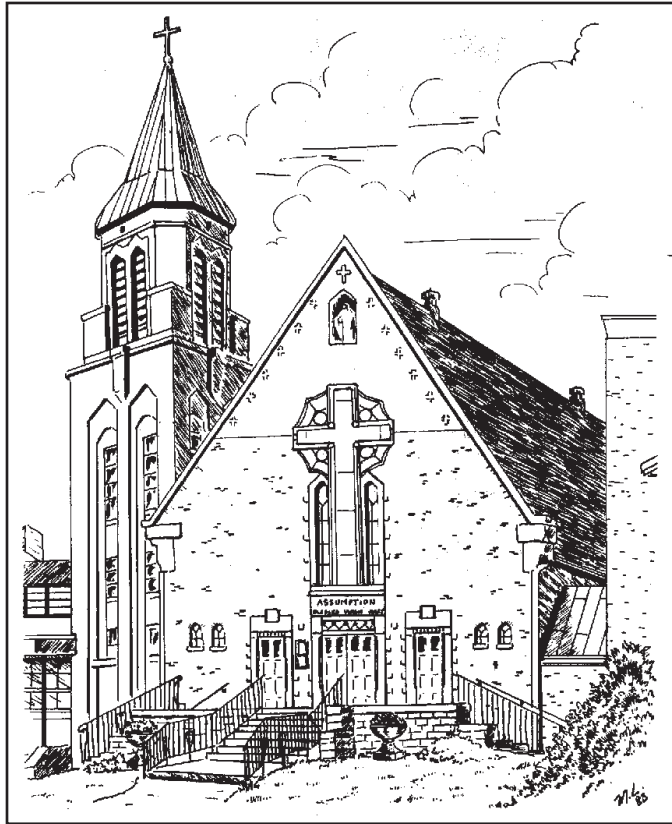




Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT (March 10, 1994)

"We endeavour to build for this community a viable Christian Family that all will consider home."

MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekends - Saturday 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
(anticipated Mass)
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
12:00 p.m. (Filipino Mass)
7:00 p.m. (also available on-line)*
Weekdays - Monday to Friday: 7:00 P.M.
(also available on-line)*

*Accessible through Facebook under "Assumption Church"

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - 20 minutes before weekday Masses.

Community Public Rosary - Every First Saturday of the month, after the 9:00 am Mass

First Friday - Exposition and benediction 3:00 PM (1 hour)

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Dominic Lim, OFM Conv
Deacons: Rev. Paul Beaudoin
Rev. Ricardo Santiago
Pastoral Council Chair: Dr. Alfredo Formoso
Temporal Council Chair: Art Guillermo
Secretary: Nora Arriola
Resident Friars: Rev. Fr. Jobe Abbass, OFM Conv
Rev. Fr. Maurice Richard, OFM Conv

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

PASTORAL CARE

BAPTISMS - If you are a registered parishioner of Assumption Parish (or another parish) and attend Mass regularly, there is no waiting period. You may call the Parish Office to schedule a date and must attend a baptism preparation session prior to the baptism. If you belong to another parish, a letter of permission from your Pastor is required. If you are not a parishioner of any parish, you must register, attend Mass regularly, and there is a three-month waiting period before your child can be baptized.

CONFESSIONS - By appointment only.

MARRIAGES - One of the couple must be a registered member of the parish for at least 6 months and attend Mass here regularly. Please make arrangements at least six months before the wedding date. Marriage Preparation Course required.

SPIRITUAL COUNSELING - By appointment.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & COMMUNION FOR SHUT-INS -

Anyone who wishes to receive Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion please call the office to have your name put on the list.

FUNERALS - Arrangements should be made firstly with the church, and then with the funeral director to insure proper Christian burial.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 11, 2021

9:00am Claudio Bertolini (for our Lady's blessings)
Debbie Romain & Family by Mary Stanton
4:00pm For the intentions of our Parishioners

Sunday, December 12, 2021

9:30am †Caterina Bocin
†Holy Souls in Purgatory by Nena Coronel
12:00pm Alecka Leigh Victoria (18th bday) by Joyce Victoria
7:00pm Brenda Hug & Family by Mary Stanton

Monday to Friday, Dec. 13 to Dec. 17, 2021

Mon 7:00pm Thanksgiving by Danny, Nora Arriola & Family
Lucy Valentino (bday) by Nena Coronel
Tue 7:00pm Emma Rose Bocboc (bday) by Nena Coronel
Judy & Brian Linseman by Mary Stanton
Wed 7:00pm Jovy Sales (bday) by Nena Coronel
†Jennifer Gunton by OECTA
Thu 7:00pm Fr. Dominic Lim (bday) by Nena Coronel
Serge & Christianne Grenier & Family (healing) by Lori Scott
Adelaida Mercado (bday) by Nena Coronel
Fri 7:00pm †John Eisl by Colette Eisl
Precy Dinglas (bday) by Nena Coronel
Cecilia Buchanan by Mary Stanton



Spiritual Communion with Mary

O Immaculate Queen of Heaven and Earth, Mother of God and Mediatrix of every grace, I believe that thy dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ is truly, really and substantially contained in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love Him above all things and I long to receive Him into my heart. Since I cannot now receive Him sacramentally, be so good as to place Him spiritually in my soul.

