



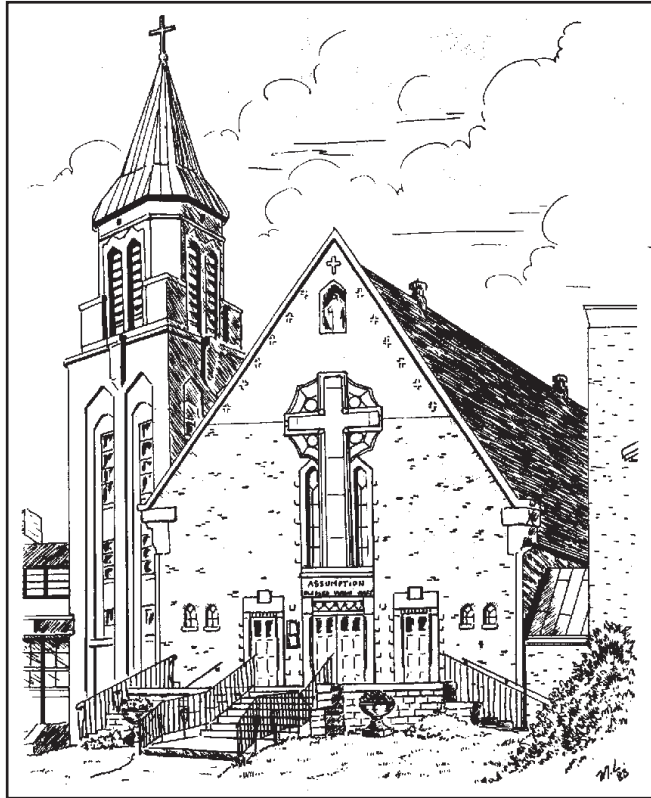
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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 am and 4:00 pm (anticipated Mass)

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

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

Youth Ministry – Every 1st Saturday of the month, 30 to 45 min. session, after the 4:00pm Mass

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor:	Rev. Fr. Francis Victor Mateo, OFM Conv.
Deacon:	†Rev. Paul Beaudoin (RIP)
Pastoral Council Chair:	Art Guillermo
Finance Council Chair:	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 - Weekdays, after the 8am Morning Mass (approach the priest)

First Fridays - 8:45am to 9:15am

First Saturdays - 9:30am to 10:00am, 3:30pm to 4:00pm (by appointment)

Every Sunday - 11:30am to 12:00Noon

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

Please contact the Parish Office

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

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to the new and current MEMBERS and all VISITORS to our PARISH. Kindly visit our website

<https://www.assumptionparishottawa.ca>

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION
 FEBRUARY, 2025**

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life: Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

TUESDAYS OF EACH WEEK

Let us pray for the healing of **Pope Francis**, *Lina*



Groulx, Glenda Hadloc, Charles Hebert, Ed & Diane Dunn, Generoso Jacinto, Claire Kiruhira, Michael & Arnita Sabong, Maxima de Leon, Charity Marohombsar, Feliza Daiz, Jack Beltran, Nelia Samonte, Rosie Nabong, Maximilia Arano, Kier Gabriel Villanueva, Marlyn Serrano, Magdalena, Samaniego, Frank Barrett, Theresa Akan and Chris Finnerty

SCHEDULES OF LITURGICAL MINISTERS:



March 1, 4PM – Clyshia Abulencia, Bea Miguel, Kato Ankunda with Lani Agustin; Mar. 2, 9:30AM – Susan Teodoro, Lynn Obero, Helen Belda with Manny Belay, Nora Horrigan; 12NooN – Nora Mercader, Nora Cerda, Novie Ramos with Christy Collado, Juanita Managuira; 7PM – Helen Belda, Mariz del Castillo, Don del Castillo with Andrew Samonte



Mass Intentions

February 22 – Saturday, 9:00 AM – FEAST, CHAIR OF ST. PETER, APOSTLE (white) – †Souls in Purgatory *by Mary Stanton*; 4:00PM – **SUNDAY LITURGY** (white) – †Charles Stanton *by Mary Stanton*.

