<u>THE HOLY BIBLE</u> - Sacred Scripture, often referred to as the Bible, is a wonderful gift given to us by God in order that we might know something of His heart. As Catholics we believe that though the books of Sacred Scripture have many human authors, God is ultimately the author of



Sacred Scripture. He "made full use of their human faculties and powers so that, though he acted in them and by them, it was as true authors that they consigned to writing whatever he wanted written, and no more (CCC 106).

REMEMBRANCE DAY (November 11) - On Remembrance Day, we acknowledge the courage and sacrifice of those who served their country and acknowledge our responsibility to work for the peace they fought hard to achieve. During times of war, individual acts of heroism occur frequently; only a few are ever recorded and receive official recognition. By remembering all who have served, we recognize their willingly-endured hardships and fears, taken upon themselves so that we could live in peace. The Canadians who went off to war in distant lands went in the belief that the values and beliefs enjoyed by Canadians were being threatened. They truly believed that "Without freedom there can be no enduring peace and without peace no enduring freedom."

<u>DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE</u> - Development and Peace :How can peasants and rural communities protect their rights when a powerful corporation shows up in their region, intent on extracting resources, and indifferent to polluting the environment? Together, let's call on Canada to adopt mandatory human rights and environmental due diligence legislation so that no Canadian company can trample on peasants' rights. Do your bit by signing the postcard or our campaign letter at devp.org/act! protect these rights. Leave the signed cards at the back of the church.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—Reminding SVDP members of the meeting on Tuesday, November 19th, in the rectory @ 1:00 PM.

ST MARY'S CWL

- 1. Thank you, parishioners, for your many donations on the first weekend of "Helping Others". It is so appreciated. Some other ideas: nail clippers, facial wipes, floss for teeth, baby sleepers, sleepers for toddlers, socks for all, earmuffs, vitamins for children & adults. "Helping Others" ends Nov.24/24.
- 2. The Grafton Christmas Market takes place on Nov. 30. The CWL will run the CWL Canteen at St. Mary School in the gym from 9:00 until 1:00. We will be serving our delicious "Cup of Homemade Chili". Mark the date on your calendar. See you there.
- 3. November is "Membership Month". Your membership renewal should be arriving via Canada Post at your home soon, if you have not already received it. New members there are Membership Envelopes for you in the foyer, in a tub below the bulletin board.

Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

103 Lyle Street South. P. O. Box 239, Grafton. Ontario KOK 2G0

Tel: 905-349-2504

Parish Email: bvm.grafton@bellnet.ca Parish Website: www.assumptiongrafton.ca Diocesan Website: www.peterboroughdiocese.org

Bookkeeper - Gabrielito Garcia Fr. Martin Dalida - Parish Priest

32nd SUNDAYORDINARY TIME

Nov 9-10, 2024



ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH

"THIS WIDOW OUT OF HER POVERTY HAS PUT IN EVERYTHING SHE HAD"



Parish Committees & Organisations

Parish Pastoral Council, Michael Mullin
(Chairperson)- 416 300 8680

Finance, Alfons Casteels - 905 269 2352
Lectors, Joanna Mecozzi - 905 375 9502

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion,
Judith Goulin-905 372 7684

Catholic Women's League, Pat Murphy
(President)-905 349 2847

Bingo Volunteers, Jackie Innis-905 349 2880

St Vincent de Paul, Wes Krentz-905 377 3263

Cemetery Board, Francis Calnan 905 269 0795

K of C and Ushers, Darrell Manley-905 744 0865

Counters, Wes Krentz-905 396 2578

Development and Peace/Library, Suzanne
Liptay-905 372 3031

St Mary's Choir, Alfons Casteels-905 269 2352

Altar Decorations, Cheryl Krentz-905 269 1950

Parish Handyman, Ed Nemec-905 349 2923

Religious Articles, Alta Vance-905 344 7443

St. Mary's Elementary School, Grafton, Angelo
Costa (Principal)-905 349 2061

St Mary's Secondary School, Cobourg, Jason
Roberts (Principal)-Tel. 905 372 4339

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Baptisms, Marriages, & Anointing of the Sick may be arranged by calling the Office.

