

*Assumption of  
the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish*

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**PASTORAL TEAM**

Pastor: Rev. Pedro Arana

Weekend Assistant: Rev. Thomas Mooren, Ofm Cap

Deacons: Rev. Rudy De Castro, Rev. Paul Beaudoin

Secretary: Irene Kibel



*May the Blessings of this  
Holy Season be with you Always.*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013**

4:00 pm †Joan Harris by Kerry and Susan Killeen

**Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 – Fourth Sunday of Advent**

9:00 am †Donald Daggett by Noreen Roney  
†Connie Sanusi by Janine, Thelma and Gary

10:30 am Intentions of Assumption Church Parishioners

12:00 pm

**Weekday Masses: December 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

8:00 am Mon. †For a parishioner's deceased family members and friends

8:00 am Tues.

7:00 pm Tues. Christmas Eve – Children's Mass

9:00 pm Tues. Christmas Eve – Filipino Mass

11:30 pm Tues. Christmas Eve – Midnight Mass

10:30 am Wed. Christmas Day

8:00 am Thurs. †Frank Lindsay and Sandra Lindsay Blais by Leslie Blais

8:00 am Fri.

**Saturday, December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

4:00 pm †Joan Harris by Debbie Harris  
†Gonzalo Deras Diaz by Alba de Deras

**Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013 – Holy Family**

9:00 am In thanksgiving for Frank Barrett's 85<sup>th</sup> birthday by Betty Barrett  
†Dwight Corbett by Noreen Roney

10:30 am Intentions of Assumption Church Parishioners

12:00 pm

**ASSUMPTION HOLY HOUR EVERY FRIDAY:**

Friday evenings a Holy Hour of Adoration is held from 7pm. to 8pm. everyone is welcome.

**TYPHOON RELIEF:** due to the generosity of so many people, we have received an overflow of clothing. We are **no longer accepting** items of clothing, but are still very much in need of cash donations as well as non-perishable food items.

**NEW YEAR'S PARTY:** The Knights of Columbus San Lorenzo Ruiz Council 14337 will be holding a New Year's Party on **Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>**, from **8:00 pm to Midnight** in the parish hall. Music by D,J. Nebo Sevilliano. Door prizes and 50-50 draw. Tickets are \$10 each. Contact Charles Hebert at: 613-745-6941 or Gilles Ladouceur at :613-608-5611

**OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2014:** Please pick up your box of 2014 Sunday Offering envelopes on the table at the back of the church if you are a registered parishioner. If you did not have a box of envelopes last year and would like to use envelopes in 2014, please fill out the information sheet at the back of the church.

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S:**

**CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES:**

Children's Mass: 7:00 pm  
Filipino Mass: 9:00 pm  
Midnight Mass: 11:30 pm

**CHRISTMAS DAY:** 10:30 am

**NEW YEAR'S EVE:** 4:00 pm

**NEW YEAR'S DAY:** 9:00 am  
10:30 am  
12:00 pm

**Weekly Financial Report 2013**

**Needed to Run the Parish (est.)** ----- \$3,895.00

Collection: December 15, 2013 -- -- -- \$2,500.00

Pre-authorized Debit ----- -- -- -\$ 600.00

**Please volunteer to reduce expenses**

A copy of the Treasurer's Monthly Financial Report is available from the Parish Office. If interested, please contact the secretary, Irene Kibel: 613-746-8503.

**TO ALL PARISHIONERS:** May the peace and joy, that the Savior brings, fill your hearts with the reality of the greatness of God's love and make you bearers of the Good News to everyone you meet in the journey of life! .....**Fr. Pedro**

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS:** Please note that the parish office will be closed on Christmas Day, as well as December 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. The office will reopen on Monday, December 30<sup>th</sup>.

**CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2013:** Dear brothers and sisters in Christ: The winter solstice marks the shortest day of the year and the longest night. In such a cold and dark setting, we naturally seek out fire and warmth, light and company. A few days after the solstice—on December 25th—the daylight period begins to lengthen. People look forward to spring. And we Christians look forward to the rebirth found in the Paschal Mystery celebrated at Easter! This era is also a time of transition. The election of Pope Francis is a ray of light. He embodies the new evangelization with his concern for the poor and needy. The civil war in Syria, the devastation in the Philippines from Typhoon Haiyan, and the poor in our midst remind us that the call on our hearts to a generous response is constant. There is a profound message in the Church's decision to celebrate the birth of Our Saviour Jesus Christ in the lengthening days of late December. God's Eternal Word, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, determined to enter into our world when all was dark and without hope. Jesus Christ determined to share our human condition to the full and become "incarnate," taking on human flesh in the womb of the Virgin Mary. He even experienced death out of love for each of us. He redeemed us from the darkness of slavery and sin. He brought us into the light of God's Kingdom. Living in the Holy Family with Mary and Joseph, Jesus' vocation was nourished by the loving attention of his earthly parents. The Church has always sought to encourage and protect the family. Indeed, your family was your first experience of Church, where you learned the love of Jesus, your image of the Trinity, and a life of charity. The family now faces unparalleled strains as marriages are torn apart and children have less contact with their parents for financial and social reasons. Pope Francis has called for an Extraordinary Synod in Rome next October to discern the Church's pastoral response to families in crisis. The eighth World Meeting of Families will take place in Philadelphia in 2015 to seek to strengthen the sacred bonds of family in the face of today's challenges. Those sacred bonds start with your family, the Church in your home. Today, our world—with all its complexities—still needs the Good News that God became one of us to show us how to live. During this holy season of Christmas, take to heart Our Lord's message of hope to overcome the darkness. Let us turn from darkness to the light of Christ and reflect His light to all around us! Merry Christmas! God bless you all!

**Terrence Prendergast, S.J. Archbishop of Ottawa**

**SCHEDULED PARISH MEETINGS**

Legion of Mary	every Sunday	10:30 am
Parish Holy Hour	every Monday	8:30 am
Temporal Council	2nd Tuesday	1:00 pm
Pastoral Council	third Thursday	7:00 pm
Liturgy Committee	2nd Wednesday	7:00 pm
Choir	every Tuesday	7:00 pm
C. W. L.	third Tuesday	7:00 pm
Altar Guild	third Wednesday	7:00 pm
Knights of Columbus	4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	7:00 pm

**PARISH TEMPORAL COUNCIL**

Chair	Mel Tabalba	262-4335
Treasurer	Nora Arriola	745-3433
Member	Gloria Piol	731-4700
Member	Deacon Phil Gosselin	837-9347
Member	Stephen McElroy	746-3022

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Interim-Chair	TBA	
Vice Chair	Wayne Chernow	748-6064
Secretary	Noreen Plant	612-4014

**LITURGY COMMITTEE**

Coordinator	Deacon Paul Beaudoin	746-8503
Asst. Coord.	Manny Beloy	421-3454
Lectors & EM	Lori Scott	749-8455
Altar Guild	Lori Scott	749-8455
Altar Servers	Melchor Tejero	421-5110
Hospitality	Thelma Harrigan Rock	260-5127
Ushers	Manny Beloy	421-3454
Child. Liturgy	Sherry Simpson	421-3635
Music Ministry	Joan Lepage	745-7935
Sacristan	Yola Beloy	421-3454

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

Coordinator	Sherry Simpson	421-3635
Baptism Preparation	Rev Pedro Arana	746-8503
Sacramental Prep	Sherry Simpson	421-3635
RCIA	Emie Fairweather	(819)-643-1555
Bible Study	Gerry Panes	834-1221

**PARISH AND COMMUNITY LIFE COMMITTEE**

CWL President	Tina Kuchciak	731-8687
Knights of Columbus	Wayne Chernow	748-6064
Pastoral Home Visits	Dianne Burns	749-7702
Legion of Mary	Emilyn Suficiencia	851-8751
Youth	Melchor Tejero	421-5110
ELIM	Licy Panes	261-0056
Outreach	Emie Fairweather	(819)-643-1555
All Hall Rentals	Gloria Piol	731-4700

**SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE**

St Vincent de Paul	Deacon Paul Beaudoin	746-8503
Pro-Life Rep	Joan Lepage	745-7935
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