



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

386 Rogers Street, Peterborough, ON K9H 1W7

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32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR NOVEMBER 9TH – NOVEMBER 14TH

Tuesday, November 9 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Private Intention
Wednesday, November 10 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Barbara Coughlin, requested by the Estate
Thursday, November 11 th	8:30 a.m.	+ Fred Garvey, Sr., requested by Jim Nolan
Friday, November 12 th	8:30 a.m.	– Janice Kelly, requested by Jim Nolan
Saturday, November 13 th	4:30 p.m.	+ Alfred & Adeline DeNoble, requested by Elizabeth
Sunday, November 14 th	9:30 a.m.	+ Veronica Dwyer, requested by her family
	11:30 a.m.	– <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception Parish</i>

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Aleesha, Neave Alderson, Audrey, Tim Ayotte, Fr. Bart Burke, Gwendolyn Craigen, Joan Cross, Donna Ellis, Teresa Garvey, Sawyer Growden, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Bill Heasely, Janice Kelly, Bradley L., Cathy Lochner, Marian, Keith Mathieson, Peter McCarthy, Erin Sullivan, Linda VanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sally Weglarz and those who have no one to pray for them. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.**

CHANGE TO PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will now close at 3:00 p.m. instead of 4:00 p.m.

WELCOME, WELCOME: Congratulations to **Hunter Cole Howland**, who was welcomed into the people of God this past weekend through **baptism**.

CONGRATULATIONS! To all our couples celebrating Wedding Anniversaries this month, especially **Bob & Elaine Pakenham** celebrating 35 years on November 1st. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU WITH HIS LOVE AND YOUR HAPPINESS!**

PRIEST BENEFIT FUND: Next weekend, **November 13/14**, there will be a Special Collection for the Priest's Benefit Fund. The purpose of the Priest Benefit Fund is to ensure that the retired and sick priests of the diocese receive financial benefits each month to supplement the federal pension and to provide a basic health insurance plan. The Diocese supports priests in retirement or those on sick leave every month through your generosity. Additionally, as they age, some priests experience illness which prevents full active ministry. Therefore, the stewardship of this fund is essential and must be a priority for the Diocese and its faithful in supporting our priests. Bishop Miehm interviews [Fr. Peter Seabrooke on his retirement in this video](#) (2020).



CATHOLIC REGISTER ARTICLE: The **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church In Campbellford** had some nice coverage recently in [The Catholic Register](#). The article focuses on recent parish efforts to pay down the debt incurred in the major restoration of the church exterior. These efforts, like the opening of a Thrift store and the "parish potato patch," are also benefitting the wider community, especially in serving the poor. As you might expect, there are a few good quotes from the pastor, Father Bill Moloney, who says, "*The Holy Spirit is alive and active at St. Mary's in Campbellford, despite COVID-19.*" We couldn't agree more!

OFFERTORY COMPARISON

Thank you for your ongoing generosity, especially during these trying times!

	2021	2020	2019
October	\$ 12,335.64 (5 Sundays)	\$ 10,767.40 (4 Sundays)	11,873.40 (4 Sundays)
Year-To-Date	\$92,893.94	\$102,591.41	\$116,057.54



SENIORS CENTRE WITHOUT WALLS: Are you or a loved-one feeling a bit isolated and looking for more social connection? Join other older adults for 30-minute multi-person phone calls ranging from chair yoga to book chats through Seniors Centre Without Walls (SCWW). **Participate from the comfort of your own home!** SCWW's current activities include health and wellness activities, educational workshops, brain-stimulating activities, book discussions and general conversation. This telephone-based seniors centre is a joint partnership of Age-Friendly Peterborough (AFP), Activity Haven and the Peterborough Public Library. For more information on the Seniors Centre Without Walls and a calendar of telephone-based activities, please contact [Activity Haven](#) or call **705-876-1670** to register for upcoming events (membership not required).

WORKSHOPS MOUNT CARMEL SPIRITUAL CENTRE: Two workshops in November: *Surviving Separation and Divorce* on November 20th and *Understanding Grief* on November 27th. [More details here.](#)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPECIAL BROADCAST: A special broadcast through the Knights of Columbus website of St. Joseph, will be streamed on Friday, **December 10th** as the year of St. Joseph comes to a close. [More info and video here.](#)

Development & Peace - Letter from the Bishop

Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Diocese of Peterborough:

Most of the world's mining companies (75%) are headquartered here in Canada. While mining is an important part of our world's economy, mining practices in the Global South often lead to environmental destruction and violence against local communities and Indigenous peoples. Pope Francis drew attention to these harmful practices and impacts in his encyclical letter *Laudato Si*. For many years, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has called on our government to address these abuses committed by Canadian companies in other parts of the world.



In 2020, the Canadian bishops, together with many of our brother bishops around the world, signed a letter calling on the European Union to pass legislation that would *"introduce mandatory environmental and human rights due diligence, that is, to identify, assess, stop, prevent and mitigate the risks and violations to the environment and all human rights throughout the supply chains of businesses and to substantially improve the possibilities of affected people to claim for compensation in national civil courts."*

In 2021, *Development and Peace—Caritas Canada (DPCC)* is **collecting petition signatures** to urge Canadian politicians to adopt such legislation here in Canada. The petition is an action tied to DPCC's fall campaign, *People and Planet First*, which emphasizes that even as we talk about climate change, we must not forget the poor. With so many of the world's extractive industries headquartered in Canada, we are in a privileged position to influence these companies as we listen to what Pope Francis refers to as *"the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor."* I support this campaign by *Development and Peace—Caritas Canada* and its call for due diligence legislation. You can learn more about the *People and Planet First* campaign at www.devp.org. **[And sign their Petition.]**

If you have further questions, please contact your local DPCC parish representative, or Donna Modeste at peterboroughdp@gmail.com.

Yours in Christ,

†Most Reverend Daniel J. Mieh
Bishop of Peterborough

"We are fragile beings, but we know how to pray: this is our greatest dignity, and it is also our strength." — Pope Francis