



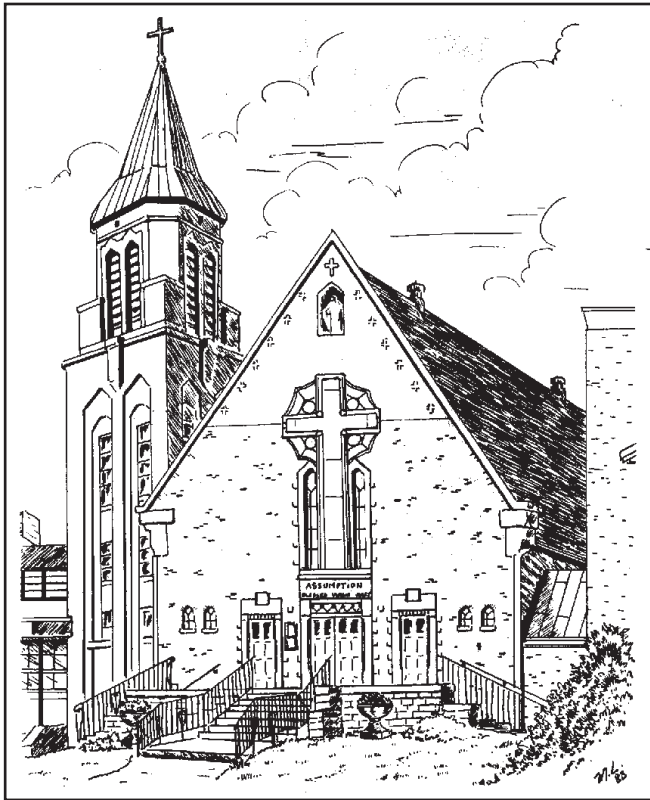
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor:	Rev. Fr. Francis Victor Mateo, OFM Conv.
Deacons:	Rev. Paul Beaudoin Rev. Ricardo Santiago
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 - 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, Claude Cloutier, Cora Guillermo, Glenda Hadloc, Lucienne Sabourin, Ryan Kane, Ben Malicdem, Edelaine Piol, Deacon Paul Beaudoin, Charles Hebert, Claire Kiruhira, Theresa Akan and Maxima de Leon.

February 3, Saturday 9:00AM – **MEMORIAL OF ST. BLAISE** (red) – Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Fatima *by Flor Marcelo*; †Veronica Bolanos *by Gilma Masis*; 4:00PM – **SUNDAY LITURGY** (green) – Emilie Forro Huesca (birthday) *by Nena Coronel*; Karen Hulme *by Jean & Theresia Quesnel*

*“Rejoice always,
pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God
in Christ Jesus for you.”*
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

February 4 – **5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** (green) 9:30AM – Roberto, Nahia & Julie Madlansacay (healing); † Betty Barrett *by Frank Barrett*; †Pia Obero; 12:00NN – Alma David (birthday); †Joaquina Garcia & all departed members of her family; † Serquia Yayong; 7:00PM – Pro Populo

MASS INTENTIONS: In the 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 you for *your understanding and cooperation*.

February 5, Monday 8:00AM – **Memorial of St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr** (red) – †Carl Manuel Forro *by Nena Coronel*

POPE FRANCIS’ PRAYER INTENTION
February 2024
for the terminally ill
We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment

February 6, Tuesday 8:00AM – **Memorial of ST. Paul Miki and Companions** (red) – Anibal Bolanos (health & wellbeing) *by Gilma Masis*; †Carmen Morris

February 7, Wednesday 8:00AM – **MASS in honor of OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP** (white) - †Frances Connelly; †Basil St. Pierre

February 8, Thursday 8:00AM – **FERIAL DAY** (green) – Francine Lachance; †Cecilio Vistavilla *by Nena Coronel*

February 9, Friday 8:00AM – **Ferial Day** (green) (– Denise Ann Forro (birthday) *by Nena Coronel*; Rose Lachance; †Ruby Arriola *by Danny & Nora Arriola*

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

WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT
January 27 & 28, 2024 - \$2,594.

February 3 - Memorial of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr. St. Blaise was a good bishop who worked “hard to encourage the spiritual and physical health of his people.” He was martyred in the city of Sebastea, Armenia in 316.

After the morning MASS (9AM) we will have the blessing of the throat. This belief comes from a story of St. Blaise healing a woman’s son from choking on a fishbone. The use of candles in the blessing recalls a story in which a woman sent St. Blaise candles while he was in prison so that he might be able to read Scripture. This act of gratitude was prompted by St. Blaise commanding a wolf to return to the woman her pig, which the wolf had stolen. In addition to healing throats, St. Blaise was known for healing animals and being able to command them.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

**SATURDAY MORNING MASS
Feb. 3 & Mar. 2 only**

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

February 11 - WORLD DAY OF THE SICK. The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. Today on the **Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes** we remind ourselves that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. We must also recognize the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care workers and institutions as well as pastoral givers to restore health of those afflicted with illness and diseases.

February 14 – ASH WEDNESDAY. The Mass at 8AM is cancelled. Instead, **we have Masses at 9:30AM and at 7PM.** In the morning the students and teachers of Assumption School (*parishioners are invited to participate*); The evening Mass of the parish will be presided by Rev. Fr. Joe LeClaire.

Reflection on the Reading at Mass (Job 7:1-4, 6-7)

Last Sunday, we reflected on how we are to be **modern-day prophets** who “guide others to see the Holy Spirit at work in our daily life and not be superstitious people who try to predict or control the future.” It is essential to repeat this truth since nowadays there are lots of videos on social media of those so-called “feng shui masters,” people who identify themselves as “white witches” or fortune tellers --- they make predictions of events that await famous actors, well-known politicians and people in general. Some even venture into predicting worldwide issues of war, health concerns, and economic success or downtrends. Of course, not all people will believe them, but what is somewhat alarming is that all of them claim that they also act as guides and that their forecasts are from a particular power or are still dependent on a God they recognized.

What a misleading game they play!

Like Job of the Bible, we all muse on our life’s purpose. In the **FIRST READING**, he laments about the depths of his suffering like anyone who has a terminal illness. He cries about the shortness of his life in the same way that we sometimes wonder why a loved one dies young. All these reflect the reality of suffering that comes to all of us. Like Job, let us turn to God, especially when we are being tested and challenged by life’s difficulties. **Let us ask His providential care and put our complete trust in Him, who is faithful in all his words and kind in all His works (Psalms 145:13-14)**

SCHEDULES of LECTORS and EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION

February 10 at 4PM – Crizel Abulencia and Edgar Piol with Nick Murillo; **February 11** at 9:30AM – Janice Opinaldo and Gina Distor with Nora Horrigan; 12:00 PM – Helen Belda and Lani Agustin with Noly Formoso; 7:00PM – Edgar Piol and Manny Beloy with Yola Beloy

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