



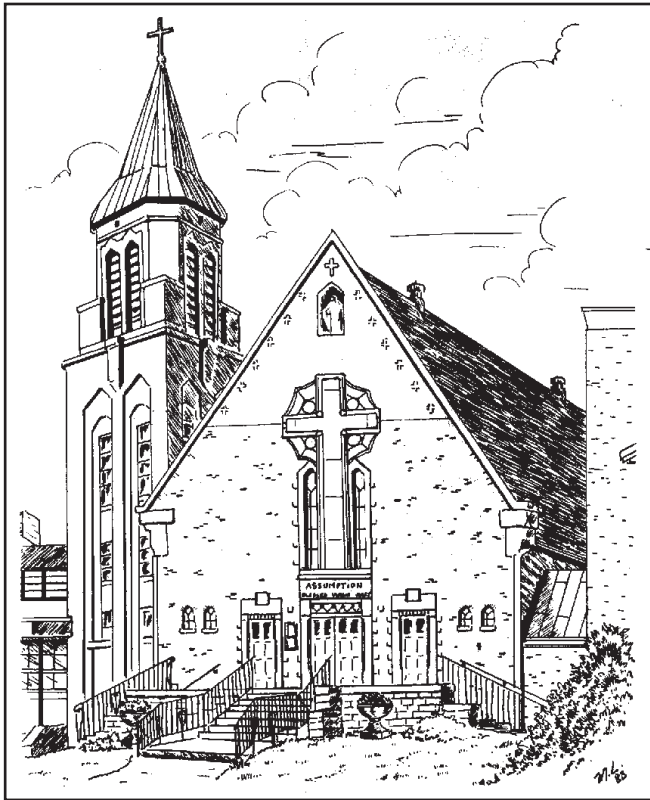
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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, Lina Groulx, Edelaine Piol, Deacon Paul Beaudoin, Charles Hebert, and Theresa Akan.

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*.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION
January 2024**

For the Gift of Diversity in the Church

We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of
HOLY COMMUNION**

January 20 at 4PM – Edgar Piol and John Anethua with Melchor Tejero; **January 21** at 9:30AM – Susan Teodoro and Janice Opinaldo with Emilyn Suficiencia; 12:00 PM – Elisa Pulmano and Naty Recario with Nora Cerda; 7:00PM – Nora Mercader and Don del Castillo with Noly Formoso

2023 TAX RECEIPTS are now available for pick-up by the main entrance of the Church.

2023 Collection of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is \$3,139.00. The amount was already submitted to them and was duly acknowledged.

Mass Intentions for the Week

January 13, Saturday 9AM – **Our Lady's Saturday** (white) – Emelyn Forro (birthday) *by Nena Coronel*; †Kwok Chun Chung *by Mary Stanton* 4PM – **SUNDAY LITURGY** (green) – Shaira Jade Forro (birthday) *by Nena Coronel*; †Gerry Buchanan *by Mary Stanton*; †Maria Bocin.

January 14 – **2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time** (green) 9:30AM – Frank Barrett (health & wellbeing) *by Danny & Nora Arriola*; †Betty Barrett *by Frank Barrett*; 12:00NN – Thanksgiving *by John & Aisha Turingan*; Zairah & Jocelyn Bernabe (blessings); Nestor Agustin (birthday) *by Lani Agustin*; †Fernando Mendoza *by Merly Ardidon*; †Agustin Tomas *by Resie Miranda* 7:00PM – Pro Populo

January 15, Monday 8AM – **Ferial Day** (green) – Zairah & Jocelyn Bernabe *by Jocelyn Bernabe*

January 16, Tuesday 8AM – **Votive Mass of St. Anthony of Padua** (white) – Thanksgiving for 53rd Wedding Anniversary of Danny & Nora Arriola; †Betty Barrett *by Frank Barrett*

January 17, Wednesday 8AM – **Memorial of St. Anthony, Abbot** (white) – Zairah & Jocelyn Bernabe (blessings)

January 18, Thursday 8AM – **Ferial Day** (green) – Manuel Carl Forro (birthday) *by Nena Coronel*

January 19, Friday 9:30AM – **Ferial Day** (green) – Assumption School Mass

WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT

Jan.6 & 7, 2024 - \$2,176.

 *Many Thanks!*

PLENARY INDULGENCE on the Occasion of the 8th Centenary of the CHRISTMAS as experienced by Saint Francis of Assisi

Who can gain this indulgence? All Catholics and those who are sick

When? From December 8, 2023, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to February 2, 2024, the Feast of the Presentation in the Temple of Our Lord Jesus Christ

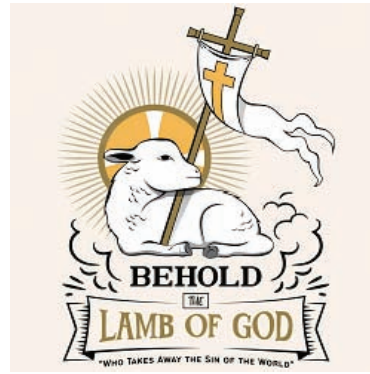
Where? At the ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH (Vanier) and in any other churches pastorally managed by the Franciscan families throughout the world

How? For those who are ill or home-bound can equally benefit from the gift of the plenary indulgence, *by offering their sufferings to the Lord and carrying out practices of piety (kissing the Bible or the crucifix).* Those who are well needs to fulfill the usual conditions of: (1) a whole-hearted detachment from sin of any kind by going to sacramental CONFESSION, (2) participating actively at in a MASS, (3) PRAYING IN FRONT OF THE NATIVITY SCENES for the intentions of the Pope with the invocations: *Jesus, Mary and Joseph – have mercy on us AND St. Francis of Assisi – pray for us.*

PLEASE PICK-UP your 2024 COLLECTION ENVELOPES at the main entrance of the church. **For parishioners wanting to register, for income tax purposes,** please contact the office by phone or email giving your name, address and phone number. THANK YOU.

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION AND FIRST RECONCILIATION/1ST COMMUNION (Confirmation Date is May 4, 2024)

We are now accepting registration for reception of these Sacraments. For more information and registration, please contact the office by phone or email (**Deadline - January 5, 2024**).



This **Second Sunday of Ordinary Time**, we listen to John the Baptist, who, when he sees Jesus passing by, points Him out to his disciples, saying, **“Behold, the Lamb of God!”** (John 1:36).

John the Baptist recognizes Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah, the one who will take away the sins of the world. He invites his disciples to shift their focus from himself to Jesus, acknowledging that Jesus is the one they should follow.

Upon hearing this, two of John’s disciples decide to follow Jesus. They begin to walk behind Him, and Jesus turns to them and asks, **“What are you looking for?”** (John 1:38). This question was directed at those two disciples and each of us. What are we seeking in our lives and the deepest desire of our hearts?

Like the apostles, **Jesus calls us to “come and see”** (John 1:39) -- to encounter Him personally and have a relationship with Him. We must focus deep into ourselves, seeking Him with all our hearts. Then, by His grace and our cooperation – when we listen to God’s inspiration and follow his direction willfully --- Jesus shall transform us into His faithful disciples.

GOD calls and leads us. May we respond wholeheartedly to the call of Jesus. May the words of Scripture and the disciples’ example inspire us to deepen our relationship with Christ and live out our faith with joy and conviction. Let us always remember that **Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life** and that through Him, we can find true fulfillment and eternal life.

*“I delight to do your will, my God. Your law is in my inner being!
See, I do not restrain my lips; as you, LORD, know.” – Psalm 40:9-10*



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