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Our Lady of the Assumption CATHOLIC PARISH	
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HURON CHAPEL, 1804	
ADMINISTERED BY THE BASILIAN FATHERS	
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Office Hours: Monday to Thursday: 9am to 12noon and 1pm to 4pm	
PASTORAL TEAM	BAPTISMS
Fr. Maurice Restivo CSB – Pastor	Baptisms for children of parishioners
Fr. Jim Stenberg CSB – Parochial Vicar	are celebrated monthly. Contact Dcn. Paul Bezaire
Kevin Mannara CSB – Seminarian	for details of the program.
Dcn. Paul Bezaire – Deacon	MARRIAGES
Sr. Lise Jolie SNJM – Business Manager Sr. Connie Harrington SNJM – Youth Programs	Couples must arrange one year in advance and be
Marilyn Morrison – Bereavement Ministry	active in the parish. Contact the Parish Office.
PARISH STAFF	<u>RCIA</u> Deserver for these internets d in the Catholic Faith
Sally McQuaid – Secretary	Program for those interested in the Catholic Faith. Contact the parish office.
Kevin McQuaid Jr. – Properties	contact the parish office.
Tim McKinley – Properties	CHILDREN'S PROGRAMING
Ammilla Perera – Parking Lot Manager	For children preparing for First Confession,
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL	Communion, Confirmation and for all other
Kevin Alexander - Chair	grades at well. Registration is required in September.
	September.
PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE	VISITATION OF THE SICK
Jason Grech - Chair	Contact Dcn. Paul Bezaire to make arrangements.
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WEEKEND MASSES McEWAN CAMPUS Saturday Vigil - 5 pm	FUNERALS Please have the Funeral Director contact
Sunday - 9 am, 11 am, 7:30 pm	the office for arrangements.
CONFESSIONS - McEWAN CAMPUS	CAMPUS MINISTRY
Saturdays - 3:45pm to 4:45pm	(519-973-7033) Fr. Paul McGill, C.S.B <i>Chaplain</i>
	Chrisandra Skipper, Andrea Gallo
DAILY MASSES - ROSARY CHAPEL	- Campus Ministers
Monday – 8:00am Tuesday – 8:00am & 12:10pm	
Wednesday – 8:00am & 5:00pm	CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS
Thursday – 8:00am & 12:10pm	Assumption Parish Community Association Chad McPhedran - <i>Chair</i>
Friday – 8:00am	Knights of Columbus
	Sammy Sleiman - Grand Knight
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - ROSARY CHAPEL	St. Vincent de Paul
Monday to Friday - 8:30am to 8pm	Ivan Benko - <i>Chair</i>
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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

When I was on graduate studies in Rome, I was struck one day at a passage from the Acts of the Apostles that mentioned a place I had visited shortly before (The Forum of Appius, Acts 28:15). It was the first time I finally realized that God's revelation took place in real life, at specific moments in real places. It is not something removed from space and time, like fairy tales that begin "once upon a time," or "long, long ago, in a place far, far away." I realized that again in the Holy Land. It's such a strange thing when I think about my favourite restaurant in Bethlehem being just across and down from the Basilica of the Nativity, or my friend Saliba's store being just around the corner from where Jesus was born.

One of the theologians I studied said that the incarnation is God "hugging" human history. Luke reminds of that in this weekend's Gospel passage: "In the fifteenth year...."; when Pontius Pilate was governor...."; during the high priesthood of Annas...." Luke wants to make sure that we can situate John's preaching at a specific moment in time. *It really happened!* Just like today. *God is still being revealed, in Windsor, Ontario, during the year of Our Lord 2015, Justin Trudeau being Prime Minister, Kathleen Wynne being Premier, and Drew Dilkins being Mayor.* God asks us to look around, at how we can find God today.

And the message that John the Baptist gives is clear: filling valleys and lowering hills, straightening curves makes it easier to travel. God wants us to be able to get to him, to reach what we need for our salvation. It is the core of the message of Pope Francis in this Year of Mercy that is beginning: We are to do what we can, each of us, to reveal God as the merciful God, the loving God, the God who wills life for us.

We can do that in so many ways: through our service to refugees, by giving a smile and an encouraging word wherever needed, by being present to one another. What is God's message to us *today?*



There will be a Christmas practice on Tuesday December 22 at 12:15pm Lunch will be provided Practice will be finished by 2:00pm Any questions or concerns please see Sr. Connie

Altar Servers



All I Want for Christmas: An Advent Retreat for Seniors

Thursday, December 10, 2015 10am to1:30pm 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

A symbol that has come to be associated with the liturgical season of Advent is the Advent wreath, which has been used devotionally only since the 19th century. It was originally a Lutheran symbol that Catholics later adopted.