Confessions: Saturday at 8:30 am & 3:30 pm, or anytime on request.

First Friday of the month - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 9am

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Nov 11, Mon 9am (Remembrance Day Mass) + Souls in Purgatory by Ian Manley

Nov 12, Tues (NO MASS)

Nov 13, Wed 9am- + Souls in purgatory by Ian Manley

Nov 14, Thurs 9am- +

Nov 15, Fri 9am - +All Souls

Nov 16, Sat 9am + Souls in Purgatory by Ian Manley

Nov 16, Sat 4pm (33rd week) - For the people of the parish

Nov 17, Sun 10am (33rd week) - +Dennis Simon by Mitch & Maria Marszal

NOVEMBER 16 & 17 WEEKEND MASSES

4 pm

10 am

LECTORS

Michael Mullin

Michael Stephenson

EMHC

Paula Blick

Bernadette Murray

USHERS

Nick & Darrell Manley

Ian Manley & Ed Nemec



LAST WEEKEND (Nov 2-3, 2024)

Sunday Offertory - \$2, 455

Building maintenance - \$ 450

All Souls Day Offerings - \$800



PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Clare Chapin, Eailen Fitzgerald, Dalton McDonald & Jeanie Grol

<u>E-TRANSFERS</u> - The Parish is able to accept e-transfers. If you forget your envelope or you are visiting and want to make a one time donation, you can log onto your mobile banking after Mass and send your donation to office@assumptiongrafton.ca. Make sure to put your envelope # or name and address in the message section of the transfer. The transfers are auto deposit so no need to set up a password.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER- (For Those Who Have Lost A Child) "Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation. " PAR-ISH CHRISTMAS POTLUCK - Join us on Sunday, December 1st, as we come together to share a meal and celebrate the start of the Christmas season! The school doors will open at 4:00 pm, and dinner will begin at 4:30 pm. Please feel free to bring a main dish, salad, or dessert to share and drop off your items at the school between 4:00 and 4:30 pm. We enter a season of anticipation and joy as we gather for this potluck. Advent reminds us of the beauty of hope, community, and the shared journey toward the light of Christmas. Let us cherish this time of fellowship and the opportunity to grow as a parish family. We look forward to seeing you there! ST. JOHN LATERAN BASILICA (Feast, Nov 9)- "Basilica of St. John Lateran, the dedication of which is remembered every November 8, is the oldest public church and the highest-ranking among the great papal basilicas in Rome, having been consecrated in 324 by Pope Sylvester I. Though the pope now lives next to Saint Peter's Basilica, Saint John Lateran is the official cathedral of Rome. As such it is not only the mother church of the Archdiocese of Rome but also the mother church of the entire world. As we honor the mother church of the whole world, we ponder the importance of a church building. A church is sacred because it is exclusively dedicated to the worship of God. Saint John Lateran is an exclusive-purpose church. It is the pope's cathedral from which the entire Church is governed and the central place of worship for the world. On this day we pray for the pope in a particular way, that Saint John Lateran will always be a place where he, and every pope after him, will encounter God in a profound way." SACRED HEART - In his 4th encyclical, Dilexit Nos (He Loves Us), Pope Francis strongly encourages the traditional Catholic devotion to the Sacred Heart. "In the end, that Sacred Heart is the unifying principle of all reality, since 'Christ is the heart of the world, and the paschal mystery of his death and resurrection is the center of history, which, because of Him, is a history of salvation. The Sacred Heart devotion is a necessary antidote to the attitude of a world that has lost its own heart. His open heart has gone before us and waits for us, unconditionally, asking only to offer us His love and friendship. The symbol of the heart has often been used to express the love of Jesus Christ. Some have guestioned whether this symbol is still meaningful today. Yet living as we do in an age of superficiality, rushing frenetically from one thing to another without really knowing why, and ending up as insatiable consumers and slaves to the mechanisms of a market unconcerned about the deeper meaning of our lives, all of us need to rediscover the importance of the heart", the pope writes.