St. Mary of the Assumption / Parish News Letter Week of February 8th - 14th

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**

St. Vincent de Paul News:

We are in need of *Plastic Grocery Bags* for the Food Bank. You can drop them off at the Parish Office.

<u>ALSO</u>

the Monthly Food Drive will be Tuesday February 16th, 9:30AM - 12Noon at the Parish Garage.

If you are able, they will also accept your financial donations. *Thank you!*

"Despite everything, life is full of beauty and meaning."

Etty Hellisum

PROVINCIAL LOCK DOWN / February 2021

The anticipated end to the lock down continues to change, which has its own challenges. To date, it is now, **Thursday February 11, 2021**. If this date holds, we will be able to have our regularly scheduled masses beginning February 13th/14tth, including Ash Wednesday. But again, let us wait and see. Stay Tuned!

Streaming of Masses

St. Peter-in-Chains / Diocese of Peterborough

The link can be found on our website: maryassumptionparish.com for the Diocesan Mass - <u>https://youtu.be/eWxH_dVcSC8</u>

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish / Huntsville, ON

It is my intention to begin streaming the mass celebrated here at St. Mary's as a YouTube video, beginning in the near future. Simply waiting on the delivery of the camera ... so, when everything is in place, I will provide the link via our website. Thank you for your patience.

Bulletins and Podcasts are also available on our website. Any suggestions for how to further improve our site, please let me know.

Fr. Paul

Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation and the Eucharist

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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, 12Noon (no exposition prior) and 7PM

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