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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

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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

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - ROSARY CHAPEI

Monday to Friday - 8:30am to 8pm

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.

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.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 31, 2016

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

As I write this I am returning from a trip and looking forward to being home again. I first was on my annual retreat—which I had to preach this year!—and then went to Texas to baptize a set of twins. I really treasure the relationship I have with this family; they are the first couple whose wedding I did after I was ordained a priest. After the ceremony we became friends, and have kept in touch over the years. When I was at the parish in Texas, I had the privilege of witnessing their eldest daughter's wedding, and now I was invited down to baptize her first

children: a beautiful pair of twin boys. Our friendship has endured over these 29 years, through difficulties and joys, through ups and downs. We have had our disagreements. Our relationship of friendship, as well as Jim and Patty's and my own individual lives have had moments of tension; yet we continue to be friends and grow in love, though thick and thin.

My relationship with God is sometimes like this, too. Our first reading this weekend contains a powerful statement that God spoke to the prophet Jeremiah: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you..." That statement is valid for each one of us, not just for Jeremiah: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you." God says that to each of us even knowing that there will be times when we mess up, times when we stray from the path he has indicated for us, as well as times when we are faithful, joyful, and connected.

One of the most powerful things about our Christian faith is that idea that our God—who is only one—is also a relationship: Father, Son, and Spirit. God's own reality is relationship, and God wants to be in a relationship with us. God called Jeremiah; Jesus himself was in a relationship, not just with the Father and the Spirit, but as a child of Mary and Joseph. And the amazing thing is that God never gives up on us, even when the going gets rough, because God is the God of mercy. May we all know that mercy in our own lives, and reflect it to all those with whom we relate.



Next Sunday February 7th after the 11:00am Mass we will celebrate Mardi Gras a few days early with a pancake breakfast. (Lent begins the following Wednesday.) There will also be sweets for everyone and Mardi Gras beads for the kids.

This celebration is sponsored by Assumption Parish and the Knights of Columbus.

All are welcome, so invite a friend to come along!

Quotable Pope Francis

Wherever the Church is present, the mercy of the Father must be evident. In our parishes, communities, associations and movements, in a word, wherever there are Christians, everyone should find an oasis of mercy.

Liturgy Corner

Ever wonder why the priest wears certain colors, and those colors are used in the liturgical environment? Certain colors are associated with particular seasons and feasts of the Church, chosen by the universal Church because of what the colors mean culturally.

White (*light, innocence, purity, joy, triumph, glory*) Seasons of Christmas and Easter; Feasts of the Lord (other than of His passion); Feasts of Mary, the angels, and saints who were not martyrs; weddings and funerals. Sometimes gold or silver is added as a highlight.

Red (*blood, fire, Holy Spirit, martyrdom*) Feasts of the Lord's passion, Blood, and Cross; Feasts of the martyrs; Palm Sunday; Pentecost.

Green (hope, life & growth) Season of Ordinary Time.

Violet (*penance*, *humility*) Seasons of Advent and Lent. Advent may have hues of royal blue added, but blue is not a liturgical color

Rose (*joy*) Gaudete Sunday (3rd Sunday of Advent) and Laetare Sunday (4th Sunday of Lent)

So liturgical colors are not at the whim or personal tastes of the priest, but are chosen by the universal Church for their meanings. In Catholic liturgy, everything is very intentional and has rich significance.

—Kevin Mannara C.S.B.



ASH WEDNESDAY FEBUARY 10TH

ROSARY CHAPEL
8:00am
12:10pm
5:00pm
MCEWAN CAMPUS
7:00pm



Why Catholic? Lent 2016
You can still sign up for the
Lenten Session



The theme this year is **BELIEVE: THE CREED**. This is an opportunity to pray with others, read the Bible together and form new relationships while learning more about what we, as Catholics, believe. Small Christian communities are forming in Assumption Parish, you can join one today.

Groups meet Monday, Tuesday & Thursday evenings and Thursday afternoon. If you would like to sign up there are forms at the back of the church and put it in the collection basket or give to an usher. You can also contact Anne Shore at ashore@bell.net or 519-972-0589

Groups begin meeting the week of February 8th.