There are 4 candles, one for each Sunday of Advent. The colors of the candles correspond to the colors of the liturgical season: three violet and one rose colored. Sometimes a 5th candle, known as the Christ candle is added. It is white, the color used for celebrations of our Lord, including Christmas. Violet is a penitential color (it is also used during Lent). Rose is the color for the Third Sunday of Advent, known as <u>Gaudete Sunday</u> from the Latin word meaning "to rejoice," as a pause to the penitential spirit of Advent. Even at our most somber times, including times when we especially focus on penance, we must never forget that our redemption has already been accomplished in Christ. Remember, Jesus is not born again and again each Christmas: he already is born and alive among us! Just like the light of the candles, his light is to shine through us, his disciples.

-Kevin Mannara C.S.B.



Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus 711 McEwan Avenue In the Church Basement Saturday December 12, 2015 10:00am till 1:00pm Come join us for Food, Fun and Treats!!

CHILDREN COME ONE COME ALL



AND A SURPRISE VISITOR!!!!!!



A December Ultreya for Windsor/Essex County is being held at Holy Name of Jesus Parish, Essex, Ont. On Friday, December 11 at 7:30pm.



If you have made a Cursillo Weekend please come and share in a Faith-filled evening. All Cursillistas are WELCOME!



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

Offering Envelopes

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.

Hospitality We are still in need of helpers for our Ministry Hospitality Committee, especially for Saturday night 5:00pm Mass and Sunday morning 9:00am Mass. Please call Carmen Archibald (519 - 258 - 8871)



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

23rd Annual Solemn Celebration in Honour of Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrim Image Friday December 11, 2015 6:00pm-Holy Rosary 6:45pm-Procession of Nations 7:00pm-Holy Mass Presider-Fr. Maurice Restivo C.S.B.

Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus 711 McEwan Avenue Reception to follow in the church basement



Congratulations to the children who received their Sacrament of Reconciliation this past week!

MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS THEM

We welcomed into the Church . . .

On Sunday November 29, 2015 Our Lady of the Assumption Parish welcomed **Addison Eleanor Meloche** daughter of Daniel and Heather

> Sophia Bianca Bella Sartor daughter of Dennis and Marie

Sunday Collection

Regular Miscellaneous Total

\$5,841.46 456.00 \$6.297.46



Mass Intentions

Monday, December 7th

[†]Vincenzo & Eugenia Giannone by the Calamita Family 8:00am ⁺For the Souls in Purgatory by Kai-Tung Ha

Tuesday, December 8th 8:00am [†]Prena Vulaj by the Family

12:10pm ⁺Ralph, Laura, & Neenie Ferrari by Marie & Billy Ferrari ⁺Casimiro Marcelo by Elizabeth Bueno

Wednesday, December 9th

8:00am

5:00pm +Fr. Daniel Zorzi CSB by Jerry & Jeannine Halliday

Thursday, December 10th 8:00am ⁺Lloyd Berlasty by the Family

12:10pm [†]Anna & Michele Buzzeo by Iolanda D'Alfonso & Family

Friday, December 11th 8:00am ⁺Rodolpho Vinluan 4th Anniversary by the Family

Saturday, December 12th 5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

Sunday, December 13th 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, December 7th 6:00pm Catechism Class (McEwan Campus-Hall)

Tuesday, December 8th

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 9th

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

Thursday, December 10th

10:00am Advent Retreat for Seniors (Rosary Hall) 10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Hall) 6:30pm Altar Server Training (McEwan Campus-Church) Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) 7:00pm Nar Anon (Rosary Hall) 7:30pm Hour of Power (Rosary Chapel) 7:30pm

Friday, December 11th

9:00am SVDP Forgotten Harvest Produce (McEwan Campus) 3:00pm Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel) Confessions (Rosary Chapel)

6:30pm 7:00pm Apostolate of Fatima Mass & Rosary (Rosary Chapel)

Saturday, December 12th 8:30am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Hall) 10:00am Children's Christmas Party (McEwan Campus-Basement) 3:45pm Confessions (McEwan Campus-Church) 5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

Sunday, December 13th 9:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) 11:00am Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) 7:30pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

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