February 23 – **7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** (green) 9:30AM – † Frances Roney by Noreen Roney; Rev. Paul Beaudoin *by Danny & Nora Arriola*; † Frank Hughes by the Beaudoin family; † The deceased members of the Tennant Family *by Albert and Beth Kruschenske*. 12noon – †Dionisio and Erlinda Galapate, † Mark Thomas John Burke by Rebecca Burke, †Marcos Nacisvalencia †Pedro Aleligay, 7:00PM – Pro Populo (including †Elvira delos Santos by the parish)

February 24, Monday, – FERIAAL DAY (green) 8:00AM – †Chit Tan *by Nena Coronel*.

February 25, Tuesday, VOTIVE MASS, ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (white) 8:00AM – Debbie Romain *by Mary Stanton*

February 26, Wednesday, VOTIVE MASS, OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP (white) 8:00 AM – Dianne Burns *by Mary Stanton*

February 27, Thursday, VOTIVE MASS FOR THE DEAD (white) 8:00AM – †Souls in Purgatory *by Mary Stanton*.

February 28, Friday, FERIAAL DAY (green) 8:00AM – Cecilia Buchanan (health) *by Mary Stanton*; † Pia Obero & Thanksgiving Intention *by Lyn Obero*.

WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT

February 15 & 16, 2025 - \$ 1,773

TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2024: are now available for pick-up together with the collection envelopes. Kindly pick up your receipts as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation.

PREPARATORY FORMATION CONFERENCE for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist is slated to be on February 22, 2025. It will begin with a Mass at 9 AM followed by a presentation by Fr. Victor Mateo, OFMConv at the Carlo Acutis Hall.



CONFIRMATION RETREAT 2025 organized by the Parish in collaboration with the COUPLES FOR CHRIST'S YOUTH COMMUNITY on **February 28** (Friday), **5:00PM to 8:30PM** and on **March 1** (Saturday) **9:00 AM to 6:00 PM** at the Immaculata Hall of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish.

The **PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY** meets every first Saturday monthly. This **March 1**, it would be with Fr. Lodewicus Barnard, SJ. We begin with Holy Mass at 4 PM, followed by a youth session lasting 45 to 60 minutes, during which refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome to join us, whether as a member or a volunteer. If you are interested in getting involved, please email the Parish Office at youthministryassumptionparish@gmail.com or assumptionparishchurch@outlook.com.

Everyone is invited to our Parish Morning Tea immediately after the 9:30 AM Mass on **March 2** at Immaculata Hall.

There will be coffee, tea, cookies, and fruit available. Anyone is welcome to bring a plate.

VOCATION MINISTRY.

Join parishioners EVERY WEDNESDAY after Mass for the Novena in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and prayers for vocations. Also, on EVERY FIRST FRIDAY (next on **March 7**) from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM, there will be ADORATION and EXPOSITION of the Blessed Sacrament, along with opportunities for CONFESSION.



7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

All of the Scriptures testify that God, our Father, abundantly showers us with compassion, pardon, and love in his providence and care. This overflowing abundance of mercy is a constant reassurance of his love for us. How, then, can we respond to God's mercy? By emulating the Divine Giver whose child we are.

In our GOSPEL this Sunday, Jesus spells out some ways: *Loving enemies, doing good to those who do hateful things, blessing those who speak abusively, and praying for such people.* Also, in the FIRST READING, we have an example of how not to return evil for evil. *David chooses not to harm Saul, even though the king has made it difficult for him and has been trying to take his life away.* **"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."** (Luke 6:26)

Jesus invites all those who follow Him to a fundamental stance in life that must be chosen so that we reflect the image of GOD, our Creator. It is possible only when we continually open ourselves to the Father's immeasurable goodness, compassion, and love. The more we become conscious of how blessed we are, the more our capacity for loving others increases. It also demands that we challenge our instinct to retaliate when faced with danger instinctively --- for example, when someone speaks unkindly of us, our urge is to return it with equally hurtful (sometimes more spiteful words). This challenge calls for introspection and a conscious effort to respond with love and mercy.

Our Savior points out that when evil is returned for evil, it only increases the measure of evil around us. The best way is to remain in God's grace and return evil acts with good deeds, with the strength and conviction not from our own but of the Holy Spirit already in us --- given in Baptism and Confirmation. This guidance from the Holy Spirit empowers us to act with mercy and love, even in the face of adversity.

GOD's mercy towards us must shape and direct our ability to be merciful to others, too.



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