	\$ 100.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 909.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,706.00</b>



## Mass Intentions

### Monday, March 19th

8:00am †Domenica Nardone by Donato & Angelina Vitarelli  
 †Julia Hickey 2nd Anniversary by her Family  
 †Benedetto Crolla by Joe & Maria Inglesi

### Tuesday, March 20th

8:00am †Maria & Alessandro Parisotto by the Family  
 †Bill Hunt by Dennis Malette  
 For the Intentions of the Lesperance Family by Berny

12:10pm †Hormidas & Emma Parent by Jerry & Jeannine Halliday

### Wednesday, March 21st

8:00am †For the Souls in Purgatory by Mary Ha  
 †Geno Cervi by Anna Cervi & Family  
 For the Intentions of Denny Malhew & Priyanka Baby

5:00pm

### Thursday, March 22nd

8:00am †Lucy DiLuca 2nd Anniversary by her Parents, brother Benny & sister Sindia

12:10pm †Nicholas Planté by Anita MacLeod

### Friday, March 23rd

8:00am †Segunda Sico by the Family  
 †Roy Spezowka by Joseph & Kenya Spiteri  
 †Editha Arca by Gloria Ymana

### Saturday, March 24th—McEwan Campus

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

### Sunday, March 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 March 18th, 2018**

**Rosary Chapel**

For the Intentions of Berny Lesperance by Rose & Family

### FREE LENTEN CD



"Holy Week" is now available as a free download. This CD contains 16 songs designed to inspire you during this season of Lent. Professionally produced and recorded, it features many from our Sunday evening music team. Go to [mailloux.yolasite.com](http://mailloux.yolasite.com) for details.



**The Li'l Saints Program will be cancelled during the March Break (Sunday March 18th). It will resume on Sunday March 25th.**

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**Thursday, April 5, 1:00pm – 4:00pm**

**Grieving Well**-The workshop will be offered once a month over three months. You may come to one session or all three. It is meant to help those who come, to move forward on their healing journey.

**Facilitator:** Ruth Ann Wilhelm

**Suggested offering:** \$15 per session includes snacks

**Please register at least a week in advance by phone or e-mail.**



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