Bereavement Support Group

Our Lord assured us that those who mourn are blessed and they shall be comforted. This Christ centered faith sharing bereavement group will meet on a bi-weekly basis.

Our next support group will be on Tuesday February 16, 2016 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in Rosary Hall.

Facilitator: Marilyn Morrison, Bereavement Ministry If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Marilyn at 519-253-2761



The Assumption Mission Club

Happy Calentine's Valentine Weekend Bake Sale

Saturday February 13th Sunday February 14th

After all Masses at the back of the Church Proceeds to various organizations in Canada & Overseas.



If you would like to donate any baked goods please drop them off at the church on Saturday February 13th after 3 o'clock.

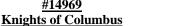
Join Campus Ministry and the Catholic Students Association for Catholic Students Day. Wednesday, February 3, 2016

10:30am-3:00pm

CAW Student Centre is located in the middle of campus



The Triple Star Award Archbishop Dennis O'Connor Council #14969



was awarded with the Triple Star Award for the 2014-2015 year under Grand Knight John Cappucci.

The triple star award recognizes outstanding achievement in membership, insurance and service program activities.

Triple Star means that the membership quota was exceeded by three times.

This is the second year in a row that this was awarded to the council.

Congratulations!



The Assumption Parish Mission Club

We were able to give almost \$12,000.00 to our missions last year through our fundraising efforts. The support given to our missions throughout the world, would not have been possible without your act of kindness and generosity!

Thank you and God Bless You.

Sunday Collection

January 24, 2016

Regular \$6,202.62 Miscellaneous \$ 441.60 Total \$6,644.62



Mass Intentions

Monday, February 1st

†Matteo Carmen Vitarelli by the Vitarelli Family 8:00am † Fr. George Beaune by Patricia Marino

<u>Tuesday, February 2nd</u> 8:00am †Maria & Antonio Perrotta by the Family †Linda Calamita by Felice & Catarina Calamita

12:10pm †Dan Barron by his wife Dorene †Harold Leroux by Dorene Barron

Wednesday, February 3rd 8:00am †Irene Isherwood by Joe & Nola Lamotte

†Ralph Charles Carr by Bob & Charlotte Carr

Thursday, February 4th 8:00am †Patrocenia & Emeterio Leonida by Cecile Leonida

12:10pm †Fr. George Beaune by Toni Laberi †Olga Howchuk by the Good Shepherd's Associates For the Intentions of Cameron Doig by Lisa & Michael

Friday, February 5th 8:00am †Josh Krystia by Marilyn Morrison †Leony Sico by Family

<u>Saturday, February 6th</u> 5:00pm For the Intentions of the Assumption Parishioners

Sunday, February 7th

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, February 1st 6:00pm Catechism Class (McEwan Campus-Hall)

Tuesday, February 2nd

10:00am Mom's & Tots (McEwan Campus-Hall) 6:30pm Choir Practice (McEwan Campus-Hall) 7:00pm Latin Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

7:00pm Cenacle of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Rosary Chapel)

Wednesday, February 3rd 7:00pm Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide Program (Rosary Hall)

Thursday, February 4th

10:00am Card Games (McEwan Campus-Hall)

7:30pm Nar Anon (Rosary Hall)

7:30pm Hour of Power (Rosary Hall)

Friday, February 5th
9:00am SVDP Forgotten Harvest Produce (McEwan Campus)
3:00pm Divine Mercy Hour (Rosary Chapel)

6:30pm

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

Alliance of the Two Hearts Vigil (Rosary Chapel) 8:00pm

<u>Saturday, February 6th</u> 8:30am SVDP-Meeting/Home Visits (McEwan Campus-Hall)

3:45pm Confessions (McEwan Campus-Church)

5:00pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)

Sunday, February 7th

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

12:00pm Pancake Breakfast (McEwan Campus-Hall)

7:30pm Mass (McEwan Campus-Church)



Soprano needed for Sunday evening choir. **Contact Greg for details after Mass** or 519-817-9137



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