

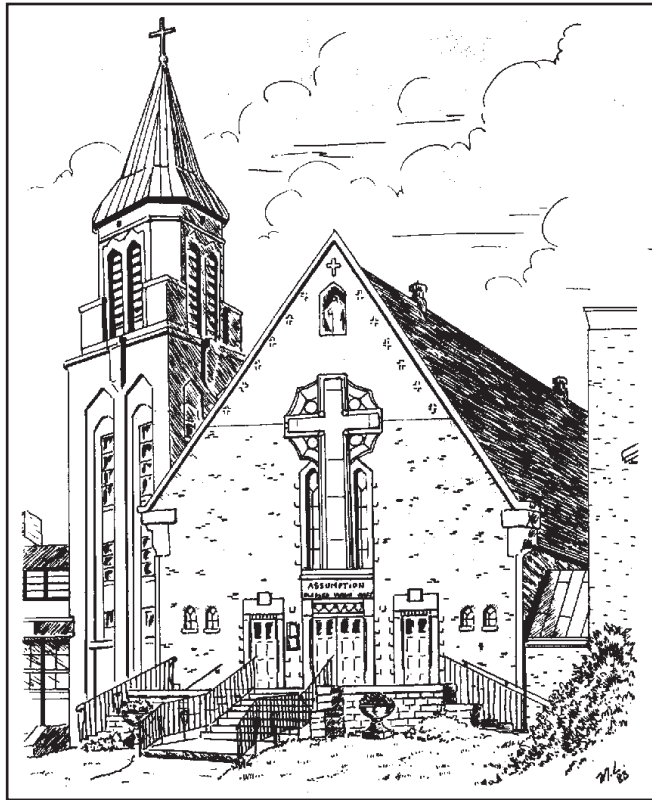


# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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 First Friday of the month 8:30 to 9:00am

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:	Dr. Alfredo Formoso
Temporal Council Chair:	Art Guillermo
Administrative Assistant:	Nora Arriola
Resident Friars:	Rev. Fr. Maurice Richard, OFM Conv Rev. Fr. Jeremiah Arguelles, 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 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** - 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.

**We welcome new members and visitors to our parish. Thank you for praying with us and for helping build a Christian community**

**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.

**ALL are requested to pray for the gift of healing of the mind, body and spirit** of Fr. Pedro Arana, Claude Cloutier, Lucienne Sabourin, Diane Dunn, Cora Guillermo, Ryan Kane, Carol Lee Kane and Marissa Sanchez. *May we be able to reach out to them in compassion.*

**SCHEDULE of LECTORS and EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of HOLY COMMUNION - Jan. 28 & 29**

February 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm – Jennifer Cortez & Tony McNeil; Lori Scott

February 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am – Michelle Alfeche & Richard Fairweather; Jennifer Cortez; 12:00pm – Nora Cerda & Edgar Piol; Helen Belda 7:00pm – Irish Olano & **Noly Formoso**; Gloria Piol

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION  
January 2023**

*We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.*

**REMEMBER to PRAY for the Eternal Rest of BENEDICT XVI**

**Regular Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Jan. 28 – SATURDAY 9:00am – Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas** (white) †*Anselmo & Cirila Alcalá*; Thanksgiving by Flor Marcelo & Carmencita Sarmiento; 4:00pm – **Sunday Liturgy** – (green) †*Gertrude Noordman & Bob Chapin*

**Jan. 29 – 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY in Ordinary Time** (green) – 9:30am †*Manuel & Naty Forro by Nena Coronel*; 12pm – *Dominador Suganob (healing) by Ishi & Boggs Olano*; 7pm – Eternal Rest of Feliciano Mateo Sr., Antonio & Milagros Dimaangang, Onisima Gacita.

