

# *St. Mary of the Assumption / Parish News Letter*

*Week of February 15th—21st*

## *Creativity Is Good For The Mind and The Soul*

What I would like to ask of you, the parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Kateri's, is to share your creativity with the rest of our parish. I know we have a plethora of creative minds in this parish, and that you have explored the various forms of artistic expression not merely over the past number of months, but for years.

Would you consider, submitting an original piece of art, music, literature, reflections, whatever you want. What I hope to help us remember is that our creativity, a great gift from God, is not merely something we share with others, to express who we are, but what it is equally important, is that the time and effort we put into creating something that no one else has seen or done, is truly good for our minds and for our souls.

If you choose to do so, I ask that you submit it in the form of a PDF file, so that I can place it either in the bulletin, or on our website, so that many more people can enjoy your creativity. It will certainly raise our spirits. Please send to [Frpaulhogan@peterboroughdiocese.org](mailto:Frpaulhogan@peterboroughdiocese.org)

### *St. Vincent de Paul News:*

We are in desperate need of **Plastic Grocery Bags** for the Food Bank. You can drop them off at the Parish Office, during office hours, or this coming **Tuesday February 16th, from 9:30AM - 12Noon at the Parish Garage**, as we will have our monthly food drive.

We have seen since the beginning of this year, an increased demand for our services. More and more people are coming to us, and now we find our pantry shelves to be pretty bare. We are in most need of: **Mayo, Cookies, Salmon, Pasta Sauce, Granola Bars, Fruit and Pudding Cups, Jam, and Juice Boxes.**

What you are able to give will be greatly appreciated, whether this be food, or monetary donations. **Thank you!**

## *PROVINCIAL LOCK DOWN / February 2021*

Last week, I had said we would be opening the weekend of February 20th/21st, but it will now be **Tuesday February 16th**. If this date holds, we will be able to have our regularly scheduled **masses beginning February 16th, then Ash Wednesday, February 17th**, and our regular schedule, including the weekend.

We will be looking at 30% capacity, and all protocols will be again in effect. You are also asked to attend the masses that you had signed up for and had been attending. If there is a change, please let us know.

But again, let us wait and see. Stay Tuned! Thank you.

### *Streaming of Masses*

#### *St. Peter-in-Chains / Diocese of Peterborough*

The link can be found on our website: [maryassumptionparish.com](http://maryassumptionparish.com) for the Diocesan Mass <https://youtu.be/sl4NrUP5rz8>

### *Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation and the Eucharist*

It is our hope to offer a summer camp the week of **July 19th - 24th**, celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation during the week, and on **Saturday, July 26th**, celebrating the children's First Communion.



Much depends on how we may gather, due to COVID-19. We will keep you informed and plan to have information to the schools by mid February. Thank you.

### *Ash Wednesday Masses:*

**Wednesday February 17th, will be**

**9:00AM , 12Noon (no exposition prior) and 7:00PM**

*(no pre-registration necessary, but will have to sign in)*

### **Charitable Tax Receipts**

If you contributed this past year to our parish in the form of donations, either through envelopes or Pre-Authorized Giving, your Charitable Tax Receipt is now available for pick up at the office, Tuesday to Thursday 9:30AM to 2:30PM. Thank you