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PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Maurice Restivo CSB – *Pastor*
Fr. Jim Stenberg CSB – *Parochial Vicar*
Kevin Mannara CSB – *Seminarian*
Dcn. Paul Bezaire – *Deacon*
Sr. Lise Jolie SNJM – *Business Manager*
Sr. Connie Harrington SNJM – *Youth Programs*
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*
Chrisandra Skipper, Andrea Gallo
- *Campus Ministers*

CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS

Assumption Parish Community Association
Chad McPhedran - *Chair*
Knights of Columbus
Sammy Sleiman - *Grand Knight*
St. Vincent de Paul
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.



November 29th, 2015 - First Sunday of Advent



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Happy New Year!!!! At this beginning of the Church year it is appropriate to look back from whence we have come, and look forward to where we are going. This has been an eventful year for Assumption parish, one filled with difficulties and challenges. Closures of buildings are never fun. We have memories attached to the places where we have celebrated baptisms and communions, where we have gathered week after week, and from where we have buried our loved ones. And now we are here. We look forward to building up our parish community, so that we are strong and stable and united. We move ahead in faith, that somehow or another, God wants the best for us.

Advent, though, challenges us to flip these two activities: *first*, we look forward; *later*, we look back. This first Sunday of Advent looks forward to the end times, and asks us to be ready. Then we look back, at the events that happened around 2000 years ago, when Mary said "Yes!" to God's will, when John the Baptist announced Jesus' coming, leading us to a celebration of that birth.

It is in this spirit that I encourage you to look forward, as to what we can do to make the world a better place. Both Pope Francis and Bishop Fabbro have asked us to respond, in whatever way we can, to the refugee crisis. I remain convinced that in reaching out beyond our usual day-to-day boundaries, we grow in faith, in love, and in joy. Therefore, next week we will have a special collection to help reunite a family from Senegal. I encourage you to prayerfully consider what you can do, and to be generous. If you are able to drive them around, or help set up their house, please

J. Maurice

All I Want for Christmas: An Advent Retreat for Seniors

Thursday, December 10, 2015
10am to 1:30pm

Location: Rosary Hall
Facilitators: Fr. Joe Quinn, csb and Sr. Janine Rocheleau, snjm
Offering: \$5 (payable at the door) with lunch included
Registration required, seating is limited
Please sign up at the back of church or call the parish office.



Liturgy Corner

Happy New Year! Today begins the liturgical season of Advent and a new liturgical year. Just as our secular celebrations for Christmas require much preparation, we should give the preparation for our annual celebration of Christ's birth at least the same amount of time and effort.

Think of all the time spent shopping, decorating, sending cards and attending parties. Do we spend as much effort reflecting on Christ's coming into our world when he was born of Mary, the peasant girl of 1st century Galilee, one of the most obscure and powerless areas of the world at that time? Do we reflect on and prepare for Christ's return at the end of time? What can we do?

For starters we can do just as the season directs us to do: step back from everyday life to place ourselves in "hopeful waiting." Many of our deepest longings are incomplete. We've had a taste of their fulfillment but our hearts long for more... more peace, more love, more understanding, more meaning. Use the little blue books we offer for daily food for reflection.

—Kevin Mannara C.S.B.

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me"
--Mt 25.



As we prepare for the coming of the Christ child, let us prepare also for the arrival of Amy, Fallou and Ndella, who are eager to join their mother in Canada.

Please consider a significant donation to the Sisters of the Holy Names Refugee Fund to cover their travel expenses.

There will be a second collection December 5/6



The Christmas Giving Tree is set up by the front entrance of the church.

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

OR.... IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A FAMILY OR TWO CONTACT SR. LISE AT THE OFFICE.

**Please return your donation
by December 13, 2015**

HOOR OF POWER - ROSARY CHAPEL

Thursday nights from 7:30pm to 8:30pm
Come for all or part of the hour of contemporary worship music before our Eucharistic Lord.



All are welcome!



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Advent Retreat: Advent is a time of untold blessings. This day will explore some of these blessings as we prepare our hearts for the birth of Jesus.

Please pre-register by phone or email.



The 2016 Envelopes have arrived!
They will be available for pick up at the back of the church starting on the weekend of December 12/13

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 entrance of the church.
If you have changed your address or name, or cannot find your envelope please contact Sally at the rectory.

PLEASE TAKE THE ENVELOPES WITH YOUR NAME ONLY AND DO NOT USE UNTIL 2016

Also please note that the envelopes will remain in the name of **OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC PARISH.**



All are invited to this year's candlelight service celebrating World AIDS Day, Tuesday December 1 at the Capitol Theatre located at 121 University Avenue.

Kevin Mannara, CSB, be the keynote speaker.

For over 25 years people have stood together on World AIDS Day in order to honour the passing of loved ones and remind ourselves that the battle is far from over.

The candlelight vigil helps to raise awareness of the impact HIV/AIDS has on individuals, families, and the community; reminding us that we all must come together and foster support for one another. This is an opportunity for us to commemorate any loved one, family member or friend that we lost to HIV/AIDS.

The event will kick off with a processional candlelight walk, which will be escorted by the Windsor Police and will leave the AIDS Committee of Windsor downtown office at 6pm sharp.

The doors at the Capitol Theatre will open at 6:00 pm with the ceremony beginning at 6:30pm. Refreshments and fellowship to follow.

This event is open to the community, free of charge (donations welcome), and is truly a night to remember.

To stay up to date on the latest parish events and news.
Just search for:
<https://www.facebook.com/assumptionparishwindsor>

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 30th

8:00am †For all the Souls in Purgatory
†Raymond Buchanan 3rd Anniversary by his wife Marilyn & Family
For all the Relatives of Berny Lesperance by Berny Lesperance

Tuesday, December 1st

8:00am †Mrija Elezovic by the Family

12:10pm †Matteo Carmen Vitarelli by the Vitarelli Family
†Pepita Ballesteros by the Bueno Family
†Fr. Ulysses Lefaive by Jerry & Jeannine Halliday

Wednesday, December 2nd

8:00am †Joseph Mannara by his son Kevin
†Sarina Jean Lester by Kevin Mannara

5:00pm †Jesus Barrerra by the Family
†Harvey Parent by Jerry & Jeannine Halliday
In Thanksgiving for Claire Anne Yancy by her parents

Thursday, December 3rd

8:00am

12:10pm †David Koren by the Koren Family
†Katerina Koren by the Koren Family
†Anton Koren by the Koren Family

Friday, December 4th

8:00am

Saturday, December 5th

5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

Sunday, December 6th

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, November 30th

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

Tuesday, December 1st

10:00am Moms & Tots (McEwan Campus-Hall)
7:00pm Cenacle of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Rosary Chapel)
7:00pm Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Hall)

Wednesday, December 2nd

7:00pm Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide (Rosary Hall)

Thursday, December 3rd

10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Hall)
6:30pm Altar Server Training (McEwan Campus-Church)
7:00pm Knights of Columbus Meeting (McEwan Campus-Hall)
7:30pm Nar Anon (Rosary Hall)
7:30pm Hour of Power (Rosary Chapel)

Friday, December 4th

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)
8:00pm Alliance of the Two Hearts Vigil

Saturday, December 5th

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

Sunday, December 6th

9:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

Sunday Collection

Regular	\$4,071.35
Miscellaneous	\$1,071.40
Total	\$5,142.75



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