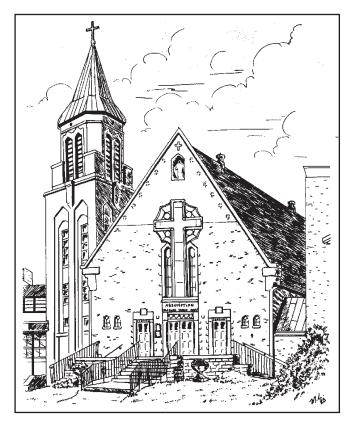
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish

Served by the Franciscan Friars Conventual

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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 am and 4:00 pm (anticipated Mass) 9:30 am, 12:00 pm (Filipino Mass), 7:00 pm Sundays:

WEEKDAYS

Monday to Friday: 8:00 am

DEVOTIONS

Rosary 30 minutes before weekday Masses

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

Eucharistic Adoration - Every Friday at 6:00 pm

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Every Wednesday after the 8:00 am Mass

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Deacons:

Finance Council Chair:

Rev. Fr. Francis Victor Mateo, OFM Conv. Rev. Paul Beaudoin Rev. Ricardo Santiago Pastoral Council Chair: Art Guillermo Mary Stanton Administrative Assistant: Nora Arriola

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 you 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 - First Friday-(during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament), 8:30 am to 9:00 am; First Saturday - 9:30 am to 10:00 am By appointment only; Sundays - 11:30 am to 12:00 Noon, 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.

WELCOME to the new MEMBERS and all VISITORS to our PARISH. Visit our website https://www.assumptionparishottawa.ca

PRAYER REQUESTS: Let us pray for good health and well-being of Charles Stanton, Cora Guillermo, Glenda Hadloc, Lucienne Sabourin, Ben Malicdem, Edelaine Piol, Deacon Paul Beaudoin, Charles Hebert, Claire Kiruhira, Theresa Akan, Maxima de Leon and Tamarah Kane

A Prayer for those who are ill

God our Father, we bring before you today those who suffer from illness or disability those whose lives are profoundly affected by their illness.

When they feel fragile and broken, remind them that you call them by name and hold them in the palm of your hand.

When they feel devalued, remind them that they are made in the image Jesus.

When they are reminded of different times in the past, lead them to grow in the faith that you love them today, as they are, in the reality of their lives this day.

When they feel uncertain and fearful about the future, lead them to that perfect love which casts out all fear.

When situations remind them not of what they can do, but of what they cannot do, remind them that love never fails.

May all of us, whatever our circumstances, never be so taken up with our own concerns that we do not see or respond to the needs of others, especially those who suffer in our midst. May we live with courage to respond to the challenges that each of us faces. **Amen.**



February 17 at <u>4:00PM</u> – **SUNDAY LITURGY** (purple) – **†**Edith Stanton *by Mary Stanton*

February 18 – 1st **SUNDAY OF LENT** (purple) <u>9:30AM</u> – † Betty Barrett *by Frank Barrett;* <u>12:00NN</u> – †Simeon Bernabe & all departed members of his family *by Jocelyn Bernabe;* † Corazon Ellema *by Lani & Nestor Agustin;* <u>7:00PM</u> – Pro Populo

February 19, **Monday** <u>8:00AM</u> – **FERIAL DAY** (purple) – **†**Leonardo del Pilar *by Nena Coronel*

February 20, **Tuesday** <u>8:00AM</u> – **FERIAL DAY** (purple) – **†**Geraldine Poirier *by Mary Stanton*

February 21, Wednesday <u>8:00AM</u> – FERIAL DAY (purple) *Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion by Deacon Paul Beaudoin*

February 22, Thursday <u>8:00AM</u> – **FERIAL DAY** (purple) – **†**Marguerite Catherine Backes & Alfred Backes

February 23, Friday <u>8:00AM</u> – **FERIAL DAY** (purple) – Felicitas Tan (birthday) *by Nena Coronel;* **†**Norah McArthur

MASS **INTENTIONS:** the In Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall only three (3) intentions at each Mass are allowed. So please contact the parish office to reserve your preferred dates (at least a week before). Requests will be handled on a "first come first served basis". Thank vou for vour understanding and cooperation

Please PICK-UP YOUR COLLECTION ENVELOPES placed near the Church main entrance door until Feb. 25. <u>After that day, from</u> the office -- Monday to Friday -- during office hours until the March 29. Unclaimed envelopes will be cancelled after the deadline.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

SATURDAY MORNING MASS Feb. 3 & Mar. 2 only

NO MORNING MASSES on February 10, 17, 24 and on March 9 and 16, 23 and 30.

February 22 - FEAST OF THE CHAIR of ST. PETER according to Pope Benedict XVI: "What was the 'Chair' of St Peter? Chosen by Christ as the 'rock' on which to build the Church, he began his ministry in Jerusalem... Then Peter went to Rome, the center of the Empire... So it is that the See of Rome, which had received the greatest of honors, also has the honor that Christ entrusted to Peter of being at the service of all the particular Churches for the edification and unity of the entire People of God... The See of Rome thus came to be recognized as the See of the Successor of Peter, and its Bishop's 'cathedra' represented the mission entrusted to him by Christ to tend his entire flock... Celebrating the 'Chair' of Peter, therefore, means attributing a strong spiritual significance to it and recognizing it as a privileged sign of the love of God, the eternal Good Shepherd, who wanted to gather his whole Church and lead her on the path of salvation."

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SCHEDULES of LECTORS and EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION

February 24 at 4PM – Richard Horrigan and Noly Formoso with Manny Beloy; **February 25 at 9:30AM** – Emilyn Suficiencia and Gina Distor with Nora Horrigan; **12:00 PM** – Elisa Pulmano and Helen Belda with Nieves Murillo; **7:00PM** – Edgar Piol and Elaine Aldeguer with Nora Cerda

Dur Ash Wednesday and the First Sunday of Lent

We begin this year's Lenten season with the LORD's invitation (JOEL 2:12-18): "<u>Return to me</u> with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; <u>rend your hearts</u> and not your clothing." **GOD calls everyone** ---- "assemble the aged; gather the children, even infants... the bridegroom and the bride."

The PROPHET JOEL reminds us to renew our faith, deepen our relationship with God, and continue to follow His teaching with all our hearts. JESUS reiterated this when he declared important the of most all the commandments: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' (MARK 12: 30). Our faith must be so that our hearts feel and our minds accent to because "we are ambassadors for of the Jesus our Messiah (2 CORINTHIANS 5:20).

As modern-day prophets, we bring the Lord's words (not our own) to the people. WHAT IS THIS MESSAGE? His gracious initiative is to reconcile us to Himself by revealing His will entirely through His Son. WHAT IS OUR FITTING RESPONSE? To be aware of His grace and accept it wholeheartedly.

We recall what God said to Noah: "*I am* establishing my covenant with you and your descendants, and with all living creature --- never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth" (GENESIS 9:8-15). This covenant again shows us the deep bond that our Creator has with us and all of creation.

Every season of Lent, we commemorate God's faithful love expressed in our Savior's passion and death on the Cross. "*Christ suffered for sins once and for all to bring us to God.* So great a love; there is much to learn and be grateful for. Let us pray that we may know God's plan for us, recognize the gift of different charisms within our parish community, and re-discover the richness of traditions and rituals of the Catholic Church.



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