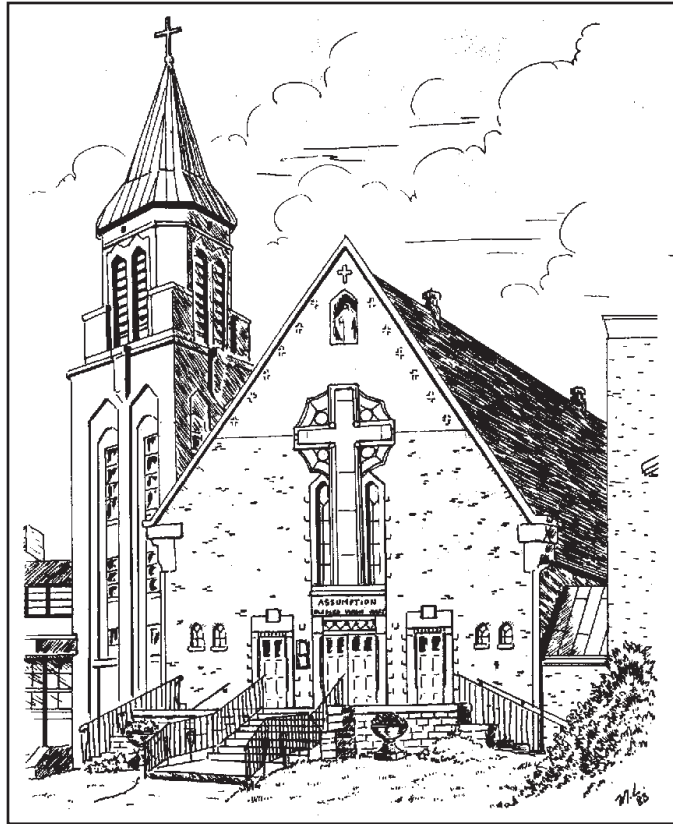




# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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.

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

**Saturday, December 4, 2021**

**9:00am** In Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

**4:00pm** For the intentions of our Parishioners

**Sunday, December 5, 2021**

**9:30am** Aimee Rose Forro (bday) by Nena Coronel

**7:00pm** †Louise Nicholl by Jeannette & Patrick Duggan

**Monday to Friday, Dec. 6 to Dec. 10, 2021**

**Mon 7:00pm** Manuela Dormitoryo (bday) by Nena Coronel

†Irene Clark by Danny & Nora Arriola

**Tue 7:00pm** Norma Bautista (bday) by Virgie Bautista

**Wed 7:00pm** Ledelia Vistavilla (bday) by Nena Coronel

†Frank Marques by Aurora Paner

**Thu 7:00pm** †Sr. Mary Bernard Escucha by Nena Coronel

† Gary McHale by Frank & Betty Barrett

**Fri 7:00pm** †Amelia Gomez (in loving memory) by Olivia Gomez



*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**

*Inntention 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*



**ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE**  
**DEC. 13, 14 and 15, 2021**

*Time: 13:00 TO 16:00*

*Place: in Church*

*(Please enter through the Rectory)*

**CCO MASS EVERY WEDNESDAY:** here in the Parish for the staff of Catholic Christian Outreach at 8:30am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**CINEMA FORUM NIGHT:** The next one will be on January 8<sup>th</sup> and every 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.**

**MASS CELEBRATING THE 500<sup>TH</sup> YEAR OF CHRISTIANITY IN THE PHILIPPINES:** on Sunday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, will be presided by Archbishop Marcel Damphousse. Followed by dinner of Baby Back Ribs and Jumbo Shrimps (limited seating), cost is \$50.00/pp. For tickets, please contact Maura David at 613-727-0116 or the office at 613-746-8503.

**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. 24<sup>th</sup> to Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, 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.

THANK YOU: TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS FOR THEIR GENEROSITY AND CONTINUED SUPPORT TO OUR PARISH ESPECIALLY DURING THIS TIME OF THE PANDEMIC. MAY GOD REWARD YOUR GENEROSITY.

### **Featured Saint of the Week**

*St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (December 7)*  
*While St. Ambrose (340-397) was serving the imperial government and yet a catechumen, he was elected Bishop of Milan. He distinguished himself through apostolic zeal, service to the poor, and effective care of the faithful. An articulate opponent of Arianism in the West, he converted and baptized St. Augustine.*

### **A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR**

*O come Divine Messiah!*

*In the Gospel today, John invites us to prepare the coming of the Lord. He leads us in preparing by proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. The promised salvation is coming, and it is already here among us but we have to follow the invitation of John to repentance. It is a calling for a change of heart.*

*It is not by chance that we celebrate the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception during this season, for Mary's Immaculate Heart shines as an example of the real birthplace of God. St. Augustine reminds us that even before Jesus entered her womb at the Annunciation, Jesus was already in the heart of Mary. She kept her heart pure and sinless as she awaits the coming of the Messiah. These two great figures (St. John the Baptist and the Blessed Virgin Mary) are highlighted as guides and paths that lead to our perfect union with God.*

*God is faithful and true to His promise. God never abandons His people. He came at the fulness of time as a little child born in the manger at Bethlehem. He will be coming back as He promised to unite us to the Father. And in between these two comings, He is coming in the Eucharist to sustain us on our pilgrimage on this earth.*

*Let us be vigilant and prepare for His coming. Let us try our best to love God with all our heart and to love our neighbour as ourselves. And let us learn how to love from Jesus, our brother as we encounter Him in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.*

*Ave Maria!*

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



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