

# ADMINISTERED BY THE BASILIAN FATHERS HURON CHURCH CAMPUS - 350 HURON CHURCH ROAD | MCEWAN CAMPUS - 711 MCEWAN AVENUE

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### PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Maurice Restivo CSB - Pastor Fr. Steven Huber CSB - Parochial Vicar Dcn. Paul Bezaire - Deacon Jean Beneteau - Pastoral Minister Melissa Pacitti-Fallone - Youth Ministry Marilyn Morrison - Bereavement Ministry Fr. Mark Gazin CSB - In Residence

#### PARISH STAFF

Sally McQuaid - Secretary Zeljka Trepanier - Bookkeeper/Parking Lot Manager Kevin McQuaid - Properties Tim McKinley - Properties

#### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL To Be Announced - Chair

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Dan Hallett - Chair

## WEEKEND MASSES MCEWAN CAMPUS

Saturday Vigil - 5 pm Sunday - 9 am, 11 am, 7:30 pm

<u>CONFESSIONS - McEWAN CAMPUS</u> Saturdays - 3:45pm to 4:45pm

## **DAILY MASSES - ROSARY CHAPEL**

Monday – 8:00am Tuesday – 8:00am & 12:10pm Wednesday – 8:00am Thursday – 8:00am & 12:10pm Friday – 8:00am

MORNING PRAYER - ROSARY CHAPEL Monday to Friday - 7:40am

EUCHARISTIC 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.

## <u>RCIA</u>

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, Confirmation on Monday evenings. Li'l Saints Program - 11am mass.

### **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

#### CAMPUS MINISTRY (519-973-7033)

Fr. Paul McGill, C.S.B. - *Chaplain* Jessica Lemmon - *Campus Ministers* 

#### **CATHOLIC ORGANIZATIONS**

Assumption Parish Community Association: Bridget Russo - Chairperson Knights of Columbus: Michael Scott - Grand Knight St. Vincent de Paul:

Holy Name of Mary Chair - Tim McKinley Blessed Sacrament Chair - Gabe Colucci

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: BE A BEACON OF MERCY, SERVICE AND DISCIPLESHIP. 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 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 24th, 2019

## From the Pastor's Desk...

Back in 2003, as the US was preparing to invade Iraq, many people both inside and outside the Church were debating the morality of the upcoming war. Were there WMDs? Even if there were, could a pre-emptive strike be legitimized? Did this meet the criteria of the just war theory? In the midst of all the questioning, a student at the seminary in Houston (where I was teaching) had a bumper sticker made, that read: *I think when Jesus said to love your enemies he didn't mean to kill them*. For me, that said it all.

Just two years ago, in his message for the 50<sup>th</sup> World Day of Peace, Pope Francis surprised many by stating: "To be true followers of Jesus today also includes embracing his teaching about nonviolence. As my predecessor Benedict XVI observed, that teaching 'is realistic because it takes into account that in the world there is too much violence, too much injustice, and therefore that this situation cannot be overcome except by countering it with more love, with more goodness. This "more" comes from God"". This is the same God who, in Jesus' proclamation of the Beatitudes, reminded us that peacemakers are blessed. It reminds me, as well, of the early Christians who refused to serve as soldiers or to go to war.

Several years ago I became convinced that Jesus was a practitioner of creative nonviolence; this weekend's Gospel passage reminds me of that. It also reminds me that I need to bring this nonviolence home. It is easy to point fingers and to say that "the world" needs to learn nonviolence. We need to stop having wars. "They" need to change. The reality, though, is that *I* need to change, too. I need to pay attention to how I respond to people. Or, as Pope Francis said in his Peace Day message, "Whoever accepts the Good News of Jesus is able to acknowledge the violence within and be healed by God's mercy, becoming in turn an instrument of reconciliation. In the words of Saint Francis of Assisi: 'As you announce peace with your mouth, make sure that you have greater peace in your hearts".

"As you announce peace with your mouth, make sure that you have greater peace in your hearts." I feel indicted by that statement. It is so easy for me to write these words, to say beautiful things from the pulpit, or to repost Facebook memes about being people of peace. It is much harder to break cycles: to respond to a harsh word with gentleness, to answer cynicism with kindness, injustice with justice, evil with goodness. Won't you join me in trying?

. h. Maurice

## **Reflection for the Week**

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits. (Psalm 103:1-2)

<u>Bereavement Support Group</u>–will be held every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm in Rosary Hall. Contact Marilyn Morrison Bereavement Minister for more information at 519-253-2761.

## **REGISTER TODAY FOR**

## "Attitude Adjustments on our Family Walk to Easter".

This Intergenerational Faith Sharing Luncheon event will be held on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, after the 11:00am mass in Rooney Lounge, until 3:30pm.

The program is for all ages and open to all parishioners, and will guide our preparations for observing the Lenten season with others in our midst, including our families.

<u>All who attend are asked to commit to the entire afternoon</u> program ending by 3:30pm.

Please RSVP to Jean Beneteau at <u>jbeneteau@dol.ca</u> or register online through the parish website at www.assumptionparish.ca/attitudeadjustments

- Are you interested in supporting people who are learning about the Catholic faith?
- Would you like an opportunity to participate in fruitful conversations about Catholic life and teaching?

If you can answer "Yes!" to these questions it may mean that God is inviting you to participate in an RCIA group with someone inquiring about joining our faith family!

We plan to start meeting soon!!Please contact Jean Beneteau with your interest so that further information can be shared.

**LENT is right around the corner.** Please consider including one of the parish Ash Wednesday masses, and Friday night Soup and Stations gatherings among your Lenten observances.