**Jan. 30 – MONDAY 8am – Ferial Day** (green) *Birthday blessings for Rosauro Victoria by Joyce Victoria*; †*Ponciano, Flaviano & Danilo Forro by Nena Coronel*; †*Jack Grogan by Peter & Nenita Clark*

**Jan. 31 – TUESDAY 8am – Memorial of St. John Bosco** (white) †*Cristina & Xian Cris Coronel by Nena Coronel*; †*Jack Grogan by Peter & Nenita Clark*

**Feb. 1 – WEDNESDAY 8am – Votive Mass of Our Lady of Perpetual Help** (white) *Birthday blessings for Rodrigo Coronel by Nena Coronel*

**Feb. 2 – THURSDAY 8am – Feast of the Presentation of the Lord** (white) *Birthday blessings for Rita Piosca Canonoy by Nena Coronel*

**Feb. 3 – FRIDAY 8am – Memorial of St. Blaise** (red) *Birthday blessings for Emilie Forro Huesca by Nena Coronel*; †*Avelina Nunez Ison by Roselyn & Doming Sabarre*

**WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT**

Jan. 21 & 22 - \$2,131.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT and CONFESSION** – every First Friday after the Mass (8:30 – 9:00 AM only).

**OFFERING ENVELOPES 2023** are available since December 2022 at the main entrance of the church. **We cancelled the envelopes of all inactive accounts in 2022.** So, for those whose envelope number is between 201 to 300, you have now a new number. For any clarification, please call the parish office. THANK YOU.

**CONDOLENCES.** The parish community wishes to express its condolences to Francis Barrette and his family on the passing on of their beloved Betty. All are requested to continue praying for the eternal rest of her soul and for comfort to the bereaved.

**YOUTH LCS – young people ages 12 to 22 are invited** to gather for LIFE IN CHRIST SEMINAR beginning this Friday evening of January 27 continuing the whole day of January 28 and up to 1PM in January 29. The venue will be at St. Francis Hall of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. The program includes group sessions, confession time and a concluding MASS. Meals & refreshments will be provided. We look forward to a weekend filled with fun, prayer and fellowship! **Interested?** Call JOVER (647-882-2116) or NICK (613-858-3106).

**WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE. February 2, 2023** is designated as a day of thanksgiving for the religious vocations in the Church. All Catholics are asked to pray for those who dedicated themselves in religious life --- for their sincere and holy vocations.

**BLESSING OF THROATS. February 3 within the celebration of the 8AM Mass,** there will be the traditional blessing of throats through the intercession of St. Blaise.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION  
February 2023**

*We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.*

***From the PASTOR's OFFICE***

Last weekend, we reflected at MASS about our dignity as God's children and on Jesus' invitation to all to share in His mission as lights that guides and leads others toward Him, the Son of GOD.

This **4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**, we are led by the Word of God to consider the proper attitude of the children of the Almighty Father --- HUMILITY.

The First Reading from the Book of the Prophet **Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13** states, "They shall do no wrong and speak no lies; nor shall there be found in their mouths a deceitful tongue; they shall pasture and couch their flocks with none to disturb them."

In the Gospel, Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who fully reveals the loving plan of the Creator Father, gives us the Beatitudes (**Matthew 5:1-12**), which is what it meant to follow Him. But sadly, this is a faith life that many people in the world consider as the ways of fools.

How come, why? St. Paul has the answer: "Rather, *God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise, and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong, and God chose the lowly and despised of the world, those who count for nothing, to reduce to nothing those who are something so that no human being might boast before God"* (1 Corinthians 1:26-31).

Fools in the eyes of the world, we may be. On this, we need not defend ourselves. Instead, we remember the words in the Book of Proverbs: "Even a fool, when he keeps silent, is considered wise; When he closes his lips, he is considered prudent" (**Proverbs 17:28**).

ARE YOU READY? Remember God's blessings in your life. Be mindful of His strength in every challenge you have experienced. **Let our lives bear witness.**

*"Seek the Lord*

*--- you who have kept His commands."*





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