O my Jesus, I embrace Thee as One who has already come, and I unite myself entirely to Thee. Never permit me to be separated from Thee.

Amen

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

Intention for Evangelization – Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses; with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

We welcome new members and visitors to our parish. Thank you for praying with us and for helping build a Christian community.



WE PRAY FOR THE GIFT OF HEALING of the mind, body and spirit of **Paul Beaudoin, Lucienne Sabourin, Marie- Pauline Desjardins, Claude Cloutier, Colette Eisl, Diane Dunn, Eileen Latour, Linda Beaudoin, Ryan Kane, Madeleine Samson and Annette Liberty.**
May we be able to reach out to them in compassion.



ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Dec. 8 (1900:) - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Dec. 15 to 23 (19:00) – “Simbang Gabi”, 9 day Novena Masses

Dec. 13 to 15 (13:00 to 16:00) - Confession

Dec. 24 (19:00 – English; 21:00 Filipino) – Vigil Mass

Dec. 25 (10:30) – Christmas Day Mass

January 1 (09:30; 12:00; 19:00) – Solemnity of Mary



PLEASE NOTE THAT NO REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED ON ALL MASSES, ONLY FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.

ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE

DEC. 13, 14 and 15, 2021

Time: 13:00 TO 16:00

Place: in Church

(Please enter through the Rectory)

God of healing and mercy, lift us from everything that keeps us from living and sharing your abundant life. Help us see our selfishness, fear, anxiety, and justification so that we might cast ourselves into your saving arms and be a part of your light for the world. Amen



CINEMA FORUM NIGHT: The next one will be on January 8th and every 2nd Saturday of the month thereafter. It will be held in the Carlo Acutis Hall after the 4:00pm Mass. Seating is limited to 25 people. **FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS ONLY.**

ENVELOPES FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS WITH PRAYER OFFERINGS: to defray the cost of flowers for Christmas, are now available at the main entrance of the church. For those interested, kindly write down your intentions on the envelopes and drop them in the collection box with your donation. The prayers will be offered from Vigil Mass, Dec. 24th to Jan. 9th, 2022. Thank you for your generosity.

COLLECTION ENVELOPES FOR 2022; ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH (on the left side when you enter the church). Please pick-up your box as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

REMINDER: NO PARKING ON THE CHURCH SIDE OF OLMSTEAD ST. FROM DEC. 1 TO MAR. 30. PLEASE PARK IN OUR PARKING LOT ON CODY ST. OR ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF OLMSTEAD ST.

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT: We encourage our parishioners and donors to contribute directly from their bank account to the parish bank account with regularity and complete security. All you need to do is fill up a form and provide a copy of a cancelled cheque. Those interested, please email us at assumptionparishchurch@outlook.com.

We hope that you will adopt this system which will make Assumption Church more viable and strong into the future.

Featured Saint of the Week

Blessed Mary Frances Schervier

Born into a distinguished family in Aachen—Frances ran the household after her mother's death, and established a reputation for generosity to the poor. In 1844, she became a Secular Franciscan. The next year she and four companions established a religious community devoted to caring for the poor. In 1851, the Sisters of the Poor of St. Francis were approved by the local bishop; the community soon spread.

When Mother Frances died, there were 2,500 members of her community worldwide. They are still engaged in operating hospitals and homes for the aged. Mother Mary Frances was beatified in 1974.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Rejoice for the Lord's coming is near!

As we join the Church in rejoicing as the Lord's coming is near, the Gospel brings us to a point where we are asked to choose to repent and not to repent. John's voice that cries out in the wilderness echoes into our hearts and ask us to make a radical choice: to turn away from sin and return to God or to remain in our enslavement to sin.

The Solemnity of Mary's Immaculate Conception shines as the victory of God's love. Mary was preserved from the stain of sin in view of the Lord's coming through her and also in view of our coming back to God. She is the mother of Jesus and the mother of the Church, the mystical body of Christ. The marriage between the God to His people is sealed by the Incarnation of Christ. His Divine nature cannot be anymore separated from His Human nature.

Mary already gave her "fiat" to God: "Be it done to me according to your word". We are now asked to say our "fiat" to God. To seal God's covenant in us and to make us part of the Church, the Bride of Christ.

And as people betrothed to God, we are like the virgins in the Gospel, waiting for the coming of the Bridegroom, who is Christ. Vigilant and with our lamps lit, we await the coming of the Lord.

We cry out as we wait: Maranatha, Lord Jesus come. Hasten your coming.

Ave Maria!

*Rev. Fr. Dominic Lim, OFM Conv.
Pastor*



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