The Ash Wednesday masses are: 8:00am, 12:10pm, & 5:00pm Rosary Chapel and 7:00pm Assumption Parish- McEwan Campus



Each Friday evening during Lent there will be a gathering for a light soup dinner in Rosary Hall at 6:00pm followed by praying the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in Rosary Chapel. **All are welcome.** 



Jesus Youth will hold the next prayer group gathering at Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019.

There will be a Jesus Youth Meeting every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each Month after 7:30pm mass. **All are welcome**. Contact: Abin Joseph 226-975-4019 or Ajin Jose 519-965-2650.

Please come and join the <u>Young Adult Café</u> for food, fellowship, friendship, fun and faith, after 7:30pm mass on Sunday March 10<sup>th</sup> The Café will be offered the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month. **All are welcome!** 

## Week at a Glance

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	<u>Monday,</u> 6:00pm	<u>February 25th</u> JK-Grade 8 Youth Ministry (McEwan Campus-Basement)
		<u>February 26th</u> Sisters in Sobriety Meeting (McEwan Campus-Rooney Lounge)
	7:00pm 7:00pm	Cenacle of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Rosary Chapel) Latin Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)
Wednesday, February 27th		ay, February 27th
	10:00am 5:00pm 6:30pm 6:30pm	7. February 28th Card Games (McEwan Campus-Rooney Lounge) Two Hearts Prayer Hour (Rosary Chapel) Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Church) Called & Gifted Workshop (McEwan Campus-Rooney Lounge) Nor Anan Magting (Rosary Holl)
	7:30pm	Nar-Anon Meeting (Rosary Hall)
	Friday, M 9:00am 3:00pm 6:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:30pm 9:00pm	larch 1st SVDP Forgotten Harvest Produce (McEwan Campus) Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel) High School Youth Ministry (Rosary Hall) Confession (Rosary Chapel) Apostolate of Fatima Mass & Rosary (Rosary Chapel) Sisters in Sobriety Meeting (McEwan Campus-Rooney Lounge) Alliance of the Two Hearts of Jesus & Mary All Night Vigil- Mass (Rosary Chapel)
	<u>Saturday</u> 7:00am	<u>, March 2nd</u> Alliance of the Two Hearts of Jesus & Mary Mass (Rosary
	9:00am 3:45pm 5:00pm 7:00pm	Chapel) SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Basement) Confession (McEwan Campus-Church) Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) All Are Welcome-AA Meeting (Rosary Hall)
	9:00am 11:00am	March 3rd Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) L'il Saints & God's Mighty Minions Sunday School (McEwan Campus-Classrooms) Mass (McEwan Campus-Church) Jesus Youth (McEwan Campus-Rooney Lounge)

#### Alliance of the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary All Night Vigil

Friday March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 **Rosary Chapel University & Huron Church Rd** 

First Friday Mass at 9:00pm First Saturday Mass at 7:00am All are welcome



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Please contact the office and ask for Sally or email assumption@cogeco.net. I need your names, addresses and phone numbers. Thank-You!

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## **Sunday Collection**

February 17th, 2019 Regular **Building Maintenance** Initial Offering Miscellaneous Total



## **Mass Intentions**

## Monday, February 25th

<sup>+</sup>Colleen Bulley by Larry & Mary Lou Serre 8:00am <sup>+</sup>Noella Johnson by Elizabeth Duff & Family <sup>†</sup>Marion Beneteau by Joe & Pam Beneteau

#### Tuesday, February 26th

8:00am +Remo Incitti by his wife Lucy †Gloria Lopez by the Family †Vito & Domenica Venditti by the Venditti Family

12:10pm +Valentino Buzzeo by V. Liburdi +Camillo Nicholas Laberi by wife Antonia & Family +Gina & Loreto Malizia by sister Antonia Laberi & Family

#### Wednesday, February 27th 8:00am + Annunziata Ruffe <sup>+</sup>Annunziata Ruffolo by Maria De Luca

Thursday, February 28th 8:00am +Gerardo Tullio by Lisa Martini \*Jeff Berlasty by his mom Mary Shiner \*Betty White by Norm & Mary Louise Nantais

12:10pm +Illene Rafael 3rd Anniversary by the Family <sup>+</sup>Bernadette Parent by Olly Sr. & Jr. +Wilfred Rousseau by Aaron & Meredith McKinley

#### Friday, March 1st

8:00am <sup>†</sup>Alberto Carlesimo by his Sister & Family <sup>+</sup>Juliette Tousignant by the Handsor & Tousignant Families +Michael Norcia by his Son & Family

Saturday, March 2nd-McEwan Campus 5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parish Parishioners

Sunday, March 3rd-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 February 24th **Rosary Chapel**

<sup>+</sup>For All Souls in Purgatory by Mary Shiner

## Lenten Retreat

The London Diocesan Catholic Women's League is having a Lenten Retreat at the Spirit and Life Centre in Chatham on

## Saturday, March 9, 2019 from 9:00am to 3:00pm.

**Facilitator: Anne Shore** Theme: "Lent is a time to grow closer to Jesus." Cost: \$8:00 which includes lunch.

Please note: You do not have to be a CWL member to attend. If you are interested in attending please contact Marilyn Morrison at 519-253-2761 or email mgm7@cogeco.ca

## **LENT 2019 SMALL GROUP SERIES**

You are invited to participate in a small group experience during Lent this year. Groups meet once a week from the week of March 11<sup>th</sup> through the week of April 8<sup>th</sup>. The theme is "ATTITUDE ADJUSTMENT: Adjust your attitude towards humility this Lent". The discussion questions will link in with the previous Sunday readings and homily. There will be an information / Kick-off gathering February 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm and 7:00pm in the Rooney Lounge.

> To register: call Anne Shore at 519-972-0589 or email ashore@bell.net.

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