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Kevin Alexander - *Chair*

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Jason Grech - *Chair*

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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 PROGRAMMING

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

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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.

# First Sunday of Advent—November 27th, 2016

## From The Pastors Desk...

Another year begins. I wish each and every one of you a year of encounter with our God, in the many unexpected places in which he is to be found. We begin a new Church year this weekend, as we start Advent, taken from the Latin, having to do with *coming*. We hear from the prophet Isaiah, "...in days to come." Over and over again we look at what is to come—sometimes with joy, sometimes tinged with discomfort or fear. For the ancients, the end of the world was to be feared. The day of God's judgment was to be feared. Great signs and portents would accompany these things, and yet the exact moment was—and still is—completely unknown. With the recent elections in the United States, the news is replete with speculation: It will be great! It will be horrible! It will be an incredible change from "business as usual." It will end up being "business as usual." And the reality is, *we don't know*.

And at times God's message doesn't seem to be very accurate. Since the prophets, God has been painting us pictures of what it will be like "in days to come," pictures of peace, of harmony, of deep joy: "they shall beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." Yet if we look around us, we see war, we see weapons, we see devastation in places. For me, the challenge is to see that God is asking *me* (and asking *you*) to help shape the "days to come." I do that by living in the now, by doing the next right thing—or, as Paul writes to the Romans, by living "honourably as in the day."

In Advent we first look forward, and then we look back. We look forward to the coming of Christ at the end of times, and then we look back to Jesus' birth just over 2000 years ago. I think that is our task today: to look forward to the vision of peace that Isaiah gives us in the first reading, and to look back at the many blessings God has given me—so that I might indeed keep that vision before me and work towards it in everything I say and do. Saint Theresa of Kolkata once said that there was no final judgment; instead, it happens every night when God comes to us and asks, "What did you do today to build up my Kingdom?" I invite you to pray with me that we each may respond to God with good news of what we have done today—and then there will be no worries about what is to come.

*J. Maurice*



### We have a new look for 2017!

Available for pick up at the front entrance of the church starting on the weekend of **December 3rd/4th 2016.**

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

If you wish to start using offertory envelopes, please fill out a registration card found at the front entrance of the church located in the pamphlet holder.

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

**PLEASE TAKE THE ENVELOPES WITH YOUR NAME ONLY AND DO NOT USE UNTIL 2017**

## Liturgy Corner by Kevin Mannara

### *Emmanuel: Christ with us today!*

Since Advent looks forward to Christ's birth and Incarnation, it is an appropriate way to begin the Church Year. Despite what the consumerist culture around us is saying, Advent is *not* part of the Christmas season itself, but a preparation for it.

The word "advent," from the Latin *adventus* (Greek *parousia*), means "coming" or "arrival." The **Advent Season** is focused on the "coming" of Jesus as Messiah (Christ or King). Christian worship, Bible readings, and prayers not only prepare us spiritually for Christmas (his first coming), **but also for his eventual second coming**. This is why the Bible readings during Advent include both Old Testament passages related to the expected Messiah, and New Testament passages concerning Jesus' second coming as judge of all. Also, passages about John the Baptist, the precursor who prepared the way for the Messiah, are read.

At Assumption, our focus this Advent will be

### *Emmanuel: Christ with us today!*

This will be reflected on our Advent Evening Retreat on November 28th and Day of Reflection on December 5th. Look for it throughout our worship.

## Quotable Pope Francis

"Every time we reduce God to our ideas and whims, use God's name to justify our interests, seek him only in times of difficulty, then we also lose sight of the fact that faith calls us beyond ourselves to be his missionaries in the world. "

## Reflection for the Week

Jesus is the master teacher. What teachers in your life taught you about your journey of faith?

### Advent Evening Retreat

On Monday, November 28th, we will kick off Advent with an evening retreat that will include prayer, dinner, a viewing of the movie "The Nativity Story," reflection & faith sharing.

It begins at 5:30pm in Rosary Hall.

Please stop by the welcome desk for more info and to sign up. Or you can call or email the parish office.

### Windsor/Essex County Cursillo Ultreya

Our Lady of Assumption Parish will be hosting the next Ultreya evening which will be held at St. John Vianney Parish, 385 Dieppe St., on **Friday, December 9th, 2016 at 7:30 pm**. If you have made a Cursillo weekend please come and share in a faith filled evening. All Cursillistas are welcome. Any questions contact Marilyn Morrison 519-253-2761.



