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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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Ammilla Perera – Parking Lot Manager

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Kevin Alexander - Chair

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Iason 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

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.

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 18th, 2015



ave you ever asked yourself what your image of God is? I know what mine was, and often continues to be: the

Eternal One, All-Powerful, All Knowing, Great and Glorious. And, of course, I am the limited one, weak in many aspects, ignorant of many things, small and flawed. Perhaps the most challenging aspect of all the theology I've studied is to see Jesus as a human being. When I did graduate studies, course that affected me more than any others was one on Christology from a third-world perspective. There I was introduced to a very human Jesus, one who at times was weak, and exasperated, and flustered, and even wrong sometimes. I was introduced to the one who never once said, "Worship me," but many times said, "Follow me!"

Since the beginning of October (and continuing through until the end of Ordinary Time, our second reading is from the Letter to the Hebrews. This is an interesting letter, written by an unknown author and addressed to people in a Christian community who had converted from Judaism and were undergoing persecution because of their conversion. Some had already reverted to their old way of life. Others were faltering. This weekend's passage focuses on that "human Jesus." We are told that "we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are..." That gives us the courage to go to him, "... so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." That is absolutely amazing! We are being told that our God is like us! That is what makes God so merciful and loving. God can recognize himself (or herself!) in us, even in our very weaknesses! No other religion can say that.

It's really scandalous, on one level. It's so much easier to have a God who is distant and removed, so that we can grovel at his feet and pray for redemption. I can never truly *follow* Jesus, because he is so unlike me. (After all—he is God, and I'm just a human.) But when I have a God who is like me, then when he says, "Follow me!" I am challenged to actually do so, to actually follow in his steps. And, when I stumble and mess up (as the apostles did in the gospel passage, and as I am bound to do at times), I can "approach the throne of grace and mercy with boldness." What an amazing God we have!



The Assumption Parish Mission Club

Our Annual Fall Bazaar will be held on November 27th & 28th.

We are looking for donations of gently used: Christmas Décor, Books, Crafts and Saleable Items You may drop them off at:

Assumption Parish-McEwan Campus in the Church Basement Thank-you for help and God Bless you for thinking of others!

The Lector's Role

Liturgical ministers are members of a faith community called to serve the community's worship in various ways.

When we gather at Mass one of the ways we encounter God is through the word. The role of the lector is to proclaim God's word. Effective proclamation of the word, therefore, is an intrinsic part of the whole celebration.

"Proclaiming" is different from reading. The word is personal and is to be delivered in a personal manner, because the word that is proclaimed is the word from God to each of us and to all of us. A lector is mindful of how the word is received as well as how it is shared.

The basis qualification for this liturgical ministry is that a lector must be one who loves God's word, and then seeks to share it. Naturally, lectors need to develop some practical skills over time; these are provided by the parish.

If you would like to know about becoming a lector, please contact Kevin.

—Kevin Mannara C.S.B.

Sisters of the Holy Names Refugee Support Group presents:

Our Annual Fundraising Dinner for Refugees All money raised is directed to the needs of refugees Make a Connection/Change a Life



2015 THEME: Refugees Need Help More Than Ever

Angela Merici Hall 750 Erie Street East Thursday, October 22nd, 2015 Hall opens at 6pm/Dinner at 7pm Prizes to win! Cash Bar

Tickets: \$30 for adults and \$10 for children (12 & under)

Call Sr. Lise at 519-253-2493 for tickets



St. James School
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Every other Wednesday from 6:45am to 8am. If you are interested in helping out please call the school at 519-252-9960 or Nancy Knowles at 519-734-6614.



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Wednesday, October 21st, 1pm to 4pm Movie: "On Golden Pond"

This movie is a moving portrayal of various facets of the aging process. Enjoy!

Facilitators: Joe Quinn, csb and Janine Rocheleau, snjm

Suggested offering: \$10 includes refreshments

Thursday, October 22nd, 1pm to 4pm
Perspectives On Sexism

This workshop will focus on the role of women in male-female relationships. The discussion will include: a) perception of power, b) marriage: the Christian perspective, c) the current situation and d) the counselling process.

Facilitator: Franklin Mizzi, csb

Suggested offering: \$15 includes refreshments

Saturday, October 24th, 9:30am to 3:30pm

The Greening of the Church: Faith and Solidarity with All of God's Creation

This workshop will explore the Christian response to today's environmental crisis which is impacting especially the most disadvantaged people on our planet. The presentation and discussion will focus particularly on Pope Francis' recent encyclical on ecology, *Laudato Si.* Facilitators: John Tomlinson, Joe Quinn csb and Janine Rocheleau snim

Suggested offering: \$30 includes lunch

Monday, October 26th, 9:30am to 3:30pm Creating Sabbath Space in our Busy Lives

The creation of advanced technology has made many things obsolete, including leisure and rest, and has increased the stress and pace in our lives. Unfortunately it can also rob us of a normal and healthy rhythm in our daily life. We need to take time out from the usual pattern of busy-ness in order to experience the healing power of simple rest. This day will explore what Sabbath rest is all about and help us to recognize the obstacles that could prevents us from enjoying this gift.

Facilitators: Janine Rocheleau snjm and Joe Quinn csb

Suggested offering: \$30 includes lunch.

Please pre-register by phone or email



Why Catholic? small groups are meeting now and you are invited to pray this prayer every day

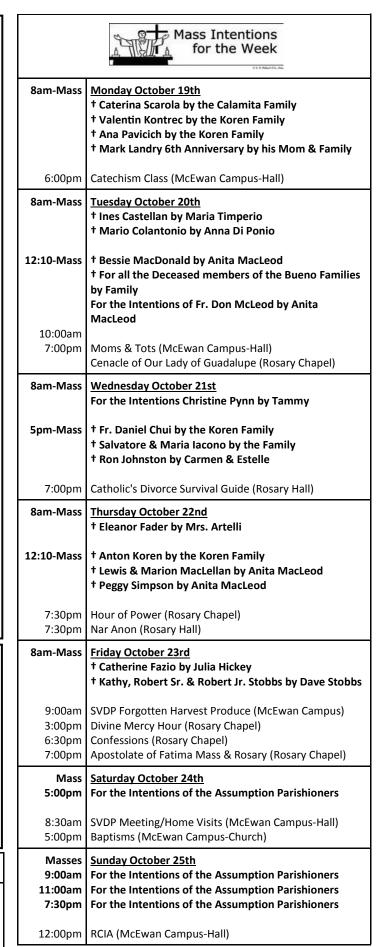


A DISCIPLE'S PRAYER

Loving God and Father, help us to be people of prayer, committed to the person and message of Jesus your Son. Help us to grasp the integrity and beauty of the truths of our and the transforming power of your grace. Nourish and strengthen us as people of faith, disciples of Jesus, committed to the mission of the church and eager to share the gospel without restraint. Let our hearts burn within us as we catch glimpses of your heart in Jesus, for through him, we know your loving plan for us. We ask this through Jesus the Christ who lives with you and the Holy Spirit in one loving Trinity. Amen

SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 11, 2015	
Regular Offertory	\$4,103.05
Miscellaneous	\$216.70
Total	\$4319.75
Thanksgiving Appeal	\$4,125.76



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