

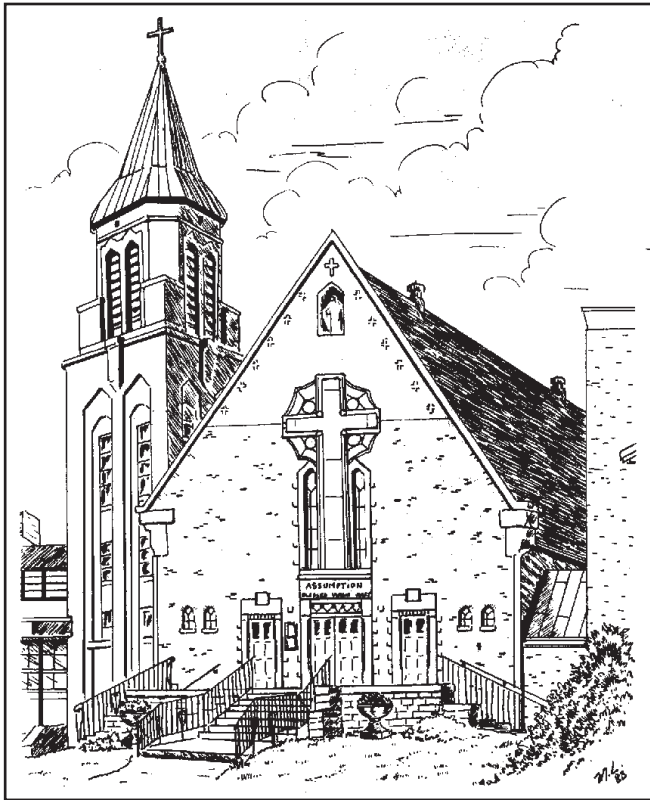


Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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.

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

*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, Fr. Leonides Mateo, Claude Cloutier, Lucienne Sabourin, Elaine Aldeguer, Betty Barrett, Diane Dunn, Cora Guillermo, Ryan Kane, Carol Lee Kane and Marissa Santos. *May we be able to reach out to them in compassion.*

SCHEDULE of **LECTORS** and **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS** of **HOLY COMMUNION** - Jan. 14 & 15

January 14th at 4:00pm – Manny Beloy & Lori Scott; *Noly Formoso*

January 15th at 9:30am – Lynn Obero & Michelle Alfeche; *Nieves Murillo*; 12:00pm – Lisa Pulmano & Nora Cerda; *Nora Arriola*; 7:00pm – Nieves Murillo & Nick Murillo; Irish Olano

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

SATURDAY, **Jan. 7** – 9:00am – Intentions of the Pastor (healing of various people); *†Deceased donors Assumption Parish. 4:00pm (Vigil Mass of the Epiphany) – Pro-populo intentions*

SUNDAY, **Jan. 8** – **Epiphany of the Lord** 9:30am – *Mary Stanton & Family (well-being) by Danny & Nora Arriola; 12pm – Well-being of the volunteers & donors Assumption Parish. 7pm - Well-being of OFMConv donors, Eternal Rest of all † deceased benefactors of the parish*

MONDAY, **Jan. 9** 8am – *Sr. Anne Penya & Sharia Jade Forro (birthday) by Nena Coronel; Danny & Nora Arriola and Family (well-being) by Mary Stanton*

TUESDAY, **Jan. 10** at 8am – *Well-being of Nena Coronel & Family by Danny & Nora Arriola*

WEDNESDAY, **Jan. 11** at 8am – *†Annabelle Cumagon by Nena Coronel*

THURSDAY, **Jan. 12** – at 8AM – *Well-being of Paul Lefebre, Raymonde Libel's recovery from illness*

FRIDAY, **Jan 13** at 8AM – *Well-being of Marie-Pauline Desjardins; Intentions of Perez family*

WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT

Dec.24 & 25 - \$5,412.

Dec. 31 & Jan. 1 - \$2,485. (2023)

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

JANUARY 8, 2023

REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE of the Church basement hall entrance, toilets and stage. Last December 2022, we had automatic door repaired, the main entrance was repainted, the dropped ceiling installed, ceiling lights are changed using LED lights. The three toilets were upgraded with easy to open doors while the inside walls were repainted. Its total cost is **\$12,672.55**.

CHRISTMAS GIFT BAGS! From the goods offered by many during our Christmas Novena Masses last December 15-24, 2022, we are able to prepare ten (10) gift-bags for needy families within the parish community. Sometime during the weekdays, it will be distributed to identified beneficiaries by some of our volunteers. THANK YOU and GOD BLESS you for your charity.

FIRST RECONCILIATION and HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION SESSIONS. This are virtual sessions to prepare baptized children for their first reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Scheduled on eight consecutive Sunday afternoon (1:30 - 2:30 PM).

The first session will be this January 8 and will continue until February 26, 2023. Parents of the participating children have the first session with Fr. Victor Mateo, OFMConv., the Pastor of Assumption Parish. For further information or to register your child kindly contact the Parish office.

YOUTH LCS – young people ages 12 to 22 are invited to gather for **LIFE IN CHRIST SEMINAR** from January 27 (evening), January 28 (whole day) and January 29 (up to 1 PM) at the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish - St. Francis Hall).

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).

From the PASTOR'S OFFICE

Dear Parishioners and friends at Assumption Parish:

CHRISTMAS SEASON is still here [ending this year on January 9 – Feast of the baptism of the LORD]. We celebrate the EPIPHANY OF THE LORD this Sunday, January 8, 2023.

In our Liturgy, similar to Christmas, we have a Vigil Mass and the Mass of the Day. For Catholics, this solemnity focuses on the *manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God, and Savior of the world. We celebrate the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighboring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as the Son of God and Savior of the world only by turning towards the Jews and receiving the messianic promise in the Old Testament. The Epiphany shows that "the full number of the nations" now takes its "place in the family of the patriarchs" and is made "worthy of the heritage of Israel. (cf. CCC 528)*

Therefore, today let us focus on the times Jesus manifested to the world who He is and His invitation to all to follow Him. **Let us remember that the light of Christ draws all men and women of goodwill to repentance and salvation.**

May the Epiphany bring you gifts of wisdom, kindness, and God's grace. I am praying that you have spiritual epiphanies that would lead you to a deeper appreciation of the Catholic Faith.

God bless you and all your loved ones!



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