### **The Assumption Parish Children's Christmas Party**

Saturday, December 10th, 2016  
from 10am to 1pm  
McEwan Campus Basement



**FOOD TREATS**

**GIFTS**

**Oh and a Surprise visitor!!!!**

## Week at a Glance

### Monday, November 28th

5:30pm Advent Evening Retreat (Rosary Hall)  
6:00pm Catechism program (McEwan Campus-Basement)

### Tuesday, November 29th

7:00pm Latin Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
7:00pm Cenacle of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Rosary Chapel)

### Wednesday, November 30th

6:30pm Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Church)  
7:00pm The Catholic's DIVORCE SURVIVAL Guide Group (Rosary Hall)  
7:00pm RCIA (McEwan Campus-Basement)

### Thursday, December 1st

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

### Friday, December 2nd

9:00am SVDP Forgotten Harvest Produce (McEwan Campus)  
3:00pm Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel)  
4:00pm Mission Club Christmas Bazaar (McEwan Campus-Basement)  
6:30pm Confessions (Rosary Chapel)  
7:00pm Apostolate of Fatima Mass & Rosary (Rosary Chapel)  
8:00pm Alliance of the Two Hearts Vigil (Rosary Chapel)

### Saturday, December 3rd

9:00am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Basement)  
9:00am Mission Club Christmas Bazaar (McEwan Campus-Basement)  
5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
7:00pm All Are Welcome Group of AA (Rosary Hall)

### Sunday, December 4th

9:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
11:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)  
12:00pm Coffee Social (McEwan Campus-Church)  
4:00pm Campus Ministry Mass (Rosary Chapel)  
7:30pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

**HEALING MASS**—Immaculate Heart Parish 2153 Parkwood Avenue at Tecumseh Road East on Friday, December 2nd, 2016 at 7pm—**Handicap accessible**

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Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2017 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

**Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637**



**The Christmas Giving Tree** is near the front entrance of the church for this weekend November 26th/27th.

Please take an envelope and fill it with a gift card, cheque (payable to Assumption Church) or cash so that we can provide gifts for families in need.

**Please return your donation by December 4th, 2016 by simply putting it in the collection basket.**



### The Assumption Parish Mission Club

Friday December 2nd from 4pm to 7pm  
Saturday December 3rd from 9am to 1pm

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Start your Christmas Shopping with us!  
Come One Come All!!

**Children's Games**

**Christmas Items**

**Raffles**

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## Mass Intentions

### Monday, November 28th

8:00am †Suzanne Silva by Lorenca DeGrandis  
†Edgardo Villareal by the Belano Family  
†Helen Thrasher 13th Anniversary by the Family

### Tuesday, November 29th

8:00am †Charles Scarpelli by Dennis Malette  
†Pasquale & Antonio Nardone by Wife & Family  
For the Intentions of Berny Lesperance by Brian Hickey

12:10pm †Anna Iosa by A. A. Torti  
†Cicilia Randolfi by F. Torti  
†Camillo Nicholas Laberi by Toni Laberi & Family

### Wednesday, November 30th

8:00am †For all Souls in Purgatory by Mary Ha  
†Elizabeth Masse by Mary E. Paddon  
†Santiago Eugenio, Amores, & Uranza Families by Mila, Tiffany & Vincent

5:00pm †Raymond Buchanan 4th Anniversary by Wife Marilyn & Family  
†Suzanne Silva by Maria Cacilhas  
†Valent Scicluna by Joseph & Kenya Spiteri

### Thursday, December 1st

8:00am †Antonio Ilonardi by Donato Vitarelli  
†Ercole Betoria by Pat Marino  
For the Intentions of Berny Lesperance by Peter & Tracy

12:10pm †Gina & Loreto Malizia by Mr. & Mrs. Tony Mucciaccio

### Friday, December 2nd

8:00am †Jesus Barrera by the Family  
†Anton Koren by the Koren Family  
†For all Souls in Purgatory by Eunice Dambatta

### Saturday, December 3rd—McEwan Campus

5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

### Sunday, December 4th—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

### For the week of November 27th

#### Rosary Chapel

For the Intentions of Antonio & Moksha Serrano by the Family

#### Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus

†For the Deceased Members of the Norcia & Tullio Families

This year's Advent retreat will be held on Monday, December 5th in Rosary Hall, beginning with Mass at 8am and concluding with lunch. Fr. Joe Quinn and Sister Janine from the Marie Rose House will explore how we can give witness to the elements of love, joy, peace and hope in our home, parish and community. **Registration required.** Please sign up at the welcome desk, call, or email the parish office.



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## Sunday Collection

### November 20th, 2016

Regular	\$5,468.68
Miscellaneous	<u>\$1,703.55</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,225.31</b>
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